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FROM THE MAYOR'S DESK

Achievements in 2008

Cloncurry Shire Council has achieved many of the goals it set itself after the March of 2008 election. One of the most important of these achievements was the securing of a reliable water source for Cloncurry with the announcement on 7 December 2008, that the state government had approved the 42.5 million dollar funding for the pipeline from Ernest Henry Mine. Construction of this will occur in 2009.

In this Council's first six months in office, we were able to financially pull ourselves out of the 'Jaws of Death'. This is a credit to all Council staff. Along with the Council being financially stable the morale of staff has increased and the Cloncurry Shire Council has become a nice place to work. We all have the same goals and want to achieve good things for the town of Cloncurry. Key positions within Council have been filled by what I think are high standard people who bring with them knowledge and skills which are of benefit to Council. For example, the Council employees on the town and bush crews are more confident and more skilled in performing their duties.

With the commencement of flights with SkyAirWorld out of Cloncurry, it has brought Cloncurry closer to the rest of Queensland. The community has opened up and embraced SkyAirWorld as they now have a choice of carriers and places to fly, with flights to Darwin proposed to start in the near future.

Goals for 2009

A major goal for Council in 2009 will be the redevelopment of the Shire Hall surrounds and the library. This development will benefit the Cloncurry community by providing up-to-date multi-media facilities in the library, state-of-the-art meeting rooms and commercial kitchen facilities. This redevelopment will give the town a focal point for events as well as being a community-friendly town square.

The Cloncurry Hospital Auxiliary Committee is raising funds to build a much needed Aged Care Annex on the Hospital grounds. These facilities are needed to enable the elderly and infirmed to stay in Cloncurry close to the support of family and friends. The Council is endeavouring to see this project go ahead in 2009.

Together with the dam, river wells, bores and the new pipeline, Council will be reinstating the weir across the Cloncurry River. It is envisaged that with all these systems in place, Cloncurry will be less likely to experience the hardships, in regards to water, that it has had to endure over the last few years.

There are also a number of other projects Council will be working towards such as the beautification of Ramsay Street, the Golf Course, Chinaman Creek Dam and residential & business gardens.

Andrew Daniels
Mayor

COUNCIL NEWS

PUBLIC NOTICE

SCHEDULE OF ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR 2009

Notice is given that the dates of the Ordinary Meetings of the Cloncurry Shire Council for 2009 are as follows:

17 February 2009
10 March 2009
21 April 2009
12 May 2009
9 June 2009
14 July 2009
11 August 2009
8 September 2009
13 October 2009
10 November 2009
8 December 2009

All Ordinary Meetings of Council commence at 8.00am and are held at the Cloncurry Shire Council Chambers 19-21 Scarr Street, Cloncurry.

RATES - 2008/09 SECOND HALF

The second half 2008/09 rates notices (for the period :
1January to 30 June 09) will be issued on Tuesday 24 February 2009.

The due date for payment (and to receive the discount) will be Thursday 26 March 2009.

Any queries please contact Council's Rates Officer at the Shire Office.

Registration reminder for backyard graziers

If you have **just one** or more head of cattle, sheep, horses (ponies, mules & donkeys), pigs, deer, goats, buffalo or camelids (alpacas & llamas) then you must register your property with the Department of Primary Industries and Fisheries (DPI&F).

People who own small acreage farms may be grazing calves, ponies, lambs or goats to keep the grass down or as pets and if so, they should contact DPI&F. They may need to receive a new property identification code (PIC) or register their animals under a current PIC.

Registration is an important element of identifying land parcels where livestock are kept or grazed, and this is crucial for trace back in the event of an animal disease outbreak.

As well as property registration, calves, lambs, kids and piglets along with adult stock must also have a National Livestock Identification System (NLIS) tag fitted before they travel to and from a place.

Keeping a few chooks (definitely no roosters in town though) and budgies in the backyard is not a concern, but where larger numbers are kept the place should be registered.

If you keep 100 or more poultry, including caged birds, on your property then you do need to contact DPI&F.

Failure to register your property is an offence and penalties of up to $4,000 apply

EARTH HOUR 8:30pm—9:30pm Saturday, 28 March 2009

Climate change is the most significant threat to life on Earth. We can all participate in this simple way of showing that our community cares for the environment.

Cloncurry Shire Council is pleased to be participating in this event.

In Australia

- 11 million Australians
- 250 councils
- 250,000 individual registrations
- 10,000 organisations/ businesses

Global

- 1 billion participants

For further information contact Ian Smith on 4742 4100 or ians@cloncurry.qld.gov.au

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY 2009

Schools—27 February 2009
Community 1 March 2009

Clean Up Australia Day is an opportunity for the community to show pride in the place that they live.

This year, one site has been identified so far.

Please gather at 9.00am on 1 March 2009 at Cloncurry Cemetery to fill out registration papers.

The event should only go for a couple of hours, so drop in and lend a hand.

If there is a site that you feel should be included contact Ian Smith on 47424100.

MOSQUITO NEWS

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Council is working towards a reduction in mosquito borne diseases. The most common of these is dengue fever.

- **Tip out containers that which can hold water**
- **Store containers in a dry place**
- **Throw out containers that aren't required**

Symptoms include:
Sudden onset of fever
Intense headache, especially behind the eyes
Muscle and joint pain (ankles, knees, elbows)
Loss of appetite, vomiting, diarrhoea
Minor bleeding (nose or gums)
Skin rash
Extreme fatigue
Further information call 1800630003

If you locate an area that requires attention, please contact Environmental Health Services at the council offices on 4742 4100.

Where are mosquitoes usually found?

Most adults spend the day in damp, shady areas where they can find protection from the sun; some of them will even hide in your house. Mosquitoes need water to lay their eggs in and plants to hide in so they are usually found around water and plants. Mosquito eggs are laid on water or damp soil where the young mosquitoes grow and develop.
Different mosquitoes prefer different kinds of water. Some use natural sources of water such as swamps or ponds and others prefer water in swimming and wading pools, old tires, watering cans, flower pots, bins, etc. When the young mosquito turns into an adult, it leaves the water and flies away.

How long do mosquitoes live?

Most female mosquitoes live for less than 2 weeks and most male mosquitoes live for less than a week.

However, when the conditions are right, some mosquitoes will live up to 8 weeks. The life cycle of all mosquitoes includes four different stages: egg, larva, pupa, and adult. Adult mosquitoes are the only ones that fly.

The following personal protection measures are effective in reducing
contact with mosquitoes:

 Scheduling outdoor activity to avoid the hours between dusk and dawn when mosquitoes are most active.

 Using mosquito repellents, making sure to follow directions on the label.

 Wearing long-sleeved shirts and long pants. This may be difficult to do when the weather is hot, but it will help keep mosquitoes away from your skin.

 Making sure screens are repaired and are tightly attached to doors and windows.

 Removing standing water from ditches, gutters, old tires, wheel barrows, and wading pools.

Mosquitoes that bite people can begin to grow in any puddle or standing water that lasts for more than four days, so avoid letting water collect around your home.

 Avoiding camping overnight near freshwater. If you do go camping, use a tent with mosquito netting and use appropriate repellents.

BUSINESS NEWS

Since 2005, Ideas2Market has assisted more than 1,000 entrepreneurs to take their ideas to market.

An initiative of the Queensland Government's Department of Tourism, Regional Development and Industry, the Ideas2Market small business program is delivered by the Australian Institute for Commercialisation (AIC) to provide innovators and small-to-medium-enterprises (SMEs) with information and skills to improve their competitive advantage.

This one-day workshop is a comprehensive introduction to starting (or considering expanding) a business and taking an idea to market. It is designed for those who would like to start (or considering expanding) a business, novice inventors, or those with early-stage business ideas.

Topics include, but are not limited to: determining feasibility, business planning, intellectual property such as registering trademarks, market research and entry strategies for start-ups, accessing funding, government grants and commercialisation pathways.

When: Tuesday, 17 February, 09
Time: 8:30am for 9:00am start concludes by 5:00pm.
Where: All Seasons Verona, Cnr Rodeo Drive and Camooweal Street, Mount Isa
Cost: $110 per person -includes course materials and morning tea, lunch & afternoon tea

Don't miss this great opportunity!

To register simply complete the attached registration form or call the Education & Events Coordinator on 07 3853 5292 or contact via email ideas2market@ausicom.com
More information also available at www.ausicom.com

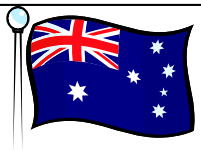
WHAT'S ON IN THE CURRY

ROTARY MERRY MUSTER AWARDED FUNDS FOR CLONCURRY AIR SHOW

The Rotary / Merry Muster have been awarded a Q150 grant to conduct an air show on Saturday 1 August 2009.

Local MP Betty Kiernan attended the launch of the air show on 15 December after the Premier announced the funding on 10 December 2008.

Anyone who is interested in assisting can contact :
Carlie Remfrey:0428 421 666



Australia Day 2009

Australia Day at the recreation grounds was a great success, with all funds raised donated to the Cloncurry Hospital Auxiliary.

Congratulations to the following award winners:

Keith Douglas Jnr - Citizen of the Year
Nicole Bulley -Young Citizen
Beverly Wardrop - Cultural
Zachary Fickling -Sport
Mavryn Remfrey - Sport
Trenton Bell - Sport
Cloncurry Rotary Merry Muster Ambassador Quest
Larinda Turrell - Sport
Kolt Ferguson - Achievement
Noel Strugeon - Achievement
Vince Doherty - Achievement
Tom O'Brien - Achievement
Kieran Weller - Achievement

CLONCURRY UNITING CHURCH DATE CLAIMER

Cloncurry Uniting Church will be celebrating the 50th anniversary of the completion of the church building on the weekend of 4th & 5th April 2009.

Plans are underway to ask as many people involved in the church over the past 50 years to come back to the Curry and to join the community of Cloncurry to celebrate and give thanks for the people who had the foresight to build the church.

All inquiries can be made to Helen & Don Govan on 4742 0920 (after hours) or 0427 739 523.

The Rotary Club of Cloncurry is holding an Amateur Photography Competition Open to all Residents. Young and Old.

Competition closes 23.02.09.

Competition rules and entry form can be picked up from:

- TAFE Campus,
- Esdale Sinclair & Assoc Ramsay St. or ph:

Bob Hardy 0401 243 797,
Lynne Vernon 0409 264 420
Narelle Marsh 0429 336 518.

This is a free competition and winners will be published in the 2009-2010 Rotary Club Calendar.

Photograph must have been taken in last 12 months.

BECOME A LION

Fellowship….good times… meeting people…building lasting friendships….service to the community….learning new skills… leadership and personal development – these are just some of the benefits of being a member of Lions, the world's largest and most active service organisation.

Lions have been a part of the Australian community since 1947, serving the people without promise or want of reward. Lions are people like you!

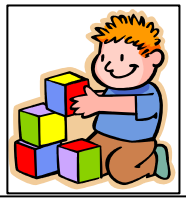
Joining Lions is by invitation, but applications are encouraged from all members of the community. Membership is for men and women over 18 and of good moral character and reputation.

If you would like to learn more about becoming a Lion please contact Helen Govan (secretary) on 4742 0920 or 0427 739 523.

Claim the Date for your 2009 event!

Have you claimed the date for your 2009 event? There is lots happening with QLD celebrating it's 150 birthday so claim the date today so not to miss out!
Call Gail Wipaki today to get your event on the 2009 calendar, PH 4742 1361

COMMUNITY NEWS

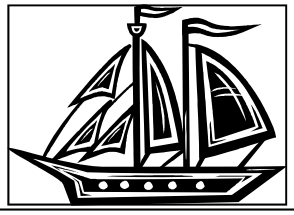


Curry Kids

Curry Kids Childcare Centre has vacancies for 2009.

Babies Room 0-15months
Toddlers Room
15months – 2 years
Tweenies Room
2 years – 3 years
Preschool Room
3 years – 12 years

For more Information please contact Amanda on 4742 1728 or visit the centre at 80 Steele Street Cloncurry.



The experience of a lifetime
A voyage on the Young Endeavour in 2009

Are you between the ages of 16-23 and interested in a unique challenge! Apply for a berth for a 11 day voyage on the Young Endeavour. It inspires teamwork, communication, leadership and a sense of community responsibility. Community groups can also create a scholarship and secure a berth. To apply or find out more about creating a scholarship call 1800 020 444 or visit www.youngendeavour.gov.au before the 1 March 2009.

NEWS FROM PCYC

On 5th February the Cloncurry PCYC will be hosts to 3 NRL players. There will be one player from each of the Cowboys, The Titans and the Tigers.

Members of the public are welcome to attend with an official function commencing at 9.00am.

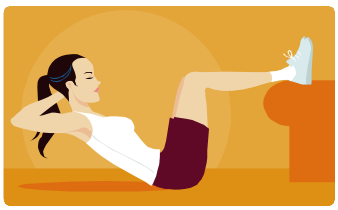
Players will be on hand after the formalities to sign and hand out posters and then will conduct a bit of a skills session for any interested kids.

The launch of an PCYC Cloncurry initiative for the 2009 football season is sponsored through the BHP Cannington Mines Community Partnership with the Cowboys Rugby League Football Club.

Through the support of Cannington and the Cowboys, kids and their families can come down to the PCYC and watch the football each week (Austar recently installed) and there will be fantastic incentives offered to the kids and parents who attend.

For further information contact Mick Hughes on 4742 1523

Circuit classes commence on Monday 2 February
6.30pm till 8.00pm



Health News

North & West Queensland Primary Health Care
Cloncurry Itinerary
February/ March 2009

February
2 - 4 Psychologist
Dementia Advisor

3 & 4 Cultural Liaison Officer
Physiotherapist

12 Speech Pathologist
Podiatrist

12 & 13 Occupational Therapist
Dietitian

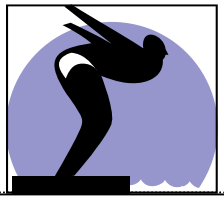
18 & 19 Psychologist

March
4 & 5 Cultural Liaison Officer
Occupational Therapist
Psychologist

17 & 18 Dietitian
Psychologist
Podiatrist
Physiotherapist

More Information:
Flinders Health Clinic: 4742 233
Cloncurry Community Health: 4742 1102

Please call above numbers to confirm and make bookings



Cloncurry Swimming Club

The Cloncurry Swimming Club are commencing operations for another season.

This is a great way of meeting people and keeping fit.

For more information contact Andrea at the Wagon Wheels Motel on 4742 1866

COMMUNITY NEWS

John Flynn Place

"A monument to the vision of a mantle of safety over the inland"

Cnr Daintree & King Sts, Cloncurry

Opening Hours
Monday—Friday
8.00am-4.30pm
Weekends (May-Sept)
9.00am-3.00pm

(John Flynn Place commemorates the founding of the Royal Flying Doctor Service).

CURRY DAY

Sunday 15th March 2009
3.00pm to 7pm
Cloncurry/Mary Kathleen Park

Theme = Green with all colours of the Rainbow

Activities
Market/Merchant Stalls
Afternoon tea
Displays
Cold drinks
Music, Games/prizes
Lions BBQ
Face painting/Fairy cave
Jumping Castle
Costume Parade 4pm

Why not come along for a wee bit of fun and hopefully the odd Leprechaun or two may turn up.

All local community organisations are welcome to participate and conduct promotion of their 2009 events or maybe membership drive!

Further information contact Gail 4742 1361

Mary Kathleen Park Museum & Information Centre

McIlwraith Street, Cloncurry

Mon to Friday
8am –4.30pm (Feb—Nov)
Weekend & Public Holidays
9am – 3pm (May-Sept)
Ph/Fax 4742 1361

Join Gail & Margaret for a historical view to the past; take a look at our great museum of treasures, from Burke & Wills history, Indigenous artefacts, letters from Ernest Henry plus photos and more from a by-gone era. Book a tour to the Ernest Henry Mine. Tour leaves the Park every Wednesday & Friday at 10am May to October. Please book the day before tour on the above phone number.
Why not purchase something to remind you of Cloncurry or send a gift to someone. Select from the wide range of souvenir & gifts including tea-towels, placemats, postcards, magnets, Cloncurry T-Shirts, stubby coolers, Vanessa Jewellery and much more.
The centre is also an agent for the sale of Fossickers Licences: receive sound local knowledge of the area and fossicking sites.
Relax & enjoy the BBQ/Picnic and playground area
Mary Kathleen Park Sunday Markets every 4th Sunday of the month 9am to 12pmMay to October.

Anyone wishing to hold a stall please contact the above phone number.

Rainfall recorded at Mary Kathleen Park between 1st—30 January 2009 = 528mls

Are you having an event, book the venue today;

Shire Hall/Supper Room
Recreation Grounds
Racecourse

Call Council office today and speak with Ian (Community Services Officer) to book the venue you require so you don't miss out*
**Some fees may be associated with hiring a venue*
Contact: Ian Smith
4742 4100

Youth Week

28 March 09– 5 April 09
MAKE A MOVE

Celebrating youth in our community.

Activities include:
Hip Hop Workshops
Gladiator Competition
Youth Forums
Driving Workshop
Disco's
And lots more……

For more information contact:
Karen Elphick 4742 4100
Mick (PCYC) 4742 1523
www.youthweek.com.au

COMMUNITY NEWS

GRANT & FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Gambling Community Benefit Fund

Closes 28 February 2009

Funding: up to $30,000

Purpose: to support the capacity of community organisations and groups to provide services, leisure and opportunities for Queenslanders.

Funding may be provided for a variety of projects;

- Sport and Play equipment
- Community arts and recreation events
- Conferences
- Community education activities
- Volunteer support research projects

And many more!

Further information:
www.olgr.qld.gov.au/grants/gcbf/index.shtml
Freecall 1800 633 619

Healthy Queensland Awards—2009

Entries close 27 March 2009

Categories

Healthiest Community
Healthiest School
Healthiest Workplace

How to enter:
www.thepremier.qld.gov.au or visit
www.keepaustraliabeautiful.org.au/qld

SWIMMING POOL HOURS

The Cloncurry swimming pool has now re-opened after extensive cleaning and maintenance.

Opening Hours for February & March 2009:-

Monday to Friday:-
6:00am to 11:00am and
2:00pm to 7:00pm

Saturday & Sundays:-
10:00am to 7:00am

Subject to change.

QLD Youth Parliament Nominations OPEN

Nominations are now open for those young people who are interested in being part of 2009 Youth Parliament?

Nominations for the 2009 Queensland Youth Parliament will open on Tuesday the 27th of January and will remain open until Friday the 20th of February.

Visit http://www.ymcaqyp.org/ for the online nomination form and download a printable version:

To find out more information you can also join the YMCA Queensland Youth Parliament myspace or facebook.

Have you got something to share with the Cloncurry Community?

THEN LET US KNOW!!!
The Cloncurry Shire Council will be printing the April/May newsletter Tuesday 24 March 2009.

Information deadline is Friday 22 March 2009.

If you would like something added, please contact Ian Smith, Council's Community Services Officer: Ph: 47424100 or email ians@cloncurry.qld.gov.au

Community Meeting Dates

Why not get involved in the community and go along to a groups meeting.

Lions Club 1st & 3rd Monday of the Month
Leichardt Hotel

Girl Guides
Every Tuesday 5.00pm-.630pm
Guide Hut,
Cnr Uhr and McIlwraith St

Rotary 7pm,
PH: Michelle Mitchell ,
4742 1495

February

3 Merry Muster & Airshow, Shire Hall meeting rooms
PH: Carlie Remfrey
0428 350 158

17 5pm, Cloncurry State School P&C, School Library
PH: Karen McGee 47422204

March

17 5pm, Cloncurry State School P&C, School Library
PH: Karen McGee 47422204

Does your group have a meeting date coming up and you would like to let the community know about it? Please contact Ian Smith Community Services Officer on 47424100 or email ians@cloncurry.qld.gov.au
Next newsletter April/May, deadline 22 March 2009

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

March 2009
1st Cloncurry Rotary Markets, Florence Clarke Park
Ph: Narelle: 4742 2847

15 th Curry Day, 3.00pm—7.00pm
Mary Kathleen Memorial Park
Ph: Gail: 47421361 or

April 2009
4th Cloncurry Rotary Markets, Florence Clarke Park
Ph: Narelle: 4742 2847

25th ANZAC Day
Service and March
Ph: Carl Neilson: 4748 4979

May 2009
2nd Cloncurry Rotary Markets, Florence Clarke Park
Ph: Narelle: 4742 2847

16th Race Meeting*
Cloncurry Racecourse
Ph: Karen Elphick: 4742 4100

16th Cloncurry Sports Expo
Cloncurry Recreation Grounds
Ph: Karen Elphick: 4742 4100

18th Cloncurry School Sports Expo
Cloncurry State School
Ph: Sally Lambert: 4724 4500

23rd Diamonds and Pearls Ball
Celebrating 30 years of the Cloncurry Racecourse
Cloncurry Shire Hall
Ph: Donna: 0417 998 378

24th Mary Kathleen Park Sunday Markets
Mary Kathleen Park
Ph Gail: 4742 1361
or 0419 758 831

June 2009
4th Q150 Steam Train arrives in Cloncurry
Cloncurry Train Station
Ph: Ian Smith: 4742 4100

6th Cloncurry Rotary Markets
Florence Clarke Park
Ph: Narelle: 4742 2847

8th Q150 Steam Train returns to Cloncurry

June—cont.
12-14th Cloncurry and Districts 24th Annual Show
Cloncurry Recreation Grounds
Ph: Chris Chaplain: 4742 5005

28th Mary Kathleen Park Sunday Markets
Mary Kathleen Park
Ph Gail: 4742 1361
or 0419 758 831

July 2009
3-5th Annual Rockhana—Gem and Mineral Festival
Mary Kathleen Park
Ph: Gail: 47421361

4th Cloncurry Rotary Markets, Florence Clarke Park
Ph: Narelle: 4742 2847

4-5th Inaugural Western Games Cloncurry and Mt Isa
Ph: Karen Elphick: 4742 4100

17-19th Stockmen's Challenge and Cloncurry Campdraft
Cloncurry Recreation Grounds
Ph: Peter Dowling: 4742 2448

25th Quamby Rodeo
Quamby
Ph: James Pavy: 0427 562 117

26th Mary Kathleen Park Sunday Markets
Mary Kathleen Park
Ph Gail: 4742 1361
or 0419 758 831

31st Cloncurry Merry Muster Rotary Mardi Gras
Cloncurry Township
Ph: Colin Ferguson: 0417 604 460

August 2009
1st Cloncurry Air Show
Cloncurry Airport
Ph: Kirstin Westerman: 0412 390 572

1st Cloncurry Rotary Markets
Florence Clarke Park
Ph: Narelle: 4742 2847

1st Race Meeting*
Cloncurry Racecourse
Ph: Karen Elphick: 4742 4100

August—cont.
1-2nd Cloncurry Merry Muster Rotary Rodeo
Cloncurry Recreation Grounds
Ph: Colin Ferguson: 0417 604 460

23rd Mary Kathleen Park Sunday Markets
Mary Kathleen Park
Ph Gail: 4742 1361
or 0419 758 831

September 2009
5th Cloncurry Rotary Markets, Florence Clarke Park
Ph: Narelle: 4742 2847

12th Race Meeting*
Mining Expo
Cloncurry Racecourse
Ph: Karen Elphick: 4742 4100

12-15th Ernest Henry Memorial Art Show
Cloncurry Shire Hall
Ph: Theresa: 4742 1614

27th Mary Kathleen Park Sunday Markets
Mary Kathleen Park
Ph Gail: 4742 1361
or 0419 758 831

October
3rd Cloncurry Rotary Markets, Florence Clarke Park
Ph: Narelle: 4742 2847

17th Battle of the Mines Rugby League Carnival
Cloncurry Recreation Grounds
Ph: Bob Hardy: 0428 112 186

27th Race Meeting*
Quamby Cup
Cloncurry Racecourse
Ph: Karen Elphick: 4742 4100

November 2009
8th Cloncurry Rotary Markets, Florence Clarke Park
Ph: Narelle: 4742 2847

December 2009
5th Cloncurry Rotary Markets, Florence Clarke Park
Ph: Narelle: 4742 2847

The Cloncurry Christmas Festival. (date to be confirmed)

* Race Meeting dates to be confirmed

If your event does not appear on this list please call Ian Smith on 4742 4100 or email ians@cloncurry.qld.gov.au
Or Gail 4742 1361