



A Remarkable Experience

District Council of
Mount Remarkable

February 2021

Newsletter 251

JANUARY COUNCIL MEETING SNIPPETS

To view the agendas, reports and minutes please visit www.mtr.sa.gov.au

Community Plan 2021-2031

Council has adopted the District Council of Mount Remarkable Community Plan 2021-2031, previously known as Strategic Management Plan and will begin utilising and promoting to the community.

Appointment of Independent Members to the Governance Advisory Panel

Council has appointed Ted Byrt, Kathy Jarrett and Andrea Malone to the Governance Advisory Panel as independent members and will officially meet as a committee in March 2021.

Rubble Raising 2021

Council agreed to raising the cubic metre rate to \$0.50 as part of the 2021/22 budget deliberations and authorised the CEO and Manager Infrastructure & Regulatory Services to enter into negotiations with property owners over possible new rubble pit locations.

Next Council Meeting—16 February 2021

To be held at the Wilmington Bowling Club. Community Question Time will commence at 4:00pm, followed by the Council meeting at 4:30pm.

Note: View updated *Informal Gathering notices* advised via www.mtr.sa.gov.au



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Australia Day 2021 Celebrating Community



DCMR Citizen of Year Award - Barry Graham with family at the Booleroo Centre Bowling Club.



DCMR Community Event of the Year - Northern Passenger Transport Network 20th Anniversary Celebration at Paradise Square, Melrose. Pictured - Lyn Forster, Cynthia Arthur and volunteer team.



Bern Schmidt (Pictured Peter Schmidt) won the Annual Giant Yabby Competition at the Wirrabara Australia Day Breakfast held at Wongabirrie Park.



Bob Middleton was awarded the Wilmington Citizen of the Year at the Wilmington Australia Day held at the CFS Shed. Pictured with Progress Society President, Betty Oram.



Pictured cutting the cake - Ulrike Heck was awarded the Port Germein Citizen of the Year at the Port Germein Australia Day held at the Foreshore.

Council Commits to Developing The Bluff

After years in the making, the District Council of Mount Remarkable has reached a point in which Council has resolved to deliver The Bluff at Wirrabara.

“The people of Wirrabara and the surrounding area have been longing for this moment. Having been struck by disaster by the Bangor fires, The Bluff has been seen as one project in which to give stimulus and growth back to the immediate area” said Mayor Heaslip.



Pictured with Mayor Heaslip, the Hon. Geoff Brock MP during a visit on 27 January 2021.

The Bluff project is a unique tourism based project that will allow members of the public to travel to the top of the Southern Flinders in the Wirrabara Forest area by road, in which reaching the top an appropriate viewing platform will be available for people to view one of the most awe-inspiring views of the region.

“The experience is priceless, and every time I take someone to The Bluff to see the view, they are speechless. Most recently I had the pleasure of taking Tony Modra and his family to The Bluff, and their facial expressions said it all” said Mayor Heaslip.

Council has engaged an appropriate contractor after completing an open tender process for the construction of the access road and viewing platform.

Council is aiming for a completion of the project by the end of June 2021, of which an appropriate official opening will be scheduled in time for the peak tourism season of the broader Council area.

Remarkable Experience...



Citizenship Ceremony

2 Feb 2021

Congratulations to our newest Australian citizen, Lydia Walter who was sworn in at a citizenship ceremony with Mayor Phillip Heaslip on Tuesday 2 February 2021.

Pictured with Mayor Heaslip, Lydia Walter, Andrew Walter and their daughters, Callie and Elsie.



Expression of Interest - RICOH Photocopier

This photocopier is in excellent condition and would be ideal for any local business or community organisation that requires multiple printing and scanning functions.

For more information, please contact Craig Mudge, Manager of Corporate Services on 08 8666 2014 during office hours.

Pay your rates the easier way with EzyBill

Council would like to introduce a new system for receiving your rates notices by email, with EzyBill.

EzyBill is a software program that has been designed to send rate notices to property owners by email. To start this process, you will need to create your EzyBill account and register the assessment/s you own in District Council of Mount Remarkable. Your next rate notice/s will then arrive electronically via your nominated email address.

To sign up:

- Visit <https://mtr.ezybill.com.au/>
- A page will open that will look like the image below

Sign-in to your ezybill.



Is this your first visit to ezybill?
Let's get your account set up. [Sign up now.](#)
Haven't seen your activation email? [Resend it now.](#)

Email or Username (required)

Password (required)

[Forgot your password?](#)
Don't have an account? [Sign up now](#)

[Sign-in](#)

- Click on **sign up now**
- Complete the registration form
- An activation email will then be sent to you
- Open the email and select to activate your account
- Register your properties and you will receive your future rate notices via email

Following this process, you will receive your quarterly notices through EzyBill. Please note, all other notices, including overdue notices and other Council correspondence, will continue to be sent to your postal address. It is the rate payer's responsibility to notify Council of a change in address, so please ensure that you keep your contact details with Council up to date.

After the 3rd quarter rate notices have been sent, Council will transition to using the EzyBill system exclusively for all rate notices that are to be sent electronically. If you currently receive your rate notice by email and want to continue with this delivery method, you will need to sign up to EzyBill. Please note, once you sign up for electronic rate notices you will not receive a paper copy unless you cancel this service.



HARD WASTE MARCH 2021

Hard waste collection is scheduled to commence in March. Stay tuned for more information.

CORELLA CULLING – PERMISSION TO ACCESS PRIVATE PROPERTY

Council is seeking property owners permission to have Council representatives (Shooters Group) cull Corellas around the townships of Wirrabara, Booleroo Centre, Melrose, Wilmington, Hammond, Bruce and Port Germein. Township residential properties will be excluded due to public safety concerns.

To request permission for Council to access your land, property owners will need to complete a form available on the Council website (www.mtr.sa.gov.au) or Council Office (3 Stuart St Melrose) and must return by **Wednesday 17 February 2021**.

Further information about when the process will commence will be sent via email once permission forms are returned.

How to lodge a Customer Service Request (CSR)

Also known as a request for service, a customer service request is available to the public to make an application for Council to take some form of action to provide or improve a Council service.

Council is committed to the provision of quality service to customers and aims to provide services fairly and efficiently. It also monitors requests to identify ways in which it can proactively improve its services.

Residents and ratepayers can make a request in a number of ways:

- Complete the appropriate form on the Council website– www.mtr.sa.gov.au/forms

- Telephone
- Fax
- Email
- Letter
- Visit in person at the Council Office

For more information regarding Customer Service Requests, please contact the Council 08 8666 2014.

WHATS HAPPENING IN THE COMMUNITY?

Clean Up 

STEP TO UP CLEAN - UP -

SUNDAY 7 MARCH

Clean Up Australia Day in Wilmington

Sunday 7th March 2021 9.30am to 12:00pm

Free BBQ lunch to finish

Meet at Beautiful Valley Park, junction of Horrocks Highway and Bassington Terrace alongside the Rodeo grounds

Children require parental supervision

RSVP to Michael Wigg on 0429 692 926

Australian Government Mobile Service Centre Visit

Australian Government mobile service centre will be setup in Booleroo Centre on March 5 2021 from 9:30am to 3:30pm.

The service provides face to face and self service assistance for rural families, students, job seekers, people with disability, carers, farmers and self employed. Pop this date in your diary to make a visit to discuss issues or make an inquiry.



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Sunday, February 28th / 11am - 3pm / Wilmington Town Oval

MARKET & FOOD STALLS

EDUCATIONAL STALLS

ARID EXPLORERS SCAVENGER HUNT

SUPPORTED BY: Wilmington Progress Society Inc. Beautiful Valley Op Shop

Peter Taylor Photos

AMUSEMENTS

GUEST SPEAKER:

MARY O'BRIEN from

"ARE YOU BOGGED MATE?"



Wilmington Family Fun Fair Council Information Stall

The District Council of Mount Remarkable will be attending the Wilmington Family Fun Fair on Sunday 28 February 2021 to provide community members the opportunity to meet some Elected Members and learn more about Council and the activities it undertakes on behalf of the community.

Council will also offer information about the Northern Passenger Transport Network to promote the service and seek potential volunteers. Some Council staff will also be present to provide any information or advice.

2021 Community Assistance Grant Program

visit www.mtr.sa.gov.au
to download
forms and guidelines

APPLY NOW



Applications Close
5pm March 1 2021

