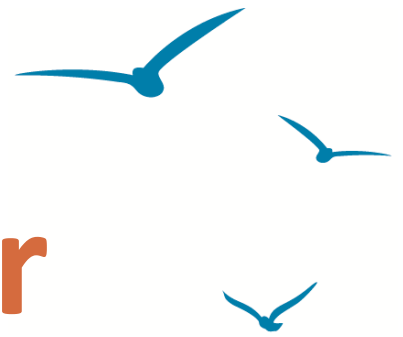




## Mid Murray Council

# Newsletter



### A Message from the Mayor

November 2016

We continue to be subject to additional responsibilities being imposed on us from the State Government. Three pieces of legislation that does this, include the following:-

- Dog and Cat Management Act 1995
- Local Nuisance and Litter Control Act 2015
- Planning, Development and Infrastructure Bill 2015

The additional responsibilities without any financial reimbursement, make it more difficult for us to not only maintain but provide more services and projects for our communities. Some of the projects and services we have undertaken over the last few months are as follows:-

- Work for the Dole Projects have been undertaken for the Palmer, Milendella and Mannum cemeteries, Crawford Crescent Walkway upgrade at Mannum, Palmer Lookout cleanup and at the Mannum Dog Park - installation of shelters.
- Work for the Dole Projects scheduled to be undertaken over the next 6 months will involve the continued repair and upgrade of walking tracks at the Mannum Waterfalls, installation of a shelter area at the top end of the waterfalls, better signage, Caloote Cemetery upgrade and fencing of the Pug and Pine Cottage in Mannum.
- Various strategies and control methods in relation to Corellas will be undertaken within our budget allocation of \$10,000.
- A draft Shack Settlement Wastewater Management Position Statement will be developed for consideration by Council and we will also liaise with the Murraylands and Riverland Local Government Association regarding a review of the Development Planning Policy within the River Murray Water Protection areas.
- Small Community Grants were approved for 13 organisations totalling \$6,500.
- We are obtaining information regarding the Federal Government funding for the release of the Carp Herpes Virus for biological control and particularly management plans for the clean up associated with this project.
- Following consultation we have applied to the State Minister for Industrial Relations for the abolition of the Proclaimed Shopping Districts in Mannum and Morgan.

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## A Message from the Mayor Cont'd

- We have not been successful in obtaining funding in the 2016/17 Federal Government Black Spot Program for the Mannum - Murray Bridge/Belvedere Road intersection (near Mannum) to make it safer. However, this project will now be considered under the 2016/17 State Government Black Spot Program.
- Following the adoption of our new Community Plan 2016-2020, an Organisational Review of the Council will be undertaken to align the Organisational Structure with this new Plan.
- Funding of \$3,432 will be provided to the Riverland West Chamber of Commerce for projects and outcomes specific to Cadell, Morgan and Blanchetown.
- It was great to see the completion and the official opening of the Morgan Lions Rail to River Adventure Park and the PS Morgan Replica Paddle Steamer Play Structure on the 26 October and the official unveiling of the Morgan Mural on the 29 October 2016. Well done to all the volunteers involved in both of these.
- In conjunction with the Mannum Health Advisory Council, the planning, design, costing and obtaining approvals has enabled commencement of the construction of the Mannum helipad. This was only able to be done with the generous donations from the community and business organisations of \$143,000 and \$50,000 from the State Government.
- A new Office, Reception area and some new Executive Cabins at the Mannum Caravan Park were constructed.
- We are obtaining some funding from the State Government for a replica Shearer Car to be displayed at the Mannum Dock Museum.
- Hosting of the Women of the River Exhibition at Mannum, Swan Reach and Morgan.

Council assists and supports various events and has been pleased with the attendance at the monthly Mannum Markets. Approval has been issued for various road closures for the All Steamed Up at Mannum Family Fun weekend on 19 and 20 November 2016, which features the largest display of Blacksmiths in South Australia, live entertainment and diesel, steam, historical and rare engines in operation.

Approval has also been issued for the Sounds by the River Concert on Saturday 14 January 2017, the Morgan Christmas Pageant and Fair and the Mannum Christmas Pageant and Street Party.

We continue to push to get the State and Federal Governments to provide funding for OPAL (Obesity Prevention and Lifestyle) Program throughout our Council area.

I wish everyone a happy and safe Christmas and New Year and look forward to continuing to work with all of our community businesses, sporting organisations and volunteers and communities in 2017.

*Mayor Dave Burgess*

## What's on in Mid Murray this Summer

### **Mannum Riverside Markets**

9am-4pm at Arnold Park, Mannum  
Held on the first Sunday of every month

### **13 NOVEMBER**

#### **Murraylands APEX Mannum Fun Run & Walk**

From 8:15am at Mary Ann Reserve, Mannum

### **19-20 NOVEMBER All Steamed Up**

9:30am-4pm each day at Arnold Park, Mannum Dock Museum & Mary Ann Reserve

### **25 NOVEMBER Mannum Christmas Tree Festival**

9am-4pm at the Mannum Leisure Centre

### **3 DECEMBER Mannum Christmas Pageant**

6:30pm-10pm at Randell Street, Mannum

### **10 DECEMBER Morgan Christmas Fair & Pageant**

From 3pm at the Morgan Riverfront

### **17 DECEMBER Mannum Carols by the River**

7:30pm at Mary Ann Reserve

### **31 DECEMBER Mannum New Years Eve Fireworks**

Midnight at Mary Ann Reserve, Mannum

### **14 JANUARY Sounds by the River**

2pm-10:30pm at Mary Ann Reserve, Mannum

### **26 JANUARY Australia Day Celebrations**

You can find more information about these and other upcoming events under the Experience tab on Council's website.

## Christmas/New Year Holiday Closures

The offices of Council will close at 5:00pm on Friday 23 December and re-open at 9:00am on Tuesday 3 January 2017. All waste disposal sites will be closed on Christmas Day and New Years Day. General household and recycled waste collections over Christmas and New Year will take place as per normal.



## River Murray Zone Development Plan Amendment



In recent years, Council has been reviewing the zoning provisions for the River Murray Zone. This Zone covers an area of 1-2 kilometres either side of the River Murray and includes Shack Settlements, however, it excludes townships. Public consultation occurred on this project earlier in 2016 and in recent months updated planning policies for this Zone have been endorsed by Council. One of the key changes is to include additional allotments being rezoned for shack development in Swan Reach and at Walker Flat (Rob Loxton Road). The proposed rezoning is currently with the State Government for final approval and it is hoped that these changes can be implemented prior to the end of 2016.

## Southern Heritage Development Plan Amendment

Council has commenced a review of sites and structures of local heritage value in the southern areas of the Council area (south of Swan Reach/Sedan). The aim of this project is to develop planning policies that encourage conservation of heritage sites/structures, whilst also allowing for adaptive reuse to occur. One outcome of this project will be the creation of a "Local Heritage Places" list. It is anticipated that a two month public consultation on this exciting heritage project will occur in February/March next year (subject to State Government approval).

## State Government Planning Reforms

Over the last few years, the State Government has been undertaking a review of the South Australian Planning and Development system. New legislation has been passed by State Parliament and a staged rollout of reforms to the State's Planning and Development system will occur over the next 5 years. This is aimed at streamlining development assessment and rezoning processes, as well as encouraging Councils to focus more on planning at a regional level. More information on the planning reforms can be found at [www.dpti.sa.gov.au/planning/planning\\_reform](http://www.dpti.sa.gov.au/planning/planning_reform).

### Fire Danger Season

It has reached that time of the year where residents and visitors in the Mid Murray Council area must consider the requirements of the Fire and Emergency Services Act 2005 when lighting fires.

It will be necessary to obtain a permit for any fires in the open during the Fire Danger Season. Permits will not be issued for burning off before 1 February 2017.

Residents and visitors are reminded that Police Officers and Council Fire Prevention Officers are empowered to issue 'on the spot' fines for certain breaches of the Fire and Emergency Services Act 2005.

Information regarding the lighting of comfort fires and barbeques can be obtained from Council's Fire Prevention Officers at the Cambrai office on 8564 6020.

Further information can also be obtained from the CFS hotline on 1300 362 361 or website at [www.cfs.sa.gov.au](http://www.cfs.sa.gov.au).

### Flammable Undergrowth

Property owners are reminded to remove flammable undergrowth from all blocks within townships and shack areas. Flammable undergrowth should be controlled on blocks throughout the year not just during the Fire Danger Season. Property owners and residents are asked to play their part in keeping our community safe, so please ensure that fire prevention work required on your property is undertaken. If you require more information in relation to fire prevention please contact a Fire Prevention Officer at the Council on 8564 6020.

## Protect Yourself Against Mosquito Bites!

It's mosquito season again and Council is asking residents to cover up by wearing long loose fitting clothing and using an insect repellent containing DEET or Picaridin. Try to avoid going outside during dusk, burn some citronella candles upwind and check fly wires on doors and windows. Check your home to ensure there are no pools of stagnant water in places such as pot plants, gutters, septic tanks, dams and rainwater tanks (paraffin oil can be put into the tanks).

Council is continually monitoring mosquito numbers and treating mosquito breeding sites but mosquito numbers can only be controlled to a certain degree so it's most important to cover up when going outside. For further details please contact an Environmental Health Officer at the Cambrai office on 8564 6020.



## It's Time To Get Active This Summer....

With summer upon us, there's no better time to get outdoors, get active and enjoy the sunshine.

With one in four children in South Australia being either overweight or obese, Mid Murray OPAL are looking at a range of short and long term initiatives to support local kids and families to get physically active more often.

**Murraylands APEX Mannum Fun Run and Walk:** For the fifth year running, the **FREE** community event is to be held on Sunday, November 13 at Mary Ann Reserve (Mannum) where everyone can take part in 3 and 5km walks, 5 or 10km runs, gopher categories or the Under 10's kids dash. Murraylands APEX will be providing a **FREE** healthy breakfast for participants. For further information or to register online, visit Mid Murray Council's website [www.mid-murray.sa.gov.au](http://www.mid-murray.sa.gov.au) or you can find a hard copy at one of Council's offices in Mannum, Cambrai or Morgan.



**Murray Coorong Trail:** Construction will soon start on the Murray Coorong Trail thanks to a financial boost from the State Government's Community Recreation and Sport Facilities Program. The project was awarded \$280,000 in July to complete construction of 25 kilometres, being the Trail's first stage in each district – Mid Murray, Murray Bridge and Coorong. Once complete, the 450 kilometre trail, designed for walking, bike riding and some sections of horse riding, will promote wellbeing, encourage tourism and business expansion, showcase our River and Coorong and conserve and protect biodiversity. As part of the second phase of consultation for Mid Murray, two information sessions were held late September/early October engaging

the community in trail alignment, surface type and future development of the trail.

**Open Space, Recreation and Public Realm Plan:** Following on from the recent Community Plan, Mid Murray Council is preparing for the future of their townships open space, key recreation facilities and public realm areas. The draft is due to be released later this year. During July, Council's project team ran community workshops in Keyneton, Truro, Swan Reach, Morgan, Cambrai, Mannum and Palmer to gather feedback on the community's open space preferences. As part of the strategic direction, a Master Plan is being advanced for Mary Ann Reserve at Mannum, in partnership with the local community. Hundreds of people have engaged in interactive consultation sessions during October and November, with large participant numbers attending the Open Space, Recreation and Public Realm stall at the Mannum Riverside Markets on 6 November 2016.

Further information on the above community initiatives can be found on Council's website [www.mid-murray.sa.gov.au](http://www.mid-murray.sa.gov.au) or by contacting Amy Loechel, OPAL Manager, on 8569 0100.

## Summer Swimming Season - Cambrai and Mannum Pools

Get fit and healthy this summer by utilising the pools at Cambrai and Mannum. The season commences on Monday 21 November 2016 and concludes on 26 March 2017, so there are plenty of opportunities to get swimming! As well as being fun, swimming is a great way to keep fit. Some feature activities throughout the season will include; aqua fitness classes, yoga in the water and a school holiday snorkelling program. This season we are partnering with the Murray Bridge Swimming Centre in order to offer greater value when purchasing a season ticket (for either Cambrai or Mannum). A limited number of season passes will also include one free family pass to the Murray Bridge pool, so make sure you get in quick and snap up one of those. Look forward to seeing you at the pools!

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