



SHIRE OF KOJONUP E-NEWS

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COUNCIL BRIEFS

Australian Charities and Not-for-Profit-Commission (ACNC)

The Council received an Officers report regarding the Shire of Kojonup's eligibility to establish a Community Fund to raise funds for Health/Medical Services.

Outcome:

- Local Governments are not eligible to register with the Australian Charities and Not-for Profits Commission (ACNC);
- The establishment of a Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR) for the operation of a medical centre/allied health building is not permissible; and
- An incorporated body can change its Terms of Reference to include the use of its funds to construct and or manage a building however, DGR and ACNC approval to the change will only be issued if it relates to a Public Hospital, Museum, Library or a public authority/institution engaged in research into the causes, prevention or cure of disease in human beings, animals or plants, a hospital carried on by a society or association, a registered health promotion charity.

Kojonup CRC

We provide the following update to clarify the Council's position regarding the Kojonup CRC:

- While the Council values the CRC, it does not have the capacity financially to support the CRC in its current form. The Council has made it clear that we will ensure essential services provided by the CRC will continue if the CRC closes.

These essential services include;

- access to Government services such as Centrelink.
 - access to Computers, Internet and printing.
 - provision of space for Koji News to continue production.
 - provision of meeting spaces.
- The Council has not made any decisions regarding the existing building, nor regarding where these services may be provided, although the library has been suggested as a possible location should the need arise.

Memorial Hall and Old Post Office - Paving/Stormwater Drainage

In accordance with the Shire's building maintenance program, new paving and stormwater drainage has been installed to divert water away from these two buildings to prevent water undermining footings and brickwork. The entrance to the Council Reception Room Foyer has also been raised to improve accessibility and works on installing a path access at the Old Post Office are progressing.

See "Regulatory Services" for photos of works undertaken at the Old Post Office and Reception Room Foyer.

Questions Raised with Darren West MLC at the Great Southern WALGA Zone Mini Conference 29 June 2018

1. Regional Aged Accommodation Programme (RAAP)

To address the shortage of quality and affordable housing across the upper Great Southern region, nine local Governments developed the Great Southern Housing Initiative (GSHI). The GSHI

aims to deliver independent living aged accommodation units and key worker housing in the participating local government areas in response to a critical shortage of quality, affordable and dedicated housing across the local government area.

The 'Great Southern Aged Accommodation Project' (GSAAP), the subject of a grant application to the Regional Aged Accommodation Program (RAAP), is a standalone project which will deliver 21 dedicated housing units across five local government areas, designed to cater for and support Independent Seniors to remain in their regional communities.

The GSAAP seeks an investment of \$2,600,000 Royalties for Regions funding through the Regional Aged Accommodation Program with a total project value of \$8,253,650. This funding is leveraged by a total \$5,038,650 of Local Government funding, and a further \$615,000 in-kind, for dedicated aged accommodation.

The program timeframes for the RAAP state that the Assessment Panel would assess the applications by 29 March. The Minister was due to sign off on the recommendations on 29 April. This timeframe is important to us as we need to execute the Building Better Regions Fund agreement by 30 June 2018.

Questions

(1) Will the State Government support this project which demonstrates unprecedented co-operation across 7 Great Southern Local Governments and in so doing ensure the Federal Commitment of \$10million is not lost?

(2) When can we be assured of a response as it is a matter of urgency given the Federal Government timeframe extension ends 30 June 2018.

2. Live Sheep Trade

Will the State Government recognise that the live sheep trade is a vital industry for Western Australia and ensure the protection of this industry?

The Minister's call for halting the trade, even for a short term, has been very disappointing and shows a significant lack of understanding as to the impact such action would have on the survival of farmers? The whole industry should not be penalised for the actions of a few.

As concluded by the Federal Government, tighter conditions and supervision by professional personnel will ensure a repeat of the offending footage is not likely to occur and is the most sensible action in the first instance.

Answers to be included in next edition.



*Shire President
Ronnie Fleay*

*Chief Executive Officer
Rick Mitchell-Collins*

SPRINGHAVEN LODGE

There is no better way to mark the first day of winter than with warm and comforting Italian food.



Springhaven's residents celebrated Italian day with some Italian delights for morning tea to the sound of Yooa Kim playing the piano. They also played a sensory game with herbs bringing back many lovely cuisine memories.

Lunch followed with a delicious Lasagne and "Gelato" accompanied with traditional Italian music. Spirits were high, and the day was greatly enjoyed by all.



On 15 June Jean Smith celebrated her 94th birthday and on 21 June Jean Jenkins celebrated her 97th birthday. Both residents enjoyed their special birthday celebrations.

If anyone has a special talent, plays a musical instrument or if you have a special pet you would like to bring in for pet therapy with residents – please contact Jacky on 9831 2800.

Sue Northover
Manager of Aged Care Services
9831 2800

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

Rebates - State Government Rebate

The WA State Government have released the capping rates for the 2018/2019 Pensioner/Senior Rebates:

- Pensioners: 50% of rates capped at \$750.00
- Seniors: capped at \$100.00

Please note these are the same rebate amounts as last year.

Email My Rate Notice

It's almost that time of year

RATE NOTICE

The Shire is pleased to offer its ratepayers the opportunity to receive their rate notice via email. This convenient service saves paper and offers a quick and easy way for people to receive their rate notice.

To receive your rate notice via email, please contact council@kojonup.wa.gov.au with the following details.

Assessment Number:

Name:

Postal address:

Email address you would like the rates sent to:

Phone number:

NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

It Has Never Been More Important To Recycle Right

You may have recently heard in the media that China will no longer be accepting recyclable materials from Australia and a number of other countries around the world.

In the face of these global changes to the way that certain materials are recycled, the actions we take at a local level to minimise waste and recycle effectively have never been more important.

There is so much more that we can all do as individuals and as a community to separate items for recycling. Together we can work towards reduced contamination of recycled materials and less waste going to landfill.

Here are some simple ways that we can all make a difference:

1. Keep nappies and fabric out of your recycling bin.
2. Leave your recycling items loose inside the yellow top bin. Please don't put plastic bags full of recyclable items in the recycle bin.
3. Keep all food waste out of your recycling bin.
4. Wash out all glass and plastic bottles and containers and remove lids before recycling.



State NRM 2018 Stewardship Grants Announced

These Community Stewardship Grants support community-based projects that serve to protect and restore the local environment. They are a component of the State NRM Program, an initiative of the Western Australian Government and support the Western Australian Natural Resource Management framework.

There are two grants available:

- Community Stewardship Grants - Small. These community stewardship grants are valued between \$1,000 and \$25,000.
- Community Stewardship Grants - Large. These community stewardship grants are for projects between \$25,001 and \$450,000.

If you have any projects you think might be eligible, please call your NRM/Landcare Officer, Jane Kowald on 0428712050 or email landcare@kojonup.wa.gov.au. Applications close on 6 August 2018.

Learning More About The Red-Tailed Phascogale

Bush Heritage Australia's Kojonup Conservation Reserve was visited by 12 interested adults from Kojonup to Dumbleyung to learn more about the Red-tailed Phascogales that are living in the reserve.

There are 61 nesting boxes in the Kojonup Conservation Reserve that are monitored yearly at this time of year to determine the population size. The Red-tailed Phascogale population is relatively new to Kojonup, this once wide-spread marsupial was re-introduced to Kojonup in 2010.

The following extract is from Bush Heritage Australia's website at <https://www.bushheritage.org.au/newsletters/2016/25th-anniversary-2016/phascogale-leap>.

"Only a few years ago you wouldn't have found a Red-tailed Phascogale on Kojonup. Once widespread across the southern half of Australia, land clearing and predation had cornered these animals into a small section of WA's southern wheat belt. In 2010 the WA Department of Parks and Wildlife contacted Bush Heritage with a bold proposal: a 'wild-to-wild' translocation.

The idea was simple – moving a small proportion of a Phascogale population from elsewhere in the wheat belt and establishing a new, self-sustaining population amongst Kojonup's intact remnants of wandoo woodland. It was ideal habitat, benefitting from almost 15 years of Bush Heritage's careful management.

But a potential translocation was new territory for Bush Heritage. Protecting habitat had long been part of Bush Heritage's work – but intense species-level management like this was new.

Between 2010 and 2011, thirty Phascogales were released onto Kojonup Reserve just before their mating season. Trees on the property were fitted with wool-lined boxes to allow safe nesting and to increase their chances of survival. The results have been astounding.

"We've been seeing more individuals every year since 2011," Bush Heritage Ecologist Angela Sanders said. "This year we recorded 25 altogether. Since these critters are short-lived, all of these would have been born at Kojonup, which indicates the Phascogales are breeding – a wonderful sign."

Ms Sanders is now interested in the genetics of the phascogales, are the phascogales that have been caught related to the translocated phascogales or have they mated with an unknown wild population of phascogales?

The nesting boxes will continue to be monitored and they are being used frequently, but intermittently by the current population of phascogales. Ms Sanders says that the biggest problem they have is with the brush-tailed possums, who like to climb over the nest boxes, opening the lid and eating the young. "This can easily be fixed by a latch on the nest box" she said.

For any more information, please visit the Bush Heritage Australia's website, <https://www.bushheritage.org.au/> or contact your NRM/Landcare Officer.



Angela Sanders with some material from a nesting box.



Checking a nesting box

NRM/Landcare Office Closure

The NRM/Landcare Office will be unattended from the 29 June to the 17 July due to School Holidays. For any urgent enquiries, please phone the Kojonup Shire office on 9831 2400, or email council@kojonup.wa.gov.au

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM

Child Care Subsidy



Kojonup families who receive Child Care Subsidies should have updated their information on their myGov account by now to ensure that they continue to receive Centrelink payments from the 2nd of July. If you still need to update your information, remember that the Shire Library and Kojonup CRC have computers available so that you can complete the required forms.

Shire of Kojonup's NAIDOC Family Fun Day – Because of her we can!



BECAUSE OF HER, WE CAN!

8-15 JULY 2018

All community members are invited to come and join in at the Shire's NAIDOC event on Sunday 15

July from 10am to 3pm at The Kodja Place. Come and try traditional Noongar foods, making

damper, campfire and lots of free family friendly activities and crafts will be available on the day. The Kojonup Train will be running at 11am and the movie "Bran Nue Dae" will be shown from 4pm. Come and join in on the fun!

Broomehill Primary School Visit

On Friday 22nd June, The Kodja Place was visited by students, teachers and parent helpers from Broomehill Primary School.

The students spent the morning enjoying Billy Milo and Damper by the fire, a tour of The Kodja Place with Elder Jack, some painting and learning a Noongar song. Before the Students departed, they had some free time exploring the gallery and the Rose Maze.

"I just wanted to say a big thank you for the wonderful organisation that went into our visit on Friday. The students and staff were very impressed and enjoyed both the tour, damper and activities. We all learnt a lot and it linked beautifully to what we had been learning about at school." Morgan Dezotti, Principal Broomehill Primary School.

Schools that might be interested in having their classes experience The Kodja Place Gallery and Rose Maze should contact Kristel to discuss booking arrangements by phoning (08) 9831 0500 or by emailing bcc@kojonup.gov.wa.au





Are you a tourism operator? Use #JustAnotherDayInWA

Did you know that if you use #JustAnotherDayInWA when sharing great Instagram images Tourism WA's Digital Marketing Team are able to pick it up and repost it? This is a great way to raise your business' profile and the experiences you offer to visitors. Credits are always given and they will @mention your handle.

Grant Funding Opportunity: Community Participation Funding Grants

Please see below link to Community Participation Funding grants for eligible applicants to undertake activities that increase participation in sport and active recreation. Grants of \$1,000 to \$5,000 are available.

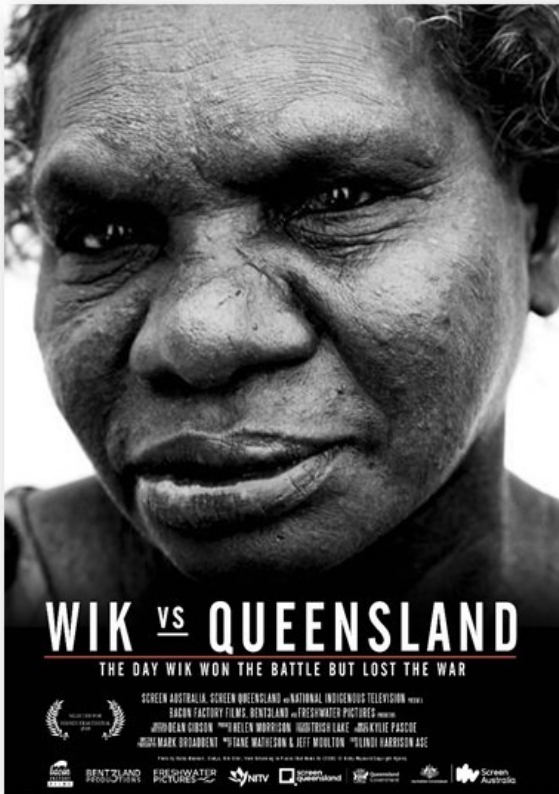
<http://www.dsr.wa.gov.au/funding/community-groups>

More information, including Funding Guidelines are available at the link above.

NAIDOC WEEK NEWS: Powerful feature documentary WIK VS QUEENSLAND premieres on NITV

“Standing ovation at the Sydney Film Festival for powerful feature documentary Wik vs Queensland as it heads to NITV for NAIDOC week”

The day Wik won the battle but lost the war



Recently the exceptional feature documentary *Wik vs Queensland* screened to almost 1700 people as part of the 2018 Sydney Film Festival. The audience response to the film was overwhelming, resulting in a standing ovation.

On Sunday July the 8th, the rest of Australia will have the chance to do the same, when *Wik vs Queensland* has its television premiere on NITV as one of the channel’s NAIDOC week flagship programs.

Wik vs Queensland tells the story of the Wik Peoples of Cape York and their native title claim in the High Court of Australia. The documentary forensically tracks the lead up to the historic High Court decision in December 1996, and the

dramatic cultural and political fallout that followed. It is a story that started in Queensland, but affected Australia nationally.

Set against the backdrop of one of the most tumultuous times in Australia’s history, the documentary offers a unique Indigenous perspective on those momentous events. Descendants of the courageous Wik leaders involved in the case, **Fiona Wirrer-George Oochunyung** (Granddaughter of Wik claimant Jean George), **Maree Kalkeeyorta** (Sister of Wik claimant Gladys Tybingoompa), **Keri Tamwoy** (Daughter of Wik claimant Alison Woolla), **Janine Chevathun** (Daughter of Wik claimant Norma Chevathun) and **Phyllis Yunkaporta** (Daughter of Wik Claimant Frances Yunkaporta), reflect on the very personal toll the battle took on their families and community.

Joining the Wik voice are notable Aboriginal leaders of that moment in history, **Noel Pearson**, **Marcia Langton AM**, **Senator Pat Dodson**, **Frankie Deemal** and **Peter Yu**. Alongside the legal team of **Walter Sofronoff QC**, **James Fitzgerald**, **Philip Hunter** and **Adrian Duffy QC** are interviews with media icon **Kerry O’Brien**, Khouri Mail past editor **Todd Condie**, and renowned anthropologist **Peter Sutton**.

Delicately woven around the interviews are exclusive archive clips from the Lew Griffiths Minamothu Library, providing a firsthand view of this turbulent time through rare, and/or never-before screened footage.

Writer/director Dean Gibson comments, “*Wik vs Queensland* is a film about power. It represents a snapshot into a heightened moment in Australian modern history that continued the ongoing arm wrestle between black and white Australia, and between Canberra and Aboriginal Communities. It exposes the power shifts, the politics of land, the tactics, the strategies and the power of press, told from the Aboriginal perspective.”

Producer Helen Morrison adds “Never before has this story been told in such depth, and with such authentic perspective from the Wik people. The

aftermath of the High Court decision and the way it played out across politics and the media, had far-reaching effects on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities across Australia.”

Wik vs Queensland is produced by Bacon Factory Films, Bent3Land Productions and Freshwater Pictures. It was commissioned by NITV with principal production funding from Screen Australia and in association with Screen Queensland.

Wik vs Queensland screens 8:30pm Sunday July 8 on NITV, and on SBS On Demand from July 9.

OFFICIAL WEBSITE: www.wikvsqueensland.com ;
OFFICIAL TRAILER:
<https://vimeo.com/269144909>

Bloomin’ Family Fun Day



We can now confirm that Kojonup’s Bloomin’ Family Fun Day as part of Kojonup’s Wildflower Festival will be held on the Public Holiday, **Monday, 24th September 2018**. Although a relatively new annual event on the Kojonup calendar, the last two years have proven it to be a fun day out for all the family.

Calling for Local Talent: Do you or someone you know have a special talent? Your child might sing like an angel or your Pop might be the best bush poet in Koji’, or you’re a budding musician or dancer and would like some experience performing to an audience? Why not share your talent during the family fun day? We would love to put together a program of local performers and entertainers for The Kodja Place’s staged area whilst giving you an opportunity gain exposure and experience. Please get in touch with our Visitor Services Officer, Cassandra at

vso@kojonup.wa.gov.au to register your interest or if you require more information.

EOI Stall Holders: We are calling for expressions of interest for local stall holders to take part in the day. You could be raising money for a local organisation or charity, a skilled craftsperson selling your wares or a small business that normally operates from home. Please email our Visitor Services Officer, Cassandra at vso@kojonup.wa.gov.au with your name, email, phone and type of stall or business. Please note spaces are limited so get in early.

Free Mammograms for KOJONUP Women



Breast cancer is the most common life threatening cancer for women and one in eight women in Australia will develop breast cancer in their lifetime. If you are a woman aged 40 or over you can access the FREE screening mammography service in Kojonup. BreastScreen WA’s mobile service will be located at Kojonup District Hospital, Spring Street from 18/07/2018 to 30/07/2018.

Having a screening mammogram (breast x-ray) every two years significantly increases the chance of a woman surviving breast cancer and reduces the amount of treatment required. More than 75% of breast cancers occur in women over the age of 50. Research shows that screening is most effective for this age group.

Screening mammograms may detect 70-90% of breast cancers and it only takes 20 minutes. BreastScreen WA encourages women to make an informed decision about having a mammogram. For more information please visit the BreastScreen WA website www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au

To make your free screening mammogram appointment – book online www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au or call 13 20 50.

Zahra Shirazee
Manager, Community Development & Tourism
9831 0400

REGULATORY SERVICES

The Old Post Office
Paving, Stormwater, Drainage Improvements



Before: stormwater undermining footings and brickwork.



Remediation of the site has now occurred.



The Old Post Office now features enhanced drainage and improved disability access.



Reception Room Foyer Entrance



Improved disability access



Memorial Hall



Before and after



Drainage improvements



Sporting Complex Update

On 27 June the contracts were signed for the construction of the new ramp and stair access at the Kojonup Sporting Complex. The contractor is scheduled to commence works on site the week commencing the 9th July. These works will complement drainage upgrades recently completed by Egabva Plumbing and Gas.

Access to the Complex building on pre-arranged days is being maintained. For your safety, facility users and visitors are asked to continue to adhere to safety signage and barriers.

We thank everyone for their patience during these works.

For more information please contact the Shire's Development Services Coordinator, Michelle Dennis on 9831 2424.

Mort Wignall

Manager Regulatory Services

9831 2407

WORKS AND SERVICES

Newstead Park – Community Feedback

Following on from our request on E-News and Facebook for the community to provide ideas for upgrades, new equipment or shade facilities at Newstead Park. We have had requests so far for a BBQ, shade and more seating.

The Shire would like to apply for a grant for some of these items and would like to hear your thoughts. Please contact Marina Murray at the Shire of 0428566527 or email: sh@kojonup.wa.gov.au.

Calling All Kids That Use Newstead Park

The Shire would like to hear from families who use or would like to use Newstead Park of any ideas, upgrades or possible new equipment that they would like to see at the park in the future. Please contact Marina Murray at the Shire on 98 312 900 or email: sh@kojonup.wa.gov.au

LOCAL AND REGIONAL EVENTS

Local Capability Fund – Western Australian Industry Participation Strategy (WAIPS Round)

The Western Australian Industry Participation Strategy (WAIPS) – Local Capability Fund (LCF) round is an initiative under the Government's Plan for Jobs.

The WAIPS aims to provide local businesses with full, fair and reasonable opportunity to access and win State Government supply contracts. In particular, it focuses on small and medium sized enterprises (SME's), which make up approximately 97% of businesses in Western Australia.

This LCF round will focus on competitive SMEs in Western Australia who are seeking to specifically enhance their capabilities, increase their competitiveness and better prepare to participate as suppliers of products, services and works to Western Australian State Government agencies and entities – the market.

Funding will be provided for the following eligible activities:

- Expert consultant services
- Equipment
- Improvements to internal business infrastructure and systems
- Training

Level of Funding

The level of funding support under this specific round of the LCF is 50% of eligible costs up to a maximum of \$20,000 (excluding GST) per successful applicant. The LCF is a re-imburement scheme and therefore successful applicants will need to pay for the activity before making a claim for the approved funding support.

Industry Engagement

In order to be considered for funding, applicants must detail within the application their engagement with the market, and provide evidence to demonstrate such engagement. The engagement must support the activities the applicant is seeking funding support for.

For more information, please contact Abigail Endersby - Phone: 9222 0470 or industrylink@jtsi.wa.gov.au

Application Form

Please contact Industry Link on 9222 0722 or industrylink@jtsi.wa.gov.au if you require a copy of the form in PDF format.



Do you know an outstanding Police Officer or Police Team? Nominate them today!

If you know of a WA Police Force officer or team who has excelled at their job, nominate them for this year's Nine News WA Police Excellence Awards.

The Awards recognise the hard work police officers contribute to the community of WA and highlights policing as a varied and challenging profession.

Members of the community can nominate an individual officer or unit, squad, team of detectives or frontline officers simply by completing an online form available from the WA Police Force website.

If you have any questions, or would like any further information, please contact Richard Patterson-Hyde via email Corporate.Communications.Branch@police.wa.gov.au or by phoning 08 9222 1202.



Because of Her We Can! NAIDOC WEEK 2018

The Kodja Place, Kojonup

Sunday, 15th July 2018, 10am – 3pm

NAIDOC Family Fun Day &
Movie Screening: Bran Nue Dae (4pm)



The Shire of Kojonup in partnership with the Kojonup Aboriginal Corporation and Broomehill-Tambellup Noongar community will be celebrating NAIDOC Week 2018 – *Because of Her, We Can...* with an Open Day and cultural activities at The Kodja Place.

Join us for a day of celebration of Noongar culture with lots of fun activities to enjoy:

Billy tea and damper • traditional campfire cooking and Noongar foods • Johnny cakes • face painting • arts and crafts • fun children's activities • music & singing • enjoy a special train ride with a difference on the Kojonup Tourist Railway (11am)

Entry into the Kodja Place Gallery by gold coin donation, locals free.



For more information please contact Kojonup Visitor Centre, Ph: (08) 9831 0500
143 Albany Highway, Kojonup.

kojonupvisitors@bigpond.com or visit www.kojonup.wa.gov.au

*This event is proudly supported through grant funding from
the Department of Prime Minister and Cabinet*





Government of Western Australia
North Metropolitan Health Service



Women 50 years or over,
have a FREE breast screening
mammogram every two years.
Once is not enough.



The BreastScreen WA mobile service will be at:

Kojonup District Hospital

Spring Street

from 18 - 30 July 2018

Dates are approximate and may be subject to change.

For an appointment
book **online** or phone **13 20 50**



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www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au

COMMUNITY EVENTS (REGULAR & UPCOMING)

*Got a question for the Shire President? Want to liaise with Council? Community members are reminded that **the Shire President is available for appointments every Wednesday morning from 10.00am until noon.** Please contact Lorraine Wyatt on (08) 98312408 to make an appointment.*

| Date / Day | Time | Event | Location | Cost |
|--|-----------------------|--|------------------|------|
| Wednesdays | 3:15pm – 4:15pm | Homework Help | Library | FREE |
| Fortnightly on Friday | 10:30am – 11:30am | Storytime | Library | FREE |
| 4 th Wednesday of each month | 10:00am – 12:00pm | Play in the Park | Apex Park | FREE |
| Tuesdays 3 rd Tuesday of each month (Except July – this meeting will be held on the 4 th Tuesday of the month) | Commencing at: 3.00pm | Ordinary Council Meeting (Budget Adoption) 24 July 2018 | Council Chambers | FREE |
| Sunday 15 July | 10.00am – 3.00pm | NAIDOC Family Fun Day | The Kodja Place | |
| Wednesday 1 August | From 8.30am | Weedy Wattle Busy Bee | Old Rubbish Tip | FREE |
| 22 September to 21 October | | Bloom Festival Theme: “Bloom” or “Spring” | | |
| 24 September | | Kojonup Wildflower Festival | | |