

MURRIN BRIDGE NEWSLETTER 22nd March 2006

Construction Site

A reminder to all parents to please ensure that your child is not playing near the work sites.

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At present the job is going along nicely, we do ask that people be understanding of the mess that comes as a result of the work.

We are sure that the end result will be to the communities benefit as storm water run off will not lay around the community anymore

Health News

The Doctors are at the Murrin Bridge Clinic every Monday and Wednesday.

Patients are reminded to bring their Medicare card for all visits.

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Also anyone wishing to have their BSL taken, your height, weight measured see Sandra at the Health Clinic.

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Seniors week will take place from the 2nd to the 9th of April. For more info see Sandra at the clinic.

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ANYONE WITH NEWS TO BE PUT INTO THIS NEWSLETTER, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO LEAVE AT THE OFFICE.

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We are seeking interested persons willing to be mentors to our kids while at school. Please leave name or fill in form at CDEP office.

Happy Birthday to:

Edward Dutton(16), Aaliyah Kelly(3) Ricky Kirby (5 today)

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A reminder to anyone wishing to put in birthdays please drop details into CDEP Office.

Murrin Bridge LALC

CMA and Murrin Bridge LALC is after 2 (two) males and 2 (two) females to do training to become site Survey Officers. Please contact Murrin Bridge LALC on 6898 1119 for further info.

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Regional reps:

Craig Cromelin (Chairperson of RALC) and Graham Smith report that in the last 3 Regional Aboriginal Land Council (RALC) there has been a lot of discussions in relation to proposed changes to the land right ALC act. Many people are of the opinion that the changes are all but in place. For a copy of the proposed changes or for more info see staff at Land Council office.

While not everyone is in total rejection of changes to the Act there are certain changes example having a board replace existing LALC structure of members attending meetings with a quorum being eleven (11). From a local point of view this would alleviate the situation where the last couple of meetings have been cancelled due to lack of numbers to make up a quorum. This is but one of the proposed changes and once again while not being against all proposed changes to the Act the process taken thus far has not been accessible by all LALC's across the region.

As a result a state wide forum was initiated by the Northern Alliance (LALC from North Coast) is to be held in Sydney on the 22nd,23rd and 24th March at the South Sydney Jnrs Leagues Club to voice the many concerns over consultation and other process's with getting proposed changes to the ALC act. Copies of minutes from all previous RALC meetings are available to view at Land Council Office.

All LALC's who have not had a meeting to approve attendance at the above meeting will be in breach of funding agreement with NSWALC as the above meeting is not sanctioned by the State.

Once again it outlines how the people at the grass roots level are constantly dictated to and how, when we choose to seek further info or voice our concerns, people who make decisions at the very top use their influence and clout to restrict and prevent the ability to do so.

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We urge all members to be actively involved in all advertised general meetings of the Murrin Bridge LALC. There is plenty of attendance when members seek housing and/ or renovations, we also ask that you attend other meetings so that our LALC can operate in accordance with the Act.

To find out when next general meeting is held contact the office on 6898 1119.

CDEP News

The elders of Murrin Bridge, Lake Cargelligo and Euabalong are participating in many fun activities held at Euabalong Café for the next 10 weeks. Morning Tea and Lunch are provided. Anyone who is interested in participating can contact Pearl Harris or Lana Clarke.

On Tuesday the 4th of April there will be a pampering day including hair cuts and make-up sessions for HACC clients and elders held at the clinic. Lunch will be provided and anyone else interested in getting a haircut will have to pay.

Centrelink:

There are proposed changes to AB-Study/ CDEP to come into place mid year. Any persons in receipt of both should talk to Pearl at Centrelink office.

Any persons with centrelink issues or concerns please feel free to call into centrelink office and discuss with Pearl.

With the above changes in mind we are seeking interest from persons who would be interested in being involved in contract employment at Hillston as a part of their CDEP. For further info see James at CDEP office.

A number of young men on CDEP have began training with National Parks and Wildlife-Cobar at Yathong.

Training will commence again next fortnight. We anticipate that some of these young men will gain full time employment as a result. Keep up the good work boys.

VET/Centre:

The promised VET Centre to the community of Murrin Bridge is still in negotiations. We envisage that building apprentices would construct building if and when things are finalized.

To all CDEP employees we thank you for your efforts in delivering CDEP Programs (work). Your efforts have not gone unnoticed and we take this opportunity to congratulate you for your dedication and assistance in achieving great outcomes. THANK YOU.

Kal-Linga

Kal-linga have held a general meeting on Tuesday the 21st of March. The meeting was positive and positions for renovation to houses in Ngyampaa street will be called ASAP. For further info contact Jacqueline Dutton.

Preschool News

The outdoor shed at the preschool was broken into on Monday. Some shovels were taken.

Please return them to the children. If anyone knows anything about this please let us know.

This week we are talking about Easter. The children are busy with Easter activities and we are also doing lots of cutting and taping activities with them to help strengthen the children's hands.

We had Elaine Russell visit us last week. The children enjoyed some storytelling. Elaine also did a painting from a scene in her book "A is for Aunty".

We have had two new children's kitchen furniture items donated to the children from Summer Hill Preschool in Sydney. The children are having great fun cooking and washing up.

There are vacancies at the preschool so any children turning 3 (three) can enroll.

Murrin Bridge Wines

Murrin Bridge Wines.....a New
Tradition



Organization