

FROM THE COUNCIL DESK

Important Dates.

Sun, 26 January – Australia Day – breakfasts & awards, Clare, Auburn, Saddleworth, Riverton

Wed, 29 January – Council Meeting, 7pm. Clare Council Chambers, 4 Gleeson St, Clare. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE.

Mon, 3 February – Council Workshop, 7pm, Clare Council Chambers, 4 Gleeson St, Clare.

Mon, 17 February – Council Meeting, 7pm, Riverton Community Hall. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF VENUE.

South Australian of the Year

Congratulations to Clare resident Allan Mayfield who has been named South Australian of the Year as well as being our districts northern area Australia Day Citizen of the Year.

Australia Day Award Recipients

Congratulations to our Australia Day Award recipients – Northern Area: Citizen of the Year Allan Mayfield, Young Citizen of the Year Jasmine Lawrie, Community Event of the Year Clare Royal Flying Doctors Support Group Melbourne Cup Luncheon; Central Area: Citizen of the Year Peter Richardson, Community Event of the Year Manoora Christmas Party; Southern Area: Citizen of the Year Mandy Clark, Young Citizen of the Year Ellen Callery, Event of the Year Riverton Christmas Carnival Community.

Australia Day Breakfasts

Australia Day Breakfasts will be held across the district on Sunday, 26 January, all starting at 8.30pm. Clare: Maynard Pioneer Park, opposite the Clare Bowling Club (if weather is inclement the breakfast will be relocated to the Clare Town Hall); Riverton Recreation Ground; Saddleworth Recreation Ground and Auburn Centennial Park. This is a free, family-friendly community event. All welcome.

Bushfire Ready

We are well into the bushfire season we have had several severe fire danger days and it is important to be Bushfire Ready. Decide if you will stay and defend or leave – if you stay you need to be well prepared with gutters cleared, vegetation well maintained and an up to date plan. Check weather forecasts daily and be prepared on total fire ban days.

There is a lot of useful information on the CFS website about how to prepare and be bushfire safe: www.cfs.sa.gov.au

Keep cool in your library

You can keep cool on extreme heat days by spending time in your local library – you are welcome at the Clare and Saddleworth libraries.

EOI for Possum sculpture

Council is looking for expressions of interest for the design and creation of a sculpture in Clare's main street depicting our unofficial mascot, a possum. Information about the project is available from Council's website: www.claregilbertvalleys.sa.gov.au and EOIs close on Friday, January 31, 2020.

Virtual Reality at the library

The Clare Library is hosting VR sessions on Wednesdays and Thursdays, 10.30am-12pm during the school holidays. Limited places, bookings essential. Sessions are divided into 30-minute time slots.

Microchipping

Council is planning two more microchipping days with Chipblitz (\$10 microchipping). A session is provisionally planned for Clare on February 22 with another day in Riverton at a date yet to be set. Find out more about your obligations as a dog owner at:

www.dogandcatboard.com.au

ATDW Assistance

Do you have an upcoming event or run a business in the Clare Valley Wine region – then the Clare Valley Wine, Food & Tourism Centre can help you promote it via the Australian Tourism Data Warehouse. This service is free, and the Centre is happy to help. Categories on the ATDW include accommodation, attractions, events, food and drink, general services, hire, information services, transport and tours. Contact Jordan @ marketing@clarevalley.com.au or phone 8842 2131 for more information and assistance.

Recycling brochure and map

The Clare Lions Green Team have updated their recycling brochure filled with information on what and where you can recycle and have added a map showing locations of recycling points in Clare. Download the brochure and maps from Council's website.

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