



# BURKE SHIRE COUNCIL

## NEWSLETTER

**Edition 3 for April 2006 / May 2006**  
**(Issued on 3 April 2006)**

Thank you to all who contribute to this newsletter. This newsletter has been a great success thus far I appreciate your feedback. I am always looking for new additions for our newsletter so if you have anything of interest to the community then let me know. We have a very busy year this year with lots of community activities so keep your eye out for notices on all the public notice boards & throughout this & future editions of the Burke Shire Newsletter. We try hard to make sure everyone in the Burke Shire either receive or have access to our newsletter but if perchance we have missed you out then please contact me and I will put you on our mailing list. All feedback can be addressed to:- Cheryl Portch, Ph: 4745 5100, Fax: 4745 5181 or email: burkesc@bigpond.com I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a safe & Happy Easter.

Cheryl Portch

### Key Council Dates

Ordinary Meeting of Council	12 April 2006
Ordinary Meeting of Council	18 May 2006
Easter Break	14 April–17 April 2006
Deadline for contributions to next newsletter	24 April 2006

### CURRENT PUBLIC NOTICES

All public notices are displayed at Nowlands, Burketown Post Office, Burketown Pub, Burketown Health Centre, Gregory Downs Hotel and the Shire Office.

Cyclone Watch  
Wild Rivers Forum 6 April 2006  
Mosquito Fogging  
RADF Funding Application  
Calico Bag Give Away  
Fines for Dogs Found at Large  
Council Meeting Dates for 2006



## RANGER'S REVIEW



### **Plants that are poisonous to people and growing in Burketown**

All of these plants listed are grown in home gardens in Burketown. They all pose a risk if consumed or, in some cases, handled by people, however the risk varies from species to species. Plants that are harmful to people are categorised as follows :-

**Category 1:** Extremely toxic, has been known to cause injury, permanent disability, and in some cases Death. Do not plant. Removal and disposal of existing plants is strongly recommended.

**Category 2:** Potentially toxic, depending on the level of exposure. Should not be grown in preschools, play grounds, child care settings, and access should be restricted in homes with toddlers or young children (including homes where young children may visit, ie grandparents). Exclusion from children's play areas is recommended. Parents and carers should supervise children carefully.

**Category 3:** Irritant to skin or eyes from sap, prickles, spines, or stinging hairs. Keep out of reach of toddlers and children.

**Category 4:** Pollen of perfume from this plant can cause respiratory problems. Not an asthma friendly plant.

It is important to recognise that toddlers, in particular, may be at greater risk given their habit of tasting everything and their relative small body size.

### **Commonly cultivated poisonous garden plants**

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>	<u>Toxicity Category</u>
Arum Lily, White Arum, Calla Lily	Zantedeschia aethiopica	2
Caladium	Caladium species	2, 3
Cunjevoi, Elephant Ears	Alocasia	2, 3
Dumb Cane, Dieffenbachia	Dieffenbachia species	2, 3
Anthurium, Flamingo Flower	Anthurium	2, 3
Fruit Salad Plant	Monstera deliciosa	2, 3
Madonna Lily, Peace Lily	Spathiphyllum species	2, 3
Philodendron	Philodendron species	2, 3
Taro, Elephant Ear	Colocasia species	2
Castor Oil Bean/Plant	Ricinus communis	1, 3, 4
Night Blooming Jessamine	Cestrum species	2, 4
Geisha Girl, Aussie Gold	Duranta	2, 3
Physic Nut, Belly Ache Bush	Jatropha species	2, 3

### **Common cultivated garden plants that have spines or prickles**

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>	<u>Toxicity Category</u>
Bougainvillea (thorny varieties)	Bougainvillea species	3
Crown of Thorns	Euphorbia species	3
Geisha Girl, Aussie gold	Duranta species	2, 3
Roses (thorny varieties)	Rosea species	3
Citrus (thorny varieties)	Numerous species	3

### **Common plants with irritant sap**

<u>Common Name</u>	<u>Scientific Name</u>	<u>Sap Colour</u>	<u>Toxicity Category</u>
Oleander	Oleander	White	1, 2, 3, 4
Chilli Pepper, Birds Eye	Capsicum frutescens	Clear	2, 3
Grevillea Robyn Gordon	Grevillea robusta	Clear	3
Milky Mangrove	Excoecaria agallocha	Milky	2, 3
Physic Nut	Jatropha species	Yellowish	2, 3
Snowflake	Euphorbia leucocephala	Milky	3
Yellow Oleander	Cascabela thevetia	Milky	1, 3

If you require any further information on any of the listed plants as to their identification or toxicity please contact the Burke Shire Council.

## RANGER'S REVIEW cont.

### **Morning Glory Park Development**

The Park BBQ now has power connected and is available for use by the public – it's free!

To operate, depress start button and hold for 6 seconds and the green running light will illuminate, BBQ runs for 16 minutes before having to be restarted. This timed delay for starting the BBQ is to prevent accidental starting by children playing in the area. There are also adequate standard warning signs on the BBQ warning users of hot surfaces. Liaising with Ergon Energy to get 5 current park lights upgraded to 250watt watchman lights and a further 3 installed to adequately illuminate the park at night (this has been ongoing with Ergon Energy since 26 October 2005). Some tree planting has commenced using local native trees. Garden beds constructed along the fence line. Major items still to do include:- Pond feature; Landscaping/tree planting; Water feature; Hit up hand ball court; and Skate ramp.

### **Improvements to public areas**

Improvements to public areas have seen the purchase and erection of shade shelters incorporating a picnic table and chair setting – similar to those in the park. These have been placed at the Hot Water Bore, Landsborough Tree, Boiling Down Works and at the Albert River Jetty.

The Hot Water Bore area has also had a makeover with concrete kerbing being placed along side the water flow making the whole area a lot more attractive and appealing to visitors.

A 6 metre 6 sided gazebo has been ordered for the Burketown Cemetery as part of the Cemetery upgrade. It will house 4 bench seats and include signage depicting history, a plan of the site, grave details/cemetery register. With graves dating back to 1866 this will help put perspective on the age and recent history of our town.

## **LOCAL GOVERNMENT WEEK 15 - 21 MAY 2006**



### **SAFEGUARDING OUR Communities' Water**

ACTIVITIES WITH BURKE SHIRE COUNCIL WILL HAPPEN ON MONDAY 15 MAY & TUESDAY 16 MAY 2006 INVOLVING ALL THE BURKE SHIRE CHILDREN & THOSE ADULTS THAT WISH TO ATTEND

REMINDER TO HAVE COLOURING COMPETITION ENTRIES TO THE COUNCIL BY 21 APRIL 2006  
WATCH THE PUBLIC NOTICE BOARDS FOR FUTHER INFORMATION

SANDY HANSEN



# TENNIS



The tennis tournament has kicked off well with 36 participants (18 teams) and several people waiting on the sidelines ready to fill in for anyone that can't make their scheduled game. Due to the number of teams it was decided to have two pools with 9 teams in each pool. A big thank you to Burke Shire Council & Burke Shire Sporting Library for supplying nets & balls for this tournament and also lending racquets to those who don't have one. A grant of \$1350 from "Outback & Involved" has been received and will go towards trophies and a BBQ presentation night. As soon as the "wet" is out of the way I hope to get the 'Gregory Tennis Competition' up and running. All those interested in playing in the "Gregory Tennis Competition" please ring 'Cheryl Portch' ph: 4745 5100 or 'Elvee Portch' ph: 4748 3910 to register, (remember you will have to have male/female partnership or female/female partnership to participate). Registration is free and racquets are available for those who don't have one.

Cheryl Portch

## TENNIS TOURNAMENT REMAINING ROUNDS & CURRENT LADDER

BYE 6 & F	ROUND 7					
	Pool A Court 1			Pool B Court 2		
MON 3/4	5	v	1	E	v	A
TUES 4/4	2	v	8	B	v	H
WED 5/4	7	v	3	G	v	C
THURS 6/4	4	v	9	D	v	I

BYE 5 & E	ROUND 8					
	Pool A Court 1			Pool B Court 2		
MON 10/4	1	v	3	A	v	C
TUES 11/4	9	v	2	I	v	B
Wed 12/4	7	v	4	G	v	D
THURS 13/4	6	v	8	F	v	H

BYE 2 & B	ROUND 9					
	Pool A Court 2			Pool B Court 1		
MON 17/4	8	v	1	H	v	A
TUES 18/4	5	v	3	E	v	C
WED 19/4	6	v	4	F	v	D
THURS 20/4	9	v	7	I	v	G

	NAME	No. of Fill ins	RD 1	RD 2	RD 3	RD 4	RD 5	RD 6	RD 7	TOTAL
1	Rachel Amini Yanner & Shae Arnold	0	x	2	2	2	2	2		10
2	Paul Griffiths & Karen Griffiths	0	1	1	F	1				3
3	Leonie Florence & Garry Jeffries	1	2	1	x	2	2	1		8
4	Daniel Judge & Tanya Luff	1	1	2	2	1.5	1	X		7.5
5	Sharon Hawkey & Col Baker	0	2	2	1	2	1	1	2	11
6	Brett Harris & Belinda	1	1	1		1		1	X	4
7	Jenny Williams & Greg Portch	0	2	1	1	x	2			6
8	Craig Turnour & Cheryl Portch	0	2	2	2	1.5	x	2		9.5
9	Jacky Wella & Phil	0	1	x		1	1		1	4
A	Damien & CJ	0	x	2	2	1				5
B	Amanda Wilkinson & Oliver Pring	1	1	1	1	2	1	2		8
C	Pete Wilcocks & Glenda Booth	1	2	1	x	1	1	2		7
D	Jacky Yanner & Daniel French	0	2	2	2	2		X	1	9
E	Janet Creighton & Tristan Gould	0	1	1	2	1	1	1		7
F	Kelly Gardner & Laurie Portch	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	X	12
G	David Marshall & Katrina Rex	0	1	2	1	x	2	1		9
H	Shannon Booth & Elizabeth	0	1	1	1	1	x	1		5
I	Jim Richards & Rebecca Thompson	3	2	x	1	2	2	2	2	11



# Public Notice

## Notice of Intent to Declare and Declaration Proposal Notice for the Settlement, Gregory, Morning Inlet and Staaten Wild River Areas.

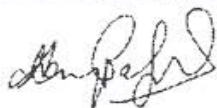
### *Wild Rivers Act 2005 (Sections 8 - 11)*

1. Notice is given that the Minister for Natural Resources and Mines:
  - (a) intends to declare the Settlement, Gregory, Morning Inlet and Staaten Wild River Areas; and
  - (b) has prepared a declaration proposal for the proposed Settlement, Gregory, Morning Inlet and Staaten Wild River Areas.
2. The map below shows:
  - (a) the proposed Settlement, Gregory, Morning Inlet and Staaten wild river areas;
  - (b) the proposed Settlement, Gregory, Morning Inlet and Staaten high preservation areas; and
  - (c) the proposed Settlement, Gregory, Morning Inlet and Staaten preservation areas.
3. A moratorium for the *Water Act 2000*, *Vegetation Management Act 1999* and *Mineral Resources Act 1989* has effect during a moratorium period commencing on **12 December 2005**.
4. For the moratorium for the *Water Act 2000*, this notice is the same as the Moratorium Notice for the *Draft Water Resource (Gulf) Plan* dated 6 June 2003 except that section 11(b)(vii) of that notice is not included.
5. Under section 22A of the *Vegetation Management Act 1999*, an application made during the moratorium period to clear native vegetation within the proposed high preservation area will not be accepted if it is for the purpose of a declared significant project under s.26 of the *State Development and Public Works Organisation Act 1971*; fodder harvesting; thinning; an extractive industry; or for clearing regrowth on leases issued under the *Land Act 1994* for agriculture or grazing purposes.
6. During the moratorium period, mining tenements will be dealt with under part 10A of the *Mineral Resources Act 1989*. Generally, this means most mining tenements granted or renewed during the moratorium period will not include any land that is within a proposed high preservation area or within a watercourse or lake in the proposed wild river area.
7. Copies of the **declaration proposals** may be inspected at the Department of Natural Resources & Mines website [www.nrm.qld.gov.au/wildrivers](http://www.nrm.qld.gov.au/wildrivers); at the department's offices at 41 George St, Brisbane; 167 Walsh Street, Mareeba; 13 Isa Street Mount Isa; 72 Uhr Street, Cloncurry; 29B Mabel Street, Atherton; and High Street Georgetown; and copies of the declaration proposals relating to the local government area at the offices of the Burke Shire Council at Musgrave Street, Burketown, Carpentaria Shire Council at 29 Haig Street, Normanton, Mt Isa City Council at 23 West Street, Mt Isa, Etheridge Shire Council at St George Street, Georgetown, Doomadgee Aboriginal Council at Sharp Street, Doomadgee, or Mareeba Shire Council at 65 Rankin Street, Mareeba.
8. A free CD copy of, or further information about, the declaration proposal may be obtained from the department by phoning (07) 4039 8332.
9. Further information about the **exact location** of the proposed wild river areas and high preservation areas may be inspected at the department's offices at 5B Sheridan Street, Cairns; 167 Walsh Street, Mareeba; 13 Isa Street, Mount Isa; 72 Uhr Street, Cloncurry; 29B Mabel Street, Atherton; High Street, Georgetown.
10. Anyone may make a **written submission** about the Settlement, Gregory, Morning Inlet and Staaten Wild River Declaration Proposals. Properly made submissions must be in writing, state the name and address of the person(s) making the submission, be signed by that/those person(s) (unless sent by email), state the grounds of the submission and the facts and circumstances relied on in support of the grounds, and be received on or before **5.00 p.m. Friday 24 February 2006**.
11. Submissions must be made to:  
and hand delivered to:  
posted to:  
faxed to:  
emailed to:

Chief Executive  
Department of Natural Resources & Mines  
5B Sheridan Street, Cairns;  
PO Box 937, Cairns, Qld, 4870;  
07 4039 8145; or  
[wild.rivers@nrm.qld.gov.au](mailto:wild.rivers@nrm.qld.gov.au)

[Note: All submissions will be treated with sensitivity and wherever possible in confidence. However, submissions may be viewed by other parties under the provisions of the *Freedom of Information Act 1992*.]

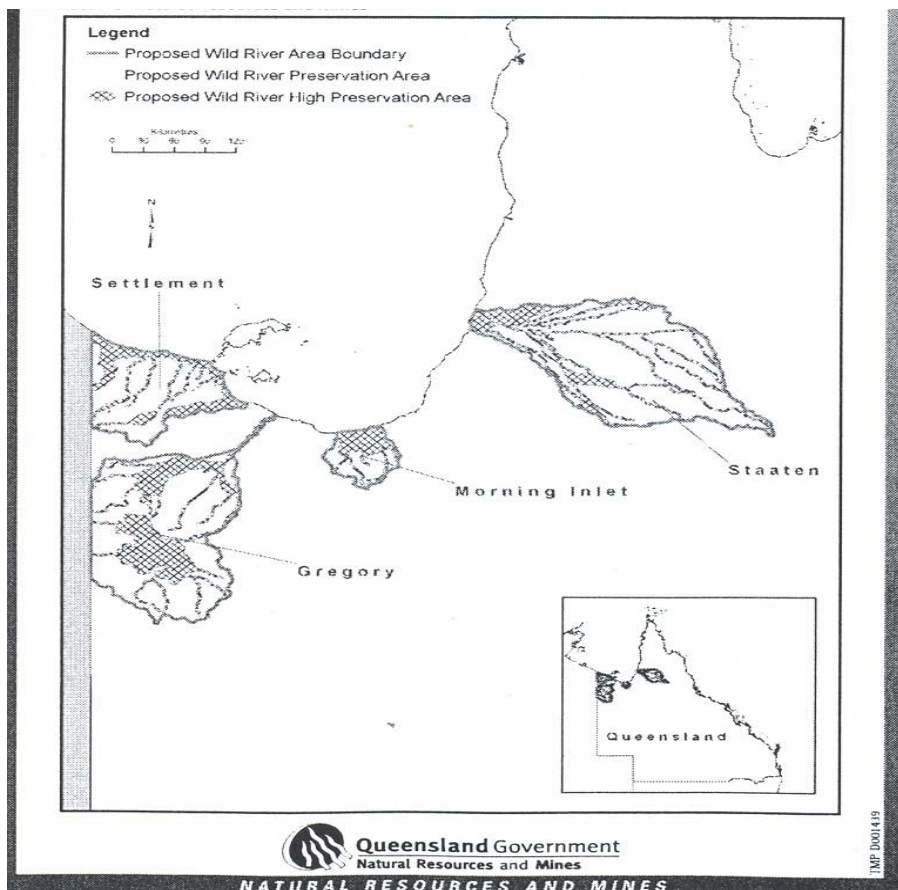
Dated this 9th day of December 2005



Henry Palaszczuk

**\*\*\*Deadline for submissions now extended to 24 April 2006**

See over for map →



## Arts & Craft Show

Council are hosting an Arts & Craft show this year on Saturday 12 August 2006. Awards will be given for the best entries in each category. We are hoping to make this an annual event. A public notice will be issued in early May 2006 with full details for those that wish to put in entries.

### **EASTER 2006 ARRANGEMENTS (INCLUDING BURKETOWN GARBAGE COLLECTION)**

Over Easter 2006 the Burke Shire Office and Depot will be closed from 4:30pm Thursday 13 April 2006 and reopen on Tuesday 18 April 2006.

As Friday 14 April 2006 (Good Friday) is a public holiday, garbage collection in Burketown for this day will be actioned on Thursday 13 April 2006. Accordingly please have your bin/s available for collection by 7:00am on this day.

During the period that the office and depot will be closed, in the event of water and sewerage and any other associated emergencies please contact Robert Marshall on (07) 4745 5153 (or mobile 0428 455153), or should Robert Marshall be unavailable, please contact Craig Turnour on 0439 945 709 or Garry Jeffries on (07) 4745 5064 (or mobile 0418 711 734).





# Burke Shire Order of the Outback Ball



Burke Shire Council is hosting a "COMMUNITY BALL" this year on the 1 July 2006. A committee has been formed to organise this ball with Kylie Camp elected as Chairperson. For further details lookout for public notices or contact the Shire Office on 4745 5100.

## Council Meeting Minutes

Council meeting minutes are produced within 10 days following each Council meeting and are available free of charge to all ratepayers and residents. If you are not on the mailing or emailing list for the minutes and want to be, please contact the Council office and let us know.



## VMR REPORT

On the weekend of 10-12th of March, the VMR held an Exercise at Mornington Island. We took our boat over on Friday night with extra members arriving by plane. It was a good turn up with members attending from Weipa, Karumba, Mornington & Burketown. For training, we had an exercise to locate a practice Epirb which gave everyone a good experience at the different operations of the boat and of search and rescue. During the mission, a drowning wallaby was saved, resuscitated and released. Over all it was an excellent weekend where everyone gained a bit more experience. Our next monthly meeting will be held on the 3 May 06. Anyone interested in joining please contact Brett Harris on PH:47455027.

Brett Harris



## Rainfall in Burketown for

February	30.5 mms
March	273.2 mms

## Scrapbooking, Stamping & Card Making

If anyone is interested in classes on Scrapbooking, Stamping or Cardmaking could they please contact Karen Griffiths on Ph: 47455093 or by email: pkg@bigpond.net.au Depending on interest, classes or workshops will start in the near future at a time and place that suits you.



**The Department of Housing  
has accommodation available in  
Burketown. They currently do  
not have any applicants on the  
waitlists for these areas.  
Contact Josie Campbell Ph: 4747 2131**

## TV TIMES

*A copy of the TV Times is  
available to be picked up  
from the Council office every  
Friday after 10am.  
Also available by email or  
on website:  
[www.ourguide.com.au](http://www.ourguide.com.au)*



# COUNCIL NEWS & ACTIVITIES



## **CURRENT MAJOR WORKS**

Beames Street Widening - this is being done to the Truganini Road grid

Morning Glory Park Development

## **FUTURE MAJOR WORKS (After the Wet!)**

Burketown - Gregory Road from town to six mile grid - upgrade (subject to Main Roads funding approval)

Doomadgee East & West Roads upgrading (including flood damage repairs)

Gregory - Lawn Hill Road - upgrade and seal some sections

Wills Developmental Road upgrading (Main Roads are planning 20 kms of gravel (between Running Creek and Brookdale) and then seal in 2006)

Gregory Airstrip Sealing & access road upgrade

Seniors Housing Development - 4 new units due in April 2006

Waste Management - Introduction of a Waste Management Plan, including recycling

Gregory Water Supply - Complete upgrade works

Water Treatment Plant - Complete upgrade works

Sewerage Treatment Plant - Complete upgrade works

Shade structure over the Burketown Multipurpose Courts

## **WORKS IN PLANNING STAGE**

New Albert River Bridge

Barramundi Fingerling Growout Facility

Albert River Boat Ramp & Pontoon

Swimming pool facility for Burketown

## **CURRENT TENDERS & QUOTATIONS**

Quotation 06/03—new 4 Tonne Single Cab Truck (Town/ Rubbish Truck)

Tender 06/04—New Backhoe

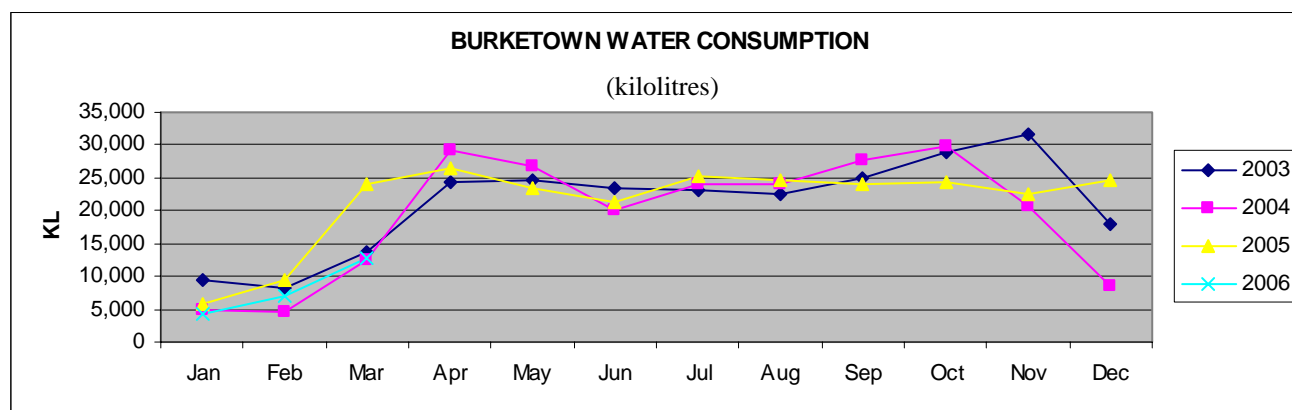
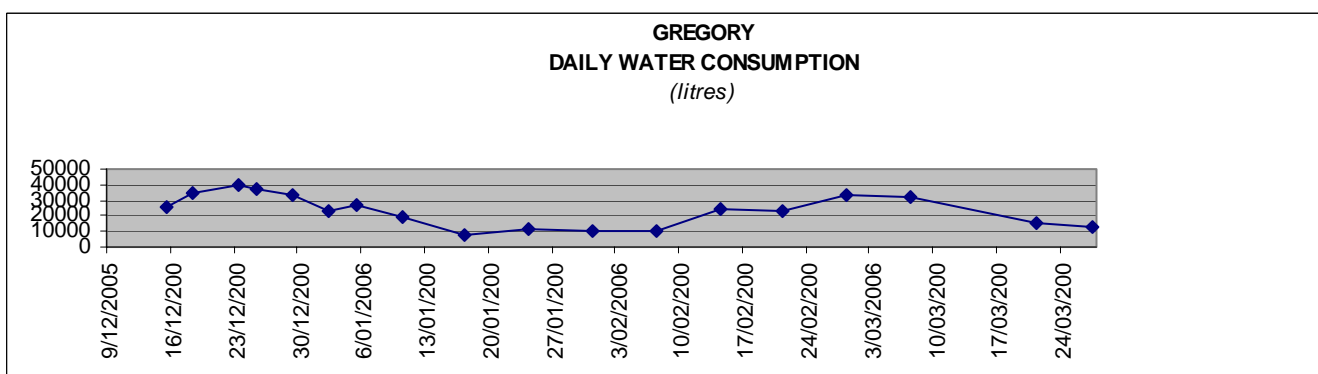
## **PLANT & EQUIPMENT—PENDING DELIVERY**

- ♦ New Western Star Primemover
- ♦ New Tandom Drive Tip Truck
- ♦ New Side Tipping Trailer & Dolly
- ♦ New Semi Water Tanker
- ♦ New 4WD Single Cab Truck (Workshop Vehicle)



## GREGORY WATER CONSUMPTION

Date	Daily Consumption	Meter Reading
	<i>litres</i>	<i>litres</i>
29-Dec-05	32,892	701,442
02-Jan-06	23,367	794,909
05-Jan-06	26,841	875,431
10-Jan-06	19,197	971,414
17-Jan-06	7,949	1,027,058
24-Jan-06	11,034	1,104,294
31-Jan-06	9,621	1,171,641
07-Feb-06	9,847	1,240,568
14-Feb-06	24,737	1,413,727
21-Feb-06	23,523	1,578,386
28-Feb-06	33,367	1,811,953
07-Mar-06	32,091	2,036,588
21-Mar-06	15,141	2,248,567
27-Mar-06	12,579	2,324,039
<b>Total Consumption</b>		2,284,148
<b>Average Daily Consumption</b>		21,150



## BURKETOWN WATER CONSUMPTION (kilolitres)

[illegible]

# Police Beat

Jim and I would like to thank everyone who has informed us of their travelling plans during the wet, particularly Those going out on the water. To date we have no need to activate a search and rescue which is always good news.

The barra fishing competition is to be held in Burketown between the 14-16 April. Please be aware that two (2) officers from the Mount Isa traffic branch will be here in Burketown with sharpened pencils and ready to write. If anyone needs to renew their vehicle registration or licence please come in and see us Monday or Tuesday between 9am—12midday. Outside these times give us a call and we will arrange an alternative time. Jim and I encourage everyone to have a good time, but please be aware that extra police will be in town, so if you are going to drink, either walk or have someone sober drive. Please be considerate and tolerant of other persons both local and tourists during this time.

Next door to the police station is the court house, which is used only three times per year for court sittings. The rest of the time it is vacant. Jim and I are more than happy, time and circumstances permitting, to allow people to utilize this facility for meetings or mediation related matters. Please give us a call if you wish to utilize the space.

Unfortunately there have been incidents in town that have created dispute and confusion. More often than not this has stemmed from misinformation and innuendo surrounding the facts of the matters. If you have any inquiries about matters, please contact us or more preferably come and see us at the station, before jumping to any conclusions. Obviously matters of a sensitive nature cannot be discussed, however where lawfully and reasonably possible Jim and I can discuss matters and set the record straight.

Sadly, Jim has had to withdraw from the local tennis competition due to a recurring heart...I mean hamstring injury, but never fear Karen and I are still available for people to have their weekly warm ups against!

Stay Safe.

Paul Griffiths  
Sergeant  
OIC Burketown Police

## Trash & Treasure

Trash & Treasure Day has been postponed until Saturday 13 May 2006 8.00am till 12:00 noon. I apologise if this postponement had inconvenienced anyone but due to the inclement weather I thought it would be a much better event if rural people in our Shire could attend as well. If you would like to sell/trade your preloved treasure or home-made wares then register your stall with Cheryl Portch, Ph: 47455100 or Ph: 47455271 (AH). This event is a perfect opportunity for any community groups to hold a stall or sell raffle tickets for fundraising. Keep an eye out for the information flyer coming to all public notice boards soon !!!!

## LAND VALUATIONS

The Department of Natural Resources, Mines & Water have made their Annual Valuation of all Burke Shire land and the new valuations have effect for the period of 12 months commencing on 30 June 2006.

Particulars of the new valuations are available for inspection by any person without payment of a fee during normal office hours at the Burke Shire Council office in Burketown and the Department of Natural Resources, Mines & Water office at 72 Uhr Street, Cloncurry from 27 February 2006 to 10 April 2006 inclusive.

Objection forms (Form 58) are available at the Burke Shire Council office for any owners who may wish to object against their valuations. Objection forms are also available from the Department of Natural Resources, Mines & Water. All objections should be lodged with the Regional Manager, Department of Natural Resources, Mines & Water, PO Box 5318, Townsville, 4810. Objections close on 10 April 2006 but late objections may be accepted in certain circumstances, (for example the recent floodings).

***\*Please note that these land valuations are valued by the Department of Natural Resources, Mines & Water and are not actioned or supported by the Burke Shire Council.***

## Burketown Local Fishing Competition Results 12/2/06

Heaviest Barra	1st Tristan Gould	4.08kg
	2nd Earl Marshall	3.14kg
	3rd Johnny Yanner	2.36kg
Salmon	1st Brian Gaunt	2.18kg
Jew	1st Greg Portch	4.28kg
Grunter	1st Tristan Gould	1.10kg
Bream	1st Laurie Portch	0.60kg
Cherabin	1st Peter Willcocks	0.20kg

Best Homemade Lure - Joe Baker - Ear Plugs  
Best Busted Lure & Story - Greg Portch

Heaviest Barra	1st Sage Marshall	2.64kg
	2nd Sage Marshall	2.00kg
	3rd Jarrod Smith	Drawn Ticket
Salmon	1st Peter Backo	Drawn Ticket
Jew	1st Jneille Portch	Drawn Ticket
Grunter	1st Peter Backo	0.68kg
Bream	1st Keinan Butcher	Drawn Ticket
Cherabin	1st Mathew Douglas	0.28kg

Favorite Fishing Spot - Matthew Douglas - Sinky Mud

Favorite Fishing Spot - Brian Gaunt - Moby Dick's Hole



Tristan Gould



Pete Backo



Greg Portch



# BURKETOWN COMMUNITY FUN DAY 11/3/2006

## HOSTED BY MOUNGIBI HOUSING CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY LTD

Our first Community Fun Day was a real blast with everyone enjoying themselves especially the kids. We would like to thank all our Sponsors & Volunteers who made this day such a huge success. Following is a list of winners in the major categories:

- ♦ OVERALL TEAM EVENTS - MONGRELS - (K Rex, M Douglas, D Booth, D Marshall, K Page, E Marshall & A Cunningham)
- ♦ BEST & FAIREST AWARD - Michael Brown
- ♦ PARTICIPATION AWARD - Doug Jones
- ♦ VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD - Greg Portch
- ♦ MOST CONSISTANT PRESCHOOLER - Boys - Kobe Marshall  
Girls - Mayaar Yanner
- ♦ Winner of 'Remote Control Car' raffle - Tyrone Cooling
- ♦ Winner of 'Karoke Machine' raffle - Glenda Booth



"Mongrels" (Winners of the Team events)



"Council Oldies" (Runners up in 'Tug-a-War')

Photos of this fun day can be purchased from MOUNGIBI HOUSING CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY for \$5 per CD

### **POSITION VACANT**

### **Administration Officer**

### **(permanent part-time)**

Burke Shire Council has a vacancy in its office for a permanent part-time (25 hours per week) Administration Officer.

This position involves a variety of general office duties and will be based at Level 2 of the *Queensland Local Government Officers' Award, 1998*.

Applicants should be well presented, have good computer skills and have a flexible approach in their work ethic.

Applications in writing close at 4:00pm on Thursday 13 April 2006 and should be forwarded to the Chief Executive Officer, Burke Shire Council, PO Box 90, Burketown QLD 4830.

An information package is available from the Shire office in Burketown and it is recommended that all applicants obtain this prior to submitting an application.

Further information in respect of the position can be obtained by contacting the Shire Office on 07) 4745 5100.



# **Regional Arts Development Fund**

**Funding is available  
NOW!**

**for approved**

## **COMMUNITY ARTS PROJECTS**

There is \$2000 available to be allocated for various approved projects that have an arts focus

***Applications close 12 May 2006***

Applications & Guidelines are available by contacting the Burke Shire Council Office

### **Extra funds to boost security at Burketown Airport**

Leader of The Nationals in the Senate, Ron Boswell, announced on 3 April 2006 that Burketown Airport will receive a second stage of funding from the Australian Government's \$35 million Regional Airport Funding Program to upgrade its security infrastructure.

Senator Boswell said the Australian Government was determined to do all it could to protect the security of Australia's aviation industry.

"Today's announcement of \$37,000 in funding for the Burketown Airport is in addition to \$34,650 provided earlier this year for the first stage of security upgrades at the airport which included the installation of security fencing with gates," he said.

"Basic security upgrades for stage 2 of the upgrades at Burketown Airport will include the installation of flood lighting."

"This total package of funding of close to \$72,000 will help the Burketown Airport increase and improve its security measures for the benefit of those who use the airport each day of the year."

Senator Boswell said the Burke Shire relies heavily on the air strip, particularly during the wet season when local roads are flooded and the area cut off for months at a time.

He said the Australian Government recognises the importance of aviation to regional communities and has worked to tailor transport security programs to local conditions.

# **TIDE CHART—2006**

# AUSTRALIA GULF OF CARPENTARIA - KARUMBA

**Lat 17° 30'S Long 140° 50"E Time zone—1000**

## Times and heights of high & low waters

APRIL				MAY				JUNE			
Time	m	Time	m	Time	m	Time	m	Time	m	Time	m
1 0229 2.04 0917 2.79 SA		16 1010 2.88 2312 1.48 SU		1 0955 3.67 2322 0.76 MO		16 0940 3.41 2314 0.67 TU		1 0008 0.37 1104 3.60 TH		16 0031 0.18 1118 3.69 FR	
2 0226 1.80 1028 3.27 SU		17 1016 3.15 2331 1.25 MO		2 1038 3.82 TU		17 1024 3.58 WE		2 0057 0.36 1142 3.49 FR		17 0125 0.19 1201 3.61 SA	
3 0009 1.45 1114 3.65 MO		18 1043 3.42 TU		3 0012 0.64 1122 3.86 WE		18 0014 0.54 1113 3.71 TH		3 0144 0.42 1212 3.35 SA		18 0217 0.32 1236 3.39 SU	
4 0048 1.16 1156 3.89 TU		19 0011 1.04 1120 3.65 WE		4 0108 0.58 1203 3.81 TH		19 0118 0.42 1201 3.77 FR		4 0224 0.55 1234 3.18 SU ●		19 0308 0.60 1258 3.05 MO ●	
5 0139 0.96 1239 4.00 WE ●		20 0109 0.85 1205 3.83 TH		5 0206 0.55 1244 3.69 FR ●		20 0221 0.36 1246 3.73 SA ●		5 0248 0.79 1252 2.97 MO		20 0401 1.02 1301 2.64 TU 2139 1.33	
6 0236 0.83 1323 3.98 TH		21 0217 0.69 1256 3.92 FR ●		6 0302 0.58 1320 3.52 SA		21 0322 0.39 1328 3.57 SU		6 0027 1.05 1305 2.71 TU 2252 1.08		21 0309 1.57 0521 1.54 WE 1237 2.26 2101 1.11	
7 0339 0.77 1410 3.87 FR		22 0330 0.57 1348 3.91 SA		7 0355 0.69 1351 3.31 SU		22 0419 0.57 1401 3.27 MO		7 1304 2.42 2208 0.99 WE		22 0441 2.12 2044 0.85 TH	
8 0443 0.77 1500 3.70 SA		23 0441 0.52 1443 3.79 SU		8 0434 0.89 1416 3.08 MO		23 0513 0.92 1425 2.87 TU		8 1204 2.15 2156 0.92 TH		23 0533 2.65 2050 0.64 FR	
9 0540 0.83 1547 3.49 SU		24 0544 0.62 1535 3.55 MO		9 0422 1.18 1439 2.82 TU		24 0612 1.41 1428 2.43 WE 2245 1.41		9 0708 2.39 2132 0.87 FR		24 0620 3.08 2107 0.49 SA	
10 0629 0.99 1630 3.27 MO		25 0640 0.89 1623 3.19 TU		10 0113 1.35 1457 2.53 WE 2357 1.32		25 0529 2.00 0816 1.95 TH 1307 2.06 2222 1.21		10 0714 2.71 2114 0.78 SA		25 0707 3.37 2131 0.40 SU	
11 0704 1.24 1702 3.05 TU		26 0735 1.32 1701 2.75 WE		11 1445 2.22 2342 1.26 TH		26 0638 2.56 2156 0.98 FR		11 0733 2.99 2122 0.65 SU		26 0754 3.51 2202 0.34 MO ●	
12 0705 1.56 1731 2.80 WE		27 0101 1.89 0454 1.97 TH 0902 1.83 1721 2.28		12 0839 2.40 2313 1.24 FR		27 0725 3.04 2152 0.77 SA ●		12 0804 3.22 2154 0.52 MO ○		27 0843 3.55 2241 0.30 TU	
13 0245 1.72 1800 2.54 TH		28 0016 1.75 0700 2.46 FR 2327 1.54 ●		13 0837 2.70 2208 1.15 SA ○		28 0808 3.39 2204 0.59 SU		13 0847 3.40 2242 0.38 TU		28 0930 3.51 2320 0.28 WE	
14 0207 1.70 1040 2.32 FR 1507 2.18 1821 2.26 ○		29 0819 2.96 2230 1.23 SA		14 0845 2.97 2206 0.99 SU		29 0852 3.60 2236 0.48 MO		14 0938 3.54 2337 0.26 WE		29 1015 3.43 TH	
15 0200 1.69 1025 2.61 SA 2330 1.69		30 0910 3.38 2244 0.95 SU		15 0906 3.21 2230 0.82 MO		30 0937 3.68 2319 0.41 TU		15 1030 3.65 TH		30 0000 0.30 1053 3.31 FR	
						31 1022 3.67 WE					

- New Moon
- Full Moon
- ☾ Last Quarter
- ☾ First Quarter

**\*\*\*\*ADD ON\*\*\*\***

**1 hour to mouth of Albert River**  
**4 hours to Wharf**  
**5 hours to Bridge**