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ACTING MAYOR'S COLUMN

Furneaux Festival

Blessed with great weather the Furneaux Festival, held last weekend, was a huge success.

The Acoustic Supper was a sell-out and the 90 attendees were treated to a variety of music acts and a hearty curry smorgasbord dinner. The rejuvenated Emita Hall was "dressed to impress" and the hardworking Emita Hall Committee gained some valuable fundraising from running the bar.

Saturday's market saw over 30 stallholders and activities take over Whitemark's main street. Music on the Verandah, held later in the day at the Furneaux Tavern, was, by all accounts, a great event. Sunday's community barbecue and concert held in FIAAI park attracted a large crowd. A huge thanks must go to everyone involved in making the weekend's events so successful, with special thanks to FIAAI personnel, Council's Community Development team and the Works department.

Order of Australia award to Robyn Dilger

One of the Community's hardest working volunteers; Robyn Dilger, has been awarded, for all her efforts, with an Order of Australia Medal, announced on Australia Day. This is a huge honour and I am sure all in the Community will join with me in congratulating Robyn on receiving the award.

Emergency Services Medal

Congratulations are also in order for Mhairi Revie (Bradley) who received the Emergency Services Medal in this year's Australia Day honours for her work as SES's Northern Manager. Congratulations Mhairi!

School Holiday Programme

Once again these activities have been a huge success and well attended over the school holiday break. Thanks to our hard working Community Development staff for all their efforts at this busy time of year.

Waste transfer stations

Unfortunately a small minority continue to abuse the use of our two waste transfer stations at Killiecrankie and Lady Barron. Council staff are continually trying to maintain these sites in a suitable manner. It seems the majority of people are to be capable of doing the right thing but those who don't are spoiling the facility for all and may force the closure of these sites. Please respect the separate areas provided for kitchen waste, cardboard, glass and aluminium cans and remember that. Transfer stations are NOT for the dumping of E waste, discarded household appliances, garden or building waste. All of these items are to be taken to Whitemark tip.

Acting Mayor

Marc Cobham

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Summer School Holiday Program

Stay tuned for another surf school, we are currently checking out the conditions in hope of a few more sessions in the water. Registration is essential!

For more information and to register for the 2017 program please contact the Community Development staff on 63595 001 or go to <http://www.flinders.tas.gov.au/school-holiday-program> to download the forms.

Furneaux Islands Festival 2017

We hoped you enjoyed the Furneaux Island Festival as much as we did! Kicking off with the fabulous Acoustic supper with wonderful food and music at the Emita hall, followed by our best ever street Festival Market yet! The festivities continued on down at the Furneaux Tavern for the Veranda Music and finally to finish things off a wonderful Community Day at FIAAI park.

On behalf of Flinders Council we would like to thank Maxine Roughley, Toni Wood and FIAAI who are our major partners in the festival and have worked tirelessly with us, over the festival week, and the last four months to bring it all together. Their

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contributions both financial and in-kind, help us to make this event what it is today, a wonderful celebration of our Community. We are very proud to be working alongside you in such a positive way in celebrating our Island and we look forward to future collaborative events.

We would also like to thank and acknowledge the following people and organisations for helping us with the fourth Furneaux Islands Festival! Thank you to all Council and FIAAI staff, Sammi Gowthorp, AK, Lochie Nichols, Tyson Wood, Ronnie Summers, Sandro Donati & Judy Jacques, all of our volunteers, Marc & Margie, Holly & Sean, Thomas & Kathleen, The Acapelicans, Three Imploded, The Butteries, Cheryl Wheatley, Sean Choolburra, Jane Longhurst, Riverbank including Lee Morgan, Johnny Huckle and Dale Huddleston, Andy Baylor's Cajun Combo, Abbie Cardwell, The Emita Hall Committee, the Sports Club, Flinders Island District High School and all of our market stall holders. We couldn't have done it without you and thank you all for being involved and making it a wonderful weekend!

Tas Community Fund

Grant Round 34 of the Tasmanian Community Fund will open on 28 January 2017. Applications for small grants (up to \$20,000) will close at 5.00pm on 15 March.

Applications for medium grants (\$20,001 to \$90,000) will close on 5 April. Stage 1 applications for large collaborative program grants (\$100 000 to \$500 000) will close on 1 March. Applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application in mid-June 2016.

Applicants are also encouraged to discuss their project with Tasmanian Community Fund staff (phone 6232 7043 or 6232 7269 or email admin@tascomfund.org) before submitting their application. The guidelines and the application forms are available on the Tasmanian Community Fund [website](#).

Community Online Calendar

The Council website includes an online calendar of local events to help promote activities and events on Flinders. The calendar includes details of visiting health professionals, training opportunities, as well as local events. If you are planning on holding an event or activity on Flinders, you are able to add this to the calendar easily by visiting:

<http://www.flinders.tas.gov.au/community-calendar/>

For more information or for any enquires regarding Community Development, please contact Dolly, David or Claire on 63595001 or via email stacey.wheatley@flinders.tas.gov.au (Dolly) or cdo@flinders.tas.gov.au (David Heap and Claire Nichol).

Expression of Interest – Killiecrankie Minor Maintenance

Council is in the process of seeking to engage a person (or persons) for potentially a few minor maintenance tasks in and around the Killiecrankie area. Initial emphasis is in relation to cleaning and maintaining the Killiecrankie Public Toilet and BBQ area.

Interest only is sought at this stage. Negotiations regarding the cost, time and measures undertaken will be discussed with those who express an interest. Further information on specific details may be obtained by contacting Jacci Viney at the Council Office on 63 595 001.

Expressions must be in writing, marked:

“EOI – Killiecrankie” and addressed to: General Manager, PO Box 40, WHITEMARK TAS 7255

Submissions may be posted or emailed to: office@flinders.tas.gov.au no later than COB 16 February 2017.

Bill Boehm
General Manager

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WHITEMARK TIP

Opening Hours

SUN, MON, FRI - 1.30pm to 4.30pm

TUES, THURS - 7.00am to 10.00am

WEDNESDAY - 8.30am to 11.30am

CLOSED PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Furneaux Group Shipping & Aviation Special Committees Submissions

The Furneaux Group Shipping Special Committee and the Furneaux Group Aviation Special Committee consist of business and community representatives and exist to consider and make recommendations to Council concerning issues related to Shipping and Aviation. The public are invited to make submissions for consideration by the Committees. Submissions may be sent to Council by close of business Thursday 16th February 2017.

Private Water Suppliers – requirement for registration

A Private Water Supplier (PWS) supplies drinking water obtained from a private water source (other than a TasWater supply) to a premise used for:

1. Commercial purposes (accommodation, childcare, recreation and private water schemes);
2. Health purposes (aged care, health care and hospitals); and
3. Education

The *Public Health Act* requires a PWS to register with local council to prevent risks to public health and comply with the requirements of the *Tasmanian Drinking Water Quality Guidelines*.

Council recently adopted fees associated with registration. Commercial water supplies are currently \$100/annum and accommodation businesses are \$20/annum.

If you are not currently registered as a PWS and meet one of the premise criteria, please contact Council to request an application form.

Further information can be obtained from www.dhhs.tas.gov.au or by contacting

Council's Environmental Health Officer on 6359 5005.

Ordinary Council Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the next Ordinary Meeting of Flinders Council will be held at the Furneaux Arts & Entertainment Centre Whitemark, Flinders Island, on **Thursday 16th February 2017**, commencing at **1pm**.

The Agenda will be available for perusal on the Council Website www.flinders.tas.gov.au and at the Council Office from Friday 10th February 2017.

Public Question Time will be held between 1.00pm – 1.30pm.

Members of the public are invited to attend.

Policy to be Adopted

Council's Policy Manual is an important document of Council as it provides direction to Staff, Management and Councillors. Many of the policies are required by, or relate to, legislation and in most instances help manage Council's exposure to risk.

Council resolved at the 15th December 2016 Ordinary Council Meeting to adopt the Information Management Policy.

The policy will lay on the table for public comment until the 16th February 2017. It is available to download from the Council Website www.flinders.tas.gov.au/policies and hardcopies are available from the Council Office.

Should you wish to make comment on this policy, please do so by addressing relative correspondence to myself.

Bill Boehm
General Manager

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Waste Management

In accordance with Council's **Code of Tender and Contracts Policy** the following requests are sought:

Early Contractor Involvement (ECI)

Council wishes to engage a suitable waste management contractor to assist with the formulation of a 'scope of works' for a waste management solution for Flinders Island. The successful contractor will be required to enter into a 'Scope Development Services Agreement' and participate in assisting Council with best practice solutions to service the Municipality.

Expression of Interest (EOI)

Interest is sought from members of the Community [and surrounding areas] who may assist with the management of collected waste streams. Ideas must be able to be carried out by the individual and will be used to inform the 'scope' formulation process when engaging with the successful contractor as per the ECI above.

Details of both proposals can be found at www.flinders.tas.gov.au or by contacting Council on 63 595 001.

Responses must be in writing, including the required cover page as contained within the relevant proposal document, and addressed to:

Waste Management EOI or ECI

Att: Jacqui Viney

Flinders Council

PO Box 40

WHITEMARK TAS 7255

Submissions may be hand delivered to 4 Davies Street Whitemark, posted, or emailed to jacqui.viney@flinders.tas.gov.au.

All responses to be received no later than:

Wednesday, 8 February 2017.

Bill Boehm

General Manager