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Owen Terrace upgrade well underway

OWEN TERRACE MAKEOVER
Debate regarding the Moreton Bay Fig Trees – to stay or not to stay – temporarily halted progress on the redevelopment of Owen Terrace, but following a special council meeting things have moved ahead. Five trees will go, nine will remain.

With the upgrade to Owen Terrace, the new Foodland Supermarket pending (not too long, we hope) and a masterplan for the ‘greening’ of parkland from Perry’s Service Station right through to the sea in the pipeline, there is much to be excited about.

With the focus on reinvigorating the main street and with a central park that connects to a walkway/bikepath following the rail line from Kadina, the future looks very bright.

Together with increased tourism and a growing population, Wallaroo will ultimately have a vibrant, alive Owen Terrace and central shopping strip.

OUR COAST IS PRECIOUS
Indigenous spokesperson and snake catcher Peter Turner was guest speaker at the recent Wallaroo Town Development Group meeting.

The points Peter made regarding our local coast are very valid.

We must look after the many varieties of flora and fauna and establish safe habitats for our wildlife – the hairy nosed wombat sanctuary at Magazine Rock for example.

Peter and his volunteers and other local community groups spend hours on environmental fauna and flora protection, coastal re-vegetation projects and Aboriginal heritage issues.

It is so upsetting and disappointing to all the volunteers when thoughtless 4WD’s, trail and quad bikes trash our coast. Sensible four wheel driving/bike riding is one thing, but for others to vandalise and not care less is another.

If you’d like to help Peter or need him to catch a snake call him 24/7 on 0416 402 569

The Kadina Wallaroo Moonta Band

STRIKE UP THE BAND!

October
This year is special for the KWM Band as it is celebrating 150 years of Brass Band Playing with an Anniversary Concert to be held on Sunday 27 Oct at 2.30pm in Wallaroo Town Hall. If you have ever played in the Band or have a connection to a former member, we would love to hear from you and to meet up at the concert. Please contact Linda on 8821 2670.

Tickets $8 available at the door.

December
The KWM Band will be holding its Christmas Bandroom Concert on Monday 9 Dec at 7.30pm in the Bandroom on the corner of John and Lydia Tce. Afterwards we invite you to stay and enjoy a delicious supper and all for a Gold Coin Donation!

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will also be involved in many of the musical events held on the Copper Coast during the Christmas period.

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FANTASTIC NEW WALLAROO SAILING CLUB

The official Open Day for the sailing season was held on Sunday 13 October in the new clubrooms following a total renovation valued at some $500,000.

Now members can enjoy a facility ‘up there with the very best’ and offer a venue that will attract regattas, weddings and business groups and cement Wallaroo as the sailing mecca of the Peninsula.

Six new trainer sailing dinghies and a transport trailer sponsored by the Australian Submarine Corporation and Yachting SA were granted to the club to promote junior sailing.
There’s a ‘come and try day’ on Sunday 27 October so bring your budding junior sailors along. More information from Neil Hackett 0409 281 575.

INFO FOR JET SKIERS AND POWER BOATS

North Beach and Sailing Club Beach have a 4 knot limit for 200 metres from the shoreline – wherever the shoreline is in relation to tide movements.

In the Marina the speed limit is also 4 knots. No craft are permitted in the Office Beach area at all (many years ago a tragic power boat accident occurred in the area).

If everyone follows these simple rules our magnificent coast can be enjoyed safely.

NEW WINDOWS ON WALLAROO DISPLAYS

New displays now fill six windows across two shop fronts in the Windows on Wallaroo project. The displays feature Wallaroo news items from January to July, a pictorial history of the development of the Wallaroo Marina, Wallaroo in the 1920s, a map of popular sites to visit and the latest plans for the development of Wallaroo Park in the surrounds of the new town shopping centre. The shopfronts are next to the hardware store and adjacent to the AQUIS office.

The Wallaroo Community Development Association President, Mr John McCormack, said “The Windows on Wallaroo displays are proving to be very popular with tourists and locals.” He also thanked the YP Country Times for their invaluable support in the production of news sheets for the window display.

Under the leadership of Association member David Boots, the Windows on Wallaroo Project is designed to improve the appearance of un-tenanted shops in the main street, as well as provide information about Wallaroo and its residents to the local community and tourists visiting the town.

WALLAROO CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Don’t miss the Wallaroo Christmas Carols which will be held at the Town Hall from 7:00pm on Friday 6 December. It’s an evening of entertainment for the whole family with a major prize draw at the end of the night. This won’t be a late night; we would like to see everybody stay until the end.

Entertainment is provided by our local school children along with many other local artists plus the KWM Band and an excellent graphic powerpoint presentation.

Volunteers from the Wallaroo Hospital Foundation will be selling snacks and refreshments.

This year’s event is generously funded by an Australia Post ‘Our Neighbourhood’ Community Grant. We also offer thanks to the District Council of the Copper Coast.

MYPONIE DEEP WATER PORT

Whether for ore or grain export (or both) Mypenie Point, some 12km north of Wallaroo, is topical news lately. Infrastructure company Braemar are doing a feasibility study for iron ore export which will travel 385 kms via underground slurry pipes.

WARBURTO POINT LIGHTHOUSE VANDALISM

The Australian Maritime Safety Authority (AMSA) is urging people in the vicinity of the Warburto Point Lighthouse near Wallaroo to be vigilant for any suspicious activity after repeated acts of vandalism to the lighthouse over the past few months. Earlier this year, the auxiliary light was stolen, the security fence and solar panels extensively damaged and sections of safety cage ladders removed from the 32 metre high tower. In a separate incident, the fence was vandalised again shortly after its replacement from the first case of vandalism.

Cargo vessels docking at Wallaroo, the local fishing community and recreational boat users rely on the main and auxiliary lights to assist navigation into Wallaroo and within the adjacent waters of the Yorke Peninsula. Deliberate damage may impact on seafarer safety.

Under the provisions of the Navigation Act 2012, strict criminal and civil penalties apply to a person trespassing on, interfering with or removing a marine aid to navigation. Anyone found to have committed an offence or contravened a civil penalty may be subject to imprisonment or a fine. Anyone with information about vandalism at Warburto Point Lighthouse is encouraged to contact Kadina Police Station or South Australia Police Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or visit www.crimestoppers.com.au

WALLAROO DENTAL CLINIC OPENS

A new $3 million 5 chair public dental clinic has opened at the hospital site for adults and children. Funded by the Commonwealth and State Governments, the new clinic is a welcome expansion for our hospital precinct.

WALK FOR YOUR HEART

The Heart Foundation Walking Group is a friendly group of people who would like to encourage men and women of all ages to come along for a pleasant Thursday morning walk. The walkers meet at the Wallaroo Town Hall at 8am each Thursday morning. All welcome.

For enquiries please phone Jan on 8823 2704.

MOONTA SANTA CAVE

The Moonta Progress Association has advised they will have a Santa’s Cave 18 – 24 December at the Moonta Town Hall from 10am-12pm excluding Sunday. A photographer will be in attendance.