



## District Council of the Copper Coast

# Copper Post

## Mayor's Message

### Direction & Diversity



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I trust that your Christmas has been joyous and the start of the New Year brings a promise of a prosperous year ahead.

In 2009 Council saw some significant works projects in each of our towns commence and tourists enjoying the pleasures of our diverse region. In December 2009 many of our Community groups received a much appreciated financial injection of funds as part of Council's community grants round. \$62,000 in grants was given last year with more funds available as we move into 2010. (See story page 5)

The film crew from TAV Productions visited the Copper Coast in December to film footage for the 2010 series of 'Out of the Ordinary' was shown on Channel 9 in January 2010. The film will focus on the collaboration between Council and various groups including the National Trust, working towards retaining and maintaining our built heritage. This was one of several films to be televised showcasing the Copper Coast region and adding to the attraction of the area for our long term residents, tourists and people seeking a change of lifestyle.

The Copper Coast also attracted more interest as a result of two (2) of our local tourist attractions receiving silver awards at the South Australia Tourism Awards. This is an acknowledgement of the hard work and dedication of those who staff and volunteer the North Beach Wallaroo Caravan Park and the Wheal Hughes Mine.

After finishing 2009 with a flourish, 2010 for the Copper Coast brings a year of many activities. With a rising economy and local farmers smiling after a successful harvest the area has commenced its run into the Sesqui-Centenary year with a full list of projects and activities to undertake. 2010 is the celebration of 150 years since the discovery of copper in our region, and the Council along with many of our community groups are celebrating with a series of activities. Each of our newsletters this year will include a list of activities happening in the quarter.

This year will also be the culmination of many projects commenced last year including the Moonta Main Streets upgrade and Wallaroo Sports Centre (see inside for detail). Due to the renovations on the Council

offices, Environmental Services and Finance staff members will be working out of the Farm Shed complex. We apologise for any inconvenience that customers may encounter as part of this relocation.

This year also marks the end of the term in office for the current Elected Members. The election in 2010 will come with some marked changes in local government, not least is the elimination of the ward structure from the Copper Coast Council area. Elected members will no longer set their own allowances but the Remuneration Tribunal will set allowances for each individual Council once every four (4) years.

The Copper Coast over the past 150 years has contributed much to the state of South Australia. Council remains 'Proud of our past and confident of our future' and ask that you join us for the year of recognition and celebration, as we showcase our history and our region.■

Paul Thomas  
Mayor

## Meet your local member - (Cr. Dean Rodda)

Dean Rodda was born in Kadina and grew up on the family farm at Greens Plains.

In 1974 Dean married Helen and moved into their first home in Kadina. Both Dean and Helen are very proud of their daughter, Lauren. Dean's son in law David Russack works with him in the business and Dean remarks that they are good friends as well as family and work mates. David and Lauren have chosen to remain in the area much to Dean's delight as they have the pleasure of watching their beautiful granddaughter, Stella grow and blossom.

Dean commenced an apprenticeship as an Automotive Electrician with Hannan Bros in Graves Street Kadina, and later worked at Larwood International and the District Council of Kadina as a Diesel Mechanic and Plant Operator.

In 1981 Dean started his own Auto Electrical business on Port Road, Kadina, and later a Telstra Communications Business.

Dean was a member of the Wallaroo Mines Primary School Council and the Kalori School Board during Laurens school years. He is a committee member of the North Beach Association, and enjoys playing tennis, golf and bowls. Dean's other interests include gardening, caravanning with friends, aviation and motor cycle touring.

Dean has been a local member of the Kadina Country Fire Service for over 36 years and is still going strong. He held the positions of President, Captain and Deputy Group Officer. He was presented with the National Medal by the Governor, Dame Roma Mitchell in 1996 for service to the community through the CFS, and

received life membership of Kadina CFS in 2004.

In May 2003 Dean became an Elected Member for the Kadina Ward and is committed to seeing the Copper Coast maintain its country lifestyle. He recognises and supports the need for the area to grow to allow families to have improved facilities and employment opportunities locally. Continued growth will facilitate opportunities and encourage young people to work and participate in the local community. Dean loves the Copper Coast lifestyle and hopes that many other families like his own choose to live and raise their families in the area. ■



*Cr. Dean Rodda  
Deputy Mayor*

## 2010 Council calendar

### FEBRUARY 2010

3rd	Council Meeting	5.00 pm
17th	Council Development Assessment Panel meeting	5.30 pm
17th	Community Advisory Committee meeting	7.00 pm
17th	Infrastructure Advisory Committee meeting	7.00 pm
24th	Corporate Advisory Committee meeting	7.00 pm
24th	Environment Advisory Committee meeting	7.00 pm

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### APRIL 2010

7th	Council Meeting	5.00 pm
21st	Council Development Assessment Panel meeting	5.30 pm
21st	Community Advisory Committee meeting	7.00 pm
21st	Infrastructure Advisory Committee meeting	7.00 pm
28th	Corporate Advisory Committee meeting	7.00 pm
28th	Environment Advisory Committee meeting	7.00 pm

Please note that all the above meetings are to be held at the Kadina Town Hall and the public are welcome to attend.

## Do It Right – Clean Site

As the Copper Coast area continues to grow at a rapid pace the building of new residences is evidence of the area being a sought after destination for families to live and visit. The Council is conscious that it does not want this growth to be at the expense of our beautiful natural environment. Therefore Council asks that the community be aware of some of the causes of erosion and pollution and the penalties that can be applied.

Most human induced erosion occurs in a relative short time period during and immediately after land development and/or the construction stage. The potential for erosion exists whenever vegetation is removed, soil is disturbed and/or overland flow of stormwater runoff is altered. Erosion of material stockpiles such as sand and topsoil can provide another significant sediment source. Fine sediment and fine organic material eroded and washed from sites are primary carriers of chemical pollutants.

In addition to pollutants like sediment there are a number of other potential sources of construction pollution. Operations such as washing concrete tools and painting equipment, washing the cement residue from paved surfaces being prepared with an exposed aggregate finish and the cutting of bricks and tiles or other masonry should be done within the boundary where there are pervious surfaces or other suitable controls in place.

Other potential pollutants like building litter and waste, dust, noise, fuels and oils and landscape inputs (like fertilisers and herbicides) need to be properly managed.

Impacts of erosion and sedimentation also represent cost to the developer, purchaser and most importantly the rate paying community. Costs are incurred through restoration works which may involve:

- Repairing or renewing underground services
- Reforming the soil surface to fill minor gullies and rills
- Importing topsoil to replace that lost by erosion or burial during the construction process
- Clearing roads and road culverts
- Establishing and stabilising ground cover
- Dredging waters to remove sediment
- Restoring wetlands damaged by influx of sediment
- Managing the consequences of increased flooding

- Additional costs of maintenance of downstream sediment basins due to poor upstream practices
- Reconstructing the landscape including re-establishing native plants

Failure to meet environmental obligations can be expensive. Under the Environmental Protection Act (1993) Council's and the EPA can impose penalties for breaches of the Act. A tiered system of penalties is used. The Act imposes liability on anyone who participated or contributed to the offence and consequently corporations, employees, subcontractors and managers/directors may all be potentially liable if they are deemed to be primarily responsible for the offence.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding site contamination contact the Council for advice. As we move into 2010 the ongoing growth of the area will bring with it many challenges and benefits. Let us work together to ensure that we can enjoy both the built and natural environment. ■



## Alteration to Refuse & Recyclables Collection during the Easter period

Council advises that there will be an alteration to the garbage collection for Good Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2010. Refuse will be collected on Thursday, 1<sup>st</sup> April 2010 and the usual requirements for bin collection apply.

This alteration will affect the weekly household bin collections in Paskeville and Cunliffe and weekly collection in the Kadina, Moonta and Wallaroo Business Districts.

All of Council's Recycle Depots will be closed on Good Friday, with normal opening times applicable for the remainder of the Easter weekend. ■



## Tricia Stringer - a local writer



Some people would think that being an IT coordinator, teacher, librarian, and mother of three children would be enough to fill your days yet somehow Tricia Stringer still finds the time to write books. A country girl through-and-through, she lives at Wallaroo, with her husband, Daryl. Now that their daughter and two sons have grown up and left home Tricia still doesn't have a lot of spare time but she tries to find the time to write something she has enjoyed doing since she was young.

"I've always liked reading, but my passion for writing has evolved more slowly and now has become my 'other life'. Some people play sport or sew beautiful quilts, I put my time into writing," she says.

Tricia grew up on an Eyre Peninsula farm and as the youngest of three children she was good at entertaining herself. She started her working life as a junior primary teacher and has always worked in education with a bit of time out raising her own children. The family moved to Yorke Peninsula 20 years ago where Tricia took up teaching positions at Moonta Area School and Bute Primary School. Daryl was working as Post Master at Wallaroo and together they began the first Licensed Post Office in SA, creating the 'Wallaroo Post Office and Book Corner'. Currently Tricia is a Teacher, Librarian and Information Technology Coordinator at Moonta Area School which includes Moonta Community Library.

Trying to discover stories about local history to prepare her students for the Kernewek Lowender, Tricia discovered there wasn't much written on the subject for primary school students.

"Our first Cornish Festival in 1991 was such a fantastic experience. Our family dressed up and volunteered for the various clubs and community groups we were involved in but it was the piskies that really got me hooked," says Tricia.

"Cherie Hoare asked the preschoolers to dress as 'little people' from Cornish folklore. Jared, our youngest, dressed up as a piskey. Visitors enjoyed seeing the 'little people' parade through the streets while they waited for the Furry Dance to begin. My interest in developing a story for local children about their mining heritage grew from there."

The local history interest drove Tricia to dabble with a children's story set in the early days of Moonta. High on the list of things to do by her fortieth birthday was writing and finishing a book.

"However, I discovered I was a bit of a procrastinator when it came to writing. I also knew I needed to develop my skills so I looked for ways to do this."

In 2000, Tricia completed a Diploma in Children's Writing from the Australian College of Journalism and since then has continued to hone her writing skills by taking part in courses, attending conferences and workshops and critiquing for fellow writers.

Tricia likes to focus on Australian stories, and takes inspiration from history but also from real life modern day settings and themes. She has a keen interest in rural Australia which is the motivation for her adult novels.

"I enjoy bringing history to life for children but as I wrote more regularly I discovered there were other stories developing in my head which were contemporary fiction for adults. These stories always involve country people and the issues they are facing."

Tricia is now the author of six published books. Three for children; "Boy of the Mines" set in 1880's Moonta was published in 2005 along with "Piskey Trouble" and "Smokestacks and Sails" set in early Wallaroo was launched during the 2009 Kernewek Lowender by Mayor Thomas. Her three adult novels are

"Changing Channels" set in Yorke Peninsula, "River Magic" which evolved after a family holiday in Margaret River and "Due Date" which is the sequel to "Changing Channels" and was published late last year.

Currently Tricia is working on her next novel for adults and is also researching another local history book for children.

"I promised some Kadina boys and girls I would write a story for them," says Tricia. "It would be great to have a story for each town to keep alive the unique history each had to play in the early mining days. I hope it will be published in time for the next Cornish Festival. Now that I've told you I will have to get it written."

Tricia's books are available locally at the Farm Shed, Kadina, the Moonta Tourist Office and the Wallaroo Newsagency. For more information about Tricia and her books visit [www.triciastinger.com](http://www.triciastinger.com). ■



## Copper Coast Benefits from Community Grants

September each year and Council's Community Advisory Committee recommends to Council the allocation of the Community Grants funding.

The objectives of the grants are to promote and improve community harmony by supporting initiatives that address the diversity of social, cultural and recreational needs in the community and maximise the access and usage of community facilities and services.

To stimulate the communities of the District Council of the Copper Coast through the provision of seeding grants to assist in the piloting or establishment of projects and services to meet community needs, and to increase opportunities for participation in the community.

Grants of up to \$500 require no contribution from the applicant; whilst grants of \$501 to \$5000 require a dollar for dollar contribution.

Those successful organisations which have a liquor licence are also required as a condition of the grant, to register their club under the "Good Sports Program". Training provided by that program encourages responsible alcohol consumption and training to volunteers about the serving of alcohol in clubs.

Already five clubs in the Council area have joined the "Goods Sports Program" as a result of previously receiving Council funding.

Successful applications were received from all four towns, for a raft of

projects including \$5,000 to the Paskeville Progress Association for the upgrading of courts, \$3,000 to the SA Sea Rescue Unit for the purchase of equipment, \$5000 to the National Trust of SA Moonta Branch to place plaques on the unmarked graves of men killed in the mines; \$500 to the Kadina Wallaroo and Moonta Band for the purchase of equipment and \$5,000 to the Wallaroo Sailing Club for a training boat for aspiring younger members and safety equipment.

Mayor Paul Thomas hosted a morning tea at the Council chambers in Kadina on December 2<sup>nd</sup> 2009 to congratulate the successful applicants and present representatives from their organisations with their cheques. ■

Carers Link Yorke Peninsula	10 Care Alert Smart Diallers	1,295
Copper Coast Garden Club	Assist with 2010 Garden Clubs of Aust State Rally	2,500
CC New Years Eve Fireworks	New Years Eve 2009	5,000
CC Old Machinery & Engineering Club	Storage Shed at Farm Shed Museum	500
Copper Triangle Writers Group	Copper 150 - The Book	300
Gulf FM	Relocation of Gulf FM to YPE	3,500
Kadina Pony & Equestrian Club	Upgrading of Horse Yards	500
Kadina Wallaroo Moonta Band	Purchase of Refrigerator	500
Lions Club – Wallaroo	Senior Citizens Xmas Party	500
Moonta Community Shed	Rainwater Tank	2,300
Moonta Football Club-Cricket Team	Upgrading of Cricket facilities Moonta Oval	5,000
Moonta Mines Uniting Church	Pathway for patrons and disabled	2,300
Moonta Progress Association	Opera in the Mines	5,000
Moonta Progress Association - Antique Fair	Assistance with Antique Fair	800
National Trust SA – Moonta	Plaques on unmarked graves of miners killed on site	4,990
Neighbourhood Watch SA	Additional Neighbourhood Watch newsletters	500
NYP Pony Club	Upgrade kitchen facilities	1,800
Paskeville Progress Association	Upgrading Courts	5,000
Salvation Army	Trade community shed	5,000
SA Sea Rescue	Purchase of equipment	3,070
Wallaroo Sailing Club	Training Boats & Safety Equipment	5,000
Wallaroo Street Party	Christmas Street Party	2,000
YP Gem & Mineral Club	Replace Corundum Grinding Machine	860
YP Youth Workers Network	Admin Expenses	500
Kadina Apex Club	Purchase of equipment & decorations	5,000

## Relocation of Council Staff

As of the 15<sup>th</sup> December 2009 the Building, Planning and Environmental Health Services started operating from the Farm Shed, 50 Moonta Road, Kadina.

This arrangement has resulted from proposed building redevelopment works and the installation of a lift in the Kadina Town Hall.

All building, planning and health enquires including the lodging of Development Applications and Waste Water Applications will need to be made at the Farm Shed.

You can contact the above departments by ringing the Kadina Office on 8821 1600, and the call will be transferred to the relevant staff.

Please refer all other Council business to the Kadina Office 51 Taylor Street, Kadina.

The Building, Planning and Environmental Health departments will remain at the Farm Shed until the completion of the Kadina Office extensions which are due to commence in 2010.■



### CLOSING OF LANDFILL SITES ON DAYS OF TOTAL FIRE BANS

Residents are advised that on days that are declared as a Total Fire Ban, all of Council's landfill sites will be closed for that day.

Total Fire Bans may be declared on days of extreme weather conditions (high wind and high temperature). These bans will apply for 24 hours, midnight to midnight, and will often be broadcast on radio and television from 6.00 p.m. prior to commencement. Please check the CFS Fire Ban's Hotline on 1300 362 361 if in doubt, or contact Council's Fire Prevention Officer on 0418 859 373.

Peter Dinning  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

## Community Sports Facility a Reality

Council will continue to work with the community to create the much anticipated new community sports facility at Wallaroo. The building is to incorporate a large covered area for the indoor bowling greens, a clubhouse with bar and seating and also an integrated outdoor covered area. The building is to be used by the Wallaroo Bowls Club, Wallaroo Golf Club and the Wallaroo Croquet Club.

The building will be orientated to the north and utilise the northern elevation to maximise the solar access with the use of louvered windows to aid in the ventilation of the building from the ridgeline down to the second roof line.

Details at this stage are:

- Bay spacing of 7.8m with a total of 9 bays required
- Span of truss to be approx. 43m
- Clubrooms, offices and restrooms to be 21.5m wide incorporating full height aluminium framed glazing panels to the central column line
- Eaves height will be approx. 4.5m
- Ridge height will be approx. 7.8m

The building fabric will utilise precast concrete panels with webbed trusses for the main rafters.

A design company has been sought to provide a fee proposal to:

- Provide sketch architectural drawings
- Provide planning documentation
- Provide construction documentation
- Civil works and stormwater management
- Provide specifications of works and schedule of materials
- Fire safety layout

It is anticipated that tenders will be called early in the New Year and 2010 will see the plans come to fruition.■



## Moonta Main Streets get a Facelift

If George Street and Ryan Street could talk they would tell tales of history, friendships and families of Moonta and districts. Council plan's to give these historic streets a much needed facelift are part of the works programs for 2010.



George Street will consist of 520 meters of road reconstruction from its intersection with Henry Street west to

Frances Terrace. Ryan Street will consist of 660 metres of road reconstruction from the alfresco at the Cornwall Hotel west to Frances Terrace. The road reconstruction will consist of underground storm water drainage, provisions allowed for effluent connection, new kerbing, footpath reinstatements, landscaping and an asphalt seal. Car Parking will be included as part of the overall design. Construction is anticipated to commence early in 2010.

As part of the consultation process Council has produced three concepts, attached. On Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2009 the District Council of the Copper Coast held an information session on the George and Ryan Street road works, this being advertised in the local newspaper. This was held at the Moonta Town Hall Supper Room from 9.00am - 1.00pm and was attended by Council staff, comment forms were made available. Preliminary

concepts drawings were displayed in both the Moonta and Kadina offices from the 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2009.



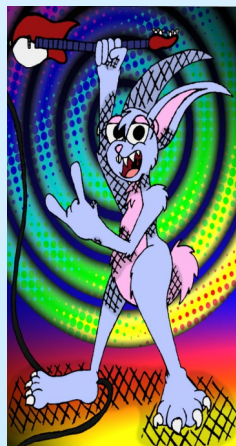
With consideration of the past of these much travelled streets, Council aims to ensure the reconstruction will benefit Moonta and districts into the future. ■

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## 2010 Events calendar

Event	Cost	Date	Time	Venue	More Info
<b>Harvest Christian School 10 Year Celebration</b>	free	12/02/2010	11am	Harvest Christian School, Kadina	8821 4945
<b>The Rotary Farm Shed Markets</b>	free	27/02/2010	8:30am-1pm	TBA	8821 2333
<b>Celebrating the Welsh Ancestry Concert</b>	\$10.00	28/02/2010	2pm	St Mary's Anglican Church Wallaroo	8823 3133
<b>St Piran's Day 3 Course Lunch</b>	\$10.00	5/03/2010	12:30pm	Uniting Church Hall, Moonta Mines	8825 3736
<b>St Piran's Day 'Songs of Praise in the Cornish Language'</b>	\$15.00	5/03/2010	3pm	Moonta Mines Uniting Church	8821 2333
<b>Station Markets</b>	free	7/03/2010	12pm-6pm	Old Moonta Railway Station	8825 1891
<b>Historic Methodist Church Sites Tour</b>	free	7/03/2010	2pm	Departs Moonta Uniting Church, Queen Square	8825 3409
<b>The Rotary Farm Shed Markets</b>	free	17/03/2010	8:30am-1pm	TBA	8821 2333
<b>Copper Delivered Art Exhibition Launch &amp; History Evening</b>	free	2/04/2010	7pm	Seaman's Mission, Wallaroo	8821 2333
<b>Children's Big Day Out</b>	free	3/04/2010	3pm	Victoria Square, Kadina	8821 3086
<b>Youth Twilight Concert in the Park</b>	free	3/04/2010	7pm-9pm	Victoria Square, Kadina	8821 3086
<b>Sesquicentenary 'Bonza' Garage Sale</b>	free	03/04/2010	9am-4pm	Vietnam Veterans Club Rooms, Military Road, Moonta	8821 2333
<b>One &amp; All Sailing Adventure Voyage to Wallaroo</b>	fees apply	7-9/04/2010	TBA	Departs Port Adelaide arrives at Wallaroo Marina	8821 2333
<b>Walking Historic Wallaroo</b>	Adults \$5 Children \$2	10/04/09	2pm	Wallaroo Heritage and Nautical Museum	8823 3015
<b>Wallaroo Bay Cruise</b>	\$130	10/04/2010	Departs at 1pm	Wallaroo Marina Wharf	8821 2333
<b>Wallaroo Sunrise Brunch Cruise</b>	\$120	11/04/2010	Departs at 9am	Wallaroo Marina Wharf	8821 2333
<b>One &amp; All Youth Development Voyage</b>	fees apply	12-16/04/2010	TBA	Departs Wallaroo arrives Port Vincent	8821 2333
<b>Copper Delivered Art Exhibition Launch &amp; History Evening</b>	free	16/04/2010	7pm	Ascot Centre	8821 2333
<b>Copper Delivered Art Exhibition Launch &amp; History Evening</b>	free	30/04/2010	7pm	Moonta Art Gallery	8821 2333
<b>The Rotary Farm Shed Markets</b>	free	24/04/2010	8:30am-1pm	TBA	8821 2333

To confirm event details go to [www.yorkepeninsula.com.au](http://www.yorkepeninsula.com.au)