



## Australia Day Celebrations 2012



The Ceduna community celebrated Australia Day 2012 with an awards function on the picturesque Ceduna foreshore, which was attended by approximately 200 people.

Citizen of the Year for 2012 was Raylee Chandler for her many years of volunteerism and service to organizations including Western United Football/Netball Club, Penong Show Society, RSL member and volunteer, Meals on Wheels volunteer, Red Cross Member, Pink Lady at Ceduna Hospital, Ceduna Senior Citizens volunteer. Most of these activities continue with enthusiasm and thoughtfulness for the members of our community.

Event of the Year was accepted by Allan Bawden (President) on behalf of Denial Bay Progress Association for their Market day event which provides an opportunity for all of the community to come together to enjoy a day out and encourages visitors to the town.

Council received no nominations for Junior Citizen of the Year Awards.

We also welcomed three new Australian Citizens following a formal citizenship ceremony performed by Mayor Allan Suter. The Ceduna community warmly welcomes our new citizens Paulus Viljoen Snr, Lara Viljoen, and Paulus Viljoen Jnr.

Council appreciated the assistance of past Mayor Des Whitmarsh for his entertaining MC role, Dene Heyne for providing the Australia Day prayer, and the Ceduna Sailing Club for their venue and preparation of our Australia Day Big Breakfast.

A huge thanks to the 200 members of our community who helped celebrate the 2012 Australia Day Awards through their attendance.

We look forward to another year ahead and to those deserving volunteers and achievers for the 2013 Australia Day.



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# New Housing for Doctors

Council and the Ceduna District Health Service will shortly see construction commence on two new townhouses on Dowling Crescent, Ceduna which will be utilised by doctors from the Health Service.

Council and the Health Service have had a long term partnership in providing doctor housing, and in August 2009, Council agreed to work towards improving the standard and quality of our ageing housing stock through the sale of its Christopher St property, and the demolition of the Dowling Cr property, with these two properties to be replaced with two modern two level townhouses which will take advantage of our coastal views and modern living concepts.

Housing concept designs were developed and agreed to, and the project was progressed to the stage of a tender being accepted by Structural Concepts Australia for the construction of the two new residences.

Through our partnership, Ceduna District Health Services will pay Council lease fees for the property which will repay the costs to Council of development of the buildings..

Council views this project as critical to assisting in the attraction of high quality medical professionals to our district.



## Ceduna Waters

The Surveyor General, under the Geographical Names Act 1991, has officially proclaimed Ceduna Waters as a locality within Ceduna. People living

in the area can now use Ceduna Waters as part of their residential address, the post code will be as per Ceduna 5690.

## Ceduna Airport

The Ceduna Airport now has a dedicated groundsman in Matthew Wilson. Matthew was formerly Council's Leading Hand with the Parks & Gardens team as well as a refueller and reporting officer for the Airport.

The dedication and commitment shown by Matthew towards the Airport made him a stand out candidate for the position.

Prior to Matthew's appointment Council had been reliant on pulling staff from the existing Operations teams to undertake the various tasks at the Airport, this was disruptive and provided an unsatisfactory level of maintenance to the Airport.

We look forward to working with Matthew as we improve the service, safety and appearance of the Ceduna Airport.



## Executive of the Year

Mr Grant Drummond, General Manager Operations at Ceduna Airport, received the Executive of the Year at a Regional or Remote Airport Award at the Australian Airports Association National Industry Awards last month. Mr Drummond was described as an exceptional individual whose work ethic, commitment to aviation in general and dedication to ensuring

even the smallest of airports are represented and given a fair go was second to none.

Under Mr Drummond's guidance, the airport is run as a successful stand-alone business unit that is committed to excellence in every area. He is also a mentor to all AAA airport members in South Australia.

## Smoky Bay Access Ramp



Council have recently completed the Smoky Bay access ramp providing enhanced access to the fish cleaning station.

# Waterproofing Ceduna

With the South Australian Government announcing that the price of potable water is expected to double within the next few years, the District Council of Ceduna has almost completed an ambitious program to waterproof the town.

General Manager Operations Grant Drummond said funding totalling \$740,000 through the National Water Security Plan for Cities and Towns program and \$120,000 through the SA Recreation and Sport facilities program, and local support through a \$55,000 contribution from the Ceduna Foreshore Hotel Motel has been obtained to upgrade treated wastewater storage and irrigation systems.

“The direct environmental benefit of being able to store and use treated wastewater from the new Wastewater Treatment Plant to irrigate these areas, will substantially reduce our communities’ reliance on SA Water’s potable water supplies,” he said.

To be completed in the 1st quarter of 2012, the total project will involve:

- Constructing an 80 mega litre lined retention lagoon adjacent to the Ceduna Community Wastewater Scheme treatment plant, maximising water reuse and preventing leaching.
- Installing 5 hectares of subsurface irrigation to Ceduna Foreshore Lawns enabling use of treated wastewater irrigation to this area, replacing the potable water irrigation.
- Installing of a new subsurface irrigation system at Thevenard Sporting Grounds Oval enabling use of treated wastewater to replace potable water irrigation.
- Modifying and expanding of the irrigation network

and providing pop up irrigation at Ceduna Golf Course to enable the use of treated wastewater to irrigate fairways.

- Install subsurface irrigation system at Ceduna Sports Ground enabling use of treated wastewater to irrigate the oval.

This equates to around 14 hectare of turf watered with new irrigation infrastructure. Sub-surface drip was an obvious choice for the foreshore and oval areas. By installing the irrigation system sub-surface we can; overcome issues with the effect of wind in irrigation placement, prevent contact with treated wastewater and reduce the volume of water required for maintenance of the turf.

The reduced cost of using treated wastewater for irrigation is not only environmentally sustainable but will ensure that the sporting associations remain viable and that Council can maximise its limited resources and still provide quality open space for the residents and visitors to the region.

Mr Drummond said there were strong environmental benefits achieved by replacing potable water use, such as reducing draws from existing ground water basins, reducing the draw from the River Murray and utilising an existing water source to maintain open public space and sporting grounds within the District. By using sub surface irrigation and smart irrigation control that will vary the application rates based on daily evaporation, with data provided by an on site weather station, additional environmental and cost benefits are achieved as around 50 million litres less water will be required to maintain turf on these areas.



# Silverleaf Nightshade (*Solanum elaeagnifolium*)

Silverleaf nightshade is a deep-rooted perennial weed introduced from tropical America. It forms large clonal infestations of many stems connected by the root system underground. Because it is not easily controlled by herbicides or management practices, it is important to

keep silverleaf nightshade off clean properties or to recognise and destroy new infestations before they become established. On the Eyre Peninsula there are isolated infestations which are spreading.



**Impacts:** Silverleaf nightshade competes with winter growing crops and pastures by taking water and nutrients from soil during the preceding summer. It can cause up to 50% reduction in wheat yield.

In pasture paddocks, silverleaf nightshade competes effectively with perennial grasses. It pushes out more valuable species because it is unpalatable, and occasionally causes poisoning of stock. The reduced production and high costs of control greatly reduce the value of infested land.

**Recognition:** Silverleaf nightshade is a shrubby perennial herb to 60 cm tall with oblong, silvery-green felted leaves and tiny scattered spines resembling straight needlepoints. The flowers produced in summer are shaped like a five pointed star up to 2.5 cm across, pale mauve with erect yellow stamens 7-8 mm long. The fruit is a globular golden-yellow berry about 1 cm diameter containing 20-100 seeds.

Silverleaf nightshade has often been mistaken for one of the harmless native *Solanum* species. These all have smaller anthers, 4-5 cm long. *Solanum coactiliferum* can be recognised by its four-pointed flowers and curved spines. *Solanum esuriale* is a herbaceous perennial with grey-green leaves and often lacks spines.

**Ecology/Biology:** The weed is semi-dormant in winter, grows during spring and summer

using water reserves from deep in the soil. It can regenerate repeatedly from underground and survive drought, and cultivation will spread it across a paddock as root fragments.

The berries are eaten by sheep, which can carry the seed in their gut for up to a month. Seed can also be carried by flood waters or as a contaminant in fodder. They are slow to germinate, lasting over 10 years in the soil and germinating only in occasional years.

For more advice on recognising and controlling silverleaf nightshade, contact Eyre Peninsula Natural Resources, [www.epnrm.sa.gov.au](http://www.epnrm.sa.gov.au), email [andrew.sleep@epnrm.com](mailto:andrew.sleep@epnrm.com) or phone 08 8625 3060

## Council Staff Update



**Michael Pasche** has joined Council as a Maintenance Worker. Michael aims...*"to maintain the high standard of work that has been achieved by the Council"*



**Sophie Bretag** has joined Council as the HR Coordinator. Sophie aims...*"to obtain a greater understanding of Ceduna and its people. To also provide a positive service to staff within the Council."*

## Work Experience

In December 2011 I did work experience at The District Council of Ceduna. We have been working with the community development team organising and promoting local upcoming events. Before doing work experience here, I thought that council work basically was working in an office all day, but I have learned that so much more work and effort is involved into planning different occasions in the community.

I really enjoyed my time working here as it was definitely not what I expected. I learned a lot about the development work that the council does. I'm glad that I had the experience to come here and learn so much about what the council does.

Thanks so much to everyone at the council for making us feel welcome, especially you Bianca

*Debbie Poyner*

In December 2011 I worked at The District Council of Ceduna as part of work experience. Over the last five days I have been working with the community development team to help plan and promote upcoming events in the community.

While working at the council, I have learnt what the community development team does and what they

do for and around the community. I never knew how much time and effort went into planning these events and I am really happy I got to help.

All the guys at the council are heaps nice, funny and helpful. I have really enjoyed working at the council and I am glad I got to do work experience here. Thank you heaps to everyone at the council, especially Bianca Mitchell for having and helping us.

*Sharni Brown*



# Calendar of Events

<b>FEBRUARY</b>	<b>15 Wednesday</b>		<b>25 Saturday</b>
	<p><b>Council Meeting</b> Location: 44 O'Loughlin Terrace, Ceduna <b>Time: 3pm</b> Contact: Administration Office 8625 3407</p>		<p><b>Business of the Year Award 2011 and Ceduna Oysterfest 2012 Ambassadors Launch</b> Ceduna Foreshore Hotel Function Room \$35 per person</p>
<b>MARCH</b>	<b>Ribbons for Life</b>	<b>23 Wednesday</b>	
	<p>Phone Brenton 0428 810 958 or see Rhonda at Post Office or phone 8625 2079 to arrange pick up of your cans and bottles</p>	<p><b>Council Meeting</b> Location: 44 O'Loughlin Terrace, Ceduna <b>Time: 3pm</b> Contact: Administration Office 8625 3407</p>	<p><i>If you have a Community Event that you would like to advertise please contact Kym Dibben kdibben@ceduna.sa.gov.au</i></p>
<b>APRIL</b>		<b>18 Wednesday</b>	
		<p><b>Council Meeting</b> Location: 44 O'Loughlin Terrace, Ceduna Time: 3pm Contact: Administration Office 8625 3407</p>	<p><b>For more information about these events visit Council's website <a href="http://www.ceduna.net">www.ceduna.net</a></b></p>

## Ceduna School Community Library Update

Crochet Club is continuing every Thursday night from 7 pm to 9 pm.

Book Club and Storytime will also be continuing but contact the library for times.

We are also inviting patrons to update their information as we are changing to a new library system later in the year.



## 2012 Public Holiday Rubbish Collections

Council advises that during 2012 Public Holidays the following changes will apply for rubbish collections

**Tues 13th Mar** – Commercial (Public Holiday 12/3/12)

**Thurs 5th April** – Denial Bay and Commercial (Public Holiday 6/4/12)

**Tues 10th April** – Commercial (Public Holiday 9/4/12)

**Thurs 26th April** – Thevenard and Ceduna Waters (Public Holiday 25/4/12)

**Tues 12th Jun** – Commercial (Public Holiday 11/6/12)

**Tues 2nd Oct** – Commercial (Public Holiday 1/10/12)

**Mon 24th Dec** – Smoky Bay (Public Holiday 25/12/12)

**Thurs 27th Dec** – Thevenard and Ceduna Waters (Public Holiday 26/12/12)

**Mon 31st Dec** – Smoky Bay (Public Holiday 1/1/13)

**Tues 29th Jan 2013** – Commercial (Public Holiday 28/1/13)

**NO COLLECTIONS WILL OCCUR ON A PUBLIC HOLIDAY.**

PLEASE NOTE: ALL BINS SHOULD BE OUT BY 6:30AM ON THE DAY OF COLLECTION AS PICK UP MAY OCCUR EARLIER THAN USUAL.

# Council Email Updates



## Animal Management

If your dog is not registered an expiation notice of \$80 could be issued under the Dog and Cat Management Act 1995.

Please be aware all dogs must be registered from 3 months of age.

Please keep your dogs secure when travelling in the car, back of the ute and when walking them.

If you require further information please contact Council's Administration Staff.

### Have you heard of Council's Community Consultation Email list?

This email mailing list communicates information to the public through regular emails advising of updates on Council projects, public meetings, public consultation periods, Mayoral messages, Council minutes, media releases, Mayoral messages, road closures, changes to refuse collection and other public notices.

To join the list and receive these Council updates, simply fill in your details below and return to the Council administration office at;

**44 O'Loughlin Terrace  
CEDUNA SA 5690**

or send to;

**District Council of Ceduna  
PO Box 175  
CEDUNA SA 5690**

Alternatively email [council@ceduna.sa.gov.au](mailto:council@ceduna.sa.gov.au) with a request to join the email list.

Name.....

Email.....

Organisation (if applicable).....

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#### Areas of Interest

- Public Notices
- Council Project Updates
- Events
- Council Meeting Minutes
- Community Information
- Public Consultation/Meetings
- Other (please specify).....

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**Upcoming Meetings**

**15 February 2012  
21 March 2012  
18 April 2012**

## Fire Danger Season



**Permits are required to light fires during the Fire Danger Season.**

**Reminder:** Keep your grass mowed around your property in the fire danger season.



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(PO Box 175)  
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