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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



Anne Wilson and Iris Mannik, members of the Beechworth Tidy Towns Committee with Beechworth's National award in 2010.

TIDY TOWNS ENTRIES OPEN FOR 2011

The Awards recognise and celebrate positive actions by people, groups and organisations who are making a valuable contribution to make their communities more sustainable.

Entering the Awards also provides an avenue to achieve more sustainable communities, increase tourism, civic pride, social participation, public awareness and the conservation of our environment.

There are twelve (12) categories:

- Community Action
- Cultural Heritage
- Pam Keating Environmental Innovation
- Towards Zero Waste
- Protection of the Environment
- Community Government Partnership
- Water Conservation
- Efficient Energy
- Young Leaders
- Community Leadership (New Category)
- Dame Phylis Frost Award
- 2010 Victorian Tidy Town of the Year

Townships can enter under one category or as many as they like. Council will co-ordinate all completed entries for the Awards.

For more information about the Awards, the categories and the programs and initiatives that may be eligible, please contact Noni Hemann on 02 6028 1154.

More information about the categories and Awards is available on the Sustainability Victoria

website www.sustainability.vic.gov.au
Please note that completed entries to the Awards need to be sent to nhemann@indigoshire.vic.gov.au by Friday 20 May 2011.

DRAFT MASTERPLANS - COMMENTS SOUGHT

Draft Masterplans have been created for Stanley Recreation Reserve and Coulston Park in Tangambalanga, and residents are encouraged to have their say.

Comments in writing are encouraged until 5pm this Monday 21 March. They should be sent to Indigo Shire Council, C/O Chris Westwood, PO Box 28, Beechworth 3747 or indigoshire@indigoshire.vic.gov.au. For more information on the Draft Masterplans, or to download a copy, please go to www.indigoshire.vic.gov.au or contact David Koren, Indigo Shire Council Manager Community Planning 02 6028 1121 or dkoren@indigoshire.vic.gov.au.

NOMINATE FOR HERITAGE AWARDS

Nominations for Indigo Shire's Heritage Advisory Committee's annual Heritage Awards are open until this Monday 21 March. Nomination forms are available at Council's new website www.indigoshire.vic.gov.au or at Customer Service Centres, or phone 02 6028 1100 to get a paper copy. Nominations should be sent to Chairman, Indigo Shire Heritage Advisory Committee, c/o Katie Rizzuto, Manager Planning and Sustainable Development, PO Box 75, Yackandandah, 3749. For further information contact Bridie Guy, Planning Officer on 02 6028 1100 or bguy@indigoshire.vic.gov.au.

APEX DAY IN THE PARK

Rutherglen Apex Club is celebrating its 80th birthday on Sunday 20 March at the Rutherglen Apex Park from 11.30am – 3.30pm. The family day will feature face painting, a BBQ, music, free rides, prizes and giveaways for children and also the Leukemia Foundations' World's Greatest Shave.



Individuals and members of Community groups are encouraged to bring their ideas to the annual Rural Summit – Ideas on the March, which will be held at All Saints Estate in Rutherglen on Wednesday and Thursday, 23 and 24 March.

As well as guest speakers and workshops, the summit features local business and industry tours and group discussions so that local action can be facilitated. For more information or to register, please go to the quick links of Council's new website www.indigoshire.vic.gov.au or phone Leanne Bussell 5728 8030.

COMMUNITY SURVEY – LAST CHANCE TO HAVE YOUR SAY

It is your last chance to comment on the Community Satisfaction Survey, which is available until this Friday 18 March 2011.

The survey can be completed online on Council's new website www.indigoshire.vic.gov.au, or printed, completed and sent Reply Paid. You can also call in to our customer service centres in Beechworth, Rutherglen, Chiltern and Yackandandah or the Wahgunyah and Barnawartha Post Offices and Kiewa and Tangambalanga General Stores to pick up a copy. **All completed surveys will go in to a draw to win an Ipod, digital camera and meal vouchers.**

RECYCLING INFORMATION FOR RESIDENTS

Residents will be hand delivered information packs throughout March in a campaign to improve recycling and reduce waste sent to landfill.



Residents are asked to ensure that their recycling bin is out for collection on their normal collection day so that the team re-sticking the bins can do this easily. Please contact Council Waste Management Coordinator Mark Greene on 02 6028 1100 if you have any queries or you think you have missed out on your household waste information pack.

COUNCIL MEETINGS & COMMUNITY FORUM 2011 SCHEDULE

| Date | Venue | Meeting | Time |
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| Tuesday 12 April | Beechworth Memorial Hall Supper Room | Council Meeting | 3pm |
| Tuesday 12 April | Beechworth Memorial Hall Supper Room | Community Forum (light supper provided) | 6.30pm |