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Benalla Art Gallery

Exhibition - A Quivering Brightness

12 May 2017 - 6 August 2017

Exhibition - The Body's Terrain

19 May 2017 - 2 July 2017

Exhibition - Patterns of Connection

25 May 2017 - 30 July 2017

Free at the Bennett Gallery
Bookings: 03 5760 2619

www.benallaartgallery.com.au

Sir Edward "Weary" Dunlop Learning Centre

Wednesday 7 June

2pm: Sit and Knit

Thursday 8 June

11am: Film Lovers' Lounge

Friday 9 June

10.30am: Story Time

Monday 12 June

Closed due to Public Holiday.

Wednesday 14 June

2pm: Sit and Knit

Thursday 15 June

2pm: Book chat with special local author visit by Glenna Thomson. Bookings essential.

For more details please phone the Benalla Library on 03 5762 2069. Everyone is welcome.

BPACC/Benalla Cinema

Comedy/Drama: Bakersfield Mist

Written by Stephen Sachs. Presented by the Tasmanian Theatre Company and Straightjacket Productions in association with the Karralyka Centre.

Directed by Lucy Freeman and starring John Wood and Julie Nihill.

Check website for cinema screenings
03 5762 5515 www.bpacc.com.au

Council meetings

Council meetings are open to the public. Meetings are held in the Civic Centre, 13 Mair Street, Benalla from 6pm.

Agendas are available at the Customer Service Centre or www.benalla.vic.gov.au

Planning and Development Committee

14 June 2017

Finance and Operations Committee

21 June 2017 - CANCELLED

Council Meeting

28 June 2017

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

The town has had a great vibe during Motorsport May. The Classic Car and Motorbike Tour, coordinated by the Council on Friday 26 May, was fantastic. A record-breaking 105 vehicles joined the tour. Thank you to the Austin 7 Club for all the incredible work it did to stage the 41st Historic Winton and to Victoria Police Benalla,

who provided the rolling stoppage that made for a safe and enjoyable day for all. A huge thank you to the RACV, the Rotary Club of Benalla and all the community volunteers and Council staff who put in such a massive effort to bring the day together.

Mayor, Cr Don Firth



Road Management Plan

Under the Road Management Act 2004 and Section 301 of the Road Management (General) Regulations 2016, the Council gives notice of its intention to adopt its Road Management Plan 2017-2021.

This updated Road Management Plan follows a review of the current plan, the service levels and inspection frequencies associated with the maintenance and management of the local road and footpath networks within the municipality.

Copies of the proposed Road Management Plan 2017-2021 are available at the Customer Service Centre, 1 Bridge Street East, Benalla or can be downloaded from www.benalla.vic.gov.au.

Anyone may make a submission or provide feedback on the proposed plan and submissions must be made in writing and addressed to Benalla Rural City Council, PO Box 227, Benalla, Victoria 3671 to reach the Council by Wednesday 28 June 2017.

You may also provide feedback by returning the survey by mail or in person to the Customer Service Centre or by email to council@benalla.vic.gov.au



Council reports 9-month operating result and full year forecast

The Council has reported its nine-month operating result to 31 March 2017 that is \$83,000 better than budget and has forecast an end-of-year surplus of \$642,000.

The forecast operating result for the year ending 30 June 2017 is a surplus of \$642,000 which is an unfavourable variance of \$1.791million compared to the budgeted surplus of \$2.433million.

The management of the Council's financial operation is complex. Timing variances and external factors have a big impact on the financial position of the Council as the financial year unfolds.

The Council is prudent in its spending, has a very lean operational structure and is managing its finances in a tight financial climate.

Some of the factors that have impacted the full year operating forecast include:

- Federal Government which reduced rate revenue change in policy reduced rate revenue by \$470,000
- The Council received additional funding for National Disaster Relief for road and bridge reinstatement. This was offset by a corresponding decrease in the 2016/17 Capital Projects Program.
- Savings of \$550,000 are forecast from a reduction in staff numbers as a result of the organisation review that came into effect in July 2016.
- Operational costs have been higher due to wet weather.
- Increased expenditure on infrastructure operations, including works on unsealed roads, roadsides, drainage works and emergency events.
- An additional \$38,000 was unbudgeted include the Melbourne to Albury Passenger Rail Service Collaboration and the Telstra Black Spot Program contributions.