

CHILDRENS CENTRE FUNDING

Federal Member for Mallee, John Forrest said last week that he was thrilled with the decision by Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Transport and Regional Services, John Cobb to fund the Warracknabeal Children's Centre through the Regional Partnerships Programme. The Federal Government announced that it would contribute \$275,000 towards the Childrens Centre Project. This now completes the funding for the project with the State Government contributing \$250,000, \$40,000 from Wimmera Uniting Care and the remainder from Yarriambiack Shire. In addition to this the Warracknabeal Kindergarten is making an in-kind contribution. "The construction of a Multi-Purpose Children's Centre in Warracknabeal will consolidate existing early childhood services including kindergarten, maternal and child health, immunisation and early intervention services and enable the introduction of long day care and before and after school care," Mr Forrest said. The Child Care Steering Committee will meet on 11 May with the Architect to finalise the plans for the centre. President of the Warracknabeal Kindergarten parents Committee, Kylie Zanker said the new centre, which boasts long day care, before & after school care would attract people to Warracknabeal.

WARRACKNABEAL LIBRARY

WILL BE CLOSED ON THURSDAY 5 MAY AND
FRIDAY 6 MAY
TO ALLOW FOR MOVING BACK TO THE
NEWLY REFURBISHED LIBRARY BUILDING

WHATS ON FOR THE MAYOR

Monday 9 May

Community Infrastructure Meeting,
Hopetoun, 7pm

Tuesday 10 May

Council Meeting, Warracknabeal 9.30am

Wednesday 11 May

MAV Annual General Meeting,
Melbourne 9am

Thursday 12 May

Community Infrastructure Meeting
Warracknabeal, 7.30pm

COMMUNITY GRANTS FUNDS

APPLICATIONS

JUNE 2005

Groups or organisations wishing to make application for grants should contact Pam Pittwood Executive Assistant at the Municipal Office 34 Lyle Street Warracknabeal 3393 tel: 5398 0104 to obtain application forms.

All recreation, service and community organisation volunteer fundraising groups which are formally constituted organisations, located within the boundary of the Yarriambiack Shire Council municipal boundaries are eligible to apply for assistance under this scheme.

Grants are not available for administration costs, repair of equipment, rates, power costs, telephone and other re-current costs of community groups. Grants will not be backdated.

Applicants for Community Grants are required to provide details of their group or organisation, their activities, other funding sources and the purpose for which the funds will be used if granted.

Applications close at 4.00pm on Monday 30 May 2005.

All applications will be considered but not necessarily funded by the Council. The maximum grant available for each group is \$500. This funding round also includes an Access and Inclusion Grant available to groups that aim to respond to identified recreational needs and interest of people with a disability, and the barriers that prevent or limit participation in such activities, ie address accessibility issues, development of a project or program that meets the recreational needs of people with a disability. A total of \$2,000 is available for this

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