



District Council of Cooper Pedy

Media Release: Easterpedy – the place to be!

30 October 2014

There's only one place to be next Easter long weekend – in the opal capital of the world, Cooper Pedy, as the iconic outback township celebrates its centenary.

A 12-month program of events throughout 2015 – Centenary Year – comes to a head at Easter with four days of highlights to cater for all tastes.

It all kicks off with a major Street Party & Multicultural Celebrations on Thursday April 2, featuring traditional food and live music.

Good Friday's highlight will be the 100 Year Ball, to be followed by the annual Opal Festival on Saturday 4, and the Cooper Pedy Gem Trade Show on both the Saturday and Sunday.

Major attention will be on the Reunion Lunch on Sunday April 5 at the Cooper Pedy Area School, which is already attracting a solid response from past and present residents of the town and its surrounding areas.

District Council of Cooper Pedy Event Officer Clair Halkias predicts that the 'official' events over Easter will be just the start of celebrations.

"This is a unique place and people certainly know how to make their own fun and entertainment", Clair says. "I'm sure there will many impromptu moments to remember during the Easter weekend. A lot of the great and unique characters who have contributed to making Cooper Pedy what it is today will be in town, particularly for Sunday's reunion lunch, so there'll be no shortage of stories!

"People make the town, and that's always been the case, so it will be great to see some long-lost friends get together again and swap their stories of the past – that's what a Centenary is all about".

And while the Easter weekend is the focal point of the Centenary Year, there are many other events planned at other times.

These include the Australia Day commemoration on January 26, with Cooper Pedy Ambassador Maggie Beer; the Centenary Launch on February 1; the Great Breakaways Marathon on May 23; and the Cooper Pedy Races and Gymkhana on August 8 and 9.

There's even talk of a Cooper Pedy Open Golf Tournament to coincide with the British Open in July. And there's a special connection: the Cooper Pedy Golf Club, with its scrapes and 'black greens', is the only Club in the world with reciprocal playing rights to the St. Andrews Golf Course in Scotland – where the British Open will be played.

Media information: Clair Halkias, Event Officer, (08) 8672 4624 or 0448 811 799

SWIMMING POOL OPENING HOURS & ENTRY FEES

From Monday 13 October to Friday 5 December 2014

OPENING HOURS

Monday to Friday

6.45 AM - 8.30 AM

3.00 PM - 7.30 PM

5.00 PM - 7.00 PM

Laps only

Public use

Lap lane

Saturday & Sunday

1.00 PM - 7.30 PM

Public use

Monday to Sunday

7.30 PM - 8.00 PM

Adult laps

Closing hours will be determined by the weather and the number of patrons

Passes and concession ticket books are available at the pool & Council

An Aged Pensioner Concession of 50% for Adult admission & passes

Production of Aged Pensioner Concession Card is essential

Enquiries: please phone 8672 5388 (Pool) or 8672 4600(Council)

ENTRY FEES

General Admission

Adult \$6

Child \$3

Toddler (any child U5) \$1

Spectator \$1

Concession Ticket Book

Adult 10 tickets \$48

Child 10 tickets \$24

Monthly Pass

Family \$75

Adult \$35

Child \$30

Season Pass

Family \$220

Adult \$110

Child \$72

Toddler \$36

Half Season Pass

Family \$110

Adult \$55

Child \$36

Toddler \$18



District Council of Cooper Pedy

POSITION VACANT

ASSISTANT YOUTH DEVELOPMENT OFFICER – Casual Worker

The District Council has a vacancy for the position of Assistant Youth Development Officer.

An opportunity exists, to assist the Youth Development Officer to develop and implement programs aimed at all vulnerable young persons that are self-sustaining and provide ongoing benefits to youth.

Level 2.1 position (Casual) Weekday after school hours 3:00-6:00pm, Friday Nights 6:00 – 10:00 pm & weekend work on Saturday and Sundays to assist, promote and participates within the program.

Information and Application pack available from Reception Desk, District Council of Cooper Pedy

Enquiries can be directed to:

Sophie Reynolds
Youth Development Officer.
M: 0427 264 969
P: 8672 4600
E: sreynolds@cpcouncil.sa.gov.au

Resume and cover letter addressing Specific and General Criteria of Job Specification required.

Written applications to be received by District Council of Cooper Pedy Thursday November 20th 2014 5:00pm Close of Business

www.cooperpedy.sa.gov.au



District Council of Cooper Pedy Newsletter

Welcome to the Opal Capital of the World

ISSUE 11 - NOVEMBER 2014

Community News

Final Message From Mayor Steve Baines

It is with mixed emotions that I write to you as Mayor for the last time.

When I joined Council 17 years ago I did so because I thought I could make a difference. After 5 years as a Councillor I thought I had gathered enough experience to challenge for the Mayors position, which I did in 2003.

At the time the power station was failing, Council was about to be forced into administration due to it's dire financial position, the community was severely lacking in infrastructure, and there was no vision for the future.

I set myself goals such as building a new power station whilst also having the costs of electricity brought into line with Adelaide, improving the financial viability of Council, ensuring the security of our REX service, and improving infrastructure such as the airport, oval facilities, main street, playground and BMX track.

Along the way many other goals were added to the list and barriers put in our way, but thanks to the support of the community and the dedicated senior staff of Council both past and present most of these goals have also been achieved.

I have in the most part thoroughly enjoyed every minute of serving our community and have met some amazing people along the way. I hope in some way I have been able to assist you in my role as Mayor and have made your community a better place to live.

I am encouraged by the number of community members that have decided to stand for Council in the next term and commend them all for doing so.

I particularly wish the new Mayor all the very best and hope that you offer him the utmost support for the next term of Council.

I thank you all for allowing me to serve you for the past 17 years and in particular those past and present that have supported me along the way.



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November Events:

Sat 1 November 6pm

Netball Presentation Night

Theme: Belle & Beau of the Ball

\$5 Entry for players

and 12yrs-18yrs

\$10 for all non-players

and over 18

FREE entry for under 12

Italian Club



Wed 26 November 8pm

Carols by Candlelight

"The Heavens Shall Declare the Glory of the Lord"



Bring a picnic rug
Glow products available for sale

OZ Minerals Town Oval

Sun 30 November

Opal Inn Christmas Party



If you would like your event listed in the newsletter, on Facebook or added to the 'events calendar' on the tourism website please email newsletter@cpcouncil.sa.gov.au or call (08) 8672 4600

Contact Details

PO Box 425, Cooper Pedy, SA, 5723

Phone: (08) 8672 4600

Fax: (08) 8672 5699

Email: newsletter@cpcouncil.sa.gov.au

Media Release: Council Welcomes Runway Announcement

3 October 2014

The District Council of Coober Pedy is delighted by today's news that the State Government will provide \$1.3 million to upgrade the town's airstrip and keep the Rex flights flying.

"The threat to our vital air service has been lifted", Mayor Steve Baines said.

"Late last month REX agreed to continue flights to Coober Pedy so long as the runway was widened to CASA's required 30 metres as soon as possible, and that can now be done.

"We are ready to go and as soon as the paperwork is settled for the work will commence.

"On behalf of the Council I would like to thank the Government, in particular Transport and Infrastructure Minister Stephen Mullighan; our local member Eddie Hughes; and REX for the part they have played in finally resolving this issue.

"Coober Pedy's future hung in the balance there for a while. Losing the REX flights would have killed off the tourism industry and had major impact on the residents of Coober Pedy and surrounding areas. Council and I are delighted that this has been resolved and the threat has been lifted.

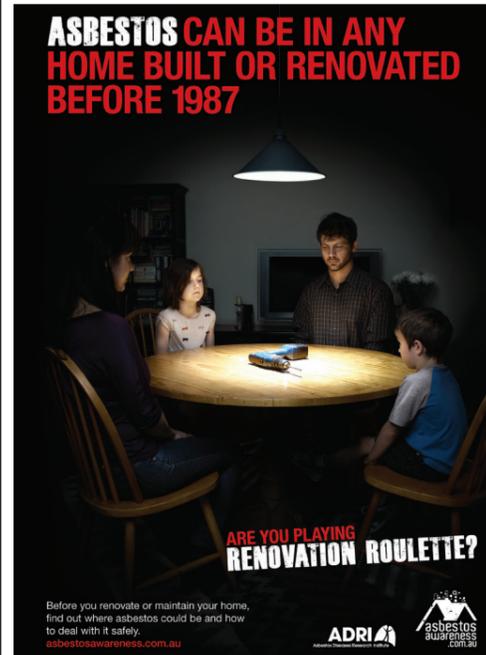
"Coober Pedy will celebrate its Centenary in 2015 with events throughout the year and a special focus on the Easter weekend. I want everyone to know that bookings are open, there will be REX flights, and Coober Pedy will be the only place in Australia to be next Easter".

Media information: Acting CEO Damien Clark (08) 8672 4600



District Council of Coober Pedy

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2014 Local Government Periodic Elections

The key dates and activities of significance include:

Roll Close s15(7)(a)	Friday 8 August 2014
Nominations open s19(4)	Tuesday 2 September 2014
Nominations close s23(a)	12 noon Tuesday 16 September 2014
Draw for position of candidate names on the ballot paper s29(3)	4pm Tuesday 16 September 2014
Mail out of voting material to electors s39(1)	Monday 20 to Friday 24 October 2014
Last day for postal issue/reissue of voting material s39(4)(a) & s43(4)(a)	5pm Wednesday 5 November 2014
Last day for personal issue/reissue of voting material s39(4)(b) & s43(4)(b)	5pm Friday 7 November 2014
Close of voting s5	5pm Friday 7 November 2014
Scrutiny and count s47(1)(b)	9am Saturday 8 November 2014

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Government of South Australia
Attorney-General's Department

TAKE-AWAY ALCOHOL REVIEW

A 12-month review of the liquor laws that came into effect in Coober Pedy in September 2013 is now underway.

The new rules for take-away alcohol sales were introduced in an effort to curb alcohol-related violence and anti-social behaviour.

The Liquor and Gambling Commissioner is conducting a review of their effectiveness, and invites written feedback from any member of the public, community organisation or interested party.

Submissions should be sent by **21 November** to:

Commissioner - Coober Pedy Consultation
Consumer and Business Services
GPO Box 292 Adelaide SA 5000
Email: cbscommissioner@agd.sa.gov.au

News from the Works Depot

Wheelie Bins: Please do not put bins out the night before as it is quite possible that roaming dogs will overturn them. It is not the job of the Garbage Truck Driver to pick up the bins that are overturned.

Skip Bins: The driver drops it off where you want it or where he can get in. Please do not move the bin from where it has been placed by Council. If the bin has been moved into a place the truck cannot get, any fees that occur because of the time and manpower spent moving it will be passed onto the customer and this could be quite costly.

Dogs: No more than 2 registered dogs per premises unless agreed otherwise by Council. All dogs have to be registered and collared. Please keep dogs inside the premises with gates closed. Roaming dogs will be impounded and the owner is required to register it and pay any fees before it is released. The impound fee is \$80.

Waste: Remember, dumping at the waste dumps are not free. Only cars loads of waste are free, but everything else needs coupons at the prescribed fees. Coupons must be bought at the Top Office in dominations of \$5. Tickets are not sold and cash is not accepted at the dump gate.

SNAKE CATCHER

There are currently no Council employees able to act as snake catcher.

Council has a snake catcher kit which can be borrowed. We have no facilities to get rid snakes so if you catch one please dispose of it.

If anyone in town would like to volunteer in the position of snake catcher, you are very welcome. Come and visit the Works Depot and you will be supplied with the kit.

Only people over the age of 18 need apply.



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South Australian Regional Awards Far North Roxby Downs 15 October 2014

The GREAT Breakaways Marathon, formerly the GREAT Breakaways Bolt, is receiving recognition as an excellent event with lots of potential by becoming a finalist in the South Australian Regional Awards in the Sporting category.

Coober Pedy was recognised throughout the night in a variety of categories and ended up receiving three red pears (winner of category) and one golden pear (hall of fame inductee). This is a great result for our town!



DISTRICT COUNCIL OF COOBER PEDY - 2014/2015 Community Donations

Council is again inviting applications from non-profit groups and organisations to apply for "Community Donations" to assist those groups or organisations in their operations or for specific projects.

All applications MUST be submitted on the "Application for Community Donation Form" available from the Council Administration centre. Applicants must be aware that these grants are subject to GST and therefore either a tax invoice must be submitted by any successful organisation or group that has an ABN number and is registered for GST. Organisations that are not registered for GST must submit a "Statement by a Supplier" form, which will be attached to the application form, with their application for a donation.

Any organisation or group requesting a donation or in kind contribution in excess of \$1,000.00 must provide a copy of their audited financial statements for the previous 12 months.

Applicants must also be aware that, contrary to community belief, Council does not have unlimited funds and therefore organisations or groups cannot be guaranteed any or part donation. "In kind" contributions, although free to a group or organisation, do have a cost to council. Council has to pay wages to employees providing the contribution plus there are also plant operation costs that have to be charged to that service.

Applications Close: 5th December 2014

Applications Available: Council Office or www.cooberpedy.sa.gov.au

If any group or organisation requires any further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Finance & Administration Manager, Mr Damien Clark at the Council Administration Office during business hours.

Phil Cameron, Chief Executive Officer

www.cooberpedy.sa.gov.au



Child Community Links

POOL IS OPEN

FREE Water aerobics for the community **FREE**
Thanks to Community Benefit SA

Work at your own ability - come and give it a go!

Keep active

Feel good

Have fun

And it's **FREE**

Times: 7:30 pm Tuesday and Thursday & 1:00pm Tuesday and Thursday

Other sessions are available at a small cost + pool entry fees, see Donna Clements

No children to be in pool area after 7:30pm



VACSWIM is happening again in 2015

Program dates: 5th to 9th January

Lesson times to be confirmed - depends on numbers and ages

Enrol at the District Council of Coober Pedy

or see Donna Clements

Get in early and enrol at Council

Check out the webpage for information:

<http://www.vacswimsa.com.au>



FREE ACTIVITIES FOR CHILDREN

Arts & Craft playgroup 2 - 4 years at the Lions Club

Tuesday 10:30am - 11:30am

Tjitji Tjuta Inkanyini Pukulpa Playgroup

0-5 years at the home makers
Tuesday 12pm - 2pm

Baby Bounce 0-5 years at the School Library Wednesday 10am

Active After School Activity's at the School 5 years and up

Little Musicians 3-5 years at the C.P.A.S Music Room
Thursday 10am - 10:45

Tiny Tackers Playgroup 0-3 years at the Community Health
Friday 10am - 12:30pm

Cut and Paste Arts and Craft 5.YEARS and up 2pm till 3:30 Every 1st-3rd Saturday of the month AT THE Youth Shed

Lego group 5 years and up Lions Club 10am-12pm Saturday except the last Saturday of the month

PlayTime 0-5 years at the School Gym Sunday 2pm - 3:30pm

Toy library at the Library during opening hours

Nappy program from the Council during opening hours

Do you have children between 2 and 4 years old?

Well this is for you

Come down and have morning tea and let the children create !!

FREE Arts & Craft playgroup at the Lions Club

Tuesday 10:30am - 11:30am



Bring the children down to make a special bag to take home with them



For more information please contact
Donna Clements, Child Community Links Officer
on Ph: 8672 4621, Mob: 0439 864 166
or email: childlinks@cpcouncil.sa.gov.au

November 2014



Cooper Pedy's Youth Activities

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Late Night Saturdays by Simone Brooks

Over the last 10 weeks the youth shed have been running a new program "Saturday Nights". The youth shed is open from 6:00 to 10:00 pm for ages 11 to 17. So far the program has been lots of fun with activities being held both in the youth shed and also out and about in the warmer weather.

Some of the activities have included; basketball, games on the town oval, bush trips, movie night, open nights, and mini games in the youth shed. The young people really enjoy being involved in the preparation of dinner. Some of the foods we have made are; baked potatoes with various toppings, tacos, and we have even made pavlova with fresh fruit on top!

A major highlight for the young people was a bush trip to MT Clarence station with Ian Crombie. We all piled in the school bus and drove 45km out of town for a camp fire, kangaroo tails and stories around the fire. The weather was lovely and it was nice for the young people to be taken out of town where there was no phone reception and no Facebook.

Late Night Saturdays Timetable

<u>Date</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Where</u>
25/10/14	Fear Factor Night	Youth Shed
1/11/14	Basketball Night	Basketball Courts
8/11/14	Games Night	Town Oval
15/11/14	Open Night	Youth Shed
22/11/14	Movie Night	Youth Shed
29/11/14	Geocaching	Meet at the Youth Shed 6:00pm
6/12/14	Youth Shed Cook off with Special Guests	Youth Shed
13/12/14	Slip and Slide Water Night	Town Oval

