

SHIRE NEWS



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DERBY AIRPORT - UPDATE



Works on the landside component of the Derby Airport Redevelopment have effectively come to their end with Practical Completion being reached at the end of last week.

Both the main terminal and tourism air lounge buildings are complete with the internal fit out now occurring. The less visible infrastructure serving the airport precinct such as hydrant system, backup power generation and upgrades to power reticulation is in place and operational.



The apron works have been held up since the wet season due to the persistent high level of the water table. There is a risk that working the earth will draw moisture up through the work affecting the ability to reach the required pavement specifications.

In the below photo, the water level only dropped eight millimetres over seventeen days.



Test borehole water level depth - 0.47mtr (15th May)

ART & PHOTO PICS

If you didn't get to either the Kimberley Art Prize or the Kimberley Photographic Award or would like to remind yourself of the fantastic pieces, please take the time to visit the Shire's website at www.sdwk.wa.gov.au and go to the News section where you can see the winners of each of the categories.



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ACTIVITY AT DERBY WHARF

Ongoing work on the sea wall at Koolan Island has seen activity at the Derby Wharf particularly high with a sustained period of daily barges over almost six weeks.

The Regal Transport trucks have been a regular sight moving materials such as bentonite and cement along with a range of other equipment to the barge ramp where they stage their movements within the car park.



Last week, Mitchell Plastic Welding were also in the car park area to construct a number of poly pipes that were each one hundred metres long. With steel cables being inserted into them, they were sealed and towed out to the Marine Produce Australia (MPA) Cone Bay Barra farm.

It is testament that with a high level of understanding and cooperation between industries as well as the public, the wharf carpark common space can accommodate this level of activity.



STAFF MOVEMENTS

Similar to many organisations in the northwest, or indeed northern Australia, we have change overs of staff from time to time.

Below is a summary of the more recent (warm) Welcomes and Farewells (with our best wishes for the future):

Welcome:

- Zoe McMahon - Parks and Gardens, Derby
- Isaac Buckle - returning as Aboriginal Environmental Health Officer, Derby
- Kierin Thompson - Library officer, Derby

Farewell:

- Sean Bannon - Parks and Garden, Derby