Happy New Year and welcome to 2011.

I was honoured in December last year to be elected as the Mayor of Hume for the year ahead. I thank my fellow councillors for this recognition and their confidence in my ability to lead the community.

I would like to particularly thank our previous Mayor, Councillor Geoff Porter, for his efforts and commitment to the community. I would also like to acknowledge Councillor Ros Spence who was elected Deputy Mayor for the third year in a row.

My passion is people, and that was my reason for standing on Council - our people are our most treasured asset, our young children, youth, families, and our aged.

I want to see a healthy community that is compassionate, will lend a helping hand, will respect one another, that will not judge or condemn, and that has freedom of expression and understanding.

The year ahead promises to be an exciting one - we will face much growth, change and development. A number of the projects that were started in the last two financial years are now coming to fruition.

I look forward to seeing:

- The opening of Tanderrum Way to vehicles when Hume Central Secondary School is complete
- The construction and opening of the Craigieburn Library and Learning Centre
- Further development of the Sunbury streetscape
- The final stages of planning for the Craigieburn Town Centre
- The development of the Broadmeadows Central Activities District, the ‘Capital of the North’
- The development of community facilities including a two-court extension for the Craigieburn Leisure Centre, the Boardman Stadium in Sunbury and the Broadmeadows Town Park.

We look forward to an exciting year for our events and festivals - especially the year-long celebration in Sunbury to commemorate its 175th anniversary.

I am honoured that in the Centenary of International Women’s Day, I have been given the privilege of being the Mayor of Hume. Thank you and I look forward to your support and encouragement.

This edition of Hume Pride profiles some of Council’s services and activities, and the opportunity to get involved. I hope you enjoy the read.

Kind regards,

CR HELEN PATSIKATHEODOROU
Mayor of Hume
HEATWAVE AWARENESS
VITAL THIS SUMMER

Hume residents are being advised to beat the heat this summer after record heatwaves over the past two years.

The prolonged heatwave in early 2009 prompted Council to develop a revised Heatwave Plan and conduct an Emergency Relief and Recovery Review.

Council’s Heatwave Plan identifies a variety of cool space facilities across the city, including community swimming pools and leisure centres, libraries, community halls and shopping centres.

Visit www.hume.vic.gov.au to get a full list of cool spaces in Hume.

A Heatwave Alert for Hume will be issued when a minimum average temperature of 30°C is forecast for any given 24-hour period.

It’s not just elderly residents that are vulnerable in the hot weather. Young children, pregnant mothers, people with medical conditions or disabilities and outdoor workers are among groups that could suffer in a heatwave too.

For advice on heat related stress or illness, phone Nurse on Call on 1300 60 60 24.

TIPS TO STAY OUT OF THE HEAT

Avoid unnecessary trips outside

Undertake strenuous activities in the cooler parts of the day

Stay indoors or in the shade during the hottest parts of the day

Wear sunscreen, sunglasses, a hat and loose-fitting clothes when going outside

Ensure pets are well hydrated and have plenty of shade

Close blinds and awnings

Drink plenty of water

CATALO WORKS UPDATE SUMMER 2010/11

CATALO WORKS - AIRPORT WARD

Commenced Development
$1.7m Broadmeadows Town Park Upgrade – masterplan, commence implementation
$859,000 John Illhan Memorial Reserve – construct synthetic grass soccer field
$700,000 Pascoe Vale Road (Western Ring Road to Camp Road) – landscaping

Upcoming Development
$220,000 Willowbrook Reserve – construct car parking
$140,000 Johnstone Street Reserve – 1/2 court, lighting, skate park shelter
$100,000 Gladstone Park Soccer Club and Cricket Club – pergolas

Major Future Projects
$10m Broadmeadows Leisure Centre – redevelopment including 50m pool
$2.9m Tanderrum Way (Pearcedale Pde to Pascoe Vale Rd) – streetscape reconstruction

CATALO WORKS - AITKEN WARD

Commenced Development
$16.8m Craigieburn Library and Learning Centre
$5.5m Craigieburn Leisure Centre – two court basketball stadium addition
$650,000 Greenvale Recreation Reserve – upgrade of oval one
$400,000 D.S. Aitken Reserve – irrigation system and oval resurfacing
$4m Aitken Boulevard (Somerton Rd to Sylvester Pde) – carriageway both directions

Upcoming Development
$600,000 Section Rd – widen and seal
$400,000 Barrymore Road Recreation Reserve – construct soccer field
$160,000 Normanby Drive Reserve and Greenvale Drive Reserve – tennis court at each

Major Future Projects
$1.6m Grand Blvd – construct duplicate lane from Hamilton Hume Pde to Explorers Pl

CATALO WORKS - MERRI WARD

Commenced Development
$100,000 Olsen Place Improvements – lighting upgrade
$360,000 Thompson St – construction
$220,000 Ossway St – reconstruction

Upcoming Development
$30,000 Linda Blundall Centre – replacement of all chairs
$160,000 VisyCares Learning Centre Precinct – playground
$75,000 Gibb Reserve – lighting upgrade
$14,000 Laura Douglas Reserve – upgrade training lights

CATALO WORKS - JACSONS CREEK WARD

Commenced Development
$255,000 Francis Blvd and Carnoustie Dr – roundabout construction
$395,000 Sunbury Tennis Court – conversion of four courts to synthetic

Upcoming Development
$1.7m Goonawarra Recreation Reserve – power upgrade, lighting, recycled water system, new entrance and carparking
$5.2m Boardman Stadium – two court extension and sewer extension
$825,000 Sunbury Streetscape – works to Evans St between Station St and Brook St

Major Future Projects

AITKEN BOULEVARD

Council will be undertaking the construction of three major sections of Aitken Boulevard in Craigieburn. These are:
- Somerton Road to south of Silvester Parade, Roxburgh Park
- Craigieburn Road to Marathon Way, Craigieburn (adjacent to the Craigieburn Town Centre site)
- Candlebark Drive to Fairways Boulevard, Craigieburn

Construction on the first of these has commenced in November 2010, with the other two sections being constructed in 2011.

In addition, the developer PEET is proposing to complete the section from Silvester Parade to James Mirams Drive in 2011 as well.

This will relieve traffic pressure on large parts of the local road network within Craigieburn and Roxburgh Park.

The Council works will cost approximately $7.7 million, with the Roxburgh Park section being partially funded through the Federal Government’s Roads to Recovery Program.

SUNBURY STREETSCAPE

Council is pleased to report that the Sunbury streetscape works are progressing. The round of upgrade works are scheduled to commence in early 2011 and continue until mid 2011. These works will take place on the north side of Evans Street (between Station Street and Brook Street).

The works will further enhance the street for use by residents and visitors alike. The works will include:
- New pedestrian paths
- Kerb and drainage improvements
- Street furniture
- Improved lighting
- Landscape works including trees and garden beds
- A low retaining wall with handrails.

To find out more information about the proposed Sunbury Streetscape works, come along to a street information session. The street walk will be held on the 31st January at 8.00am to 9.00am and 12.00pm and 1.00pm, and will commence from the Harris Scarfe carpark in Sunbury.
CRAIGIEBURN FESTIVAL

The 2011 Craigieburn Festival will be held on Saturday 26 and Sunday 27 February and promises to provide fun for the whole family.

Highlights of the festival will include the CFA Torchlight Parade, the Craigieburn Art Show, live music on the main stage, our adrenalin pumping rides, the annual car show and a spectacular fireworks display on Saturday night.

On the Saturday, our local youth will be drawn to the line-up of music and events, and Sunday is dedicated to families.

There will be delights for people of all ages from kiddies rides, a baby animal farm and roving performers.

This year’s festival is shaping up to be a fantastic weekend filled with exciting activities, rides and entertainment. It will be a great way for families and neighbours to get together and celebrate the Craigieburn lifestyle.

Stalls will feature everything from local art and craft to exciting community exhibitions, tasty food and much more. The Craigieburn Festival 2011 is sure to be a fabulous event for the entire family.

The weekend will be a drug and alcohol free event.

SUNBURY 175 YEARS
IT’S ALL HERE TO DISCOVER

In 1836, John Aitken, George Evans and Samuel and William Jackson arrived from Van Diemen’s Land. The Jacksons settled on the banks of a stream (now Jacksons Creek). In 2011, it will be 175 years since this settlement and this milestone gives reason to celebrate.

The explorers named the district after Sunbury-on-Thames near London when the township was established in 1857. This makes the township of Sunbury one of the earliest European settlements in Victoria.

Today it has many unique and historically significant places to visit and explore – it is the home of the oldest homestead in Victoria, the birthplace of the Ashes and is renowned for its award-winning wineries.

Over the next 12-months, Council will run a number of events to celebrate Sunbury 175 while supporting and encouraging the community to get involved in the celebrations.

A wide range of community ideas have already been put forward to make 2011 a memorable year. Hume City Council is proudly supporting these local activities through the Sunbury 175 Community Grants Program. Successful applicants for this one-time only grants scheme are expected to be announced in March.

In the meantime, think about having a holiday at home this summer. Visit www.hume.vic.gov.au for more information about how to apply for a grant.

Visit the Sunbury Visitor Information Centre on Macedon Street (in the old Courthouse) for an extensive range of tourist information on the local region.
AIRPORT WARD
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Welcome to 2011 Hume residents. I am honoured to have recently accepted the position as Hume Mayor, and I thank my fellow Councillors for their vote of confidence. 2011 will be a big year for development in the city, and it also marks the 175 year celebration of Sunbury.

As the weather gets warmer I encourage all of our residents to be vigilant in the heat - be sure to read all about how you can protect you and your family in the warmer weather in this issue of Hume Pride.

This year will bring to fruition further large scale projects, and I look forward to the progression of major projects in Airport Ward, including those in the Broadmeadows Central Activities District such as the Broadmeadows Pool and Town Park.

As always, I am available to residents between 10am and 12noon, on the second and fourth Saturday of the month at the Gladstone Park Community Centre.

AIRPORT WARD
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Summer is upon us and I hope the warmer weather finds all Airport Ward residents well.

I trust residents had a happy and healthy break over the festive season, and enjoyed spending time with their friends and family. Hopefully many of you indulged in the Broadmeadows Christmas carols and enjoyed all the spectacular entertainment and fireworks. If you attended the carols at Town Park you may have also noticed the rapid development of the new Main Street (recently renamed Tanderrum Way) and the Hume Central Secondary School. The work will come to completion in 2011 and I have no doubt that incoming students will benefit from the new learning space.

A gentle reminder to be careful around the water over the summer months. Be vigilant in watching young children around water and be sure to slip, slop, slap when out in the sun.

AITKEN WARD
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Hello fellow Aitken Ward residents, and welcome to 2011.

One of the first council events this year will be the Australia Day ceremony to welcome new citizens and reward the ongoing work of some of our most dedicated residents. I encourage all of you to join us for the Australia Day celebrations on Wednesday 26 January.

This year will see the continuation of many major projects, as well as the commencement of new ones. This work will include infrastructure, landscape maintenance and improvements to sporting grounds, recreational facilities, pedestrian and cycling paths, and parks. Look out for new and improved soccer, football and tennis facilities.

As always, please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

AITKEN WARD
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Hello all Aitken Ward residents, and a special warm welcome to those who are new to this fast growing area.

As many of you know perhaps the most significant project in Craigieburn this year will be the commencement of the Craigieburn Library and Learning Centre. In addition to a significant library collection, this site will provide space for community learning, meetings and training sessions.

This year I also look forward to the commencement of the Craigieburn Town Centre - which takes into account retail, commercial, recreational and residential development. Upon completion these sites will be outstanding facilities for all the community to use and enjoy.

I am happy to hear from residents should you wish to discuss any issues you may have. Please take care on the roads this holiday season.

AITKEN WARD
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Welcome to this edition of Hume Pride.

I hope you have benefited from the heavy rains at the end of last year - those with water tanks will no doubt be ready for the summer ahead.

The capital works table in this edition of Hume Pride shows just how much work we can expect over the next few months. In addition to all the major works on the Craigieburn Library and Learning Centre and the work at our sporting grounds, you can expect to see many smaller projects underway too.

I would also like to take a moment to congratulate Cr Helen Patsikatheodorou on her new role as Mayor, and I look forward to continuing to work with her in my role as Deputy Mayor.

As always, I encourage residents to contact me if I can be of assistance with issues in Aitken Ward.
JACKSONS CREEK WARD
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Welcome to this edition of Hume Pride. I am very excited that this year marks the 175th year of settlement in Sunbury. This is a significant milestone and I am proud to be representing the community as we celebrate accordingly.

I hope you can all join us for the Australia Day celebrations which mark the start of the Sunbury 175 Years on Wednesday 26 January 2011. This event will be held in partnership with the Kiwanis Club of Sunbury, who have held celebrations to mark Australia Day for the past 27 years. I would also like to thank the Kiwanis Club for their spectacular Christmas decorations leading into the festive season.

The fifth stage of the Sunbury Streetscape is also underway, and there will be much activity taking place as we continue to improve the town centre. Please feel free to contact me should you have any concerns or issues.

JACKSONS CREEK WARD
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Hello to all Jacksons Creek residents - I trust you have all enjoyed the festive season and had a lovely time with your friends and family.

The parks and gardens are very green after the heavy downfalls at the end of last year. So it should provide a stunning backdrop for the celebration of 175 years of settlement in Sunbury.

The first event will be the Australia Day ceremony, with details of further events for residents and visitors to follow shortly. If you are a community group wanting to get involved, visit Council’s website to see how you can apply for a grant.

This year will also see the commencement of two major local projects - the planning for the expansion of Boardman Stadium and the next stage of the Sunbury Streetscape project. Both projects will be exciting additions to the town of Sunbury.

MERRI WARD
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Here we are in 2011, I hope all our residents have had a good start to the year, and enjoyed some much earned time off over the festive season.

A number of our reserves are having the lighting upgraded over the summer to ensure that they are fully used to potential by the community. Look out for lighting upgrades at Gibb and Laura Douglas Reserves.

I am always pleased to report that Council is doing our best to keep you safe - we have many projects underway to improve road safety. We will continue to attempt to slow traffic in the community by installing road humps and rubber road cushions.

As an aside, I recently participated (along with many Council staff) in the Movember fundraiser to raise funds for Prostate Cancer. Those who feel like a good laugh at my expense, better get in quick, as I’m growing it back at record speed!

Until the next edition of Hume Pride, be sure to enjoy the warmer weather.

MERRI WARD
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Summer has arrived and so has the warm weather. There are many projects underway all over the municipality. Our capital works schedule will provide for maintenance of roads, paths and open space, along with the development of some high-quality community facilities. Residents can expect to see many safety measures being taken with the inclusion of road humps throughout Merri Ward.

A more significant project worth mentioning is the new 50 metre swimming pool due for construction at the Broadmeadows Leisure Centre. This development is set to change our appreciation of the warmer weather for many many years in the future.

Look after yourselves and your loved ones in the heat and, as always, don’t hesitate to get in touch with me should you have any concerns.
RESIDENT OF THE MONTH 2010

OCTOBER 2010

DILSHAN FERNANDO
Council is so pleased to recognise Dilshan for his contribution to the international aid organisation, Australia Sri Lanka Medical Aid (AUSLMAT), and for his commitment to multiculturalism in Australia.
We acknowledge Dilshan’s passion for the local community and appreciate his ongoing support of the Jacana Cricket Club.
Dilshan’s role as an advocate for charitable services within the community, and his commitment to, and understanding of, the importance of sporting opportunities in the local community has contributed to the betterment of Hume.
Congratulations Dilshan!

NOVEMBER 2010

JASON MOORE
Council proudly recognises Jason for his outstanding effort and dedication as a member of the Craigieburn Basketball Association.
Jason’s involvement with the Association, particularly through his current role as President of the Association, has greatly contributed to the success of sport, and the expansion of sporting facilities in the Craigieburn area.
His enthusiasm and drive have assisted in developing the positive involvement of the local community in sport. Jason is a valued member of the Hume community and we congratulate him for his dedication.

DECEMBER 2010

DIMITRIOS (JIM) FOKIANOS
It is a pleasure for Council to recognise Jim for his community dedication and volunteer work.
We acknowledge his contribution and years of service to the Broadmeadows Greek Community.
Jim’s coordination of many social events has greatly benefited the local community, allowing residents to stay connected and get involved in a range of activities.
For over 35 years Jim has been involved with Hume’s soccer clubs. His enthusiasm and dedication to refereeing, and the administrative duties of the clubs, has contributed to the ongoing success of sport and recreation in the local community. Well done Jim.

WE WELCOME YOUR FEEDBACK...

Council invites you to tell us how we can improve the area in which you live or work. Fill out this form and Council will respond promptly to your request. No postage stamp is required if posted to the following address:

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