



Community & Employee Newsletter - September 2022

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Community joins site NAIDOC recognition



Simon from local Café Double Picc was on hand to keep everyone warm with great coffee and conversation.



Acknowledgment of Country was conducted by Uncle Glen 'Bing' Morris.



Aboriginal musician Jacob Ridgeway entertained the audience over lunch.



MACH's Ngaire Baker with Deanne Douglas - CEO of the Wanarua Local Aboriginal Land Council, Uncle Glen 'Bing' Morris and Auntie Jean Hands.



MACH's Rail Loop Project team keen to try our locally made biscuits, from left, Scott Grunsell and Kenzie Cochrane.



Despite the extremely cold weather the Aboriginal Dance Group 'Puwampi Unti Kunarr' from St Catherine's College, Singleton impressed and entertained the audience with their routine.

Banner photo: The Mount Pleasant teams with invited guests celebrate NAIDOC Week.



Muswellbrook businesses celebrate success

We continued our sponsorship of the Muswellbrook Chamber of Commerce Business Awards in 2022 with General Manager Operations Richard Bailey, pictured left, presenting the Outstanding New Member Award to David Bird from Domino's Muswellbrook, middle and the Making Muswellbrook Award to Keith Gooze, right, representing the Upper Hunter Show Incorporated.

The next stage of the Mount Pleasant Optimisation Project

The Department of Planning and Environment (DPE) has completed its assessment of the Mount Pleasant Optimisation Project and has referred it to the NSW Independent Planning Commission (IPC) for determination.

As part of the Project determination process, the IPC conducted a public hearing in July 2022. The Public Hearing Transcript and additional submissions to the IPC regarding the Project can be found on the IPC's website:

<https://www.ipcn.nsw.gov.au/projects/2022/05/mt-pleasant-optimisation-project-ssd-10418>

MACH Energy would like to thank all community members who participated in the IPC process, and particularly the 680+ people and organizations who supported the Project via a positive submission.

Determination of the Optimisation Project by the IPC is anticipated to occur this year.

Rail Loop Project complete

We would like to thank the community for their patience and understanding throughout our construction period.



Official opening St Mary's garden

We joined staff, students and guests at St Mary's Scone for their NAIDOC Week celebrations and the official opening of their Bush Tucker Garden. The Garden, including a yarning circle was built by local Aboriginal businessman Steve Johnson of Johnson's Contracting.

Upper Hunter Mining Dialogue Procurement Event

Our Procurement Specialist Steve Clapham was supported by members of the Mount Pleasant Operations team at the recent Upper Hunter Mining Dialogue and Muswellbrook Chamber of Commerce hosted Procurement Event at the Muswellbrook RSL.



Several new and existing businesses spoke to the MACH team throughout the morning, introducing new products, concepts, and staff members.

The Upper Hunter Mining Dialogue (the Dialogue) was established in 2011 by the region's miners in response to community concerns about infrastructure and services, mine rehabilitation, water, and quality.

The Dialogue brings together local miners, community and business leaders, environment groups, residents, regulators, and other industries to better understand and address these challenges together.

The Dialogue's primary objective under the Economic and Social Development theme is to improve engagement between the mining sector and local suppliers. Critical to this is improving the understanding and awareness of procurement processes across the various Upper Hunter mining companies.

The Dialogue's Mining Procurement Information Hub has been created with assistance from industry partners involved in local procurement to provide relevant information to local suppliers to better inform them on how to successfully prepare for engagement with the mining sector on tenders and other procurement opportunities.

While procurement opportunities vary greatly across the sector, the Dialogue has developed a generic Mining Procurement Process that covers the typical steps involved in doing business with a mining company.

For more information about the MACH Energy Mount Pleasant Operation Procurement process: <https://miningdialogue.com.au/business/procurement/mount-pleasant-operation>



Voice for Mining Family Day

We joined with mining companies and suppliers to show our support for the NSW Mining 'Voice for Mining' Rugby League Game where the Newcastle Knights in their hi-vis jersey's took on the Canberra Raiders.

Community Consultative Committee welcome new member



The MACH Energy Mount Pleasant Operation Community Consultative Committee (CCC) meeting recently and took the opportunity to tour the new train loadout operation (TLO) and associated infrastructure.

The CCC also welcomed new member and local resident Tony Loneragan to the committee following the resignation of Rod Upton. Tony is pictured second from the left, with Llewelyn Bates, left, Trevor Parkinson and Jonathan Moore in the front row. Pictured at back, from left, MACH's Coal Handling Preparation Plant (CHPP) Superintendent Tom Wilson, CHPP Reliability & Maintenance Engineer Matt Travis, General Manager Operations Richard Bailey, and Thiess Environment & Community Superintendent Peter York.

Continuing our support for the Merriwa Pony Club Camp



School students take a seat



ACDF site tour

The MACH Energy Mount Pleasant Operation Aboriginal Community Development Fund (ACDF) Committee held their quarterly meeting on site for the first time in three years, pictured on a site tour following the meeting from left, ACDF Cultural Spectacular Event Manager and meeting guest Troy Martin, Glen Morris, Independent Chairperson Tony Jarrett, Malcolm Franks, Auntie Jean Hands and Renee MacDonald. Absent from the tour was Fiona Murray.



Mining Services Contractor Thiess celebrates Service Awards

We joined in the celebrations to congratulate our Mining Services Contractor Thiess and their Environment and Community Superintendent Peter York, pictured cutting the cake, for achieving his 15th year with Thiess and fifth year at Mount Pleasant. Environment and Community Officer Michelle Eckersley, pictured centre, was also recognised for her fifth year at Mount Pleasant. Thiess Operations Manager, Justin Doherty is pictured left.

24/7 Operation

The Mount Pleasant Operation operates on a 24-hour, seven day a week roster.

Contact Us

Please contact the following FREE CALL numbers 24 hours a day, seven days a week if you have any questions or concerns.

Community Hotline – 1800 886 889 | Blasting Hotline – 1800 931 872 | General Enquiries – 1800 931 873

Our goal is to respond to your community feedback as quickly as possible.

Further information, including blast times and location can be found on our website

www.machenergy.com.au or by emailing info@machenergy.com.au

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