



**CRIME BUSTERS:** Wagga City Council's team leader of parks and gardens Graeme Clark demonstrates the ease of the non-toxic product Sure Seal that will help rid the city of graffiti.

Picture: Kieren L Tilly

# Graffiti in city to be wiped out

WAGGA City Council has a new crime-fighting weapon that will wipe the city clean of graffiti vandalism.

Unightly graffiti on council or private property will soon be a thing of the past now council's rangers have been equipped with a trailer-load of graffiti removal products.

A yellow trailer, stocked with a non-toxic chemical called Sure Seal, paint, and a high-pressure cleaner, will be a familiar sight around the city as council actively tackles the problem.

The environmentally friend-

ly product is simple to use and quickly cleans up graffiti, without damaging infrastructure.

"It is as simple as one spray on the paint, one wipe-over and it (the graffiti) wipes straight off," said council's ranger services co-ordinator Greg Minehan.

"There is also no need for gloves or protective eyewear when using the product."

Mr Minehan said the trailer would have numerous benefits to the city.

"It (the trailer) will give council an accurate figure of how much graffiti is costing

the community," he said.

"It will also encourage community members to work with council in ridding graffiti around town."

In addition to the trailer, council has set up an easy-to-use graffiti registration phone number and are encouraging residents to call the hotline (1300 292 442) to report any incidents of graffiti.

"By highlighting a way of reporting graffiti it allows us (council) to measure how much graffiti is affecting us and will hopefully help police catch the offenders," Mr Minehan said.