



# What's New in the Shire of Wongan-Ballidu?

## SHIRE STAFF SPOTLIGHT

*Each week meet a member of our team!*

Mel Whyte - Regulatory Administration Support  
Mel has worked for the Shire of Wongan-Ballidu for 3 years and has worked in various roles. She currently works within the Building and Planning Department as admin support. Previously, Mel worked for the Shire of Dalwallinu for 4 years and the Department of Transport for 12 years bringing a large amount of knowledge with her.

Mel grew up in Morley and after ticking off many countries on her bucket list she decided to tame her wild side and settle down in Ballidu with her now husband, Steve.

Mel, Steve and their 3 girls live on the family farm not far from Ballidu where Mel spends her weekends sewing tutus and practicing ballet dancing with her girls.

Mel also has a love of numbers after studying Accounting and

Bookkeeping and has been the treasurer of various clubs in the Shire. Mel is currently gathering EOI's for a maths club in Ballidu - hit her up if your keen!



## HARVEST BAN SMS SERVICE

The Shire of Wongan-Ballidu is updating its Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban and Emergency Information SMS Register.

If you would like to receive SMS notifications regarding harvest and vehicle movement bans and emergency information for our region, please register at the below link:

[www.wongan.wa.gov.au/community/emergency-management/harvest-and-vehicle-movement-bans.aspx](http://www.wongan.wa.gov.au/community/emergency-management/harvest-and-vehicle-movement-bans.aspx)



## RATES INSTALMENT DUE

If you elected to pay your rates via the instalment option, please note 2nd instalments are due:

**Monday 31st October 2022**

If you have any queries relating to your rates, please contact our office on 9671 2500.

**PAY NOW**



## ROADWORKS



**CONSTRUCTION CREW:** Road Widening Dowerin-Kalannie Road, north of Vincent Road. Speed Restrictions in place.



**MAINTENANCE GRADERS:** Area 1 - South of East Ballidu. Area 2 - Cadoux



**MAINTENANCE CREW:** Pothole repairs, Wongan-Cadoux Road, Signage and guidepost replacement east of Wongan Hills.



**BACKHOE CREW:** Culvert installation Dowerin-Kalannie Road, temporary traffic lights in place, speed restrictions in place





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## ANIMAL REGISTRATION RENEWALS

Cat and Dog registrations expire on 31 October of each year and can be obtained for a period of one or three years, or for the lifetime of the pet.

Renewal notices were posted last week for those animals due to expire next Monday.

Please visit the Shire Administration office to renew your pet's registration prior to expiry to avoid an infringement.

If you have any questions regarding animal registration please contact our office on 9671 2500 or [shire@wongan.wa.gov.au](mailto:shire@wongan.wa.gov.au)



## WELCOME TO OUR NEW RANGER

The Shire of Wongan-Ballidu has appointed a new Contract Ranger to join our team. Irene has recently joined our team to assist with ranger duties in our region, with previous experience in the Shire of York, surrounding Shires as well as working as a veterinarian nurse.

Irene will be covering our area 8-10 hours a week and can be contacted regarding any ranger related enquiries.

Please say G'day to Irene if you see her out and about!

Irene - 0412 561 828



## WATERING DAYS

Now that the warmer weather is here, we are all starting to prepare our gardens ready for the summer months. When setting up your sprinklers this summer please remember the Water Corporation have set restrictions on watering your garden and only allow residents to water twice a week on set days.

To check which days your household is allowed to water please visit:

[www.watercorporation.com.au/Help-and-advice/Watering-days](http://www.watercorporation.com.au/Help-and-advice/Watering-days)

Remember to only water once per station before 9am or after 6pm on your allocated watering days.



## OFFICE CLOSURE NOTICE

Both the Shire Administration Office and Wongan Hills Community Resource Centre will be closed on:

Tuesday 1 November  
11.30am - 1.00pm

We apologise for any inconvenience.

