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THE SHIRE WELCOMES 4 NEW CITIZENS

On Wednesday 23rd October the Shire of Wongan-Ballidu welcome four new Australian citizens. In a Citizenship Ceremony hosted in the Council Chambers at the Shire Administration Office. Among the new citizens were Jennifer Apostol, David Coutts, Derrick Hourigan and Karen Marshall.



BIKE IT TO SCHOOL BREAKFAST 2024 - WA BIKE MONTH

Last Friday, we celebrated WA Bike Month with funding support from the Department of Transport, WestCycle and RAC WA to host our annual Bike it to School Breakfast in conjunction with Wongan Hills District High School. The event was an amazing success with scooter relay winners taking home awesome prizes, as well as prizes for the best dressed team!

HUGE thank you to Wongan Hills Rotary Club for cooking the breakfast, Wongan Hills Police Wheatbelt District - WA Police Force The Shire Works Crew for the traffic management and leading the safe ride to school.

Well Done to The Bluey's and the Sigma's for taking the win in the scooter relay and all team players taking home a brand-new scooter and another small bike themed prize.

The Red Ratbags took out the top prize for the best dressed team and James and Ariel took the top prize for individuals best dressed! Thanks to Lumen Wheatbelt Regional University Study Hubs for donating hats and bags to these prizes!

All in all, the day was a huge success and we can't wait to do it all again next year. Thanks to everyone who got involved and showed your support.





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SWIMMING POOL

Following the renovations works being completed on the pool and the water testing being successful the Wongan Hills Memorial Swimming Pool is NOW OPEN for the 2024-2025 pool season.

We are excited to share the appointment of Trevor Caporn as our new Swimming Pool Manager. Trevor comes to us with extensive experience in running remote pools having worked for Royal Lifesaving WA at Fitzroy Crossing Swimming Pool, Burringurrah Swimming Pool and Bidyadanga Swimming Pool. Trevor has recently been working at a leisure centre in Mandurah, but him and his wife are excited to get back to the Country. When you're down the pool please say Hi.



NEW DEPUTY SHIRE PRESIDENT

At the Ordinary Council Meeting on Wednesday, Councillor Stuart Boekeman was nominated as the Shire's Deputy President. Councillor Boekeman duly accepted this nomination and was appointed to this role.

The above appointment comes as a result of the resignation by Councillor Dwight Coad as Deputy President.

Councillor Coad resigned as the Deputy President however is remaining on Council.

SUCCESSFUL SENIORS WEEK

GRANT 2024

The Shire have been successful in a grant application through COTA WA and the Department of Communities to host an event in Seniors Week 2024. Following the success of last year's "Let's Get Quizzical" event which saw over 70 people attend the Wongan-Ballidu Seniors Recreation Centre, we have decided to host the same event again. Calling all quiz teams to enter their name at the Wongan Hills CRC to join us for lunch and a quiz afternoon at the Wongan-Ballidu Seniors Recreation Centre on Tuesday 12th November. Please see page 7 for event poster and more information.

SENIORS CELEBRATE CARERS WEEK

The Wongan-Ballidu Seniors Recreation Centre recently hosted an event for Seniors Week 2024 at their centre after being successful in a grant application which allowed them to host a beautiful lunch with music and games. CEO, Sam Dolzadelli was invited to attend the lunch and open the event. Sam spoke about the key role carers play in our community and how valued they are. Over 2.65 million Australians provide help and support to a family member or friend, saving the Australian community more than \$77.9 billion per year. Well done to Irene, Liz, Denise and the Committee for putting on a wonderful event to celebrate our local carers.





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NEW STAFF HOUSING FOR THE SHIRE!

The Shire was successful in securing funding to build new transportable houses for staff. This funding was secured through the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program - Phase 3. Site works have been carried out at Shields Crescent and Stickland Street with the first transportable home arriving last week on Shields Crescent. The expected practical completion of the homes is Christmas 2024.



CURRENT ROADWORKS



CONSTRUCTION CREW - Waddington Road 2.5km Reconstruction. Traffic management and lights in place.



MAINTENANCE GRADERS - Area 1 - DeGrussa Road, Sermon Road & Silver Road. Area 2 - Burakin East Road, Barrow Road & Hesford Road. Traffic management in place.



BACKHOE CREW - Wongan Cadoux Road Culvert Installation. Traffic management and lights in place.



MAINTENANCE CREW - Various Locations Pothole Repairs.



TOWN MAINTENANCE - Various Locations Verge & Footpath Maintenance.



UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

Halloween Youth Disco

Thursday 31st October - CRC Function Room

Ordinary Council Meeting

Wednesday 27th November - 3pm - Council Chambers

STAY IN TOUCH

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OFFICE CLOSURE

The Shire Administration and Wongan Hills CRC will be closed on:

Tuesday 5th November
12.00pm-1.00pm

We apologise for any inconvenience.