



NEWSLETTER

RAILWAY TOILETS MURAL COMPLETE

The new mural at the Railway Toilets has now been completed, and what a fantastic addition it is to our town! This vibrant artwork celebrates the unique flora and fauna of the Wongan-Ballidu region, bringing colour, life and a strong sense of place to a well-used public space. Carefully designed to reflect our local environment, the mural is a visual reminder of the beauty that surrounds us every day.

The project was shaped through a dedicated engagement session with key stakeholders, where local groups came together to help identify the native species featured in the design. This collaborative approach has ensured the mural truly represents our community and landscape. The mural has been brought to life by talented artist Brenton See, whose work captures both the detail and spirit of the Wheatbelt. His ability to transform community ideas into a striking visual piece has resulted in something the whole town can be proud of.

Throughout the mural, you'll find a range of local plant species including Yellow Featherflower, Pink Pokers, Prickly Toothbrushes, Dainty Donkey Orchid, Wells' Dampiera, Painted Featherflower and the Wongan Triggerplant, alongside local wildlife such as the Short-beaked Echidna, Red-capped Robin and Thorny Devil. Keep a close eye as you explore, you might also spot some of the hidden native bees woven into the artwork, including the Red-eyed Bee, Violaceous Masked Bee, Waroona Cuckoo Bee and Blue-banded Bee.

This project has been a wonderful example of local collaboration, with contributions from:

- Shire of Wongan-Ballidu
- Kondut Sports Council
- Wongan Hills Visitors Centre
- Wongan Hills Community Store
- Wongan Hills Progress Association
- Wongan Hills Art Society
- Wongan Hills CWA

The finished mural not only enhances the space but also creates a welcoming and visually engaging experience for both locals and visitors. Be sure to take a moment to stop by, have a look and see how many native species and hidden bees you can spot





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FARMERS GRANT OPPORTUNITY

The WaterSmart Farms voucher program aims to support Wheatbelt farmers in Western Australia develop fit-for-purpose water supply options suitable for a drying climate.

This voucher program is designed for Wheatbelt farmers in Western Australia who are already planning to drill for groundwater and want to know where to drill to target a bedrock aquifer.

Applicants will be expected to:

- Cover the costs of drilling and undertake drilling prior to May 2027.
- Work collaboratively with the WaterSmart Farms team.
- Allow access to their properties for surveys and monitoring.

For more information please visit:

<https://www.dpird.wa.gov.au/businesses/grants-and-support/watersmart-farms-voucher-program/?accordion=accordion3e7a5e31a1af40938b4006a442d979ae>

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CURRENT ROADWORKS


 **CONSTRUCTION CREW** - Smith Road 2km gravel resheet.

 **MAINTENANCE GRADERS** - Dowerin Kalannie Road and Cadoux Koorda Road - drains and offshoots.

 **BACKHOE CREW** - Smith Road culvert upgrades.

 **TOWN MAINTENANCE** - Various locations backfilling footpaths.

 **MAINTENANCE CREW** - Manmanning Road traffic management and Dowerin Kalannie Road signs and guide post installation.

 **SAFEROADS** - Manmanning Road backfilling kerblines.

All Above Worksites Will Be Under The Direction Of Traffic Management.

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

Ordinary Council Meeting

Wednesday 22nd April - 3pm - Wongan Hills Council Chambers

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