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EMERGENCY SERVICES THANK YOU EVENT

On Friday evening, the Shire of Wongan-Ballidu hosted its annual Emergency Services Thank You Event, bringing together local emergency service personnel for an evening of recognition and appreciation.

Shire President Cr Stuart Boekeman opened the evening and welcomed representatives from across our local emergency services. On behalf of Council and the Shire, Cr Boekeman thanked those in attendance for the important role they play in protecting and supporting the Wongan-Ballidu community.

The event recognised our local Bush Fire Brigade volunteers, Fire and Rescue volunteers, St John Ambulance volunteers and WA Police officers, acknowledging the time, skills and commitment they give to keeping our community safe.

The event reflected on the importance of recognising those who answer the call when help is needed. Emergency service personnel can be called upon at any hour to respond to fires, road crashes, medical emergencies and other challenging situations, often supporting people through some of the most difficult moments of their lives.





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Cr Stephenson, Cr Jarrod Hood and Cr Richards spoke about the commitment involved in emergency service work and volunteering, from ongoing training and late-night call-outs to responding to fires, road crashes, medical emergencies and other challenging situations. Also representing Council on the evening was Cr Sue Starcevich, alongside CEO Sam Dolzadelli and Deputy CEO Melinda Lymon.

DFES Wellness Chaplain Dennis Sudla also joined the evening and spoke about wellbeing and the support available to emergency services personnel, particularly following difficult or confronting incidents.

The evening provided an opportunity for our emergency service personnel to come together, enjoy good company and receive some well-deserved recognition for the contribution they make. The Shire sincerely thanks all of our local emergency service personnel for their continued commitment to Wongan-Ballidu. Thank you also to Rod Clarke and the Rotary Club of Wongan Hills for catering and assisting with the bar on the night.





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NEW HONORARY FREEMAN OF THE SHIRE OF WONGAN-BALLIDU

The Shire of Wongan-Ballidu Council is delighted to announce that Mr. Peter Macnamara is to be awarded with the title of Honorary Freeman of the Shire of Wongan-Ballidu. The title of Honorary Freeman is the highest honour that can be bestowed on a community citizen, and it recognises the outstanding accomplishments made by Peter over several decades within our district.

Peter was a Shire Councillor for 18 years, which included 10 years as the Shire President. Throughout his years of service, Peter played a vital role in the growth, development and long-term sustainability of the Shire of Wongan-Ballidu. His vision, leadership and commitment to community outcomes were instrumental in delivering numerous significant projects and initiatives.

**A bestowal ceremony will take place:
Cadoux Sport and Recreation Centre
Thursday 24th September
5:30pm.**

We would love for community members to please join us in celebrating this special occasion, as we recognise Peter's remarkable contribution to the Shire and our community over the years.

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MR. PETER MACNAMARA

**A BESTOWAL CEREMONY
CADOUX SPORT REC CENTRE
24TH SEPTEMBER
5:30PM**

RATES REMINDER – FIRST INSTALMENT DUE SOON

A reminder to ratepayers that the **first instalment of 2026-27 rates is due 18 September 2026**. If you're planning to pay your rates in full, don't forget there are also some great prizes up for grabs! 🎉

Ratepayers who pay their rates in full by 18 September 2026 will go into the draw for the chance to win one of these prizes:

- 🔥 **AFGRI** – John Deere Fire Pit
- 🎁 **Mitre 10** – \$50 Gift Voucher
- 🚗 **TKB** – Wheel Alignment
- 🏊 **Shire of Wongan-Ballidu** – Family Pool Pass for the 2026/27 season
- 🧼 **Dunnings** – Truck and Hand Cleaner
- 🏋️ **Wongan-Ballidu Community Fitness Centre** – 3-Month Gym Membership
- 📺 **Boekeman Machinery** - \$250 Gift Voucher

Payments can be made via BPAY using the reference number on your rates notice, or in person at the CRC by cash, cheque or card.

For any rates enquiries, please contact:

Danell Bliss, Senior Finance Officer
rates@wongan.wa.gov.au
9671 2500.

A big thank you to our local businesses for supporting this year's Pay Your Rates in Full Prize Draw!





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ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING – CHANGE OF TIME

Please be advised that the Ordinary Council Meeting scheduled for Thursday 24 September 2026 will now commence at 4:30pm.

Thursday 24 September 2026
4:30pm
Cadoux Recreation Centre

Please note the change of commencement time when planning to attend.



CURRENT ROADWORKS



Construction Crew - Dowerin Kalannie Road reconstruction.



Maintenance Graders -

Area 1 Newton Road, Damboring West Road.

Area 2 Rabbit Proof Fence Road, Kirwan Road.



Backhoe Crew - Ackland Street Footpath preparation.



Pavement Maintenance - Hospital Road pavement repairs, Dowerin Kalannie Road guidepost maintenance.



Town Maintenance - Wongan Hills and Ballidu general street cleaning and maintenance.

All Above Worksites Will Be Under The Direction Of Traffic Management

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

Ordinary Council Meeting

Thursday 24th September - 4:30pm - Cadoux Recreation Centre

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