



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

SHIRE STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Each week meet a member of our team!

Kristie Frearson -

HR & Customer Service Officer

Kristie has worked for the Shire of Wongan-Ballidu for 7 years having returned to work after starting a family with her husband Travis. Kristie started her career in Local Government (LG) at the age of 17 as a Trainee and has since worked across many LG's across the state before having children.

Kristie grew up just round the corner in Northam but has now lived local to Wongan Hills for 11 years.

Kristie is an avid sports woman with a passion for all sports with her favourites being netball and basketball. Kristie is on the local Basketball and Swim Club Committees as well as being the President of Cubbyhouse. We don't know where she finds all of her time with 3 kids!

Kristie loves to travel and looks forward to more adventures travelling around Australia between working at the Shire, running their family business, Frearson Welding Services, and all the extra curriculums.



SENIORS WEEK GRANT

The Shire of Wongan-Ballidu has been successful in a grant application through COTA WA and the Department of Communities to host an event during Senior's Week 2022. The initiative aims to target seniors who suffer from loneliness and isolation which is a common issue in regional communities. This November we will be hosting a "Ballroom Bingo" and we hope to see you there! More info on page



ASTROTOURISM WA

October is a great month to be out under the stars! There are some special line-ups of planets, stars and the Moon to discover plus Halloween to celebrate!

After 8pm on the 10th of October, a line of bright objects can be seen. Starting from the east northeast, a full Moon rises. Further westward is the planet Jupiter, visible as a bright star. Even further to the west, Saturn can be seen, as a fainter star than Jupiter.

When to look: After 8pm, October the 10th
Which direction to look: From the east-northeast horizon, westward.

Head out to Lake Ninan or Airport Road for the best views of the night sky in Wongan!



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 Hospital Road, Wongan-Cadoux Road and Ballidu area, Kondut area.



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





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OFFICE CLOSURE

The Shire Administration Office and Wongan Hills CRC will be closed during the following times for staff development and training:

Wednesday 12 October

9.00am - 10.30am

Thursday 13 October

1.30pm - 4.30pm

SENIOR FINANCE OFFICER



The Shire of Wongan-Ballidu has an excellent opportunity for a highly motivated individual to fill the full-time role of Senior Finance Officer.

This position reports to the Deputy Chief Executive Officer and is responsible for supervising a small team. Duties include production and collection of rates, financial services and customer service. This position also provides administrative support to the Shire's Volunteer Bush Fire Brigades and backup support to other customer service positions within the Shire.

Conditions of Employment are in accordance with the Local Government Industry Award 2020 Level 7-8 with a salary range of \$65,000 to \$75,000 (depending on qualifications and experience), plus up to 13.5% superannuation.

Applicants should first refer to the Position Description, available at <https://www.wongan.wa.gov.au/.../senior-finance.../10070>

Written applications clearly marked "Senior Finance Officer", full resume with work experience and the names of two (2) work related referees should be forwarded to the Chief Executive Officer by the closing date.

Applications close: 4.00pm, Wednesday 19th October 2022.

For additional information regarding this vacancy, applicants are encouraged to contact Sam Dolzadelli, Deputy Chief Executive Officer on (08) 9671 2500 or by email sam.dolzadelli@wongan.wa.gov.au

WE ARE HIRING!

BIKE IT TO BALLIDU

The infamous Bike it to Ballidu event is back this weekend for the 23rd year! The Shire of Wongan-Ballidu is committed to supporting this event allocating \$10,000 in the 2022/2023 budget to sponsor this event.

We can't wait to see another spectacular day put on by the Bike it to Ballidu committee with support from the Ballidu Progress Group in our community.



WA BIKE MONTH

October is WA Bike Month which aims to promote and encourage people of all ages and abilities to ride bikes for transport, fun and for a healthier lifestyle.

This October, in aid of bike month, the Shire of Wongan-Ballidu with support from WHDHS and Cadoux Primary School will be hosting a "Bike it to School Breakfast" at the CRC this Thursday 13th October.

This event will encourage children living in our area to cycle to school and promote cycling as a form of exercise for a healthier lifestyle. The Shire and CRC have organised obstacle courses in the car park, whilst the Wongan Hills Rotary Club will be cooking breakfast for the students.

