



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

SHIRE STAFF SPOTLIGHT

Each week meet a member of our team!

Ian O'Leary - Swimming Pool Manager

Ian is the newest member of the Shire's staff team and has joined us as the new Swimming Pool Manager, with a wealth of experience spanning all over Australia. Most recently managing the Wyndham Swimming Pool up in the Kimberley's, Ian has relocated for a change in scenery and some cooler weather. Originally born in Sydney, Ian later moved to Hobart where he spent most of his childhood and this has been his main base whilst he has travelled the globe. Ian first started his life guarding career when he was a backpacker in London and found a love of the water and has since worked at many pools, including 5 years in Alice Springs.

During his backpacker days, Ian travelled all through Europe working on ski resorts in Austria, building silo's in Scandanavia and his favourite memory is of volunteering at a Kibbutz in Israel.

Ian is also a keen guitar player, however, admits his singing would clear a room... hopefully we won't be seeing him busking out the front of Cafe of Note anytime soon then... haha!

Ian is currently also writing his own children's book after following his passion for writing! We can't wait to showcase a copy in our library in the not-too-distant future.



Christmas Closure

Please note the Shire Administration Office and Wongan Hills Community Resource Centre will be closed during the following period:

Friday 23 December 12.00pm to
Tuesday 3 January 9.00am

Councillors, management and staff wish you a joyful and safe festive season and a Happy New Year!



MELISSA PRICE MP VISITS WONGAN HILLS

Melissa Price MP visited our newly upgraded Airport after the Coalition's Regional Airports Program provided \$300,000 of funding towards this upgrade.



ROADWORKS



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



MAINTENANCE GRADERS: Area 1 - Kirwan. Area 2 - Lake Hinds area.



MAINTENANCE CREW: Patching Wongan Hills-Cadoux Road, Guideposts and signs - Hospital Road, Kondut Area.



BACKHOE CREW: Culvert installation Dowerin-Kalannie Road, temporary traffic lights in place, speed restrictions in place. Street cleaning Wongan Hills.





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FESTIVE PERIOD HARVEST & VEHICLE MOVEMENT BANS

The Shire of Wongan-Ballidu imposes a Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban on the following dates:

Sunday 25 December 2022
(Christmas Day)

Monday 26 December 2022
(Boxing Day)

Sunday 1 January 2023
(New Year's Day)



RATES INSTALMENT DUE

If you elected to pay your rates via the instalment option, please note 3rd instalments are due:

Monday 9 January 2023

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



LUMEN STUDY HUB OPENING IN WONGAN HILLS

The Shire of Wongan Ballidu has signed a three year service agreement with Lumen Wheatbelt Regional University Centre. The Wongan Community Resource Centre will operate as a study hub for regional students studying higher education.

Regional University Centres provide students in regional and remote areas access to higher education without having to leave their community. They offer in person student support and campus-style facilities for students who study online.

The Wongan Hills CRC will shortly be commencing recruitment for a Student Support Officer in preparation for the opening of the study hub in Wongan Hills.



ROLL OF HONOUR COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS

The Community Service Awards Roll of Honour is now live on the Shire's website: <https://www.wongan.wa.gov.au/roll-of-honour.aspx>

Take a look of all the recipients awarded this honour since 1984.

The Awards acknowledge the unsung heroes of our community who through their contributions make our Shire a better place. These individuals and organisations offer outstanding service each day and enable our communities to be stronger as a result of their tireless efforts.

