



# NEWSLETTER

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## A NEW TERM BEGINS...

Last Wednesday, at an Ordinary Meeting of Council, three new Councillors were sworn in by Justice of the Peace and Chief Executive Officer Stuart Taylor, after being elected unopposed at the 2023 Local Government Election.

The Shire of Wongan-Ballidu welcomes Cr Matthew Sewell, Cr Geoffrey Chambon and Cr Elyssa Giedraitis, as well as re-elected member Cr Sue Starcevich to join our Council for a four-year term expiring in 2027.

As a new term begins, the position of Shire President and Deputy Shire President were declared open for nominations by Mr Stuart Taylor. Cr Mandy Stephenson was nominated unopposed for the position of Shire President and accepted. Cr Mandy Stephenson said she looks forward to representing the Shire of Wongan-Ballidu as Shire President for another term, working together to meet strategic goals for our community. Cr Dwight Coad was nominated unopposed for the position of Deputy Shire President and accepted.

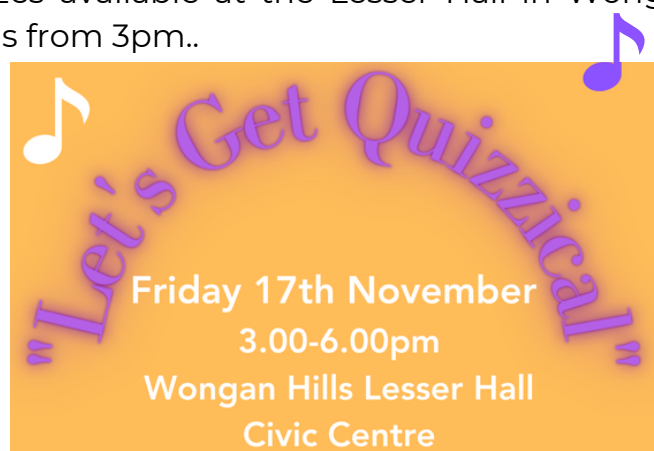
We look forward to working with the new Council to achieve our collective goals and seeing the Shire's Strategic Community Plan come to fruition.



## SUCCESSFUL GRANT APPLICATION

The Shire have been successful in a grant application of \$1,000 through the Department of Communities and COTA WA for Seniors Week 2023. The Shire will be teaming up with the Wongan-Ballidu Seniors Recreation Centre to bring you "Let's Get Quizzical" on Friday 17th November.

Join us for a fun quiz afternoon with food and prizes available at the Lesser Hall in Wongan Hills from 3pm..



## ROADWORKS



**CONSTRUCTION CREW:** Gravel Overlay on Burakin Wialki Road followed by Gravel Resheet on Barrow Road. Traffic Management in use.



**MAINTENANCE GRADERS:** - Area 1 - Kondut East Road followed by Kondut South East Road. Traffic Management in use. Area 2 - Kirwan West Road followed by Hesford Road and Barrow Road. Traffic Management in use.



**BACKHOE CREW** - Culvert Repairs on Waddington Road followed by Culvert Replacement on Manmanning Road. Traffic Management in use.



**MAINTENANCE CREW** - Pothole Repairs on Wongan Cadoux Road followed by Ballidu East Road. Traffic Management in use.





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## BIKE IT TO SCHOOL BREAKFAST 2023

We had an amazing morning celebrating WA Bike Month last Wednesday with Wongan Hills District High School. We are so impressed by all of the talent and efforts made in the decorated rides as part of our "pimp your ride" competition and it was very difficult to pick a winner!

Congratulations to Claudia and Katelyn for taking out the top prize each and both winning a BRAND NEW BIKE.

This event was made possible by the Shire of Wongan-Ballidu supported by a grant through RAC, Department of Transport and WestCycle, which enabled us to give away prizes to a handful of lucky winners.

People on Bicycles joined us, funded by RAC and set up a free bike maintenance station (with help from Percy Beneke and Darren Sadler), as well as running various bicycle workshops, as part of their bicycle academy. We couldn't be more grateful for all of the extra support we received today, to help make this event amazing! They also brought spare bikes for any children who were without a bike.

Thanks to Wongan Hills Rotary Club for cooking our yummy breakfast, the Police and Shire Works crew for the traffic management and keeping our ride to school safe. Lastly, thanks to Wongan Hills District High School for joining us and making this event possible for our country kids! We can't wait to do it all again next year.

### 1st Prize Winners Katelyn and Claudia...

