



## SHIRE STAFF SPOTLIGHT

### Vikki Thomas Swimming Pool Manager

Meet Vikki, Vikki is our new Swimming Pool Manager joining our team just in time for the 2023/2024 pool season. Vikki has recently relocated to Wongan Hills after working in Newman for the past few years as a Pool Manager. Vikki has also worked in the Shire of Three Springs, bringing years of experience with her and we can't wait for the pool season to begin! Vikki has hit the ground running helping get the pool ready for opening soon, with various issues that arose over the winter months with the pool.

Vikki will also be offering children's swimming lessons to our community. Originally from Bruce Rock, Vikki has spent all of her life in WA spending the majority of her childhood in Mullewa.

In her free time, Vikki has a keen interest in crochet, and we are sure we will be seeing Vikki at Knit & Natter when she can squeeze it in between her busy summer schedule. Will Vikki be more of a natterer, or a knitter do we think?

Vikki was also previously a volunteer for St Johns Ambulance in her previous hometown and we hope to see Vikki join our local group here in Wongan Hills when she has settled in.








## STICKLAND STREET WORKS

As part of the Shire's Capital Works Program 2023/2024, Stickland Street has been selected to have a new asphalt pavement installed.

Contractors will commence work at 7am on Wednesday 15th November. The works will take one day to complete, and the road will be closed for the duration of the day with local traffic access only.



## ROADWORKS

-  CONSTRUCTION CREW: Gravel Resheet Rabbit Proof Fence Road and Barrow Road
-  MAINTENANCE GRADERS: - Area 1 - Kondut. Area 2 - Burakin.
-  BACKHOE CREW - Stickland Street, Assisting Construction.
-  MAINTENANCE CREW - Ballidu, Lake Hinds Area.
-  MISCELLANEOUS - Tidy up after Reynoldson Reserve Festival, Footpath maintenance, street cleaning.



## RATES DUE DATE REMINDER

If you elected to pay your rates via the instalment option, the second instalment is due next week, Monday 13th November.

You can pay your rates by:

- Phone to 9671 2500
- In person at the Shire Administration Office
- Online banking via BPAY - Biller ID 71126

Ratepayers experiencing financial hardship in paying rates and charges should contact the Shire's Rates Officer on 9671 2500 prior to the due date shown on the rate notice to discuss alternative payment arrangements.

Have your contact details changed? Notify us via our online form on our website and we can update the contact details for your rates: [www.wongan.wa.gov.au/forms/eratesupdate-my-details/17](http://www.wongan.wa.gov.au/forms/eratesupdate-my-details/17)

## ARE YOU A PENSIONER?

Eligible and registered ratepayers have the opportunity to either:

- claim a rebate on the rates and Emergency Services Levy; or
- defer payment of the rates and Emergency Services Levy

### Eligibility

To be eligible, the ratepayer must:

- own and occupy the property as at 1 July of that financial year
- hold an eligible concession card
- be registered with the Water Corporation



## EV CHARGING IN WONGAN



Our electric vehicle charging station is ready to use outside the Wongan Hills Visitors Centre. Having facilities such as this locally, enables our community to move towards a more sustainable future. If you are considering making the change to an electric vehicle now is the time, with an available charging station right here in Wongan Hills town centre. This is a great asset which enables more tourists to include our town on their travels, whether they make it their destination or if they are just passing through.

## PROHIBITED BURNING

The prohibited burning period within the Shire of Wongan-Ballidu will commence on Wednesday 15 November until Tuesday 13 February 2024. Please note any burning during this period is completely prohibited. Local weather readings can be found on our website at [www.wongan.wa.gov.au](http://www.wongan.wa.gov.au)

