

SHIRE OPENING HOURS

8.30am to 4.30pm Weekdays (closed Public Holidays)

Licensing Closes 4pm

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

17 February 2021

Ordinary Council Meeting commencing 2pm

TIP HOURS

7.30am - 4.00pm Saturday - Monday

POOL HOURS

Wednesday - Monday 11.30am - 6.30pm (closed Tuesdays)

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WASTE COLLECTION

Every Tuesday

RECYCLING DATES

9 February 2021 and 23 February 2021

AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS



Photos (L-R) Jan Kickett, Cr Bill Mulroney and Arola Mitchell, Cr Bill Mulroney and Shondelle Beard.

The Shire of Pingelly recently held its annual Australia Day Celebrations at the Pingelly Recreation and Cultural Centre (PRACC) and Pingelly Swimming Pool.

Australia Day is about acknowledging and celebrating the contribution every Australian makes to our nation. From our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people – who have been here for more than 65,000 years – to those who have lived here for generations, to those who have come from all corners of the globe to call this country home.

Shire President Bill Mulroney said, "we're all part of the story of Australia that calls on us to reflect, respect and celebrate on Australia Day".

"We reflect on our nation's past, the impact of European settlement on our First Australians and waves of immigration that have helped us become one of the world's greatest multicultural success stories".

The day started with the popular community breakfast catered by the Pingelly Recreation and Cultural Centre which also included Jan Kickett, local Noongar Elder, facilitating a Welcome to Country, Bill Mulroney, Shire President, conducting Citizenship Ceremony and presentation of the Community Awards. Congratulations to:

- Arola Mitchell for becoming a citizen of the Commonwealth of Australia
 - Shondelle Beard for being awarded the Community Service Award
- Sheree Blechynden for being awarded Sportsperson of the Year

Throughout the morning, Narrogin-based performer, The Singing Plumber also played Australian themed music while members of the community reconnected after returning home from the summer school holidays.

A family fun day was held during the afternoon at Pingelly Swimming Pool. The team at Arola's Café and Bakery provided a pop-up buffet lunch while the community stayed cool and local youth enjoyed multiple rounds of the Tarzan swing inflatable.

Many communities throughout Australia, including the Shire of Pingelly, were successful in obtaining funding from the National Australia Day Council to increase activities at the 2021 celebrations. Shire President Bill Mulroney said, "on behalf of the Shire of Pingelly and the community, I'd like to thank the National Australia Day Council for the generous financial assistance that made the Australia Day Celebrations a day to remember".

A photo album from the day has been uploaded to the Shire of Pingelly's Facebook page.



PARTY ON THE OVAL

Lots of good food, relaxation and catch up at Party on the Oval back in December!

Our local young people had a ball after their last day of school and were treated to three inflatables from Perth Bouncy Castle Hire, as well as the arrival of Santa thanks to Pingelly Men's Shed and Pingelly Fire and Rescue. Pingelly SES ran a free sausage sizzle for the community from the

veranda, and the PRACC's picnic hampers were also a hit. Local band Trip also provided live music throughout the event. The evening concluded with the annual, spectacular fireworks display by Cardile Fireworks.

Party on the Oval is funded by the Shire of Pingelly, Pingelly Development Association and Bendigo Bank | Pingelly Brookton Community Bank BranchesCommunity Grant Program, and supported by Pingelly Men's Shed, PingellySESandPingellyFire&Rescue.

Live and Local is presented by Shire of Pingelly in partnership with the Live Music Office and APRA AMCOS. Live and Local has been assisted by the Australian Government through the Australia Council for the Arts, its arts funding and advisory body.

More photos from Party on the Oval are available to view in colour from the Shire's website and Facebook page.













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CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION

The Shire's Christmas Lights Competition was judged during the final week of December.

A formal congratulations to Shirley Walsey for winning the 2020 Competition, Earth N Surf General Store Pingelly for placing second, as well as Lisa and Patrick Pitman for placing third!

Each received a Pingelly Gift Card, our community's special form of community currency to use at participating local businesses:

Arola's Cafe and Bakery | Earth N Surf General Store Pingelly | Elder's Pingelly | First Avenue Trading | Pingelly Hotel | Pingelly IGA | Pingelly Pharmacy | Pingelly Quality Meats | Pingelly Recreation and Cultural Centre.



TOWN HALL FUTURE USE REFERENCE GROUP

The group met for the first-time during January to establish a starting point, discuss the project timeframe and next steps, as well as review the feedback from the Town Hall Future Use Workshops held last year.

The group will be meeting again in February to look at the spatial allocation and design with an Architect in line with the community vision for the Town Hall encompassing historical, community and tourism uses.

For more information about the Town Hall Future Use Project, visit the Projects and Initiatives section of the Shire's website, or contact the Shire Office.



2021 PINGELLY ASTRO FEST

Exciting news! The Shire of Pingelly's has been successful in securing support from Lotterywest's Building Community Program for the 2021 Pingelly Astro Fest. The 2021 Pingelly Astro Fest will be a free community-based festival celebrating local astronomy and Australian science on Saturday, 20 March from 4.30pm at Pingelly Recreation and Cultural Centre (PRACC).

The Shire of Pingelly is partnering with University Western Australia Institute of Agriculture, Scitech and the International Centre for Radio Astronomy Research (ICRAR) to showcase Pingelly's night sky as a natural asset for residents and visitors to enjoy. Proposed activities include solar observing, interactive astronomy and science activities, shows by Scitech, night sky tour with expert commentary, astrophotography exhibition, as well as telescopes available to use throughout the evening.

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SHIRE WORKS PROGRAM UPDATE

The Wickepin-Pingelly Road and Old Road Wickepin intersection is currently undergoing realignment and reconstruction works to improve safety. The works involve reducing the height of the intersection to remove the crest, as well as wet-mixing and stabilising the pavement with a two coat bitumen seal.

The **PRACC Carpark Modification** is programmed to begin in mid-February. This will involve additional parking on the western side of the bowling green with a direct exit to Somerset Street. The current carpark (alongside the outdoor multipurpose courts) will also be sealed with asphalt and include line marking works.



The bitumen resealing program on Bullaring Road (5km) and York-Williams Road (2km) is also underway.

BUSHFIRE RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN



The Shire of Pingelly has been collaborating with the Department of Fire and Emergency Services to prepare a Bushfire Risk Management Plan for the community.

This Plan identifies assets throughout the Shire at risk from bushfire, and their priority for treatment.

At a recent planning session, DFES staff brought along the newly allocated trailer to support mitigation activities, which can be requested by any Shire within the Upper Great Southern.

NOTIFICATIONS OF MEETING

2020 Audit Committee Meeting

1pm on 11 February 2021

Special Council Meeting

2pm on 11 February 2021

For the purpose of adopting the 2019/20 Annual Report; and approving a suitably qualified contractor to undertake the construction of the Memorial Park project.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

The Shire of Pingelly is seeking an experienced and motivated Executive Assistant to provide administrative and governance support to the Chief Executive Officer.

Applications must be received by 4pm Monday 8 February 2021, addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Pingelly and marked Confidential – Executive Assistant. An Application Package is available on the Shire's website www.pingelly.wa.gov.au or by emailing admin@pingelly.wa.gov.au.

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DOGS IN PUBLIC PLACES

The Shire of Pingelly's Dogs Local Law requires dogs to be tethered or on a leash in public unless the owner is accompanying the dog in a designated dog exercise area.

There are two designated dog exercise areas within the Shire at:

- Linear Park Reserve 34570 Quadrant Street between Brown and Review Streets, and
- Recreation Reserve 23053 (Old School Oval) on the corner of Park and Balfour Streets.

The owner is still responsible for the control and behaviour of the dog within these designated areas.

Where a dog is found wandering unaccompanied, or is being walked by the owner off a leash in public, an infringement may be issued by the Shire's Ranger Services. This is because a wandering dog put its own health, as well as the broader community's at risk. Roaming dogs may be exposed to the elements including disease, weather, traffic and other fauna, while also posing a risk to members of the community and livestock.

To prevent your dog from wandering ensure the yard is secure with gates and other exits to the street closed. If you identify an unaccompanied dog within the community, please do not hesitate to contact the Shire.

SHIRE SUCCESSFUL WITH FAIR GAME'S RECYCLE AND DONATE PROGRAM

Last year the Shire applied to participate in Fair Game's Recycle and Donate program which distributes preloved sporting equipment to regional communities.

The equipment package includes volleyball set, cricket set (plastic), basketballs and footballs, floorball set, frisbees, grip ball and a water slide.

Further information will be available in due course about how the community can hire the equipment.



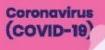
SHIRE NEWS MOVES TO MONTHLY FREQUENCY

In 2021 the Shire News will be distributed via email, placed on the Shire's website as well as published in the Pingelly Times during the first week of each month (except January).

Public notices and advertising will continue to be distributed each week, while the Shire's website and Facebook page also provide readily available information to remain updated with news, projects and initiatives taking place within the Shire.

Are you the Shire News mailing list?

You can check and be added to the distribution by contacting the Shire Office. The online version of the Shire News is produced in colour and requests for high resolution copies of photos are also welcome.



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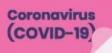
GOOD HYGIENE IS IN YOUR HANDS.

Wash your hands thoroughly with soap and water for at least 20 seconds to prevent passing on germs. Dry your hands.

TOGETHER WE CAN HELP STOP THE SPREAD AND STAY HEALTHY.

For more information about **Coronavirus** (COVID-19) visit health.gov.au





KEEPING YOUR DISTANCE.

Help stop the spread of coronavirus by keeping your distance. Remember, don't shake hands or exchange physical greetings. Wherever possible stay 1.5 metres apart and practise good hand hygiene, especially after being in public places.

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