



# NEWSLETTER



Rachel Bairstow joins the team as Pool Manager

Welcome to the forth edition of the Shire of Corrigin & Corrigin CRC Newsletter.

Our goal in producing the newsletter is to keep our community informed and involved.

# New Swimming Pool Manager for Corrigin...

Strengthening our community now to grow and prosper into the future

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# Know your Councillors...



#### **Matt Dickinson**

I was born in the Corrigin Hospital, so my history with Corrigin truly involves my entire life. I am a father of two beautiful children (Ben & Lani) and excited to say my fiancée Kelly Roberts and I are expecting the arrival of my 3rd child in mid-November this year.

I carried out all my schooling education in Corrigin (in which I feel was a wonderful foundation for my future), after

graduating year 10 at age 15, I was lucky enough to start an Auto Electrical apprenticeship with Dino at Neu-Tech. Dino was and still is a great mentor and I really do owe him for the positive start to working/business life he gave me. After nearly 6 years I moved across the road to work for Greg Humphries at Interline Sales. Under his watchful eye and guidance, Greg taught me all about the farming machinery business and after 5 years I then moved into my current role as being the area John Deere, Sales Representative for Ag Implements. The original plan being that I was to head the new John Deere branch that was to be built on the eastern outskirts of town but we all know how that ended don't we!

I really have focused my life around Corrigin and it's sports. From my young years of achieving selection in the state Softball development camp for the under 16's boys, to playing many years of Football, Hockey, Cricket, Tennis and I have also helped coach Junior Football and Cricket (children in sport are our future). After injuring my back and undergoing my first back operation at the tender age of 26, I played a season of pennant Bowls and have had the pleasure of playing competition Bowls with my grandfather. We have partnered together and even won the odd social event. (not too many Grandfather/Grandchildren combos can hold that feather in the cap). My current sporting commitments no longer see me playing much sport but I have continued to be involved where I can. I have held positions on many committees and currently, one of the Football Club's medic/trainers where I've been for 6yrs. It takes a mountain of work to run these organisations and I truly encourage anyone to help out where and whenever possible.

Out of sports, I am involved in the Corrigin Apex Club and have held the Treasurer position for the past 6 yrs. I am a long serving member (17yrs) of the Corrigin Volunteer Fire & Rescue and served briefly as a volunteer with the local St Johns Ambulance. These years have been very rewarding with self-satisfaction knowing I have helped make a difference and provide an essential service to the community. These jobs/groups have had some very real, life changing and testing moments but it has also had some very humbling and fun times, knowing you are part of an extremely valuable service to the community gives you a lot of pride.

As far as Shire Council goes, I am a very upfront, speak my mind, tell it like it is, type of person. Some people won't like this type of approach but at least people always know where I stand. I am not always right but I love a strong debate anyway. I decided to join Council in 2013 after speaking my mind and voicing my opinions to another Councillor, who later encouraged me to run for Council and follow my thoughts and passion for the Corrigin community. Council has been a HUGE education for me on how local government works (and doesn't work, ha-ha) as well as an insight into state and federal government operations. It has truly been a wonderful experience so far and an eye opener to why nothing seems to be as easy as "just get the job done". Government red tape is frustrating....might be a case of keeping someone in a job?

Corrigin has been and is a great country town to grow up in and I feel very lucky to be a part of such a community that has treated me well my entire life and I look forward to continuing my service to Council and the local rate payers, that make our entire council possible. Corrigin has many positives that most other country towns would be envious of. My dream for a prosperous and sustainable future for Corrigin really comes down to us all in the community. It takes a big team effort to make organisations and communities operate, if everyone chips in, we will only continue to move forward.

Readers, have a think how you can help make a positive difference to Corrigin's future, no matter how large or small, it all helps.

Matt

**Cr MATT DICKINSON** 

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Councillors are elected by you to represent the town's residents and ratepayers. If you wish to discuss a Council matter, offer any suggestions, have compliments, concerns or feedback, we want to hear from you.

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#### Rachel Bairstow appointed Pool Manager for the Corrigin **Swimming Pool**

Rachel brings her enthusiasm and many years of experience to the position. Originally from Dumbleyung, Rachel worked as a Lifeguard and Swim Teacher in Perth, at the Beatty Park Leisure Centre for 6 years, she then managed the Dumbleyung Pool for a couple of years before moving to Kununurra and working as Pool Duty Manager at the Leisure Centre, soon followed by promotion to Leisure Centre Coordinator. Over the last 7 years Rachel has been the Pool Manager at Wongan Hills, before now joining the team in Corrigin. Rachel said,

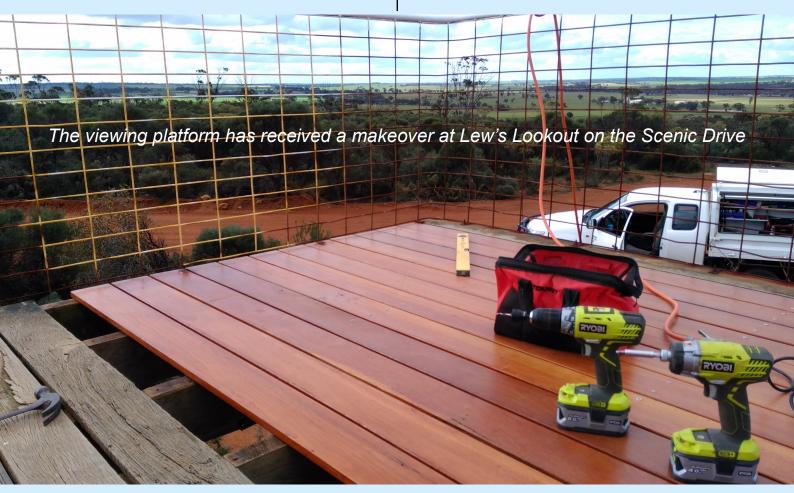
"I'm very excited and looking forward to working at the Corrigin Pool, bringing new programs and ideas to the community".

Keep your eyes open over the coming months for Pool Notices about Swimming Lessons, Aqua Aerobics & Family Fun Nights, just to name a few!



### Lew's Lookout Upgrade

The old wooden platform has been replaced at Lew's Lookout, located along the Scenic Drive. The views are amazing, with a 360 degree panorama of the Corrigin town site and surrounding farmland.









### **Hyden Primary** School tours CREC

On Tuesday 30th August, twelve Year 1 & 2 children from Hyden Primary School, toured the Corrigin Recreation & Events Centre with their teacher, Miss Lauren Hewett (a former CDHS student). They are currently learning about the Olympics and looking at stadiums.

Heather Talbot from the Shire of Corrigin gave an introduction talk about the new CREC facility, the many functions of the building and design features included by the architect. The group was then guided around all the different areas and were asked to spot features like emergency exits, hearing loops,

sight impaired flooring, brail signage and fire hoses. Lauren said it was beneficial for the children to see first hand how different materials create a building and what these type of facilities mean to a community.

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> **LAUREN HEWETT** Year 1 & 2 Teacher Hyden Primary School



On the 5th September, representatives from local Clubs and Groups attended the "Volunteer & Member Attraction & Retention" Workshop held at the Corrigin CRC. Valuable information was presented covering membership retention and why people leave or don't join groups.





Strengthening our community now to grow and prosper into the future Community Resource Centre





The Shire of Corrigin adopted the 2016-2017 Annual Budget at a special Council meeting on Monday 29 August 2016.

The Budget has been prepared with consideration to Council's Strategic Plans as well as ensuring that Council continues to maintain acceptable service levels to the community and delivers key objectives including asset preservation and improvements.

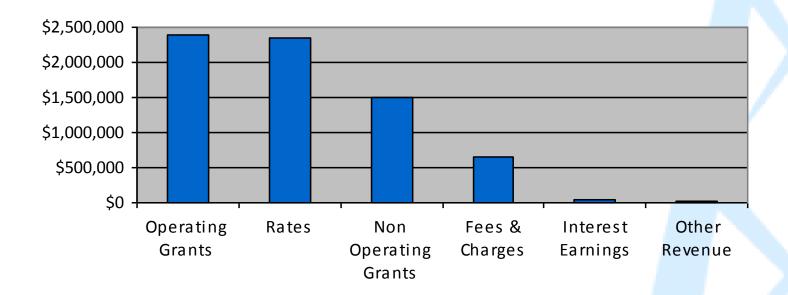
The Shire of Corrigin capital works program has a number of key projects including upgrades to the Dental and Doctors Surgery, construction of staff housing / duplex, sale of staff house, swimming pool repairs and upgrade, shade structure over Miss B's Playground equipment, completion of Water Chlorination system, Rotary Park parking and drainage upgrade, Saleyard walkway upgrade, replacement of Town Dam Tanks and upgrade to building infrastructure at the Works Depot.

In addition Council will continue to complete works at O'Shea Place / Corrigin Recreation & Events Centre with works including fencing, completion of playground, landscaping, car parking improvements, sports hall floor covering, relocation and construction of ticket box and other furniture and equipment.

Council's annual budget is underpinned by Council's Strategic Plan, Corporate Business Plan, Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) as well as other informing strategies. Council has made a commitment to maintain or progress on the delivery of a number of goals identified within the plans. This includes ensuring that Council has a planned approached to key objectives and will develop a number of key strategic plans, which will be incorporated in future planning and review of the plans later in the year.

Increased revenue has been required to fund local community infrastructure and services and the budget includes a 3.9% increase in total rate income. This is 2.1% less than anticipated in the Long Term Financial Plan. Rates make up an approximately 33% of the Shire's revenue. other source of funds include government grants, fees and charges and interest on investments.

#### **Revenue Sources**





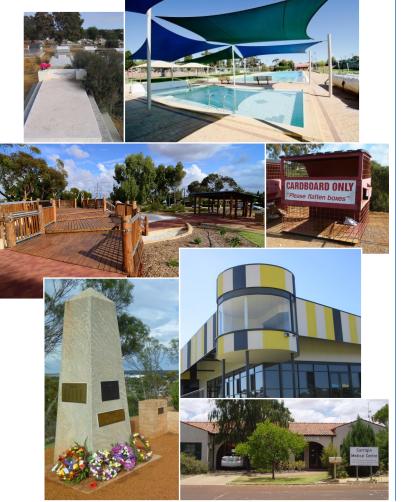




The provision of Waste Services to the Corrigin District including kerbside pickups and transfer stations, costs Council in excess of \$210,000 each year. Council is committed to ensuring that the gap between rubbish fees and charges and expenditure is reduced and therefore has applied a \$50 increase to Rubbish Services for 2016-2017. While a gap is still applicable, Council believes that it is a good balance between fee for services and general rate payer contributions.

#### FEES AND CHARGES

In addition to adoption of the Annual Budget, Council has also adopted the 2016-2017 Fees & Charges. Council has been mindful in ensuring that the Fees & Charges are reasonable and affordable while also aiming to achieve cost recovery. A copy of the adopted Fees & Charges is available at www.corrigin.wa.gov.au



#### **HOW IS THE MONEY SPENT?**

The Shire provides a diverse range of services to the Corrigin community.

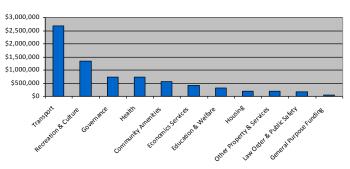
#### SHIRE SERVICES:

- Roads, Transport and Infrastructure
- Parks, Gardens and Playgrounds
- Street Cleaning and Lighting
- Waste Management
- **Emergency Management**
- **Health Services**
- Sport & Leisure
- **Animal Control**
- **Community Services**
- Tourism, Culture and Heritage
- Public Health and Safety
- **Environmental Management**
- Welfare
- Libraries

#### Operating Expenditure 2016 / 2017

The cost of providing these services exceeds \$7 million dollars. The following provides an indication of where funds will be spent in 2016 / 2017.

#### **Operating Expenditure**



Council continues to provide support in the vicinity of \$50,000 pa to a number of community groups and projects in 2016-2017. This includes supporting local community events, local clubs and groups, joint venture projects, wellbeing and support initiatives. In addition to financial support, council also provides a large amount of in-kind support and community facilities.





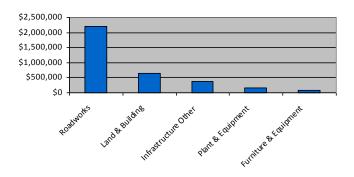
#### Capital Investment

Capital works planned for 2016-17 total \$3.4M and will be funded by General Revenue, Grants & Contributions (State & Federal Agencies).

Expenditure on Roadwork's (\$2.19M) is a major component of this year's budget. Council has also budgeted for a number of improvements to community assets to ensure the continually upgrade and asset preservation.

The following provides an indication of Council's Capital Investment budget by class.

#### **Capital Investment by Class**



The 2016-2017 budget has an increase focus on road preservation and improvements, this has made possible to the additional funding Council will receive in 2016-2017. Council's extensive capital road program includes the upgrade of the following roads.

#### RATES PAYMENTS

The Shire provides two options for payment of your Rates.

Option 1- Payment in full, less any entitled discount.

Option 2 - Payment in four instalments:

1st Instalment due date: 17 October 2016
2nd Instalment due date 3rd Instalment due date: 4th Instalment due date 4th Instalment due date
17 October 2016 16 December 2016 14 February 2017 17 April 2017

Payment of Rates via Option 2 will result in the following; Administration Charge - \$10 per instalment Instalment interest - 5.5% per annum

#### **Pensioner Concessions**

If you receive or hold any of the following Cards, you may be eligible to receive a concession on your rates;

- Pension and hold a current Pensioner Concession Card
- · State Seniors Card & Commonwealth Seniors Health Card
- · State Seniors Card only

Please contact the Shire of more information.

#### RATE INCENTIVE PRIZE



#### PAY BY THE 17 OCTOBER 2016

If you pay the total amount of your Rates by 4.30pm on 17th October, you will be entitled to enter into the Prize Draw to **WIN A \$200 VOUCHER** from one of the participating local Businesses. Please refer to the 2016-2017 Rates

Supplement Booklet, included with your Rate Notice, for full conditions of entry.

A copy of the minutes of the special meeting held on Monday 29 August 2016 and the 2016-2017 Annual Budget is available for downloading at www.corrigin.wa.gov.au

#### 2016 / 2017 ROADS PROGRAM ROAD **DESCRIPTION OF WORKS FUNDING BUDGET \$** Corrigin Narembeen Rd State RRG Reconstruct to 7m (3km) 490,000 State GF / Federal R2R Bulvee Rd Reconstruct, widen and seal (5km) 881,600 Resheet (completion of 15/16 works) Federal R2R Dry Well Rd 32,649 Bilbarin Quairading Rd Widen Shoulders (4.5km) 229.435 Federal R2R Lomos South 196,951 Federal R2R Resheet Corrigin South Rd Widen Shoulders (5.3km) 232.695 Federal R2R Babakin Corrigin Rd Widen Shoulders (2.7km) 111,643 Federal R2R Federal R2R Gill Road Intersection Reconstruct intersection 20,621 2016-2017 Budget Expenditure 2,195,594







### WALGA - know your Council

know your Council has been developed by the WA Local Government Association in part, in response to the potential to misinterpret the Rates information on the State Government's mycouncil website.

Ratepayers in WA will readily be able to compare what they pay in Rates with the average residential rates for their Local Government area for the past four financial years.

The site details key operational and contact information for every Local Government including details of Elected Members and senior staff and explanations of accessing core Council functions.

> To see how information on the Shire of Corrigin or any other WA local government, visit knowyourcouncil.com





# COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council meets the third Tuesday of the month, excluding January when there is no Council meeting. Meetings commence at 3.00pm and are held in the Council Chambers, at 9 Lynch Street, Corrigin. Interested members of the public are welcome to attend. NEXT MEETING: 20 Sept 2016





# Say HELLO to...



#### **Craig Fulwood PLANT OPERATOR**

#### WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE PEOPLE TO KNOW ABOUT YOU?

I was born and bred in Corrigin and did all my schooling at the CDHS. After I left school I worked on the family farm on the Kondinin/Corrigin Road. I started working on the Corrigin Shire about 20 odd years ago (if not more) and my job includes road construction, maintenance, plant operator and the rubbish run around town. At the moment I'm working at the Waste Transfer Station.

#### **DESCRIBE YOURSELF IN 3 WORDS?**

Easy-going, friendly, laidback

#### HOW DO YOU RELAX WHEN YOU'RE NOT AT WORK?

I enjoy playing Bowls in the summer, watching the footy and I've travelled to most states in Australia except Tassie.

#### WHAT CAN'T YOU LIVE WITHOUT?

My girlfriend, Maria.



#### Karen Wilkinson **FINANCE OFFICER - RATES**

#### WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE PEOPLE TO KNOW ABOUT YOU?

I'm the local girl in the office! I grew up on the family farm in Bulyee, then moved away for school & work. I had a reception job at an accounting firm in Perth but didn't really enjoy living in the city. Lucky for me a few years prior while doing seasonal work for CBH. I had met my husband to be Paul Wilkinson who was working on his family farm. The reception job at the Shire became available, all 17 years ago and I'm still here! We have 3 children Emma, Sarah & Jack & all love farm life & living in the Corrigin area.

#### **DESCRIBE YOURSELF IN 3 WORDS?**

Friendly, happy, easy-going.

#### HOW DO YOU RELAX WHEN YOU'RE NOT AT WORK?

I enjoy spending time with my three children (and husband!), family and friends, gardening, relaxing by going camping or on holidays especially to the beach!

#### WHAT CAN'T YOU LIVE WITHOUT?

I can't live without my family and a good cuppa or glass of wine!



#### **Errol Whiting GRADER OPERATOR**

#### WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE PEOPLE TO KNOW ABOUT YOU?

I was born in Queensland but moved to WA and did my schooling in Karratha. My family moved around quite a lot and I've also lived in Kambalda, Dalwallinu, Cranbrook, Dandaragan and Lake Grace. A job for a Grader Operator at the Shire brought me to Corrigin and I've been here for about 18 months.

#### **DESCRIBE YOURSELF IN 3 WORDS?**

Annoying, funny, pain-in-the-butt!

#### HOW DO YOU RELAX WHEN YOU'RE NOT AT WORK?

I'm into Remote Control Trucks, LEGO Technic and playing Computer Games.





**FOR ADULTS** 

HEALTHY

**EATING** 

#### Food Sensations® delivered via video conference

Come along to Corrigin Community Resource Centre for free, hands-on nutrition and cooking experiences. Over 4 sessions, you will learn a variety of nutrition topics and cook some tasty, easy recipes.

MEAL **PLANNING** AND

BUDGETING

SESSIONS: All sessions held at:

Corrigin CRC

**Time:** 11:00am-1:00pm

Dates:

Session 1 - Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Oct

Session 2 - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> Oct

Session 3 - Thursday 20th Oct

Session 4 - Thursday 27th Oct

Bookings Essential as places are limited.

LABEL READING AND FOOD **SELECTION** 

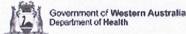




CORE







To find out more information about Food Sensations contact: Corrigin CRC on 9063 2778 or pop into see us at 55 Larke Cres Corrigin.









Come along to the CRC and enjoy a:

### **Kids Movie**

(includes popcorn & drink)

**Location:** Corrigin CRC

**<u>Date:</u>** Friday 30th September 2016

**Time:** Starting 10.00am - 11.30am

Cost: \$7 per child

(Children under 6 years need parental supervision)

#### **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL - FEES NON-REFUNDABLE**

Please Register your child along with payment to the Corrigin CRC before Friday 23rd September 2016.

NOTE: Kids bring along a pillow or beanbag, No BYO snacks as these will be provided.





# DATES TO REMEMBER

## 19 Sept

Tidy Town Meeting 7.00pm @ CWA

### 20 Sept

Council Meeting 3.00pm @ Shire

# 27 Sept

Practical Driving
Assessment

## 30 Sept

School Holidays

<u>"KIDS FUN"</u>

10am @ Corrigin CRC

### 6&13 Oct

<u>"Food Sensations"</u> <u>SESSIONS 1 & 2</u> 11am @ Corrigin CRC



#### HYDROTHERAPY POOL

MONDAY	6.00am to 1.00pm (by appointment only)
TUESDAY	6.00am to 1.00pm (by appointment only)
WEDNESDAY	6.00am to 1.00pm (by appointment only)
THURSDAY	Closed
FRIDAY	Closed
SATURDAY	Closed
SUNDAY	Closed

FOR APPOINTMENTS PHONE: 9063 2212 & LEAVE A MESSAGE

#### **WASTE TRANSFER STATION 2016**

Monday 10.00am – 2.00pm

Tuesday Closed

Wednesday 10.00am - 2.00pm

Thursday Closed

Friday 10.00am – 3.00pm

Saturday 10.00am – 3.00pm

**Sunday** 9.00am – 12 noon



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