

SHIRE OF



Corrigin
Community Resource Centre
Your local connection

NEWSLETTER



Edition No. 1

1 AUGUST 2016

Welcome to the first issue of the new look Shire of Corrigin & Corrigin CRC Newsletter. Our goal in producing the newsletter is to keep our community informed and involved.

New Playground UPDATE...

Strengthening our community now to grow and prosper into the future

www.corrigin.wa.gov.au

In this Issue...

- › Playground Update
- › New Team Members
- › Corrigin Phonebooks
- › Community Funding
- › Council Decisions

MESSAGE FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Rob Paull



The Shire President is taking a well-earned break and which gives me the opportunity to provide a few words on behalf of the Shire.

I firstly want to thank everyone who has made my wife and I feel so welcome in the Corrigin community. We have met wonderful people who continue to make our Wheatbelt-

change a fantastic and rewarding experience.

I have really enjoyed being involved with community events and groups including (but definitely not limited to) Corrigin Rotary, Tidy Towns, Red Cross, sporting clubs and the District High School. I have been 'blown away' with the infrastructure and services that have been established and continue to be maintained by Council. The challenge faced in meeting the expectations of the community cannot be understated.

In my first days and weeks as CEO, I sought to meet and listen to staff, with the community and other organisations about what it means to live in the Shire, what you love about the town and rural environs, our key strengths and what needs to be improved. This community is full of creative, robust, talented, passionate people who care

deeply about their community, the quality of life and strong desire to develop a sustainable future for all.

At the end of 10 months I fully appreciate that there are a lot more conversations I need to have and a lot more listening that I need to do.

I recognise that a key issue for all is financial sustainability. This is even more so for local governments like the Shire where we have a relatively small income from rates in comparison with the money needed to keep our community services functioning. Council has worked very hard in this area but we are facing very uncertain times. As the Shire President has mentioned before, 1% of rates only generates approximately \$20,000 !

Corrigin has an aging population with many on fixed and limited incomes, which means the capacity to pay rates, user fees and to meet the basics of life is challenging. Reductions in indexation of Financial Assistance Grants and service agreements, reflects the reality that as a community, we cannot rely on government grants.

Organisationally, there is a continuing focus on our overall community engagement and customer service. Our staff do a fantastic job but there are areas where we can make experiences with Council better. The challenge is to streamline our processes but still meet our increasing governance obligations under legislation.

Through the 'Shire Survey', improved Website, 'revamped' Newsletter in the Windmill, we are seeking to ensure that the community is better consulted and that you are aware of Council's decisions.

So, thanks for reading this and for the welcome.

Cheers

Rob

Know Your Councillors...

Your 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.

Cr Lyn Baker - SHIRE PRESIDENT	9065 7053	0427 097 141	relbaker@bigpond.com
Cr Des Hickey - DEPUTY PRESIDENT	9063 2455	0428 751 024	muirton@treko.net.au
Cr Matt Dickinson	9063 2189	0428 632 013	matt_aim@bigpond.com
Cr Shannon Hardingham		0427 630 063	shannon@hardingham.com.au
Cr Janeane Mason	9063 2138	0417 095 804	janeane.mason@elders.com.au
Cr Brian Praetz	9883 7550	0418 927 211	brian@functionconcepts.com
Cr Terry Pridham	9063 2532	0429 192 659	tap49@netspace.net.au

The new Community Playground is well underway at the Corrigin Oval.

The exciting new play equipment is in position and child safety fencing and shade sail frame work has been erected at the playground site. Shire staff are currently building a limestone wall around the play area to contain the soft-fall sand. Shade Sails from the original Oval Playground will be reused and reinstalled. Building works are expected to be completed in the first week of August 2016 and the new Community Playground will then be open for everyone to enjoy.

The Shire of Corrigin was successful in securing \$40,284 in funding support towards the Community Playground project, through Lotterywest Grants "Community Spaces - Outdoor".



lotterywest



The 2016-2017 Corrigin Phonebooks are **OUT NOW**

Pick up your copy from the Corrigin CRC , Post Office, Newsagent, or Shire office.

PRICE: \$7.00

NOTICE

Bullaring Standpipe TEMPORARILY OUT OF SERVICE

The Shire are waiting for standpipe parts and estimate repair work will be completed in the next fortnight.

WE APOLOGISE FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE

Say HELLO to...



**Catherine
Ospina Godoy**
FINANCE MANAGER

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE PEOPLE TO KNOW ABOUT YOU?

I am originally from Colombia, but have lived in the UK and Australia for the past 15 years, I have travelled a bit around Europe, Asia, North and South America and enjoy travelling and experiencing new cultures. I am an Accountant and enjoy studying and learning new things but also like to keep a good life/work balance, so try to make the most out of life.

DESCRIBE YOURSELF IN 3 WORDS?

Honest, positive and down to earth.

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

Chilling at home listening to some of my favourite bands, catching up with friends and family, watching movies and outdoor activities.

WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES & INTERESTS?

Running, travelling, dancing, reading non-fiction books, spending quality time with friends, craft ideas.

WHAT CAN'T YOU LIVE WITHOUT?

Good coffee and great music.



Belinda Fidge
FINANCE OFFICER

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE PEOPLE TO KNOW ABOUT YOU?

I'm originally from Narembeen, so my philosophy in life is all about winning – losing is not an option.

DESCRIBE YOURSELF IN 3 WORDS?

Motivated, easy-going, happy

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

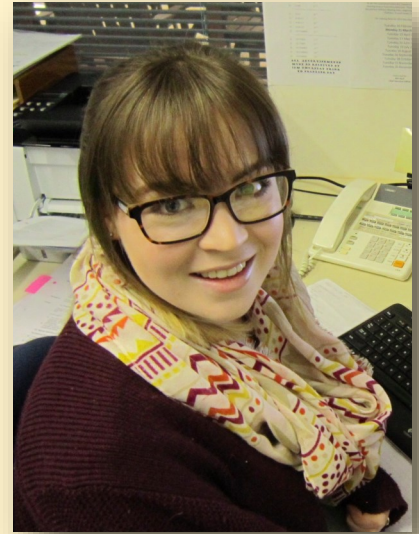
Spending time with my children (which is the opposite of relaxing), so preferably spending time with friends and family. Watching a good movie or some AFL footy.

WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES & INTERESTS?

Playing sport, fun-runs and travelling (in my head).

WHAT CAN'T YOU LIVE WITHOUT?

Good coffee, a good bottle of wine, chocolate, my phone, my ipod, my pillow, how much room do you have... oh and a rich farmer !



Holly Auld
GOVERNANCE OFFICER

WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE PEOPLE TO KNOW ABOUT YOU?

I grew up in Wickpin and have just recently graduated from Curtin University with a double major in Librarianship and Corporate Information Management, which is a lot more interesting than it sounds, I promise. I look forward to travelling and seeing more of the world.

DESCRIBE YOURSELF IN 3 WORDS?

Friendly, determined and forgetful

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

Reading, bubble baths and cuddling my puppy !

WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES & INTERESTS?

Playing netball, baking and singing loudly (but not well !)

WHAT CAN'T YOU LIVE WITHOUT?

My family, friend and wif



AUGUST 2016

DEPARTMENT OF SPORT & RECREATION - CSRFF Small Grants

Who Can Apply? These grants are available to Sporting Clubs.

Examples of Small Grant Projects: cricket pitch and practice works; safety fences; small floodlight project; court resurfacing or upgrade; construction or upgrade of shade shelters; various planning studies.

When to apply? The CSRFF small grants have 2 rounds each year, open in February and July and closing the last working day of March and August each year.

[www.dsr.wa.gov.au/funding/facilities-\(csrff\)/small-grants](http://www.dsr.wa.gov.au/funding/facilities-(csrff)/small-grants)

RAC COMMUNITY SPONSORSHIP Our Community Sponsorships program is designed to empower communities across WA to deliver unique and enriching initiatives that address the issues we feel passionately about. Eligible groups are invited to apply for sponsorship through three categories:

1. Community Chest (up to \$500) Open all year round, must apply at least 3 wks before start date.
2. Grass Roots (up to \$5,000) Open all year round, must apply at least 6 wks before start date.
3. Projects (up to \$20,000) Open three times per year, *To find out if your initiative is eligible, download our Community Sponsorships Guidelines, www.rac.com.au OR call our Sponsorship Team on 08 9436 4584.*

LOTTERYWEST FUNDING Furniture and Equipment

Who can apply? These grants are available to not-for-profit organisations and local government authorities.

What can we support? We support the purchase of furniture and equipment that meet your organisation's needs. By way of example, grants can be for office items, telephone and filing systems, resource materials, whitegoods, toys, musical instruments and workshop tools.

When to apply? Applications can be made at any time. Application Form available at:
www.lotterywest.wa.gov.au/grants/grant-types/furniture-and-equipment

Council Decisions

Request for the Shire of Corrigin to take over ownership of land from the Corrigin Masonic Lodge and upgrade laneway at Lot 178, Kirkwood Street.



Council resolved to commence proceedings to establish a 'Public Access Way' (PAW) over the existing laneway on Lot 178 Kirkwood Street, Corrigin owned by the Corrigin Masonic Lodge. Council intends to enter into a part lease arrangement with land owners, as a temporary measure while the subdivision and purchase of the portion is being undertaken.

More information is available on the website www.corrigin.wa.gov.au **19 July 2016 Minutes**

Wheatbelt General Practice, BUSINESS SUPPORT SERVICE

The Shire of Corrigin will extend its Contract Agreement with First Health, for continued business support services for the Corrigin Medical Practice for a further three year period, 1 December 2016 - 30 November 2019.

Priority listing of Restricted Access Vehicle (RAV) routes

Since 2014 Council has submitted a number of roads to Main Roads WA (MRWA) for assessment and inclusion to the RAV.

The Shire CEO, Rob Paull is to determine a "priority" list in consultation with Cr Hickey and Cr Hardingham to advise Main Roads WA (MRWA) of route assessments for the Restricted Access Vehicle (RAV) within the Shire.

For a list of roads requested to be assessed for inclusion in the RAV network, refer to item 8.3.3 of the **19 July 2016 Minutes**.

A copy of Council Minutes may be inspected at, or obtained from, the Shire of Corrigin office or available on the website:

Address: 9 Lynch Street, Corrigin
Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8.30am - 4.30pm
www.corrigin.wa.gov.au

Rob Paull

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
Shire of Corrigin

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: 16 August 2016

DATES TO REMEMBER

AUGUST 2016

1 AUG

"Event Coordination"
WORKSHOP
at Corrigin CRC

2 AUG

Practical Driving
Assessments

9 AUG

Census
Night

16 AUG

Council Meeting
3.00pm

10 SEPT

Corrigin
Agricultural
Show



HYDROTHERAPY POOL - WINTER 2016

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

CORRIGIN OUTDOOR POOL CLOSED FOR WINTER

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



Shire of Corrigin
9 Lynch Street
P: 9063 2203
F: 9063 2005

E: shire@corrigin.wa.gov.au

Corrigin CRC
55 Larke Crescent
P: 9063 2778
F: 9063 2779
E: corrigin@crc.net.au