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NEWSLETTER

Keeping the Corrigin community informed and involved

Left to Right - Fire and Rescue Volunteers Trent DiFulvio, Rod Cornish, William Dyer, Jonathan Williams, Sam Caley, Dino DiFulvio and Gerald Williams enjoying a social evening at the Thank a Volunteer event.

"THANK YOU" to our volunteers...

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WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING IN CORRIGIN



Thank a Volunteer 2017 Sundowner

Thunder, lightning, wind, rain, hail and power blackouts, did not deter more than 40 people from Corrigin clubs, groups and businesses attending the 2017 Thank a Volunteer event held at Miss B's Park (and Town Hall) on the eve of Thursday 9th March 2017.

Despite the unexpected turn in weather everyone enjoyed a relaxed and social Thank a Volunteer event. Acknowledging and celebrating the important role volunteers play in our community. Juanita MacGregor from Just a Bit Fancy, provided the crowd with a range of delicious 'nibbles' with the final cookies & cream cheesecake being skilfully cut up by torch light ! Thank a Volunteer Day funding support was obtained from the Department of Local Government and Communities. This grant supports celebrations for a whole of community event.

"It's always important to welcome new residents to town to meet our local volunteers and invite them to join our community".

LYN BAKER - Shire President

If you're interested in getting involved as a volunteer, call into the Corrigin CRC and pick up a free copy of the "Corrigin Groups & Clubs Guide".



Government of Western Australia Department of Local Government and Communities

Annual Carnival at the Corrigin Swimming Pool

The Corrigin District High School, House Swimming carnival was held on Tuesday 28th February at the Corrigin Memorial Swimming Pool, which was a picture thanks to Pool Manager, Rachel Bairstow.

While some age groups had fewer swimmers, the competition was strong and four records were broken. Babakin School also participated in the Swimming carnival, which boosted **competitor numbers. The overall winning team was 'Lightning'** and Daniel Lewis and Courtney Hall accepted the shield.

The day finished with a fiercely fought student versus teacher versus parent race...maybe an excuse to get wet on a very hot day!



Major water leak near Museum site

A significant water leak near the Corrigin Museum site was caused by tree roots and the Shire has undertaken deep excavation works to replace damaged pipes in Kirkwood Street.





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Public Notice

CORRIGIN BOWLING CLUB Relocation Feasibility Study **PUBLIC WORKSHOP**

The Shire of Corrigin has appointed consultants to assist in the development of a Feasibility Study into the potential relocation of the Corrigin Bowling Club. Potential sites and options for consideration include:

- Corrigin Sporting Grounds
- Tennis Club
- Golf Club
- Remain at its current site

A key element of the study is to gain as much input from the community as possible about what is required and what you would like to see included.

You are invited to attend a public workshop to be held as follows:

VENUE: Corrigin Bowling Club DATE: Thursday 16th March TIME: 7:30pm – 8:30pm

Your attendance, along with your knowledge and input, will ensure that the best options possible will be taken into account in determining the future of the Bowling Club for the community.

YOUR VIEWS ARE VITAL

Should you wish to discuss the project please contact Jill Powell—Mobile: 0417 936 645 Email: jill1@iinet.net.au





Council News

Local Government Opposition to the State Government cuts to Vehicle Concessions

The State Government's decision to cut vehicle licence concessions for Local Governments will cost the sector up to an additional \$10 million per annum. The direct impact for the Shire of Corrigin will be an additional cost to your Shire of \$80,000 per year which is equal to about 4% of rates.

These cuts will affect all WA Local Governments, not just on their vehicle registrations each year but also on State stamp duty charges as vehicles are replaced over time.

With Local Governments' limited means to raise revenue, this additional cost they are now required to pay the State will have to be funded either through significant budget reductions most likely leading to reduced services, or raised rates to meet the revenue shortfall.

This is another example of cost shifting from State to Local Government as an easy fix to the State's dire financial situation rather than redressing overspend or achieving genuine savings.

The Shire of Corrigin has joined the campaign to have this decision reversed immediately in light of the impact it will have on all Local Governments and our community.

Website link to Campaign Commercial

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YIzC_ftuMyM

Website link to WALGA Campaign Page http://walga.asn.au/News,-Events-and-Publications/News-Articles/Vehicle-Concession-Cut-Campaign.aspx

Shire of Corrigin ROADS UPDATE

The State Government has advised that WANDRRA (WA Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements) has been activated for the recent rain event. The Shire is currently assessing roads with a view to a possible claim for funding for those that have sustained significant flood damage.

Reports of damage or any concerns on the Shire's road network should continue to be reported to the Shire Office on 9063 2203 or in an emergency to Greg (Tomo) Tomlinson 0429 632 203 or Rob Paull on 0427 427 527. However, due to the recent rain event, the following roads in the Shire of Corrigin are required to be closed due to them being unsafe:

 Lohoar Road which is closed from Quairading Road; and

Copestakes Road.

The Shire will be working to open these roads as soon as possible but there is considerable damage.

Please note that the Shire of Quairading has advised that the Bulyee-Quairading Road is closed in that Shire due to a washout close to the Shire boundary.

All other roads in the Shire of Corrigin are open.



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Council News

Do you want to find out what's happening in Corrigin?

Be kept up to date with the latest council news and information, community events, training, funding, dates to remember and much more.

Simply subscribe to the free Shire & Corrigin CRC E'Newsletter by emailing your name to: <u>corrigin@crc.net.au</u>



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.

SHIRE OF CORRIGIN COUNCILLORS				
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SHIRE OF CORRIGIN **Finance Officer - Creditors**

An excellent opportunity for a financial and customer focused applicant for the position of Finance Officer - Creditors, 3 days per week - Monday to Wednesday. The ideal candidate will have previous experience in finance or accounts related field. Duties include accounts payable/creditors, customer service and other general financial duties. Attractive conditions of employment for both positions are offered including salary up to \$55K, up to14.25% superannuation, uniform and other benefits.

CORRIGIN COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE **Customer Service Officer**

An excellent opportunity for a customer service focused applicant for the position of Customer Service Officer, 3 days per week - Monday to Wednesday. Applicants that are interested in entering into a traineeship at the Corrigin Resource Centre are encouraged to apply. Council may consider making the position full time for applicants under the age of 19 years that are willing and eligible to enter into a 12 month traineeship at the Corrigin Resource Centre / Shire of Corrigin.

The ideal candidate will have previous experience in customer service, delivery of community programs and events and general office administration. Attractive conditions of employment for both positions are offered including salary up to \$35,000 for a fulltime trainee under the age of 19 or up to \$55,000 (pro-rata) for an experienced and gualified Customer Service Officer. In addition other employee benefits include up to 14.25% superannuation, uniform and other benefits.

Application information can be found at www.corrigin.wa.gov.au Further information is available from Taryn Dayman at Shire of Corrigin on Phone: 9063 2203 or Email: shire@corrigin.wa.gov.au Applications Close 4.30pm, 24 March 2017



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COMMUNITY EVENT



Sunday 19th March 2017 9.30am (for 10am start)

Meet at Adventure Playground

A FUN, FREE BINGO BIKE RIDE FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

Follow a 5km trail around town using the map provided at the Start Line marking the numbers on your bingo card. Finish up at the Adventure Playground for a FREE Sausage Sizzle and prizes.

Get a group of friends together for a fun day of bike riding and bingo!

RSVP: Corrigin Community Resource Centre on 9063 2778 or Email: corrigin@crc.net.au for catering purposes.



Unauthorised Building Work

Unauthorised Building Work is Costly...

Not many people are aware that un-authorised building work can cost you significantly; legislation now exists that if a first offence is committed a fine of \$50,000 can be applied. In addition to this, if you are required to submit an application for un-authorised work, called a Building Approval Certificate, it carries significant costs in having to engage specialist services such as Draftspersons, Structural Engineers and Building Surveyors, additional costs in building modifications and additional levies and fees.

It is especially relevant when you intend to sell your property, as a property inspection may reveal the un-authorised work, subsequently causing you significant delays, a reduction in price or even costly remedial building work.

New State Government building laws introduced in 2012 allows for some exemptions in having to apply for a Building Permit for alterations and additions to a building; however it can easily be interpreted incorrectly leaving you exposed to litigation and significant costs.

To determine if you think that you are exempt from a Building Permit it is recommended that before you commence your design, to contact the Shire office to discuss with an officer if your proposed buildings are exempt. There are a few examples such as replacement of kitchen cabinetry and repainting, however some re-tiling, removal of a wall or re-roofing is not exempt and requires a Building Permit.

For example, in wet areas such as showers or baths there are National Construction Code requirements for waterproofing behind tiles and removal of the waterproof membrane could subsequently affect your health, therefore a Building Permit may be required.

Removal of walls will definitely require a Building Permit as the structure could be compromised if the wall is load bearing. Even re-roofs require a Building Permit as there are very specific hold down provisions, energy efficiency and now with bushfire prone areas being introduced, additional construction requirements may be required to prevent ember attack.

Exemptions for the requirement of Building Permits can be found on the State Law Publisher website <u>www.slp.wa.gov.au</u> - Legislation database - Building Regulations 2012. However if you have doubts that the work you are considering may not require a permit, contact the Shire office for prompt and helpful advice.

Currently the average cost of submitting a Building Permit for work \$20,000 and under is \$156.65, therefore when compared to an application for a Building Approval Certificate potentially costing \$1,000 - \$2,000 in consultants, fees and additional costs for remediation work, it is definitely worthwhile submitting a Building Permit Application.

Contact staff at the Shire office before you start any work to ensure your work will be compliant.

The best way to approach all building work is to use the mantra...





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Enabling WA children to participate in community sport and recreation

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KidSport enables eligible Western Australian children aged 5-18 years to participate in community sport and recreation by offering them financial assistance towards club fees.

We have some changes coming our way. Changes to KidSport

Applicants listed on a valid Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card should now apply online on the Department of Sport & Recreation website, www.dsr.wa.gov.au/funding/individuals/kidsport/apply-for-kidsport

Or Submit a KidSport Application Form with a copy of the valid Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, to the Shire of Corrigin office.



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DATES TO REMEMBER

16 March

Corrigin Bowls Club Relocation Feasibility PUBLIC WORKSHOP 7.30pm

19 March

"BIKE WEEK BINGO" 9.30am @ Adventure Playground

20 March

Tidy Town Meeting 7pm @ CWA Hall



Council Meeting 3.00pm @ Shire

10 April Practical Driving Assessments @ Shire



The Corrigin outdoor Swimming Pool will be closing for the season on Friday 31st March 2017 at 1.00pm.

CORRIGIN HYDRO POOL WINTER HOURS Effective Monday 3rd April 2017

Monday	6AM-11AM	
Tuesday	6AM-11AM	
Wednesday	7AM-12PM	
Thursday	6AM-11AM	
Friday	6AM-11AM	
Saturday & Sunday	CLOSED	
Appointments are necessary, please call Rachel on		

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WASTE TRANSFER STATION 2017

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday 10.00am – 2.00pm CLOSED 10.00am – 2.00pm CLOSED 10.00am – 3.00pm 10.00am – 3.00pm 9.00am – 12 noon



RESTRICTED BURNING PERIOD 2 March 2017 to 15 April 2017 BURNING PERMIT REQUIRED

NO BURNING PERMITTED ON DAYS WHEN VERY HIGH OR GREATER FIRE DANGER IS FORECAST

Fire weather information is available at <u>www.bom.gov.au</u> or by listening to the ABC Regional Radio

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