



# NEWSLETTER



Welcome to the second edition of the Shire of Corrigin & Corrigin CRC Newsletter. Our goal in producing the newsletter is to keep our community informed and involved.

## **WORK EXPERIENCE** with Geoffrey Sturges

Strengthening our community now to grow and prosper into the future

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# Bake



The CEO and I attended the annual Local Government Conference from August 3rd to 5th. I also attended a couple of Council related meetings on Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The first of the meetings was with the Chair of the Regional Road Group, Wheatbelt North, Main Roads WA staff. WA Local Government

Association staff and the CEO of Regional Development Australia (Wheatbelt). I attended in my capacity as Chair of the Regional Road Group, Wheatbelt South. This group is working towards developing second tier freight routes leading to the existing grain freight network - a "collector network". This involves the co-operation of all of the Local Governments in the Wheatbelt – 42 of them – which have all nominated the preferred roads which they believe, are the "collector roads". Regional Development Australia (RDA) is intending to assist the development of this network by applying for funds on behalf of all 42 Local Governments.

Alongside this "collector network" project, Heavy Vehicle Services (a division of Main Roads) is working towards enabling access to the "final mile" - the local roads which get produce to and from the farm gate - from the collector network. In my view, and that of our Councillors, this is an even greater need. It is commercially vital that farmers can legally gain access to the road network in order to conduct their business. This also holds true for other local businesses - certainly one of our neighbouring CEOs reported that every time the local supermarket receives its grocery order, it is breaking the law. This is another issue that Local Government is constantly battling on behalf of its constituents.

The second meeting I attended on the Tuesday afternoon was for Mayors and Presidents and it focussed on the "gift provisions" which I mentioned in my last note. The presenter at this meeting was a lawyer from McLeods Solicitors, who provide advice to many Local Governments in Western Australia. There was a similar presentation to CEOs by another lawyer from another company. While the advice from both was not entirely consistent, the thrust of it was - Local Government Councillors and Senior Officers cannot receive gifts of any kind from anyone. A senior staff member of a nearby LG is getting married soon - she will not be legally able to receive gifts valued at over \$200 from anyone who is not her close relative. Those gifts of less than \$200 will need to be declared, along with the name and address of the giver. Similarly, another senior member of staff, who is not in a de-facto relationship with her partner, cannot receive a gift of over \$200 from him - I hope he doesn't propose to her, or she might be a bit put out by the ring that he is permitted to buy for her!

These gift provisions are quite ridiculous, when it comes down to this level - perhaps the situation will only be resolved when someone ends up in court. One of the problems is that there are 2 or 3 bits of relevant legislation which have differing definitions, and requirements.

Once again the Conference brought together some amazing guest speakers:

Tanya Dupagne from Camp Kulin spoke about her experience of working with children all over the world.

Rachael Robertson, at the age of 35, lead a team of 18 people who spent 12 months in Antarctica maintaining the station there - with absolutely no previous experience of leadership, or even ice! She spoke of leadership, respect and problem-solving.

Michael Crossland was diagnosed with cancer at 11 months and is now an internationally renowned inspirational speaker who has built schools and orphanages in Haiti following the earthquake of 2010. He spoke of success, perseverance and values.

All of these young Australians gave delegates insights into what one person can achieve given determination, drive, common sense and an enormous amount of support.

The current Australian of the Year, Lieutenant General David Morrison also gave an inspiring address about "equal access" regardless of gender, nationality, religion or ability both within the army and in society in general.

If you're interested please google these names - their stories are amazing.

What's also amazing about them is that none of them used any notes at all in their speeches - definitely not something that I can do!

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## The Shire supports local with Work Experience

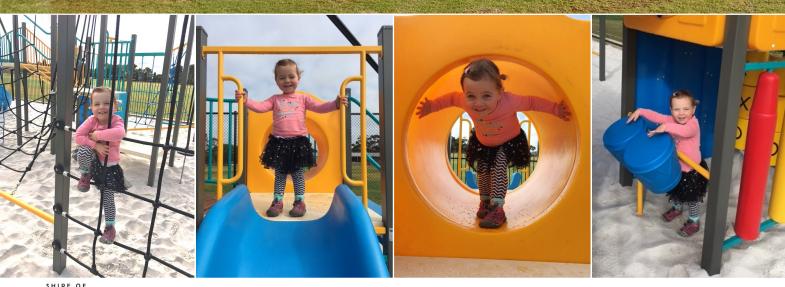
Geoffrey Sturges recently completed four weeks of Work Experience at the Shire of Corrigin, working under the supervision of Horticulturist, Eric Schmollengruber, in the townsite Parks and Reserves team. Geoffrey said, he enjoyed tidying the gardens, making footpaths and meeting other people but the mornings were too cold!

Heather Waters, from specialist employment agency, Forrest Personnel worked with the Shire to coordinate the unpaid work experience placement, enabling Geoffrey to gain new skills, update references and prepare him for future employment.

"I enjoyed meeting other people"











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## "Event Coordination & Management" WORKSHOP



Over the last 12 months, the Corrigin CRC has been coordinating a series of Governance Workshops, tailored specifically for assisting Clubs and Groups.

On Monday 1<sup>st</sup> August, representatives from various community Clubs and Groups, came together at the Corrigin CRC to attend the workshop on, "Event Coordination and Management".

Facilitated by Jodie Mortadza from Consult, Innovate & Create, the evening was jam packed full of valuable information and group discussions covering all aspects of planning and holding an event, from risk management and running sheets, to budgeting and marketing.

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WORKSHOP

MONDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER

These free community Workshops have been run in partnership with the Quairading CRC and funding from the <u>Department of Regional Development</u> - Community Governance Development & Support Grant.

"Informative, practical and relevant. It was great to get some clear guidelines and processes for organising community events" TRACEY HODGSON







## **Volunteer & Member Attraction** and Retention

ATTENTION: CORRIGIN CLUBS & GROUPS

**DATE: Monday 5th SEPTEMBER 2016** 

TIME: 6.00PM to 8.00PM

**VENUE: Corrigin Community Resource Centre (CRC)** 

**COST: FREE** 

Jodie Mortadza from Consult, Innovate & Create will be facilitating this informative Workshop, tailored to assist Clubs and Groups in Volunteer and Member Attraction and Retention.

A light supper will be supplied. Please call the Corrigin Community Resource Centre on 9063 2778 to register your interest or email corrigin@crc.net.au by Wednesday 31st August 2016.



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# Say HELLO to...



### Wendy McMiles **PLANT OPERATOR / CLEANER**

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

I grew up in the Adelaide Hills in SA and worked as a team leader for 12 years, teaching women how to make gift packs for Charlesworth Nuts. I've travelled extensively through most of northern Australia. I married a local Corrigin boy, Tony McMiles and have three children. Lindy, Shane and Jody. I've worked at the Shire for the last 4 years and when I eventually retire (if ever), I'd love to go travelling again.

### **DESCRIBE YOURSELF IN 3 WORDS?** Hardworking, honest, friendly

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

I really enjoy painting in either oil or acrylic and have won many awards over the years for my paintings.

### WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES & **INTERESTS?**

Gardening, painting, photography, art.

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

A good cuppa - T2 or Lipton's



### Eric Schmollengruber **HORTICULTURIST**

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

My parents were Austrian but I was born in Perth. I spent 3 years schooling in Leoben, Austria where I developed my snow skiing skills, later becoming a trick skier, I've been a lighting engineer for rock n roll bands, working for Cold Chisel, INXS, Australian Crawl and Midnight Oil. I owned a musical instrument shop, Eric's Music Service, have worked as an Enrolled Nurse at Shenton Park and Royal Perth Hospital and I am a qualified Horticulturist & Permaculturalist, working for the last 12 years at various Shires, including Bruce Rock, East Pilbara and now at Corrigin.

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

Easy-going, team player and a prankster

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

Listening to music (except Rap), watching movies and relaxing with friends.

#### WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES & **INTERESTS?**

Gardening, being self-sufficient, music, snow skiing and tennis.

### WHAT CAN'T YOU LIVE WITHOUT?

My wife, my garden and my Bundy!



## Danika Atkinson

**CORRIGIN CRC TRAINEE** Certificate II in Business

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

I have moved around a lot before love brought me to Corrigin. I have been here three years and have a beautiful family. I love Corrigin it's a great, small community.

**DESCRIBE YOURSELF IN 3 WORDS?** Loud, fun, friendly.

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

Playing with my daughter Madeline and our horses.

#### WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES & **INTERESTS?**

Horses mainly but I need to actually apply myself to ride more, Speedway with my Dad and brothers, helping with the set-up of cars and racing, I hope to one day get in the race cars. Spending time with my family.

### WHAT CAN'T YOU LIVE WITHOUT?

Madeline - my whole world is her and my family.





# Come Along and Learn MAHJONG

A traditional Chinese game played usually by four people, with 136 or 144 rectangular pieces called tiles.

(Similar to the Western card game, Rummy) ALW earn outside the square.

This FREE introductory session will give new players an overview to the basic rules for playing MAHJONG in a friendly, welcoming, supportive and learning environment. A delicious Afternoon Tea will be supplied for everyone to enjoy.

> DATE: Wednesday 7th September 2016 TIME: 1.30pm - 4.30pm

**VENUE:** Corrigin CRC, 55 Larke Crescent, Corrigin WA 6375

For catering & seating purposes, call Corrigin CRC on 9063 2778 & let us know you'll be coming along.







# NOTICE

# Bullaring Standpipe BACK IN SERVICE

A new Card Reader has been installed by Shire staff at the Bullaring Standpipe and it is now back in service..

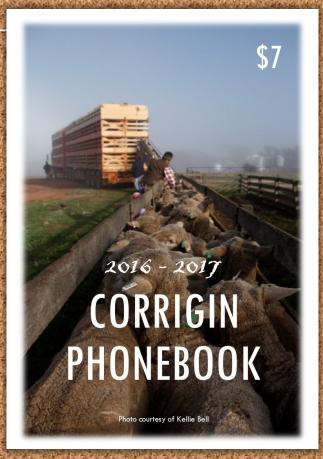
# COUNCIL MEETINGS

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



## 2016-2017 Corrigin Phonebook

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

## 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.

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# DATES TO REMEMBER

*16 Aug* 

Council Meeting 3.00pm

## *30 Aug*

Practical Driving
Assessment

## 5 Sept

"Volunteer & Member
Attraction & Retention"
WORKSHOP
6pm at Corrigin CRC

## 7 Sept

"Come Along & Learn
MAHJONG"

1.30pm at Corrigin CRC

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

CORRIGIN OUTDOOR POOL IS CLOSED DURING 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





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