### What's on in... July



Dust off the uggs, get your mullet on and get ready for a great night out to help raise funds for the 21st Woodridge Spring Fair.

**When:** Saturday 8 July, 7.15pm **Where:** Woodridge Community Hall

Cost: \$25 per person

For more information and to purchase tickets **contact Sam** on 0417 989 134 or samarajayne@bigpond.com. Please note this is strictly a 18+ event.

#### **Sovereign Hill to Host Domestic Violence Talk**

Moore River Weight Watches presents special guest speaker Dr Carolyn Harris-Johnson to give a special talk on Domestic Violence.

Everyone is welcome (women and men) and Dr Carolyn will make herself available for anyone who would like to talk to her personally. Morning tea supplied.

When: Wednesday 19 July, 10.30am

Where: Sovereign Hill House, Sovereign Hill Drive,

Sovereign Hill

For more information phone Jae 9577 1573.

## **Our Community News**

#### **Roads Update**

Resheeting works for **Cullalla Road** are now complete and unsealed road maintenance grading has commenced around the Shire with the grader operating around the **Beermullah area** at the moment.



Seal widening works on Seabird Road are almost complete, however just prior to the asphalt going down a section of road was vandalized by someone doing burn

outs which had to be fixed. This type of behaviour ends up costing ratepayers so if you witness any type of vandalism on our roads please report to the Police or the Shire Office.

Also, **rural road verges** have been getting sprayed, and the slashers will be out and about as resources become available.

#### Jude Scott Watercolour Workshop

Calling all budding artists! Moore Arts are pleased to be hosting a weekend workshop with special guest, award-winning artist Jude Scott, on how to paint in watercolour.



When: 2-3 September 2017

Where: Guilderton Community Hall, Guilderton

Price: \$220 per person

The cost includes morning and afternoon tea, and lunch provided by the Guilderton Country Club on both days.

More information on the workshop, including materials list and registration form, can be found on the Shire's 'Events Page' at www.gingin.wa.gov.au or contact:

Anne Gilkes: agilkes@westnet.com.au

### **Our Community News**

### Important Notice – Fire Burning Vigilance

The Shire is urging residents to be extra vigilant when conducting burn offs on their properties.

Since the end of the restricted burning period at 31st May, the Shire's volunteer fire brigades have been called out to numerous escape burns across the Shire, including coastal areas, which could have been prevented.

Residents are reminded there has not been much rain, and many paddocks and areas of bush land are still dangerously dry.

"It's really important you **do not leave your fire** while you are burning off," said Shire of Gingin CESM Phil Barrett. "Despite it being officially winter, DFES have reported over 500 escape burns across the State since 1st May this year - that's just in eight weeks. This is a worrisome trend."

The spate of recent fires has also put a strain on volunteer fire fighter resources in recent weeks, whose numbers are down owing to annual leave at a time when bushfires are not generally problematic.

"Complacency has consequences - remain with your fire at all times," said Mr Barrett. "If you are in doubt on what you should do please contact us for advice before you burn."

# DADAA to Host Art Competition and Exhibition in Lancelin – 22 September to 6 October

The Wangaree Community Centre will be the venue for an exciting competition and exhibition for local artists to include painting, sculpture and photography. Cash prizes will be offered for each category.

For full details please visit the Shire's 'Events Page' at www.gingin.wa.gov or contact Julie on 9655 2808 or julie@dadaa.org.au.

## Safety Alert – Raw Asbestos Found in Empty Sea Containers

WorkSafe WA has recently become aware that a number of empty sea containers have come into Fremantle contaminated with white asbestos. The asbestos was found inside the containers as well as in and around vents.



As shipping containers are frequently placed on rural and some residential lots within the Gingin Shire, we advise that care should be taken when inspecting any recently acquired containers. If you have any concerns please contact the Shire's EHO Bob Kelly on 9575 2211.

Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund

## 2017/18 CSRFF Annual and Forward Planning funding round is now open

Financial assistance is available to community and sporting groups to develop sustainable infrastructure for sport and recreation. The aim is to increase physical activity and participation in sport and recreation, and is an incentive for the development of good quality, well designed and utilised facilities.

DSR have grant funding available and three grant categories are now open as follows:

- 1. **Small Grants** projects \$2,500 to \$66,666
- 2. **Annual Grants** projects \$66,667 to \$166,666
- Forward Planning Grants projects \$166,667 to \$2 million

All proposed applications should be discussed first with Wheatbelt Northern DSR grant officer on 9690 2400. If eligible please contact Linda Fidge at the Shire on 9575 5119 or ccs@gingin.wa.gov.au to discuss your grant submission further.

Applications close Friday 16 September 2017.

## **Our Community News**

#### **Ledge Point Bowling Club Gets New Green**

Bowlers rejoice! The Ledge Point Bowling Club now has a sleek new synthetic turf – so no more bumps on the green. The new turf cost \$194,000 with a Shire contribution of \$30,000 and \$18,500 worth of volunteer contributions. Grateful thanks go to Jim Schnell, Angelo DeBari, Lee DeLina, Ross Leddin, Brendon Ladner, Kevin Garth, Helen Schnell, Brian Watson, Don Woodfield, Ledge Point local Greg, and Ron Wintle for all their hard work.

A special thanks must go to Lee from Indian Ocean Pest Control who sprayed the whole surface prior to the new turf going on for free.

The Ledge Point Country Club was successful in obtaining grant funding for the balance, which included contributions from Department of Sport & Recreation, Stronger Communities, and Bendigo Bank.

Congratulations to the Ledge Point community for their support of this wonderful new asset.

#### **Business in Focus**

## Proudly supporting the Shire's Early Rates Incentive Scheme - CU@Park Restaurant

Proud sponsor of the Shire's Early Rates Incentive Scheme for the last 3 years is Renae Stokes, owner/manager of CU@Park Restaurant in Gingin.

Last year Renae provided in-kind support of the Shire's Early Rates Incentive Scheme by hosting the Early Rates Prize Night at CU@Park. Many of the businesses and prize winners on the night were impressed with the venue and location, and owing to the success of the event Renae now has a few more regular customers.

With views over picturesque Granville Park and Gingin Brook, CU@Park is open 7 days a week, including public holidays, for breakfast from 8.00am and lunch from 11.00am, and is fully licensed. Group bookings for dinner during the winter months can be arranged by contacting Renae – however regular dinner service will resume again in spring.

The restaurant hosts a gift shop, Kids' Room with videos and games, and provides outside catering as well. For more information visit the CU@Park Facebook page or to book a table give Renae a call on **9575 1338**.





### **Shire Notices**

## Candidate Information Sessions - Local Government Elections 21 October 2017

Nominations for the 2017 local government elections will **open** on **Thursday 7 September 2017**. Anyone enrolled as a resident or as a non-resident owner or occupier of rateable property within the Shire of Gingin (apart from the nominee of a body corporate) is eligible to nominate as a candidate.

An invitation is extended to any eligible people interested in learning more about standing as a candidate to attend one of two Candidate Information Forums to be held in September.

More information can be found on the Shire's website www. gingin.wa.gov.au. Go to 'Council / Local Government Elections'.

Nominations close 4.00pm on Thursday 14 September 2017.

