

From all the Shire of Gingin Councillors and Staff – we wish you a very merry Christmas and a happy, safe New Year.

Our Community News

Seabird Armistice Project



On 11 November the **Seabird Progress Association (SPA)** hosted a Remembrance Day event as part of its Armistice Centenary Project. The project was funded by the Department of Veterans' Affairs and supported by the Shire of Gingin. It involved the construction of a memorial, consisting of two statues of World War I diggers, and enhancement of the plaza area surrounding it including floodlighting of the memorial.

More than 90 people attended the event, including SPA President Garry Thomas who gave the opening welcome, Shane Love MLA who laid a wreath, Deputy Shire President John Elgin who gave the commemorative address, and Cr Frank Johnson who said the Armistice Prayer and read the poem "In Flanders Fields". Shire President Sam Collard gave the closing address. The ceremony was also attended by the Gingin Police and St John's Ambulance crew from Woodridge. Citizen of the Year Suzy Wright and Senior Constable Cindy Lynch raised the flags, and the "Ode of Remembrance" was recited by Phil Marinich.

A healthy and delicious lunch was then served by Bloss Thomas and Jenny Susac. It was wonderful to see so many of the younger generation in attendance, some of whom engaged in an impromptu cricket match at the conclusion of proceedings.

The SPA thanks everyone who participated, especially Liam Register and Lucio Neves who did the construction work, the Department of Veterans' Affairs for providing the grant that made it possible, and the Hon Christian Porter MP for his support of the project.

Citizen of the Year Award Nominees 2019

The Citizen of the Year Awards recognise individuals and organisations making a notable contribution during the current year, and/or to those who have given outstanding service over a number of years. The Shire is pleased to announce the 2019 nominees:

Australia Day WA Community Citizen Award:

- Elle Armitage
- Kerry Jones
- Bradley Groves
- Sharon Martin

Australia Day WA Community Citizen Award for a person over 65 years:

- Dianne Millar
- Frances Morley

Australia Day WA Community Citizen Award for a Community Group or Event:

- Gingin Eagles Football Club Inc.
- Moore Clothes
- Sovereign Hill Art & Craft Biggest Morning Tea for Cancer
- Discover Easter Art Competition

Our Australia Day celebrations will commence with a free breakfast at 7.30am followed by the official program at 9.00am. Winners of these awards will be announced at the Shire of Gingin's annual Australia Day Celebrations to be held at the Neergabby Community Grounds on **Saturday 26 January 2019**.

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General Waste & Recycling Collections - Christmas Week

Avon Waste advises the following changes to waste collection services during Christmas week.

Gingin, Guilderton, Seabird and Neergabby general waste and Zone 3 recycling will be collected on **WEDNESDAY 26 December** instead of Tuesday 25 December. All services will return to normal for New Year week, and any Christmas-run information will be posted to Avon Waste's website www.avonwaste.com.au.

GDHS Legendary Leaders



Year 5 and 6 students at Gingin District High School were recently given the chance to develop their leadership skills in a **life-like simulation** where they had to deal with a 'casualty' who had been bitten by a snake! In order to successfully 'treat' the victim, students had to undertake a range of tasks designed to develop and test their communication and team work skills.

The scenario was a huge success with both teams of Year 5/6 students successfully completing the challenge. Students from Room 7 were congratulated for being the first to complete the task.

Staff and students would like to specially thank Mr Hyne from St John Ambulance for his support, as well as the Gingin Police - these events could not run without the help of our wonderful community.

Seniors Get Crafty



On Monday 12 November the Shire hosted its annual Seniors' Week event. The theme was **Reuse-Reduce-Recycle** to coincide with National Recycling Week, and our seniors had a "crafternoon" creating blackboard/reminder boards out of old photo frames and wood offcuts. They also made snow globes out of old glass jars that were sourced from the Gingin Men's Shed and Treasure Trove Op Shop, as well as cards from leftover paper, cardboard and unused items from home. It was a fun day, with over 65 attendees from Gingin, Guilderton, Lancelin, Ledge Point, Seabird, Seaview Park, Redfield Park and other rural residential estates. Funding was secured through Department of Communities, COTA and Lotterywest's Community Grant Program.

Shire Notices

Shire Office & Library Closures

Please note the Shire's Gingin and Lancelin offices and public libraries will be closing down over the Christmas/New Year period – from Monday 24 December until Tuesday 1 January, reopening for business on **Wednesday 2 January**.

However, our Shire Rangers will be contactable during this time on 9575 5140.

Schedule of Council Meetings 2019

15 January 2019	16 July 2019
19 February 2019	20 August 2019
19 March 2019	17 September 2019
16 April 2019	15 October 2019
21 May 2019	19 November 2019
18 June 2019	17 December 2019

Unless otherwise advertised, all meetings for 2019 will be held at the Shire of Gingin Council Chambers, 7 Brockman Street, Gingin.

Business in Focus

Gingin Community Bank®
Branch and Lancelin branch



Bendigo Bank Pledges Support for Zero2hero Mental Health Leadership Program

Following a presentation at Bendigo Bank's WA **Community Bank®** State Conference in May, Ashlee Harrison, Founder and CEO of **zero2hero** urged the branch network to become involved with one of zero2hero's residential training programs, Camp Hero.

Camp Hero MHL is a five-day youth leadership training camp that brings together students, mentors, and experts to equip young people with the skills they need to become mental health leaders and ambassadors when they return to their communities. The five-day residency is aimed at students from Year 9 to 12 and focuses on five key themes of self-awareness, physical health, mental health, personal challenges and community impact.

Stephen Fidge Senior Branch Manager of Gingin Community Bank® Branch and Lancelin branch said: "Camp Hero MHL is a program that delivers vital skills to our young people and we're delighted to be able to offer our support for this important initiative."

This decided we sent two local students, **Zoe Harris** and **Madelyn Hendry** and one staff member, **Kellie Radalj** as a mentor for the camp. On return from the Camp, Zoe and Madelyn wrote letters of thanks to the **Gingin Community Bank®** Branch and Lancelin branch saying: "Thankyou for your generosity to sponsor me and hopefully many more young adults. The camp pushes you to every limit whether it be physically, mentally or emotionally, we were challenged to dig deep, push through and find in ourselves the best versions of us we can be."

Next year we will have four members of our Board and Staff led by Stephen Fidge participate in the annual Cape2Cape trek - one of the major fundraisers for the organisation Zero2Hero. If you see any fundraising activities for this trek please donate generously. More information on Zero2hero please visit www.zero2hero.com.au.



Above: Zoe Harris



Above: Madelyn Hendry

Are You Putting Out the Right Bins?

Avon Waste have advised us that people are still putting out old bins – if you wish to have your general and recycling waste collected please **ensure you are using the correct coloured bin**. Avon Waste will only collect rubbish from the Shire of Gingin branded **red lid and yellow lid bins**. Please be aware that if any other coloured bin is put out for collection (like the old green bins), **Avon Waste will not collect it** and it will be your responsibility to empty it at the tip.

If you have any further queries regarding bin collection, please contact our Rates Department on 9575 2211.

Council Decisions

The following decisions were made by Council at the Shire's November Ordinary Meeting:

- Local Government Property Amendment Local Law 2018, Parking and Parking Facilities Amendment Local Law 2018, Activities in Thoroughfares and Public Places and Trading Amendment Local Law 2018, and Repeal Local Law 2018 – *adopted by Council.*
- Quote from Bitutek for Sealing Works 2018/19 and Unbudgeted Expenditure – Philbey Place, Lancelin Reseal – *accepted by Council.*
- Hinchcliffe Fencing 2018/19 Budget Amendment – *accepted by Council.*
- Repairs to Guilderton Store Verandah Unbudgeted Expenditure – *accepted by Council.*
- Applications for Development Approval – owing to the large number of applications received by Council this month, details for each application can be found in the full meeting minutes.

More details on the above items of business and any other matters from this meeting can be found in the Council minutes which are available for viewing on the **Agenda & Minutes** page on the Shire's website www.gingin.wa.gov.au or in person at either the Shire's Administration Centre, 7 Brockman Street, Gingin or the Shire's Lancelin Office, 255 Vins Way, Lancelin.

Council meetings are held on the **third Tuesday of each month** at 3pm and members of the public are most welcome to attend.

What's on in...December

Gingin Aquatic Centre in partnership with the Royal Lifesaving Society WA

PRESENTS Groovie Movie by the Pool!

Friday 14 December 2018
FREE EVENT!

Gingin Aquatic Centre,
entry via Weld Street, Gingin

For more information contact
Fran Haenni on 9575 5154

Christmas Carols in the Park

Saturday 15 December starting at 4.45pm
Sound Shell, Granville Park, Gingin

Carols by Candlelight

Saturday 22 December at 6.30pm
Key Biscayne Park, Ledge Point

Seabird Children's Xmas Party

Saturday 22 December – fun starts at 3pm. Santa arrives at 4pm.
Seabird Hall, Chalon Ave, Seabird

For more details of these events please visit the Shire's Events Calendar www.gingin.wa.gov.au

Save the Dates

Lancelin Ocean Classic Festival

EXPERIENCE THE THRILL...



The Lancelin Ocean Classic Festival is proudly sponsored by

5 - 13 January 2019

Registrations for wave sport competitions are open - go to lancelinoceanclassic.com.au.



January 2019

5 FREE EVENT Party in the Park
Wangaree Park, Lancelin

6 FREE EVENT Party in the Park Market Day
Wangaree Park, Lancelin

12 FREE EVENT Music in the Park
Gabbadah Park, Guilderton

GOOD VIBES. GREAT MEMORIES

February

24 PARTICIPANT FEE Lancelin Triathlon
Lancelin Foreshore/townsite

March

2 FREE EVENT Melody and Movie in the Park
Ledge Point Oval

17 PARTICIPANT FEE Gingin Triathlon
Gingin Rec. Grounds/townsite

23 FREE EVENT Rock'n Arts in the Park
Granville Park, Gingin