



COUNCIL TO COMMUNITY

May

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Our Community News

Anzac Day 2020



ANZAC Day for 2020 was made all the more poignant this year because of the COVID-19 Pandemic as communities across our Shire sought to find a way to commemorate this special event in their own way with friends and family however they could.

In Gingin the Pensioners Social Club held a small private ceremony with assistance provided by the Shire President, Cr Wayne Fewster. In communities across our Shire many choose to rise at dawn to participate in the RSL WA's #DrivewayDawnService.

Though we stood apart for ANZAC Day 2020, we stood united in spirit. *Lest we forget.*

Orange Springs Road Upgrade

The Shire has finally commenced work on the upgrade of Orange Springs Road. Approximately 5% of the work has been completed thus far with the project expected to be completed in approximately August 2020.

This \$5.2 million project was funded by the State Government and the upgrade will ensure the road remains up to task to handle the high volume of heavy haulage traffic which readily makes use of it.

During the reconstruction traffic access will be reduced to a single lane managed by traffic controllers. Long delays may occur due to the nature of the works and the Shire of Gingin encourages road users to seek alternate routes.

Any questions relating to this project can be directed to Frank Vallentine on (08) 9575 5100.



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Mitigation Works – Ledge Point

Mitigation works have recently been carried out in several of the Shire's communities including Lancelin, Ocean Farm, Seaview Park, Gingin and Ledge Point. These works were able to be carried out thanks to funding received under the Mitigation Activity Fund (MAF) which falls under Royalties for Regions from the Department of Fire & Emergency Services (DFES) and funding available from DFES for mitigation on Unallocated Crown Land (UCL). The work is being achieved through a strong collaboration between the Shire, DFES and Parks and Wildlife.

The following photograph shows some of this work recently undertaken around the lookout at Ledge Point.



The Shire is in the process of applying for further funding to carry out additional works around other communities which is due to commence prior to the next bush fire season.

Dredging Works in Lancelin

The Department of Transport, with assistance from the Shire, has commenced dredging works in Lancelin to restore channel depths and ensure safe navigation and access to the Lancelin Jetty. The dredging is expected to continue for approximately 3 months and the public is asked to please be aware of this and to obey any temporary beach closures or directions from onsite personnel.

Dredged sediment will be placed from Grace Darling Park through to Edward Island Point for beach nourishment purposes and improvement of beach amenity. Although a short term measure, sand nourishments works will reinforce the foreshore as we approach winter whilst the Shire continues to work on the inundation study for coastal erosion as directed by the State Government. The Shire is expecting the delivery of this study shortly.

Enquiries may be directed to the Shire's Operations Team on (08) 9575 5100.



Photo credit: Department of Transport

Home Delivery Services, Shopping for Groceries and Pop-Up Pantry

If you've been struggling to source groceries or you're suffering financial hardship which is making it difficult to put food on the table then the Shire has compiled a list of suggestions on our website - visit www.gingin.wa.gov.au/coronavirus-covid-19.aspx. Alternatively if you are not online, please contact the Shire on (08) 9575 5100 during office hours for a copy of this list.

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The list in includes local shopping, shopping outside of the Shire of Gingin, local delivery services and details about the pop-up pantry for the vulnerable at the Gingin CRC.

If you are a local business offering groceries and/or delivery services and you would like to be included on this list of local providers, please contact the Shire on (08) 9575 5100.

Reminder – Our Front Desk is Closed

The Shire of Gingin would like to remind the community that our front desk is currently **CLOSED** to the public due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. Staff continue to operate behind closed doors and members of the public will not be allowed inside unless you have made an appointment with us prior. To arrange, please contact the Shire on (08) 9575 5100 during office hours.

If you need to conduct any business with the Shire then we have the following options available:

TELEPHONE – Gingin - 9575 5100 / Lancelin - 9575 5155

EMAIL – mail@gingin.wa.gov.au

POST – 7 Brockman Street, Gingin WA 6503.

WEBSITE – www.gingin.wa.gov.au/forms/?formid=14

FACEBOOK – www.facebook.com/ShireOfGingin

DROP BOX – Available if you need to drop off anything for processing. There is one located just out the front of the Shire's Gingin Administration Centre and also our Lancelin Office. Please fill in the available form with your details so that we can contact you if we have any queries or if we need arrange to send something back to you, e.g. receipts, documents, etc.

Weekly Covid-19 Community Newsletter

The Shire has recently been producing a new newsletter which contains information relating to what activities the Shire of Gingin is undertaking to combat the spread of COVID-19, how it may affect our dealings with the community, useful links for further information, plus plenty more. This newsletter contains information for all of our community members.

This newsletter has been delivered to the community on a weekly basis for the past four weeks but with the spreading of COVID-19 effectively slowed for now, the production of this newsletter will now fall back to every fortnight and eventually it be converted across to being a copy of the Shire's regular newsletter which goes out on a monthly basis.

We will continue to provide paper copies to the community or you may subscribe to receive an electronic version. Please visit www.gingin.wa.gov.au/coronavirus-covid-19.aspx to subscribe and scroll down the page to submit your subscription request. Alternatively, please contact the Shire's Communications & Marketing Officer on (08) 9575 5150 during office hours.

Save the Dates!

- **19 May - Ordinary Council Meeting at 3pm, Shire Administration Centre, Gingin** – physical attendance at Council meetings by members of the public has been cancelled until further notice as part of COVID-19 measures implemented by the Shire. However, questions for consideration during Public Question Time may be submitted prior to the meeting using the Public Question Time form available from the Shire's website.