

# Council to Community

October

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GINGIN | GUILDERTON | LANCELIN | LEDGE POINT | SEABIRD

## 2021/22 FCO Contacts Update

Please be advised that there is a couple of amendments for the Fire Control Officer contact list (refer page 23) in this year's Fire Break Orders.

**Jon Palette** should be listed as servicing the Guilderton, Redfield Park and **Seabird** areas. Not Seaview Park as listed.

**Russell Kernahan IS NOT an FCO this year.** Please do not contact him for any Seabird permits but rather, please contact Jon Palette on 0467 588 143.

**Gary Robinson** is listed as servicing the Woordridge area but he should also be listed as servicing the **Guilderton and Sovereign Hill** areas too.

**Colin Gofton** should be listed as servicing the **Woodridge** area and he can be contacted on **0404 113 557**.

These typos have been corrected in the copy of the Fire Break Orders on the Shire's website which can be downloaded via [www.gingin.wa.gov.au/fire-break-orders](http://www.gingin.wa.gov.au/fire-break-orders). When the Gingin & Lancelin CRCs are printed later this year they will also include the updated and correct version for FCO contacts.

## Pfizer now available from Medical Centre & New Female GP Commencing

The following is being shared on behalf of Gingin Medical Centre.

You can now get the Pfizer vaccine (ages 16 - 59) at the Gingin Medical Centre in addition to Astra Zenica (AZ).

Much the same as AZ (age 60+), you will need to contact the medical centre directly on (08) 9575 2300 to book an appointment for the vaccine. You can't book it through HotDoc.

Sometimes even if over 60 you may be eligible to receive the Pfizer vaccine so you can check your eligibility by via <https://covid-vaccine.healthdirect.gov.au/eligibility>.

A new female GP commenced with the medical centre as of Friday, 27 August. Dr Astha Shukla is available for appointments on Fridays.

Dr Shukla immigrated to Australia from Russia and India in 2011 after finishing her studies. She has been working in Emergency and General Practice settings since. Dr Shukla has an interest in women's health, children's health, mental health and chronic diseases. She is looking forward to coming to Gingin from Northam and getting to know the community.

## When was your last Skin Check?

The Gingin Medical Centre offers the following Skin Cancer Management services:

- Skin checks
- Diagnosis via punch biopsy and shave biopsy
- Surgical excision including simple excision, flaps and skin grafts
- Cryotherapy with liquid nitrogen
- Diathermy and electrocautery
- Non-surgical management options available

## GINGIN AQUATIC CENTRE OPEN FROM 9AM, 15 OCTOBER



Fran and her team are looking to open the Gingin Aquatic Centre very soon as it won't be long before the hot weather is upon us!

The opening times remain the same as last season with the pool being open 7 days a week from 9am - 7pm. The pool will also open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday for morning swimmers from 6am - 8am.

### GENERAL ADMISSION PRICES

Adults (16 and over) - \$4.50	Concession - \$3.30
Child (5 - 15) - \$2.50	Family Pass - \$13.20
Child (under 5 years) - \$1.80	Spectators Free

### MULTIPLE VISIT PASSES

Adults (16 and over) - \$45.00	Concession - \$33.00
Child (5 - 15) - \$25.00	Family Pass - \$132.00
Child (under 5 years) - \$18.00	

### SEASON PASSES

Adults (16 and over) - \$132.00	Concession - \$66.00
Child (5 - 15) - \$70.00	Family Pass - \$335.00
Child (under 5 years) - \$36.00	

The Open Days and opportunity to enrol for Swim School will be Saturday & Sunday, 23 & 24 October from 12pm until 2pm.

If community members have any further queries, please contact the Swimming Pool Manager, Fran Haenni, on (08) 9575 5154 / 0447 790 291 or email [poolmanager@gingin.wa.gov.au](mailto:poolmanager@gingin.wa.gov.au).

## Extension of the Unrestricted Burning Period

Pursuant to Section 18 (5) of the *Bush Fires Act 1954*, it is hereby notified that the Unrestricted Burning Period within the Shire of Gingin has been extended until:

**MIDNIGHT ON THURSDAY, 14 OCTOBER 2021**

**Phillip Barrett**  
CHIEF BUSH FIRE CONTROL OFFICER

**Cr Wayne Fewster**  
SHIRE PRESIDENT

## Heritage Grants Opportunity

The Heritage Council's Heritage Grants Program is now open for applications. This program offers matched-funding assistance to projects that conserve or celebrate one or more State Registered Heritage Places. If you are an owner of a State Registered place, a local government, not-for-profit organisation or business, you may be eligible to apply for funding assistance under the program. If you are an owner of a place on the Heritage Council's Assessment Program you may also be eligible to apply.

For more information and to view the eligibility criteria visit [www.wa.gov.au/heritage-grants](http://www.wa.gov.au/heritage-grants).

An information webinar on the Heritage Grants Program will be held on Wednesday, 20 October 2021. To participate in the webinar, please register your interest via the above link. If you have any questions in relation to the program, please contact the Senior Heritage Grants Administrator via [HCWAincentives@dplh.wa.gov.au](mailto:HCWAincentives@dplh.wa.gov.au) or call (08) 6552 4031.

**Applications close 4pm on Friday, 10 December 2021.**

## WA Hiking Participation Grants Program Opportunity

Community organisations or local governments can now apply for funding for programs that boost participation in hiking and trail running. Grants of up to \$25,000 are available to eligible organisations through the WA Hiking Participation Grants program, which aims to provide new opportunities that grow participation in hiking or develop leaders including guides, instructors and volunteers. The strategy is the first of its kind in Australia to ensure Western Australians continue to enjoy the great outdoors in a safe and sustainable way.

Applicants are encouraged to think of innovative and creative ways of growing Western Australia's community of bushwalkers, trail runners and outdoor enthusiasts. Projects may include, but are not limited to:

- Hosting 'have-a-go' activities for bushwalking and/or trail running
- Engaging Aboriginal people with training opportunities in hiking leadership
- Delivering training in navigation, bushcraft, trail maintenance, first aid etc
- Establishing new hiking clubs and groups in regional areas and developing training products for hiking leaders
- Designing and delivering hiking programs of increasing levels of self-reliance

**Applications close 5 November 2021.**

## SAVE THE DATES!

- **9 October - Gingin 150th** from 10am to late in Granville Park  
Fireworks, artisan stalls, history displays, Bendigo Bank Billy Cart Race, competitions, lost trade demos & more!
- **16 October - Local Government Ordinary Elections**
- **19 October - Ordinary Council Meeting** at 3pm at the Shire Administration Centre, Gingin
- **31 October - Australia Day Awards nominations close**  
Visit [www.citizenshipawards.com.au/nominate](http://www.citizenshipawards.com.au/nominate) to nominate someone you think has been doing great things in our community

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