

Council to the Community

December 2016



*From all of us here at the Shire,
we wish you a wonderful, safe Christmas
and a prosperous New Year.*

What's on in... December Christmas in the Park

The Combined Churches of Gingin are pleased to present Carols in the Park on Sunday 18 December from 4.45pm to 9.00pm at Granville Park.

Santa arrives at 5.00pm sharp, and there will be music from the Challenge Brass Band and Gingin Community Band, free sausage sizzle, Christmas cake, tea and coffee, and performances by local community groups.

Children are encouraged to dress up for the Nativity Presentation and there will be candles for sale, with proceeds going to the chaplaincy at Gingin District High School.

For more information contact Marian Crew on 9575 1357.

Our Community News

New Fire Shed at Ocean Farm Officially Open

A festival atmosphere and fine weather heralded the official opening of the new stand-alone fire shed at Ocean Farm on Sunday 20 November. The structure is a two bay design and will house two fire appliances, and has a meeting/training room, communications room, kitchen and disabled-friendly showers and toilet facilities.

The opening was attended by Shane Love MLA, the Hon Martin Aldridge, DFES Commissioner Wayne Gregson, Gingin Shire Councillors Ammon, Court, Smiles and Peczka, as well as Executive Manager Corporate and Community Services Kaye Lowes and numerous community members.

After Commissioner Gregson said a few words concerning the new facility, the Ocean Farm brigade and the coming fire season, Mr Love then declared the facility open.



Strategic Community Plan Review – Update

We would like to thank everyone who participated in the 'Cuppa & Chat' sessions, as well as the Youth Survey and Art Competition. A total of 87 adults and 104 children and young people participated and told us what's important to them.

A Draft Strategic Community Plan will be released for public comment in early-mid 2017. Go to the 'Your Say & Public Notices' link on our website for further information on the consultation outcomes and review process.



Our Community News (cont'd)

Save the Dates!

Summer Suite of Events – Bendigo Bank and Shire of Gingin are pleased to support the following FREE events:

- Party in the Park, Wangaree Park, Lancelin – 7 January
- Market Day, Wangaree Park, Lancelin – 8 January
- Music in the Park, Gabbadah Park, Guilderton – 14 January

Further details of these events coming soon – or contact Cher Groves on 9575 2211 for more information.

Lancelin Ocean Classic – 12-15 January

One of the world's best known windsurfing and water sport races is back again. The Lancelin Ocean Classic also includes a Windsurfing and Kitesurfing wave freestyle event, as well as a new Stand Up Paddle and Ocean Ski race from Ledge Point to Lancelin. For more information visit lancelinoceanclassic.com.au.

Australia Day Celebrations – 26 January

Free event at Neergabby Grounds – more details coming soon.

Lancelin Caravan Park Under New Management



On 1 October the Shire of Gingin commenced interim management of the Lancelin Caravan Park (formerly known as the Lancelin South End Caravan Park). The name of the Park has been amended due to the similarities of the previous name with another park in South Australia causing booking confusion. Since the Shire took over management, over one hundred periodic site leases have been entered into with existing leaseholders until June 2017, and the Park continues to experience elevated short stay bookings.

Nick Avery and Edna Paul have been appointed as managers of the Park for the Shire and comments regarding their service have been commendable. Scheduled improvements include a new Caravan Park sign, boomgate, new and improved boundary fencing, park benches at BBQ sites, tree lopping, new entrance gardens, and demolition of the cottage at the corner near Hopkins Street and Grace Darling Park. The Shire is also in the process of developing a website and implementing an online booking system.

Expressions of Interest for the future management of the Park have now closed and Council will at its meeting in December consider the submissions received in order to progress to Stage Two, where more detailed planning will be required for presentation to Council and Tourism WA.

Shire Notices

Notice of Special Council Meeting

Notice is given that a Special Meeting of Council will be held in Council Chambers, 7 Brockman Street, Gingin on **Tuesday 6 December 2016** at 2.00pm for the purpose of adopting the 2015-16 Shire of Gingin Annual Report.

Annual Meeting of Electors

Notice is given that the Annual Meeting of Electors of the Shire of Gingin will be held on Thursday 22 December 2016 commencing at 6.30pm. The venue for the meeting will be the Guilderton Hall, Wedge Street, Guilderton.

Order of Business:

1. Official Opening
2. Attendance/Apologies/Leave of Absence
3. Public Notice of Annual General Meeting and Annual Report
4. Consideration of the 2014/15 Annual Report
5. General Business
6. Close

The Annual Report will be published on the Shire's website gingin.wa.gov.au from 15 December 2016, and hard copies will be available from the Shire's Gingin Administration Centre and Lancelin Office from 16 December 2016. Alternatively, please contact the Shire's Administration Centre to arrange for a copy of the Annual Report to be forwarded to you. For further details, please contact us on (08) 9575 5100 during office hours.

Members of the public are welcome to attend.

Schedule of Council Meetings 2017

At its meeting on 15 November 2016, Council set the following meeting dates for 2017:

Ordinary Council Meetings

Date	Venue
17 January 2017	Council Chambers, 7 Brockman St, Gingin
21 February 2017	Council Chambers, 7 Brockman St, Gingin
21 March 2017	Lancelin (venue TBA)
18 April 2017	Council Chambers, 7 Brockman St, Gingin
16 May 2017	Council Chambers, 7 Brockman St, Gingin
20 June 2017	Council Chambers, 7 Brockman St, Gingin
18 July 2017	Council Chambers, 7 Brockman St, Gingin
15 August 2017	Council Chambers, 7 Brockman St, Gingin
19 September 2017	Council Chambers, 7 Brockman St, Gingin
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21 November 2017	Council Chambers, 7 Brockman St, Gingin
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Special Council Meetings

Date	Venue	Purpose
24 October 2017	Council Chambers, 7 Brockman St, Gingin	Electing the President and Deputy President, allocating Councillor seating in Council Chambers, and appointing representatives to Council committees and external bodies.

Unless otherwise advertised, all meetings will commence at 3.00pm.

Shire Office Closures

The Shire offices at Gingin and Lancelin will be closed from Monday 26 December 2016 to Monday 2 January 2017 (inclusive). We will re-open for business on Tuesday 3 January 2017.