



**Council Corner**  
**31<sup>st</sup> October 2013**

### **DOG AND CAT REGISTRATION**

Have you sterilised and micro-chipped your cat? All domestic cats in Western Australia, over six months of age will need to be sterilised, micro chipped and registered with their local government as the full Cat Act is now in effect. Dog registrations are now due and you are required to register your animal as soon as possible. For more information on how the *Cat Act 2011* will affect you and your feline friend, visit the Department of Local Government's [Responsible Cat Ownership](#) webpage.

### **CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL**

A preliminary meeting has been held to plan the 2013 combined Christmas Carnival and Trots night at the Sportsground on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December. Local clubs and groups will be contacted re their potential involvement. So far the working group includes the Shire, WAGS, Rotary, Lions and Trotting Club.

### **ROAD WORKS**

Currently the Works Crew are seal widening Umbra Street and realigning the intersection of Ware Street and Dumbleyung Road. These roads will be sealed on Saturday 16 November 2013.

### **PUNTAPIN DAM WATER SUPPLY**

The water pipe has now been connected from Puntapin Dam through to the Weir, watering of the town oval and other lawn areas will commence shortly.

### **REVIEW OF RECREATIONAL VEHICLE (RV) CAMPING AREA AT RECREATION GROUND**

Council will be undertaking a review of the RV Camping area at the Recreation Ground. Over the past 6 months approx 50 vans have stayed at this site, some for as long as 2 weeks. The review will look at the cost to camp there, improvements that could be made, relationship between the RV site and the Wagin Caravan Park. Council are looking at completing the review by February 2014.

### **SWIMMING POOL OPERATION**

The pool is open and running very well with good numbers being recorded to date. The new Manager Jen Bannerman is doing a great job with the pool and surrounds looking very neat and tidy.

Season Tickets are available at either the Shire office or pool. The hours of operation is as follows: -

Opening hours for the season are;

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 6.00am – 8.00am  
10.30am – 1.00pm

	2.30pm – 6.00pm
Saturday and Sunday	11.30pm – 6.00pm
Public Holidays	2.00pm – 6.00pm

### **FIRE BREAK INSPECTION**

The annual fire break inspection has been undertaken within the Wagin townsite. A very good effort had been made by owners this year with only 32 letters written to owners suggesting they improve their breaks.

### **RURAL FIRE BRIGADES 2013/14 SEASON**

With harvest upon us after a very good winter, dry grass along roadsides and in paddocks is of concern. Farmers are reminded to have their fire fighting equipment in good order over the summer period. Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is available at the Shire Office for all brigade members. Please call into the office to collect the PPE.

### **AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS**

Nomination forms are available from the Shire Office or Library for the Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year and Community Event of the Year Awards. All clubs, organisations and individuals are invited to nominate people and events for these awards. The closing date for nominations is Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2013.

### **SPORTSPERSON OF THE YEAR – NOMINATE NOW**

All sporting clubs and community members are encouraged to take the time to nominate individuals for the Sportsperson of the Year Award. Council will present two categories, being Sportsperson of the Year and Junior Sportsperson of the Year. These awards will be presented at the Australia Day Breakfast function. Nomination forms are available from the Shire Office or email [ea@wagin.wa.gov.au](mailto:ea@wagin.wa.gov.au) Nominations close on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2013.

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