

SHIRE OF



Corrigin
Community Resource Centre
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NEWSLETTER

Keeping the Corrigin community informed and involved



ANZAC Day 2020 with Terry Davis
(lone soldier, RSL Memorial)



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Lest We Forget

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CEO's Corner

It has been a roller coaster ride over the past month and the Shire has been kept busy responding to the government and health directives due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The focus of our activities have been to keep our staff, community members and emergency service volunteers safe from the virus.

There has been plenty of time spent behind the scenes monitoring information on the emerging situation from trusted government sources, holding meetings to keep everyone up to date and plan how we might respond if COVID-19 was to be in Corrigin. We have also been planning for the recovery phase when we can start to get our lives back to normal once the pandemic is under control.

The COVID-19 situation is like nothing we have ever experienced before and has been very challenging and an extreme test of our resilience. It is inevitable that people have been feeling worried and anxious but it has been very pleasing to see how the Corrigin community has stayed calm and been patient, while providing support to each other over the past month. We will need to continue this support in the coming months.

Out of adversity has come some opportunities and it has been great to see some creative ideas and fun activities popping up around Corrigin lately. We have all missed the connections with people and the social catch ups that are so much a part of rural life. It has been interesting to see people get right out of their comfort zone to learn new skills or use technology in new ways to maintain family and community connections.

The Shire and CRC staff have done an amazing job of keeping you up to date with the latest COVID-19 information and changes to shire services. They have been getting creative and produced video messages, live facebook feeds and offered delivery services. The shire staff are to be congratulated for their amazing ANZAC Day window and display and dawn service video.

The Shire of Corrigin Administration Office doors have re-opened and we will continue to deliver critical services and business as usual wherever possible. Our administration staff have spent the past month working from home and are looking forward to moving back into the office over the next week.

The Community Resource Centre, public library, swimming pools and playgrounds remain closed for now but staff are happy to help if you give them a call. We continue to take advice from the Department of Health and government on further actions to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

The outside staff will continue to work on road, building and town maintenance while observing additional hygiene, social distancing and restricting vehicles to one person.

A range of relief measures and new initiatives to support the community and small businesses impacted by COVID-19 were passed at the March Council meeting including:

- Prioritise spending with businesses and contractors located in Corrigin.
- Fortnightly payment terms to support business cash flow.
- Retain existing staff and provide additional casual employment to members of the local community who have lost jobs as a result of business closures.
- Review lease agreements and residential tenancies and considering reductions in rent due to financial hardship.
- Continue existing capital works projects with special COVID-19 precautions if external trades are required.
- Identify capital projects that can be accelerated.
- Suspend legal action for debt collection and offer payment arrangements for unpaid rates and general debtors.
- Refund fees for cancelled bookings.
- Waive or refund winter sport fees.
- Promote community grants.
- Promote external funding and grant opportunities making applications where applicable.
- Identify and contact vulnerable people in community.

These community support initiatives will reduce the revenue from rates, fees and charges and will require careful analysis of expenditure, to ensure critical services are delivered.

The Council also resolved to develop the 2020/21 budget based on a zero percent increase in rates and fees and charges. This will mean that the total rates income will remain the same as last year but there will still be variation of individual properties due to the impact of the valuations from the Valuer General which show a 3% increase in the value of rural properties over the past year.

In the coming months Council will consider a range of community projects in the recovery phase to increase community connections including community, sport, arts and cultural initiatives.

We are excited to welcome ten short term casual staff members to our team this week. The team will join the outside staff in a range of town and road maintenance projects and we look forward to seeing the place sparkle with this extra help.

Please contact me on 9063 2203 or email shire@corrigin.wa.gov.au if you have any queries.

Natalie Manton
Chief Executive Officer



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Know your Councillors

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Des Hickey



We are all wondering how the changes ahead will be, and not to become complacent on the changes we have had to put into place to help during this pandemic.

To be able to continue and function as a Council, our last Council meeting was conducted by Zoom, certainly a great success to be able to conduct a Council meeting between all Councillors and Staff within the confines of our homes. Thanks to Nat and Kirsten for making the option available for all of the Councillors. The last Council meeting had several details for the changes in legislation which will affect the way the Shire will administer during the pandemic.

We hear on a daily basis on how well the state is going with the issues of the pandemic, we all thank the frontline people who work in these jobs, well done and we could not do without any of you.

A special mention is for the volunteers who put their time out for the good of everyone. We have many within our community and rely on their help to do all of the jobs that need to be done. In the essence of the pandemic we all say thank you to all of our volunteers.

I have special mention to the rendition of the Last Post, 1 Minute Silence and Rouse, which covered the town of Corrigin at the break of dawn on Anzac morning. A fantastic way to honour the men and women of the ANZAC's. We Shall Remember Them. I believe there were many local residents honouring the ANZAC's, from the far west of the Shire to the eastern boundary and on the streets of town. Well done we all congratulations for your effort, and I have also heard on the grapevine that there has been several different renditions of the last post played as well.

Over the next week we hope to see the changes to social distancing starting to help within the community, we have many getting restless but we all need to stay in control.

Stay Safe and look after the people close to you.

Des

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2020 COUNCIL MEETING DATES

- 19 May 2020
- 16 June 2020
- 21 July 2020
- 18 August 2020
- 15 September 2020
- 20 October 2020
- 17 November 2020
- 15 December 2020

Council meets on the third Tuesday of the month, except January. Meetings commence at 3pm and will be held electronically until further notice.

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Staying @Home

Capturing a snapshot of our community 'staying at home' through this unique time.

Email ONE photo to:
corrigin@crc.net.au

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CORRIGIN COMMUNITY PHOTO PROJECT

Together We're Stronger

IF YOU ARE ISOLATED AND NEED HELP, WE'RE HERE FOR YOU!



At the Corrigin CRC we understand that self isolation can be lonely and that some people will need a little extra help. We're here for you offering assistance or even just someone to chat to. Simply complete this form and drop it into the CRC key box (outside the front doors), or call us on 9063 2778 or email corrigin@crc.net.au.

I NEED HELP, THESE ARE MY DETAILS

Name: _____

Address: _____

Contact Number: _____

I WOULD LIKE HELP WITH



A friendly phonecall



Posting mail



Isolation Mystery Box



Urgent supplies

Other: _____



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2020-2021 PHONEBOOK

RESIDENTIAL LISTINGS

DO YOU HAVE ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES?

Please let us know before 15th June 2020

We are updating the Residential Listings (*White Pages*) in the Corrigin Phonebook.
You can enter your Residential Listing online at

www.corrigin.wa.gov.au/services/item/corrigin-phonebook

OR Complete the Form below and return to Corrigin Community Resource Centre
55 Larke Crescent (P.O. Box 221), Corrigin 6375 W.A.

Email: corrigin@crc.net.au

Name:	
Address:	
Postcode:	
Phone:	
Fax:	
Mobile 1 (name):	Mobile 2 (name):
Email:	
CB Number:	

NOW UPDATING

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2020-2021 PHONEBOOK

GROUPS AND CLUBS GUIDE

The Shire of Corrigin Phonebook is compiled by the Corrigin Community Resource Centre (CRC) and the **GROUPS & CLUBS GUIDE** (*Pink Pages*) is an important section within the Phonebook.

We rely entirely on community input to ensure correctness, so your assistance with this is appreciated.

If you have additions or changes to information about your **GROUP or CLUB, please let us know.**

Fill in all your Group & Club details online at **www.corrigin.wa.gov.au/services/item/corrigin-phonebook**
OR complete the form below and return to us before 15th June:

Corrigin Community Resource Centre
55 Larke Crescent (P.O. Box 221), Corrigin 6375 W.A.
Fax: 9063 2779 Email: corrigin@crc.net.au

GROUPS & CLUBS GUIDE ADDITIONS & CORRECTIONS

Group / Club:

Address:

Email:

President:

Phone:

Secretary:

Phone:

Treasurer:

Phone:

Fax:

Description of Group / Club:

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BUSINESS DIRECTORY

The Corrigin Community Resource Centre annually updates the Business Directory (Yellow Pages) in the Corrigin Phonebook. If you have started a new Business **OR** want to be included, please complete and return this form to us with payment.

BUSINESS NAME: _____

BUSINESS ADDRESS: _____

PHONE: _____ MOBILE: _____ FAX: _____ CB: _____

EMAIL: _____ WEBSITE: _____

BUSINESS DESCRIPTION: *Max. 20 words* _____

Return this form with payment to:
CORRIGIN COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE
55 Larke Cres, (P.O. Box 221), Corrigin 6375 WA Email: corrigin@crc.net.au

PAYMENTS DUE BY: MONDAY 15th JUNE 2020

\$15 BUSINESS LISTING ONLY \$50 HALF PAGE AD \$100 FULL PAGE AD

PAYMENT BY EFT:

BSB: 086 576 Account: 50831 1408 Narration: P/BK + (Your Business Name)

PAYMENT BY MAIL: PO Box 221, Corrigin WA 6375

PAYMENT IN PERSON: Cash / Cheques Payable to: "Shire of Corrigin"

Business listings will be placed alphabetically in the Business Directory (Yellow Pages section)

AN EXAMPLE OF BUSINESS DIRECTORY LISTING (Yellow Pages section):

Corrigin Community Resource Centre (CRC).....9063 2778
55 Larke Crescent Fax 9063 2779
Email: corrigin@crc.net.au Website: www.corrigin.crc.net.au
Community Information Services - Training - Room and Equipment Hire

BUSINESS ADVERTISING... Half Page OR Full Page Ads

Advertising Size:

Half Page: 120mm W x 90mm H..... \$50.00

Full Page: 120mm W x 180mm H..... \$100.00

Rates:

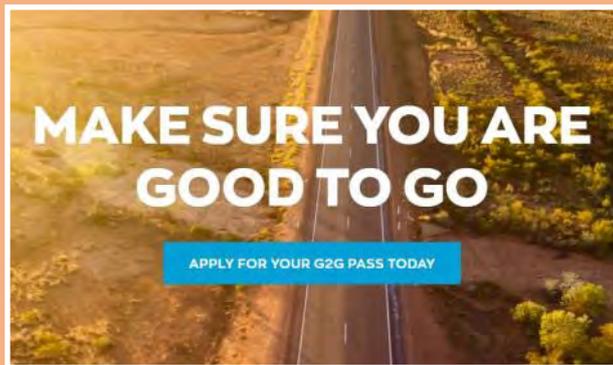
Please supply Artwork in the following format: Publisher or Word or PDF



COVID19 Update

GOOD TO GO

Regional travel restrictions are here. We all have to do our bit to keep our loved ones, community and country safe. If you need to travel, apply for your G2G PASS in advance. If your application is successful the G2G PASS app will help you get where you need to go, fast. For further information visit the Good to Go website www.g2gpass.com.au/



COVID-19 coronavirus

Updated social distancing restrictions

The following Indoor and outdoor gatherings can now recommence, for **up to 10 people**, while practising social distancing.

 Exercise Outdoor personal training (no sharing equipment)	 Outdoor recreation Hiking, camping, recreational fishing, boating and picnics (within your region)
 Indoor, non-work gatherings Relaxed for up to 10 persons	 Weddings With up to 10 persons

Keep up the great work WA

Continue to practise appropriate social distancing

 Avoid close contact with others try to keep at least 1.5 metres away	 Healthy Hygiene Wash your hands regularly Cover your mouth/nose when you cough/sneeze
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COVIDSafe app

Stop the spread of coronavirus by downloading the new voluntary app, COVIDSafe.

This app is recommended by the Chief Medical Officer and will help keep you, your family, and your community safe.

Downloading COVIDSafe will mean that you know quickly if you've been in contact with someone who has tested positive for the virus. We need as many Australians as possible to download the app.

The more people who download COVIDSafe will mean that we can control the spread of the virus and start easing some of the restrictions we have had to put in place.

Information through the app will only be accessible to state and territory health officials. Any other access or use will be a criminal offence.

The app will only keep contact information for 21 days. Once the pandemic is over, and the app is no longer needed, the app and all its data will be deleted permanently. No virus, no app.

Download the app at: www.covidsafe.gov.au



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Drought Community Support Initiative

The Salvation Army is delivering assistance through the Australian governments Drought Community Support Initiative (DCSI – Round 2). The second round of this assistance commenced on 21 November 2019.

If you are a farmer, farm worker, farm supplier or farm contractor who is doing it tough due to the drought you may be eligible for a one off payment of up to \$3,000.

To be eligible you need to be:

- Over the age of 18 years
- Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident
- Live and / or work in the Shire of Corrigin
- Have not already received this payment from The Salvation Army or St Vincent de Paul since 21 Nov 2019

The maximum amount a household can receive is \$3,000. If more than one eligible household members reside in the same residence, the total assistance provided to the household cannot exceed \$3,000.

You can apply for the drought assistance online at www.salvationarmy.org.au/drought (preferred method) or by calling the 24/7 Telephone Assistance Line on 1300 551 030. If your preferred method is to call the Telephone Assistance Line, please only use this line to make a new application and please leave a voice message with all the information requested.

The Salvation Army has distributed over \$28million of this funding to over 9,900 drought affected households since 21 November 2019, and as at 31 March 2020 were distributing over \$1.2million every three days. As you would appreciate, demand for this assistance has been high.

The Salvation Army will call you to complete your assessment as soon as they can. Please do not make a second application if you have already applied as they will get to you.

The payment is not considered taxable income. If you had assistance in DCSI(Round 1) which concluded on 30 June 2019 you are eligible to apply for assistance for DCSI(Round 2).



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DATES TO REMEMBER

30 April
RESTRICTED
BURNING
PERIOD ENDS

15 May
Staying @ Home
Photo Submission
Deadline

19 May
Council Meeting

15 June
Phonebook
Updates Due

16 June
Council Meeting



CORRIGIN WASTE TRANSFER STATION	
Monday	10:00am - 2:00pm
Wednesday	10:00am - 2:00pm
Friday	10:00am - 3:00pm
Saturday	10:00am - 3:00pm
Sunday	9:00am - 12:00pm

PUBLIC TOILET CLOSURE NOTICE
Due to ongoing vandalism at Miss B's Park and Adventure Playground, the Shire will be locking the Public Toilets at these community parks at the following times:
MONDAY - FRIDAY: From 4.00pm - 8.30am
SATURDAY: From 12noon
SUNDAY: CLOSED
We are asking for members of the community to please report any anti-social behaviour immediately to the Corrigin Police, as these closures impact community members and visitors to our town.

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