

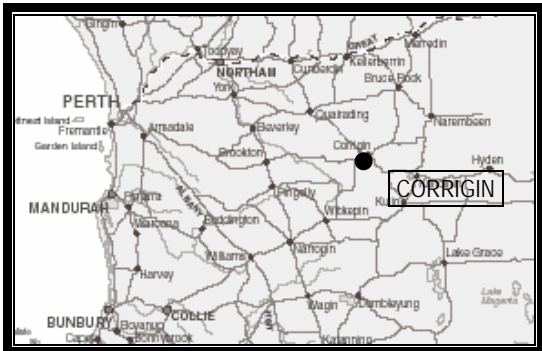
SHIRE OF CORRIGIN



LOCALITY PROFILE

CORRIGIN

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INTRODUCTION

Corrigin is a progressive rural community situated in the heart of the Wheatbelt only 234km south east of Perth.

Corrigin enjoys a relaxed country lifestyle and has access to many services and facilities including recreational, educational, health and professional.

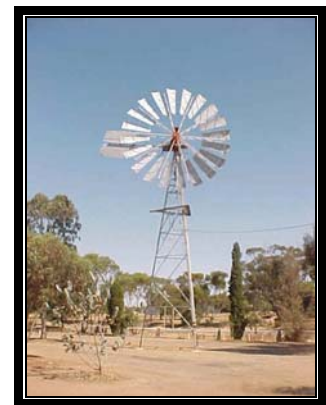
SHIRE OF CORRIGIN

The Corrigin Road Board began in 1913 until 1961 when it became the Shire of Corrigin. There are 9 Councillors representing the entire Shire. Council meet on the third Tuesday of the month, except January when there is no Council meeting.

The inside staff consists of the CEO, Deputy CEO, 4 Administration Officers and 2 Resource Centre Coordinators. Council also employs an EHO/BS on a share basis with 3 adjoining shires.

The Shire also employs outside staff including plant operators, grader operators, truck drivers, gardener/curator, mechanic and swimming pool manager. Council also employs casual staff when undertaking larger projects.

Area of Shire	3095 square kilometers
Population	1145
Distance from Perth	234km
Annual revenue	\$6.7 million
No. of Dwellings	568
Length of roads	405km sealed 767km unsealed
Localities	Bullaring, Bulyee, Bilbarin, Corrigin
Local Industry	Farming (wheat, sheep etc), steel fabrication, machinery sales and service



SERVICES & FACILITIES

Corrigin is well serviced with medical, sporting, community, school and shopping facilities and all that is necessary to live comfortably and be involved in the community.

Recreational

Most sporting and recreational activities are available including football, cricket, hockey, netball, junior basketball, tennis, 18 hole golf, lawn bowls, squash, swimming, pistol/rifle shooting and darts.

At the sporting precinct, there is a 6ha fully reticulated grassed area, including football oval and separate hockey oval with WAFL standard lighting on the football oval. There are also 2 netball courts and 2 basketball courts with lighting.

A well maintained 50m swimming pool with toddlers pool is also located next to the sporting precinct.

Education

The Corrigin District High School offers pre-primary, primary and secondary education up to Year 10. Year 11 & 12 can be completed through distance education, or boarding nearby in Narrogin, Merredin or alternatively Perth.

Health

- Multi-purpose District Hospital with permanent care facilities.
- Resident Doctor and Surgery
- Dentist – visiting twice a week
- Naturopath – part-time
- Physiotherapist – part-time
- Optometrist – visiting
- Podiatrist – visiting
- Pharmacy

Aged Care

- Frail Aged Hostel
- Senior Citizens Centre with hall and accommodation units
- Meals on wheels service
- HACC & Seniors Bus Service

Child Care

- Child Health Centre - Tuesday Clinic
- Family Day Care Centre – part-time or on arrangement

Transport

Corrigin is mainly accessible by road. Public Transport Authority of WA (formerly Westrail) has a bus service operating on Tuesday, Thursdays and Sundays traveling from Esperance to Perth and return. Courier and road freight companies service the town six days a week and rail freight is now mainly contained to bulk commodities such as grain. The airstrip is located close to the townsite and is used mostly for emergency services.

Telecommunications

As well as Telstra connections, there is a mobile CDMA service in the townsite that reaches most areas in the Shire. ADSL Broadband internet connection is available with Westnet as the main ISP. There are 4 television stations with GWN, WIN, ABC and SBS.

Public Utilities

- Scheme Water
- Western Power electricity
- Bottled Gas – supplied locally
- Waste – a manned rubbish tip with contracted kerbside removal service operating weekly
- Kerbside Recycling bins plus other various receptacles

EVENTS

Dog in a Ute

Corrigin has previously held this event in 1998 and 2002, which is a World Record Attempt to try to get as many dogs in utes in a queue. Corrigin currently holds the record at 1527 taken from Warnambool in Victoria. In April 2005 the Corrigin community decided to try and break it's own record because until then the record had not been broken. We didn't manage to break the record number of 1527 but we did still get a very healthy 1325. Visit www.corrigin.wa.gov.au and click on Dog in a Ute to keep you posted on the event.



A reunion of the event was held on 5 April 2008. Please visit the above website to find out more information.

Corrigin Agricultural Show and Dyson Jones Shears Competition

Held on the last Saturday in August or first in September, the Agricultural Show is full of wonderful things to see from large machinery to local crafts, fashion parades to sheaf tossing competitions.

The Dyson Jones Corrigin Shears competition is also held on this day, and is another display of agricultural life, and the talented Shearer's. A great day out for the whole family.

TOURISM



Dog Cemetery

Located 5kms out of town on the Brookton Highway, the Dog Cemetery was established in 1974 and is a tribute to mans best friend. With over 80 loved ones now buried, the cemetery is unique to Corrigin and worth a visit. It is landmarked by a statue of a large dog and any person is welcome to bury their dog at the cemetery and many have traveled from different towns to lay their pets in their final resting place.

Corrigin Mallee Shed

A local business which creates beautiful crafts from local Mallee Wood. They welcome visitors to their workshop, where they can see work in progress or perhaps purchase a souvenir. Crafts are also available for purchase from the Mallee Tree Café located on Campbell Street.

Pioneer Museum

Housing the history of our days gone by, the museum is open on Sundays and is a worthwhile visit whilst in Corrigin.

Gorge Rock

Located 20kms out of town, Gorge Rock is a natural rock pool which was once the local swimming hole, before a pool was constructed in the townsite. Although no swimming is allowed in present day, the area is still worth visiting, and a good rest stop with natural bushland making pleasant surroundings.

Wildflowers

There is a vast array of beautiful and unusual wildflowers, plants and trees throughout the year. The scenic drive is located 4km out of town on the Brookton Highway and is a 4km drive up to the scenic lookout. A wildflower walk also begins at the lookout and is a nice stroll for the wildflower lover. Wildflowers are also seen throughout the towns and road verges during season.

BUSINESS & INDUSTRY

Accountants
Agricultural Supplies
Banks
Builders

Plumber
Post Office
Police
Real Estate
Restaurant/Cafes
Signs
Small Business Help (SBC)
Stationery
Take-Away Food
Tyre Service
Vehicle Parts/Sales/Service

Electricians
Fuel Supplies
Furniture
Funeral Director

Flour Mill
Garden Supplies
Gas Sales
Groceries/Supermarket
Hairdressers
Hardware
Hotel
Insurance Agents
Library
Machinery Parts/Sales/Service
Motel

Market Garden
Newsagency
Office Supplies
Painters
Pharmacy
Paving

COMMUNITY & SPORTING ORGANISATIONS

Sporting Groups

Football Club
Mens Hockey Club
Womens Hockey Club
Cricket Club
Netball Club
Junior Basketball Club
Golf Club
Ladies Bowling Club
Mens Bowling Club
Little League
Tennis Club
Ladies Badminton Club
Dance Club
Darts Club
Swimming Club
Squash Club
Practical Pistol Club
Rifle Club

Service Groups

Apex Club
Rotary Club
Masonic Lodge

Community Groups

Historical Society
Agricultural Society
Hospital Society
St John Ambulance
Fire and Rescue
Senior Citizens Centre Cttee
District Club

Other Groups

Corrigin Entertainers (theatre)
Youth Corrigin Red Cross
Creative Arts Club
Wogerlin House Frail Aged
P&C Association
Farm Improvement Group
Religion
Anglican Rectory
Catholic Church
Church of Christ
Jehovahs Witness