

G'day Goomalling

Jurokine Coach House | Jennacubbine

"The pessimist sees difficulty in every opportunity. The optimist sees opportunity in every difficulty"

- Winston Churchill

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Reporting Road Damage

When reporting damage to state roads, please contact Main Roads directly to reduce the timeframes involved in directing fault enquiries and Council staff can concentrate on managing the local infrastructure damage.

State Roads in the Shire of Goomalling include:

- Northam-Pithara Road (between Goomalling-Northam and Goomalling-Wongan Hills)
- Goomalling Toodyay Road
- Goomalling-Merredin Road (aka Goomalling-Dowerin or Goomalling-Wyalkatchem Road)

The direct line for reporting damage is:

Main Roads Faults 138 138

Double Demerits

Double demerit penalties will be in place during the Queen's Birthday long weekend from **Friday 24 to Monday 27 September inclusive**.

Reporting Water leaks

Call Water Corporation 13 13 75

Dog & Cat Registrations

Dog & cat registrations will be sent out 15 October, if there has been any change in your details in the last 12 months please advise us asap, this includes your address, contact information or animal information.

Shire President's Greetings

Spring is upon us, the landscape is graced with golden canola and green cereal crops that look thick and plentiful thanks to one of the best rain seasons we've seen in a while. The community garden is looking great too thanks to the dedicated volunteers and Gumnuts children, wander down a have a look at the recent youth group and Men's Shed artwork installed on the fence line which has brightened up the space.

The LGIS tournament was a great success with sixteen local governments participating over the two days, all our accommodation providers were at full capacity and local cafés were frequented for early morning coffee.

Congratulations to our winter sports teams for making the 2021 final series with Goomalling represented in everything except the B Grade football. Special congratulations are in order for the A grade football and senior hockey for progressing to the grand final, Sunday 5th September.

Council elections are coming up in October with nominations opening for candidates on the 2 September and closing 9 September, I encourage anybody who wants to make a difference in the community and wants to learn about local government to grab an application form and give it a go.



*Cr Barry Haywood
Shire President*

Council meeting dates 2021

For several years now Council has held its Ordinary Meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, with no meeting in January and an early meeting in February.

Here are the Ordinary Council meeting dates for the rest of 2021:

15 September	15 December
20 October	17 November

Council meetings commence at 3.00pm with a briefing session followed by the Ordinary Meeting with **public question time** at 4.00pm.

Pick up after your Dog

As a dog owner you are required by law to pick up your dog's poo, an on the spot fine of **\$200** applies.

There has been an increase in offences on Railway Terrace, particularly on the grassed areas. We will be monitoring the CCTV and using it as evidence for infringements.

There are dog poo bags available at the recreation ground attached to the dog poo bin (green) and at Anstey Park attached to the gazebo.



Council Elections

Key dates

27 Aug	Close of Rolls 5pm	12 Oct	Close of absentee voting and close of postal vote applications for "voting in person" elections - 4pm
2 Sep	Council Nominations Open	15 Oct	In person early voting closes at 4pm
9 Sep	Council Nominations Close 4pm	16 Oct	Polling Day 8am-6pm

The term for 3 of our current elected Councillors expires in October 2021, so if you want to make a difference in Goomalling and have a say in local decision making, why not consider standing for election.

Councillors play an important community leadership role creating policies and making decisions that affect what happens locally and they do this through consultation with the community.

What does it mean to be a Councillor?

Council's role within a Local Government

The Council works together with the community and Shire staff to create and implement the community's vision, strategic direction and values.

The Council's role is to:

- govern the local government's affairs;
- be responsible for the performance of the local government's functions;
- oversee the allocation of the local government's finances and resources; and
- determine the local government's policies.

The role of each Councillor

A councillor is a member of a team, shaping the district's future in consultation with the community.

Councillors:

- attend relevant training and workshops;
- represent the interests of electors, ratepayers and residents;
- provide leadership and guidance to the community;
- facilitate communication between the community and the council and vice versa;
- participate in decision making processes at meetings.

What is expected of a Councillor

Council members have a duty to attend all or most council meetings to ensure that electors are adequately represented. At their meetings Council:

- Approve and review Council policies;
- Set and adopt annual budget, and review finances through monthly reports;
- Review our strategic planning, to make sure it is meeting the changing needs of the community;
- Provide input on State and Federal issues;
- Vote on any other items or requests.

In Goomalling we hold 11 ordinary Council meetings, approx. 2-3 special meetings per year, and other functions or meetings as required. Meeting attendance fees are paid as a recognition of the amount of time and effort members must put into preparing for meetings.

Deciding whether or not to stand for council is a very personal choice. You need to consider your own circumstances and whether or not you think you are suited to the role, and if you are able to make the commitment in time and energy required to fulfil the role.



SHIRE OF GOOMALLING LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS 16 OCTOBER 2021

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

NOMINATIONS CLOSE 4.00pm THURSDAY 9 SEPTEMBER 2021

Nominations are called for the Shire of Goomalling Local Government Elections, to be held on **Saturday, 16 October 2021** to fill vacancies.

Nomination time and place

- Nominations for all vacancies are open on **Thursday, 2 September 2021**
- Nomination close at 4.00pm on **Thursday, 9 September 2021**

Nominations must be lodged with the Returning Officer at any time during the above period at the Shire administration office.

Nomination requirements

Candidates are required to lodge with the RETURNING OFFICER:

- A complete nomination in the prescribed form, signed and witnessed. This form is available from the Shire office.
- A single A4 profile not more than 800 characters, including spaces, containing biographical information about the proposed candidate and statements of the candidate's policies or beliefs.
- A nomination deposit of \$80 (cash, cheque, bank draft or postal order, or other mean subject to the Returning Officer approval).
- A recent passport-sized photograph (optional).

To nominate, every individual must complete the mandatory induction for prospective candidates course, available via the Department of Local Government, Sport and cultural Industries website at www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au

Where an agent lodges a nomination on a candidate's behalf, it must be in the prescribed form with a written authorisation signed by the candidate.

The documents may be hand delivered, posted, faxed or sent by electronic means to the Returning Officer and must be received by the close of nominations.

Full details about eligibility and nomination procedures for prospective candidates in the elections listed below can be obtained by contacting your Local Government office.

Returning Officer: Peter Bentley

Phone: 08 9629 1101

Email:

goshire@goomalling.wa.gov.au

Nomination Place: 32 Quinlan Street, Goomalling

Offices vacant and terms in office: DISTRICT
3 vacancies
4-year term

Anstey Park Revitalisation

The revitalisation project continues with the focus group meeting having made a number of suggestions regarding recognition of the CWA's use of the site, different types of structures and preferred soft fall options.

These suggestions will be considered within the context of available funding for the project as at this stage we only have a commitment for \$150,000 in funding approved through the Local Road & Community Infrastructure (LRCI) program (Federal Funding).

We will continue to seek other funding options; however, the timeframes will be restricted as this grant will need to be spent in this calendar year.

The CWA State Office has given approval to demolish their building, Council staff will carry out removal of

contents of the building which will be put in storage until the CWA State Office can go through it and collect items of value.

Council has been discussing the demolition stage of the project with Wheatbelt Workcamp to reduce cash costs, and maximise cash investment into the development – we are currently waiting on a response from them in regard to their capacity as covid lockdowns in 2020 have provided significant project delays.

Clothing mending and repairs

Bring along your clean clothes that need minor repairs or alterations, machine or hand sewn, for a donation to the Goomalling Op Shop.

Minor repairs such as:

- Stitching a hem or seam
- Replacing buttons

- Buttonholes
- Small tears or holes.

Saturday mornings – 9am to 11am at the Goomalling Op Shop on the following dates:

September 18th

October 23rd

Recycling collection ***IMPORTANT***

We've recently had advice from residents that their recycling hasn't been collected or only partially collected. Avon Waste advised that recycling bins are being filled too much and compressed which causes the recycling to get stuck and not release properly when emptying.

Please be mindful when filling your recycling bin and do not compress to fit in extra recyclables.

Second bins can be requested from the Shire at \$85.00 p.a. (pro rata).

50.48 tonne has been recycled from 29/7/20 to 25/8/2021



Heavy Vehicle Permits

Make sure you have a current heavy vehicle permit before harvest. Only \$13.20 administration fee. Required for heavy vehicles RAV 1-5 on all local roads.

Orchids



Orchids captured by **Jess Ashworth**



LGIS Local Government Golf Tournament

Shire of Goomalling hosted the 2021 Local Government Golf Tournament on Thursday August 19 and Friday 20 August 2021. The tournament is a networking event for Councillors, staff and suppliers across Western Australia.

Local Government Insurance Scheme (LGIS) has been the event partner since inception with local government suppliers sponsoring Thursday's event.

The event was a prolific fundraising opportunity for our Golf club as well as our hospitality and accommodation providers. We appreciate the amazing opportunity provided by LGIS and the supporting Councils (15 participated), that provided an economic injection into our small community.

Our course was in a beautiful condition, thanks to the dedicated volunteers of Goomalling Golf Club who take pride in managing the course.

Thursday participants were tested by the deluge and bitter cold that hung around all day, making it difficult to get a feel for the greens. Players kept warm by consuming copious amounts of sausages (near 200 were consumed). Thanks to Ashley Fisher from Avon Waste and Martin Whitely from LG Corporate Solutions who were platinum sponsors for the Scroungers Day event. Congratulations to Lyndon Bird (Goomalling) and Anthony Middleton (Kojonup) for winning Best Nett for the day.

Friday, we welcomed the sun and beautiful playing conditions. The fast and dry greens proved a challenge across the playing field. Congratulations to Goomalling for winning Best Nett (94), Kojonup 2nd Nett (90) and Westonia 3rd Nett (88) and the LGIS Cup winners.

This year LGIS introduced the inaugural Greg Hadlow Cup for Best Individual Nett Score, won by Dennis Reid (38) in honour of a fabled man in the local government industry, fondly known as "Pots".

Congratulations once again to Westonia for taking home the honour of the LGIS Cup and hosting rights for 2022.



Maangart Yorga Program

Shire of Goomalling was awarded \$19,605 to deliver the Maangart Yorga Program in partnership with Goomalling Aboriginal Corporation. The twelve-month program has been funded by Foundation for Rural and Regional Renewal (FRRR) and their sponsorship partner CCI Giving.

The program consists of workshops aimed to increase social participation and connection to culture; foster relationships across generations; enhance self-worth; provide a support network; develop skills for life that can be shared perpetually and could lead to sustainable income; improve health outcomes; and provide a safe space for social connection.

The last workshop was basic nutrition with Di Hutchison, Loving Larder. Participants learnt make quick, delicious, nutrient dense food that is cost effective for large homes. Participants feedback outline that they felt better informed about making food choices and were inspired to create healthier meals at home.

There have been some great facilitators and plenty more to come including the following

- 9 September Di Jackson, Art Therapy
- 14 October – Di Jackson, Traditional Weaving
- 11 November – Native wreath making
- 9 December – Di Jackson, Play with clay



PHOTO DESCRIPTION: MAKING CHEAP AND NUTRIENT DENSE MEALS AND SNACKS WITH DI HUTCHISON, LOVING LARDER

The program is aimed at Aboriginal girls and women, if places aren't filled by Aboriginal women they will become available to non-indigenous women. Places are limited so please reserve your place as soon as possible.

To reserve your place, or for more information contact Tahnee Bird, Community Development Officer cdo@goomalling.wa.gov.au

Community Pantry

The St Vincent de Paul (Vinnies) Community Pantry provides assistance to families and individuals who have difficulty meeting their basic needs.

The Pantry is open every second and fourth Thursday of the month from 10am to 12pm at the Uniting Church Parish, 17 Quinlan St.

Volunteers needed to run the pantry

If you are willing to help out a couple hours a fortnight or just every now and then, please contact Tahnee on 9629 1101 or cdo@goomalling.wa.gov.au.

2021 Verge waste collection

Monday 13th September

GREEN WASTE ONLY

The following items *WILL* be collected

- Only 2 cubic metres will be collected
- Tree and shrub prunings up to:
 - 1.5 metres in length
 - 350mm in diameter

The following will *NOT* be collected

- Leaves or lawn clippings
- Bags or boxes of leaves of grass clippings
- Dug out lawn
- Branches exceeding 1.5m length and 350 diameter
- General waste, junk or whitegoods

Tuesday 28th September

GENERAL WASTE ONLY

The following items *WILL* be collected

- Only 2 cubic metres will be collected
- Metals and white goods (fridges, stoves, electrical items)
- Bulk general waste
- Old furniture
- Mattresses
- TV screens and computer equipment

The following will *NOT* be collected

- Green waste
- Food waste
- Car bodies, vehicle parts, batteries, tyres, paint, chemicals or gas bottles
- Bricks, sand, cement or building rubble
- Asbestos or super six products

Other guidelines

- Only rubbish **on the verge** will be collected. Our staff will not be entering your property.
- Place your waste neatly on your own verge prior to the collection date.
- Keep an eye on your waste pile as it is your responsibility throughout the collection.
- Please have your waste on the verge **by 7am** the day of collection.
- Please do not put your waste out longer than 3 days prior to rubbish collection dates.
- Any waste that is too good for landfill will be given to the Goomalling Tip Shop for repurposing. Please leave these in a separate pile.

Community Garden update

The Community Garden is on Quinlan Street, opposite the oval. The garden is open to one and all to visit and help yourself to the produce.

Ready to pick and eat now: sugarsnap peas, snow peas and silverbeet.

There are new plantings of capsicum, lettuce, beetroot, broccoli, cabbage, spring onions and bok choi. Check out the sign on the Post Office noticeboard to find out when things are ready to be picked.

Thank you to the Goomalling Men’s Shed for making the outdoor blackboards and installing the lattice to display the Youth Group artwork.

Thank you also to the Shire, in particular Ut, who has transformed our weedy patch with his hard work.

A small group of volunteers work in the garden on Monday mornings and we welcome new volunteers. If you would like to know more, please contact Peta on 0467895811.



	<p>Laugh Play Learn</p>	<p>Cnr Quinlan & Hoddy Streets Ph: 9629 1188</p>	<p>Accredited Long Day Care Service <i>Play based learning</i></p>
<p>GOOMALLING GUMNUTS INC. Early Learning Centre PO Box 189, Goomalling WA 6460 (08) 9629 1188, gumnutsinc@bigpond.com</p>		<p>Monday to Thursday 8am - 5.30pm <i>Bookings essential</i></p>	

Rates and debtors

Are you having trouble paying your accounts or rates?

The Shire of Goomalling is committed to working with debtors and ratepayers to find an appropriate payment solution that works for both parties. Council understands that it can be difficult to ask for support, and will treat you with sensitivity, respect and confidentiality.

If you are experiencing difficulty paying your accounts or rates, please contact our Finance Officer Trudi Manera so we can help you make alternative arrangements and avoid interest, late payment fees and any further distress.

Pensioner rebate

Concession holders/Pensioners are required to pay their portion of the 2021/22 rates by 30 June 2022 in order to receive the rebate for 2021/22. Please remember to provide us with a copy of your **new** card when you receive it. **All rubbish and recycling charges must be paid in full and cannot be deferred.**

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We review concession eligibility annually to ensure you are receiving the correct rebates. If you think you may be eligible for a concession or rebate, please contact Finance Officer Trudi Manera on 08 9629 1101.

Ratepayers & debtors

Please ensure you use the appropriate reference on internet banking transfers to ensure your payment is allocated correctly. This is either the **Debtor Code** or **Rates Assessment Number**, both are located on the top right hand corner of the invoices/notices.

How rates are calculated

Rates

GRV and UV:

The Valuer General (VG) provides all Local Governments with a Gross Rental Value (GRV) for each property within the Goomalling, Konnongorong and Jennacubbine Townsites. All other properties within the shire are given an unimproved Value (UV).

If you do not agree with this value, you have the option to contact Landgate to apply for a revaluation 08 9273 7373 www.landgate.wa.gov.au/valuations.

Rate in the Dollar (RID)

Local governments are responsible for setting the rate in the dollar for each land category which is then applied to the values provided by the VG. The Goomalling Shire Council sets the current year rate in the dollar for each category at the Annual Budget Meeting. Regulations state that these rates in the dollar are to be advertised publicly to enable any person to submit their response within 21 days to the local government.

- To calculate the actual rates charge, you multiply the GRV or UV value by the rate in the dollar.
 - Eg. If the UV value = \$100,000 and the RID = 0.76cents, then for every \$1 of unimproved value you will be charged 0.76 of a cent in rates as follows: $100,000 \times .0076 = \$760.00$

Sewerage

- Sewerage is calculated in the same manner as above but using the GRV. This is because only properties in the townsite of Goomalling that have access to the deep sewerage are charged sewerage rates. Again it is based on the value and multiplied by the RID.
- If your residential, commercial or industrial property has a septic system instead, then you will not have a sewerage charge on your rate assessment.

Emergency Services Levy

- All non-exempt properties that are situated **outside** the townsite of Goomalling are charged an arbitrary Emergency Services Levy (ESL), set each year by the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES). In 2021-2022 the ESL minimum charge is \$88.
- Properties within the townsite of Goomalling are charged an ESL based on the rate in the dollar set by DFES which is then applied to the Gross Rental Value set by the Valuer General. There is a minimum charge that applies. In 2021-2022 the minimum charge is \$88.

Mosquito fogging

Weather conditions permitting, Council will be fogging Tuesday and Thursday evening commencing Tuesday 31st August, until further notice in the Goomalling town site.

All residents are advised to keep clear (including pets) of fogging mist while outdoors.



Employment Opportunity

PART TIME ROLLER DRIVER/PLANT OPERATOR/LABOURER



The Shire of Goomalling is seeking applications for the position of Roller Driver/Plant Operator/Labourer (Part Time). The successful applicant will be operating the Multi tyred and steel drum Rollers and other road construction plant and machinery as part of maintenance and construction activities, and any other labouring duties as required.

Conditions of employment will be as provided within the Municipal Employees Award 2021 with a salary range (above award) starting at \$51,066 pro rata, negotiable dependent upon experience and based on a 9 day (76hr) fortnight. Employment will be on as required basis with the opportunity for overtime during peak construction periods.

The successful applicant will work under the direction of the Works Manager/Leading Hand and will join an enthusiastic and committed works team.

A Position Description and Application Form can be obtained by contacting Tahnee Bird on 9629 1101, or email eaceo@goomalling.wa.gov.au

Applicants are encouraged to contact Works Manager, David Long, on 0436 813 959 for further information about the position.

Applications should consist of a cover letter, application form, resume, and statement of not more than 5 pages addressing the selection criteria. All applications are to be marked Private and Confidential and addressed to the Chief Executive Officer.

All applications must be received via email to eaceo@goomalling.wa.gov.au, post to the Shire of Goomalling, PO Box 118 GOOMALLING WA 6460 or in person to the administration office 32 Quinlan Street, Goomalling **by 4.00pm on Friday 17th September 2021.**

DrumMuster

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THURSDAY 30.09.2021



CONTAINERS MUST BE

- TRIPLE OR PRESSURE CLEANED
- CLEAN - NO CHEMICAL RESIDUE
- INSPECTED BY A DRUMMUSTER INSPECTOR
- LIDS MUST BE LEFT OFF
- METAL CONTAINER MUST BE PUNCTURED

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL - 08 96291101

Book your place and advise number of containers to the shire office by

4.00pm, Tuesday 28 September 2021

drumMUSTER depot
56 William Street
GOOMALLING WA 6460
www.drummuster.org.au



Contact

Julie Chester 0427 291 223
Shire office 08 9629 1101



What's happening in the works department

With the consistent rainfall, the majority of road projects have been on hold until they are dry enough to work on.

The rain, while beautiful, has been providing some significant challenges with erosion due to flooding. Culvert, gravel shoulders and unsealed roads have taken a heavy hit. Council staff are rectifying damage as soon as possible.



Long Forrest Road

Tree pruning, reconstruction of sub base and gravel re-sheeting (150mm compacted) has been carried out on Long Forrest Road (3kms). The roller is pictured above completing works.

Railway Terrace – Funding for design

Department of Transport has approved funding for a detailed design of Railway Terrace to include an on road cycle lane and solutions to slow vehicle traffic, creating a safer environment for both cyclists and pedestrians.

Main Roads WA have rejected the idea of on road cycling due to the addition of slip lanes and narrower lanes on Railway Terrace since the reseal.

Council is currently applying for funds to be transferred to the High Street budget which has increased in cost significantly since application to the concrete pricing.

Quinlan Street, although a higher priority cannot be considered without an application in a round. Council will look at applying in the next round of WABN funding as it becomes available.

Parks, Gardens & Ovals

Finals fever has taken over at the ovals with staff preparing the fields and additional requirements for the Mortlock winter sports finals which were held in Goomalling.



Building maintenance & plumbing

Nic is always busy tinkering, the pump station and Imhoff tank maintenance takes up significant amounts of time. The caravan park sewerage system was challenged with a continuous flow of traffic.

Hockey goals were refurbished to replace the broken plywood backboards with rubber for longevity and safety.

Repairs were carried out on the Opshop awning which had been leaking, it has been refurbished with new tin and silicon to prevent further leakage.

Jennacubbine Hall had minor maintenance and clean-up carried out prior to the scheduled Melbourne Cup event, which was later cancelled.

Water Tanks

Council installed two new 250KL water tanks at the Recreation Centre that will be connected to the existing reticulation infrastructure to supply scheme water in the case of drought/lack of supply from Council's non-potable sources. The project is possible thanks to the Goomalling Football Club Inc which obtained an Election commitment of \$50,000 from the Labor Government and our local member Hon Darren West MLC.



Dates for your diary

2 Sept	Council Election: Nominations Open
3 Sept	Rates - 1 st Instalment is DUE
5 Sept	Winter Sports Grand Final, Wongan Hills 2.00pm Senior Hockey – Goomalling V Calingiri 2.10pm A Grade Football – Goomalling V Dowerin/Wylie
9 Sept	Council Election: Nominations Close, 4.00pm
9 Sept	Vinnies, Uniting Church, 17 Quinlan Street, 10am-12pm
9 Sept	Maangart Yorga Program, Railway Station, 10am
15 Sept	Goomalling Aboriginal Corporation AGM, Railway Station, 1pm
15 Sept	Ordinary Council Meeting, 3pm
18 Sept	Clothes mending at the Opshop, 9-11am
23 Sept	Vinnies, Uniting Church, 17 Quinlan Street, 10am-12pm
14 Oct	Maangart Yorga Program, Railway Station, 10am
14 Oct	Vinnies, Uniting Church, 17 Quinlan Street, 10am-12pm
16 Oct	Council Election
20 Oct	Ordinary Council Meeting, 3pm
23 Oct	Clothes mending at the Opshop, 9-11am
28 Oct	Vinnies, Uniting Church, 17 Quinlan Street, 10am-12pm
31 Oct	Dog & Cat Registrations are DUE
3 Nov	Rates – 2 nd Instalment is DUE
11 Nov	Maangart Yorga Program, Railway Station, 10am
11 Nov	Vinnies, Uniting Church, 17 Quinlan Street, 10am-12pm
17 Nov	Ordinary Council Meeting, 3pm
25 Nov	Vinnies, Uniting Church, 17 Quinlan Street, 10am-12pm



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