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Council Newsletter

SHIRE OF WYALKATCHEM



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Council's Vision

That Wyalkatchem is an inclusive, dynamic community where all share in a thriving economy and a sustainable, safe and valued environment

Our Purpose

The Council of Wyalkatchem works with the community to protect and enhance the quality of life for current and future generations.





Road Works

Roads : Due to the persistent wet weather we have elected to close the roads on a number of occasions. This is important from a safety point of view, but also to protect the roads from damage. Please assist where possible. We may not be able to get back to some roads for quite some time to repair damage. The costs savings are also important.

Oval : There has been ongoing vandalism and hooning behaviour at the Rec Centre. We will be chaining off the access to the trotting track to help prevent this.

Please be mindful if visiting the Rec Centre area. You can still exercise, walk the dog etc, but we are asking people to park behind the rails.

Please be aware of road plant and drive safely

Thank you

Terry Delane – Manager of Works

Gamble Street Storm Water Management

The Shire of Wyalkatchem is pleased to advise that work will commence this week on a project that will create more efficient storm water catchment infrastructure. These improvements will help with maintaining a reliable supply of water for the Wyalkatchem Oval.

Work is expected to commence shortly. The main focus will be on the following two areas;

1. Flint and Gamble St intersection; and
2. Railway Tee and Gamble St intersection.

In addition, the western side of the Gamble/Wilson St intersection will be raised to prevent the new volume of storm water flowing down Gamble Street from entering Wilson St and a number of cross-overs along Gamble St.

Some inconvenience will be experienced by the Wyalkatchem community during the construction period. Construction activity is weather dependent but we expect it to run for about 7 weeks from late July.

Traffic management will be in place during the period and we would appreciate your patience and understanding during the construction phase.

Wyalkatchem Pool- Safety Audit

Royal Life Saving WA has undertaken an aquatic safety assessment at the Wyalkatchem Pool. The assessment was based on the requirements outlined within the Guidelines for Safe Pool Operations and the Department of Health's Code of Practice for aquatic facilities.

A number of signage and minor infrastructure improvements were recommended and these will be addressed prior to the pool's reopening in October.

Significantly, the auditor identified the dive pool does not meet the required depth standard for either a 3m or 1m springboard. The standard requires the following depths;

<i>Diving Board Height</i>	<i>3m</i>	<i>1m</i>
<i>Minimum depth</i>	<i>3.7m</i>	<i>3.4m</i>
<i>Optimum depth</i>	<i>3.8m</i>	<i>3.5m</i>

The current pool depth is 3m and unfortunately there is no prospect of achieving compliance with the depth standard prior to the October reopening. As a consequence the 3m diving board will be removed while longer term plans for the diving pool are reassessed.

While the probability of a serious accident occurring due to this non-compliance is low, the consequence for both pool users and the Shire are potentially catastrophic and consequently the Shire has no option but to close the diving board.

Further updates from the Shire will be provided as further information becomes available.





46.9ml for July

Rain recorded 01/07/21 to 20/07/21



Shire of Wyalkatchem

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SAVE THE DATE WYALKATCHEM FAIR

9TH OCT 2021
GATES OPEN AT
2PM
RECREATION
CENTRE

WE ARE BACK BIGGER AND BETTER THAN EVER.

SOMETHING FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

BAND, BAR AND FIREWORKS IN THE EVENING

WATCH THIS SPACE FOR A LIST OF ALL THE ATTRACTIONS