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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.

Community Event

Community Citizen of the Year was awarded to Annette Petchell.

An innovative idea of Annette's has reunited old friends and past residents of Wyalkatchem. Many fond memories have been shared by former residents, past students, teachers of Wyalkatchem High and hospital employees, enabling people to reunite and share memories through the social media Facebook, with the many treasured photos regularly posted.

'Wyalkatchem Golden Years' has gone viral with 868 people joining the Facebook group hosted by Annette, and the interest it has created has been phenomenal. It has been a great distraction in the COVID 19 year and helped get us through the isolation.



Senior Community Citizen of the Year was awarded to Merle Crute.

Merle has been actively volunteering in many clubs and committees in the Community of Wyalkatchem for over 50 years.

Merle had the honour and respect to be the first President of the joint Men's and Ladies committee of the Golf club. It was new ground for the club members and she presided fairly and firmly with decisions that were required to unite both clubs which continues today.

Merle has volunteered with the Wyalkatchem Hospital Auxiliary for many years. Her leadership skills as President and Secretary has helped the hospital buy many items that were needed for patients when the hospital budget couldn't afford them.

Merle also is on the Wallambin Lodge Committee. Merle actively cares for people with compassion when their health is needing support.

Merle is an inaugural member of the Wyalkatchem Book Club and over the years has been heavily involved with NEWROC literary lunches.

Community Event

Active Citizenship Award went to The Wyalkatchem gold Club.

The Club has been the social hub of the community during this COVID 19 year. They have held club days on Sundays to allow more members the opportunity to play, and attracted players from surrounding communities.

3 large events were held. The sponsorship day with generous prizes and raffles attracted over 70 golfers playing an 18 hole Ambrose, many in family groups.

The second was the community campfire with live music and special activities for children.

In light of the cancelled Dowerin Field days, an Agricultural Road Show machinery display with a sundowner was held -100 farmers attended and the Ag Road Show have booked again for 2021, as they were very pleased with the sales they made.

*Thank you and
Congratulations!*

The shire would like to say a special thank you to our amazing caterers, young local servers, and musician who helped with this event. A big congratulations to the award winners, and we hope everyone enjoyed the event.





Shire Easter hours

The Shire office opening hours for the Easter long weekend:

Good Friday 2nd April - Closed

Easter Monday 5th April - Closed

Tuesday 6th April - Open 8am

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