

## FEBRUARY 2024 Volunteering Recognised in Australia Day Citizen Awards - 2024

### 2024 Australia Day Citizen

Sam Dickins was recognised for 26 years of Service to the Dalwallinu Community with the Australia Day Citizen Award for 2024.

We would like to acknowledge and congratulate all other nominees in this category as they are all very worthy candidates.

- Mr Julian Dyer
- Ms Kirsty Carter
- Mrs Marilyn Brown
- Ms Raylene Cole
- Mrs Rikki Fulwood
- Mr Stewart Benton

Sam is seen here with Shire President Cr Keith Carter.



### 2024 Australia Day Community Event or Group

The Wubin Wheatbin Museum received the 2024 Australia Day Award for Community Group or Event. We congratulate the other nominees in this category who were Dally Forward, Kalannie P&C and One Pinoy. John Borrett from Wubin Wheatbin Museum volunteers accepted the Award from Shire President Cr Keith Carter on behalf of the Committee. The Committee had a group photo taken with the Shire President after the presentation.



The Shire would like to recognise Mr Vhien Tesico who received a nomination in the Citizen of the Year - Youth. Unfortunately the nomination did not address the criteria for the award and could not be assessed. We encourage all future nominators to ensure that they fully address the criteria so that this does not occur again.

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CEO Jean Knight

Hope everyone had a safe and happy Christmas and New Year break.

In December 2023, we were advised that we had been successful with our Country Water Supply Grant applications through the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation. These two grants will subsidise the installation of 3 x 250,000L water tanks in Roberts Rd, Dalwallinu and 3 x 250,000L water tanks at the Kalannie Dam. These tanks will be used to store harvested stormwater so that we can use the water from the tanks to water our parks and gardens rather than using scheme water.

It was pleasing to see the number of nominations we received this year for the Community Citizen of the Year Awards and congratulations to the 2024 Active Citizen of the Year Winner Sam Dickins and to the Wubin Wheatbin Museum Committee. Your efforts are very much appreciated.

During the Australia Day celebrations Shire President Keith Carter conducted a Citizen

## CEO Chit Chat

Ceremony for fourteen (14) new Australian Citizens. Congratulations to those who recently chose to become Australian citizens.

Updates have been received from DevelopmentWA regarding the two new subdivisions in Dalwallinu. They hope to go to tender in the first quarter of 2024 with construction commencing in the third quarter. We will update you when we receive any information.

The Shire was successful with funding of \$500,000 from the Department of Fire and Emergency Cyclone Seroja Program. These funds have been utilised to purchase new generators for evacuation centres (Dalwallinu and Kalannie), a portable generator, 2 mobile lighting towers, a Visual Messaging Trailer and the construction of a 2x1 Modular home for 'emergency' accommodation. The purpose of this funding is to build resilience in rural towns.

Well done to the Aquatic Centre Manager for his successful application with Royal Life Saving WA for funding to provide swimming lessons for up to ten (10) of the Shire's Male Filipino Community. Kim was successful with this same grant for the Filipino women last year which was very well attended. As can be seen in the news recently, learning to swim is a vital life skill.

The Youth Lounge opened its doors on Thursday 18 January 2024. An official opening will be held once the Committee set a date. The Youth Lounge is open Tuesdays-Fridays from 3.00 to 4.45pm. Come along and take a look at what is on offer. The youth lounge is open to 11-17 year olds.

The Wheatbelt Secondary Freight Network Road projects for this financial year have been put on hold. The Federal Government has

yet to sign the funding agreement, so contractors have been stood down until such time as the agreement is signed. Bell Road has been completed which just leaves the sections on Dalwallinu-Kalannie Road to be completed. These will now be held over to the next financial year due to availability of contractors.

The Annual Corella Cull will be held in Dalwallinu, Kalannie and Wubin on the weekend of 17 and 18 February 2024. As advised in January on Facebook, CBH will also be using a drone to scare the birds away from their sites in Wubin and Kalannie.

The Annual Electors Meeting will be held on Tuesday 6 February 2024 commencing at 6pm. If you would like to attend, please come along. A Community Meeting will be held in Kalannie on 26 March 2024 at 6pm, after the March Ordinary Council Meeting.

### Projects

Footings were installed on 31 January 2024 for the new ablution facility at the Dalwallinu Cemetery to be delivered in February 2024.

Works will be commencing on Park Drive (around Memorial Park) and Johnston Street (Shopping Precinct) in the coming weeks. We apologise for any inconvenience but as they say, there is no gain without pain.

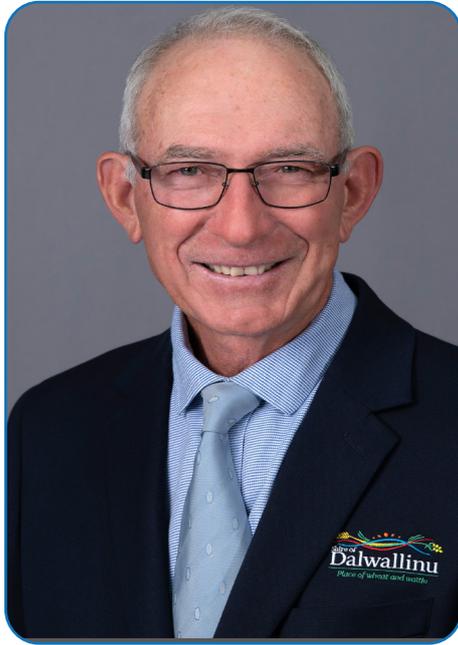
We hope the improvements will create better drainage, additional parking and a more pleasing visual aspect to the townscape.

The Hockey Pavilion project is progressing well.

The Shire's new house on Bell Street should be ready for handover from the builders in early March 2024.

Finally in January we welcomed to the Shire staff Bradley Matthews as a General Hand.

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SHIRE PRESIDENT Keith Carter

## Australia Day

The Shire hosted a very successful Australia Day breakfast on the 26 January. Since moving the breakfast to the swimming pool, attendance has been much improved and this year was no exception. The cooks ran out of some foods well before people stopped lining up for breakfast.

A huge thank you to the shire staff Jean, Deb, Marty, Marc and Julie for their cooking and organising. Also thanks to Steve for his chef work. Also thank you to pool manager Kim. The pools were sparkling and the surroundings manicured.

After the breakfast we had a citizenship ceremony with Lindsay

## A Word from the Shire President

Adriaasen, Heather Knowles, Allel Lehman, the Roxas family and the Del Rosario family taking the pledge to become Australian citizens. After the ceremony we heard several beautiful and emotional speeches which reminded us all what lucky people we are to live in this country.

Following the ceremony I was privileged to present the Australia Day citizen awards.

The Community Group Award went to the Wubin WheatBin Museum. The museum has grown steadily adding sheds and exhibits and all of their efforts certainly justify winning this award.

The community Citizen of the Year was awarded to Sam Dickens for her efforts with the Volunteer Fire and Rescue and as a swimming instructor and swimming coach. This volunteer work has been for some 25 years so deserving of the award. I Hope we can see a good turn out again next year.

## Bell Road

Travelling to the coast in January it was pleasing to see the sealing of Bell road completed. A few small repairs to complete, but mostly looking great.

What a good investment of road funding with the predominately lime carting being able to travel safely from the eastern and central

wheatbelt to the coast on 8 metre wide seal.

Funding is from the Wheatbelt Secondary Freight Routes and Shire of Dalwallinu - local and federal goverment in partnership.

## Town oval

During January I received some photos from concerned residents regarding the Dalwallinu town oval. The oval was in a sad state. The shire MWS and crew have given this matter urgent attention and the oval is already showing some improvement. Hopefully with professional advice and more water (rain would help to replenish town dams) the improvement will continue.

## Local Bushfire Brigade

I would like to give our local volunteer firefighters a well earned pat on the back. Their commonsense approach to some dangerous situations has been good to watch.

The truck fire north of Wubin with ammunition on board was handled cautiously and safely.

At the other extreme was the fire in scrub at Snake Gully. It was very sensible to let nature take its course and let the fire burn while continuing to monitor its progress.

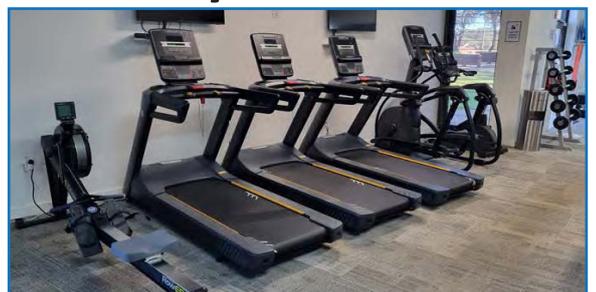
Keep up the good work.

## Shire of Dalwallinu - 24 Hour Gym

The Shire of Dalwallinu 24 hour gym is open to all members of the public. We have long and short membership packages for locals and visiting contractors to the area.

We are very proud of our facility and urge you to let Administration know if you have seen anything that needs repairing or is not working on 9661 0500.

We remind current members to wipe all equipment down after use for hygiene purposes, and to always be respectful to other users.



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## Public Notices



### Notice to Ratepayers & Residents

**Civil Works** will be commencing to **Park Drive** (around Memorial Park) and **Johnston Street** (Shopping Precinct) from early February 2024 as follows:

#### **Park Drive**

- Creation of additional parking bays
- Upgrade to drainage
- Red Asphalt to surface
- Kerb replacement

#### **Johnston Street**

- Red Asphalt to surface

We apologise for any inconvenience, and we will attempt to keep disruptions to a minimum.

**If you have any queries, please contact Marc Bennett on 0407 253 797.**

Jean Knight  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**  
8 January 2024



## Corella Cull 2024

The Annual Corella Cull will be held on 17 and 18 February 2024.

Please note from the end of January 2024, CBH has been utilising drones to scare birds away from the grain storage areas.

This is happening at the CBH sites in Wubin and Kalannie

The drones are flown twice daily for approximately ten to fifteen minutes.

## Public Notice

### Notice of Annual General Meeting of Electors and Availability of the 2022-2023 Annual Report

Electors of the Shire of Dalwallinu are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of Electors to be held on **Tuesday, 6 February 2024** at the **Shire of Dalwallinu Council Chambers, 58 Johnston Street, Dalwallinu** commencing at **6.00pm**.

An Elector is entitled, but not required, to vote on matters raised at the meeting.

The order of business will be:

1. Attendance and Apologies
2. Confirmation of Minutes from Previous Meeting (7 February 2023)
3. Reports
  - (i) Shire President's Report
  - (ii) Chief Executive Officer's Report
  - (iii) 2022-2023 Financial Report
  - (iv) Auditors Report
4. General Business

Copies of the Annual Report including the Financial Statements are available on the Shire's website ([www.dalwallinu.wa.gov.au](http://www.dalwallinu.wa.gov.au)); or by contacting Administration on (08) 9661 0500 to have a copy emailed or mailed to you.

Proposed motions must be provided in writing to the Shire Administration by **12noon on Monday, 29 January 2024.**

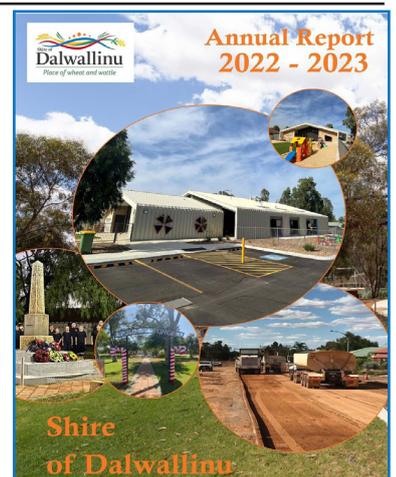
Jean Knight  
Chief Executive Officer

## Annual Report 2022 - 2023

The 2022-2023 Annual Report is now available to download on the Shire website.

To view or download please click on the link below or copy and paste into your browser.

<https://www.dalwallinu.wa.gov.au/documents/1121/annual-report-2022-2023>



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## Citizenship Ceremony - 26 January 2024

On Friday 26 January 2024 our Shire President Cr Keith Carter welcomed 14 new Australians into our Community at the Shire of Dalwallinu Aquatic Centre. This ceremony commenced at 9am following the Australia Day BBQ Breakfast.

Those present witnessed two families plus three other individuals take the Citizenship Pledge. Afterwards we heard some very emotional speeches from some of our newest citizens. It is heartwarming to see how much they want to not only become Australian Citizens but remain a part of our Dalwallinu community.

Congratulations to them all seen here with Shire President Cr Keith Carter.



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## Australia Day BBQ & Citizenship Awards 2024



We were delighted to host about 150 people at the Shire's annual Australia Day BBQ Breakfast on 26 January 2024.

As usual it was held at the Dalwallinu Aquatic Centre with free entry up to 10.30am for all.

It was a surprisingly large turnout and everyone seemed to really enjoy the celebrations. The staff and Cr Steve Carter were cooking on 3 bbq's from 7am and ran out of almost everything by 9.00am.



## Telstra to shut down 3G Network in June 2024



Telstra will be closing their 3G service on 30 June 2024. Telstra will be switching 3G off in mid-2024, which means you may need to upgrade your device.

Telstra has announced the 3G network it introduced in 2006 will be switched off in the next five years to free up spectrum for the rollout of the 5G network.

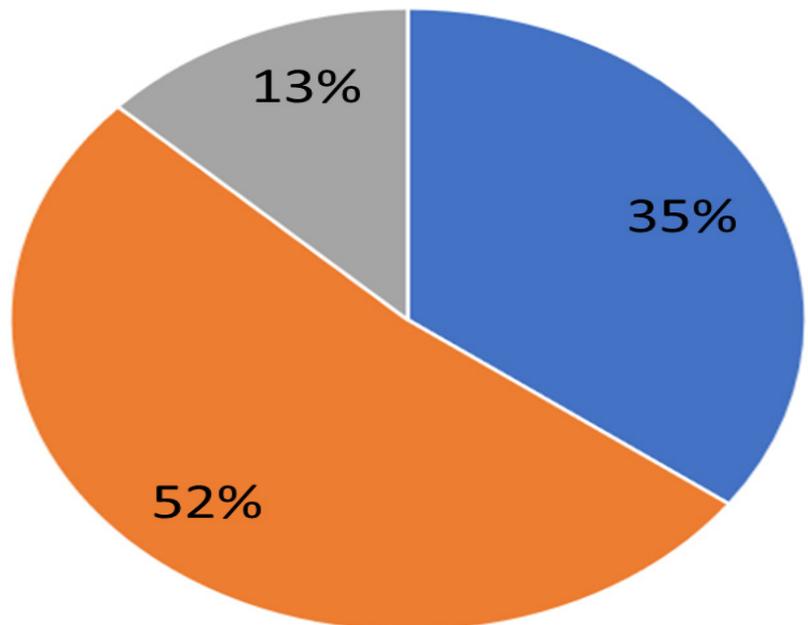
The network will be switched off in June 2024, but between now and then Telstra will have to upgrade its 4G coverage to ensure regional customers in an area totalling around 770,000 square kilometres across Australia don't lose network access.

While this area is almost a third of the total area Telstra covers, the telco said only a very small percentage of customers would be affected.

Please click here if you have any questions:  
<https://www.telstra.com.au/.../our-3g-closure-in-2024>

## Capital Projects 2023 - 2024

-  Commenced 35%
-  Completed 52%
-  Not Commenced 13%



## Have you moved or changed your Postal Address?



It's not just Western Power or Synergy you need to advise when you change addresses!

The onus is on ratepayers to advise Council when they move to ensure they receive all of their notices in a timely fashion. If you forget to advise Council of your current address this could result in overdue penalties on your rates.

Take 5 minutes now to drop Christie a line at [sfo@dalwallinu.wa.gov.au](mailto:sfo@dalwallinu.wa.gov.au) to advise her of your details.

All notifications MUST be in writing, however an email will suffice.

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## Shire Works

### Kalannie Memorial Wall

The Shire are in the process of installing a Memorial Wall at Dalwallinu. This has been funded and installed by the Shire.



### Hockey Pavilion-Dalwallinu Recreation Precinct



### EV Station



## **Council Meetings 2024**

Shire of Dalwallinu Ordinary Council Meetings will be held on the following dates and times unless otherwise advised;

<b>DATE</b>	<b>DAY</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>PLACE</b>
27 February 2024	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
26 March 2024	Tuesday	3.30pm	Kalannie Sport & Recreation Club
23 April 2024	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
28 May 2024	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
25 June 2024	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
23 July 2024	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
27 August 2024	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
24 September 2024	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
22 October 2024	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
26 November 2024	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers
17 December 2024	Tuesday	3.30pm	Council Chambers

**Chief Executive Officer**  
**Jean Knight**

24 October 2023

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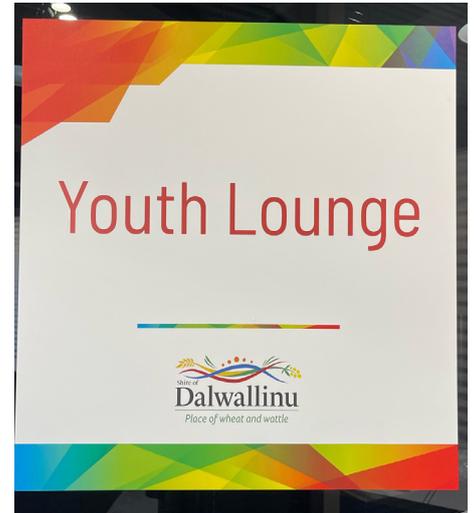
## Dalwallinu Discovery Centre & Library News

### Youth Centre

The Library and Discovery Centre are happy to announce that the new Youth Lounge is open for users! This project, which has been funded by the Shire of Dalwallinu with the help of an Encouraging Promising Practice Grant from State Library of Western Australia, has allowed us to convert the room that previously housed excess brochures and book donations into a new space for the Shire's 11-17 years of age demographic.

Come check it out after school Tuesdays-Fridays until 4.45pm. There is a multi-use pool, air hockey, and ping pong table; as well as a variety of board games, and plenty of spots to charge up your devices. Don't be afraid to talk to Lozza if you need a hand swapping the table to a different function!

The space is still waiting on a few finishing touches, after which the Youth Advisory Committee will host an official opening. In the meantime, beat the heat outside and pop-in with a mate to play a game or two.



### Library News

In other exciting news our most recent exchange from the State Library included some new materials in Tagalog. We now have children's books with the Tagalog and English translations, some DVDS, and some adult fiction titles.

We invite the Filipino members of the Dalwallinu Community to share the news about these new materials that are now available for loan.



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## Department of Transport - Licensing



### Shire Licencing Operating Hours

The Shire of Dalwallinu offer licensing facilities on behalf of the Department of Transport. The licensing hours are

**Monday to Friday 8.30am to 4.00pm**

Please ensure you attend the offices early and **allow adequate time** for processing of your paperwork as the Department of Licensing computers close at 4pm. Shire staff do not have access after that time to Licensing computers.

If you wish to contact the Department of Licensing their number is **13 11 56** and their website is <https://www.transport.wa.gov.au/licensing/licensing.asp>

## Moving House with Cats & Dogs



If you have moved house lately, have you remembered to update your Dog and Cat registration details?

Lost an animal, or had one pass away? Please remember to let the Shire know so we can amend your records online.

Contact Christie on [sfo@dalwallinu.wa.gov.au](mailto:sfo@dalwallinu.wa.gov.au) or by calling 9661 0500.



## Responsible Pet Ownership

The Cat laws are about encouraging responsible pet ownership and reducing the number of unwanted cats in the community and the number that are euthanised each year.

All cats that have reached six months of age are required by law to be:

- microchipped
- sterilised; and
- registered with the Shire

Under The Dog Act 1976 and regulations, any dog over the age of 3 months should be registered within the Shire.

All dogs need to be microchipped. Proof of microchipping is required at time of registration.

Please be a responsible owner and secure your animals by registration.

Legislation applies to Cats after six months of age and Dogs after 3 months.

Registrations are due on 31 October each year. Please don't risk losing your precious pets by not having them registered.



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# COUNCIL COMMUNITY GRANTS

## Shire of Dalwallinu Community Grants

The Shire's 2023/2024 second round of

### Community Grant Funding

is

**NOW OPEN**

Does your group need assistance to purchase new equipment, hold an event, or undertake minor improvements to your facility?

If so, apply now.

Application forms are available to download on the Shire's website or you can obtain a copy from the Shire office or DDC.

All applications must be submitted by **4pm Friday 5 April 2024** for review at the April 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting.

Please contact Lauren Willis if you need any further assistance, or information on 9661 1805 or email her on [cdco@dalwallinu.wa.gov.au](mailto:cdco@dalwallinu.wa.gov.au)

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## Youth Lounge

# The Youth Lounge is now open!

Opening Hours  
Tuesday to Friday  
3pm—4.45pm



**\*Official opening event will occur shortly.**

## 2024 Rubbish & Recycling Calendar

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### Landline Disconnected?

Shire Contacts - Have you recently had your landline disconnected? Do you now only use your mobile phone? Please advise the Shire in writing of your contact status so that we may update our records. An email is sufficient. Please email to [Shire@dalwallinu.wa.gov.au](mailto:Shire@dalwallinu.wa.gov.au)

### Daily Pool Opening Hours

#### 2023/2024 Season Opening Hours

<b>Monday</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
<b>Tuesday to Friday</b>	<b>6.00am to 7.30am</b> <b>10.00am to 12noon</b> <b>2.00pm to 6.30pm</b>
<b>Saturday &amp; Sunday</b>	<b>10.30am to 6.30pm</b>
<b>Public Holidays</b>	<b>10.30am to 6.30pm</b>

*If the Monday is a Public Holiday then the pool will be closed on the Tuesday*

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**Next Ordinary Meeting of Council - 3:30pm Tuesday 27 February 2024**

**Dalwallinu Council Chambers, 58 Johnston Street, Dalwallinu 6609**

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WELCOME**

The public are welcome to attend any Ordinary Council Meeting to ask questions of the Shire & Councillors. Ordinary Council Meetings are held on the fourth Tuesday of every month (except January). The meetings will commence at 3.30pm in the Dalwallinu Council Chambers, 28 Johnston Street, Dalwallinu.



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**YOUR EMAILS WANTED**

The Shire of Dalwallinu would like to share this and other relevant information with the community via an email database. If you are interested in receiving this information by email please send your contact details to [ea@dalwallinu.wa.gov.au](mailto:ea@dalwallinu.wa.gov.au)

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