# SHIRE OF KOORDA

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OFFICE HOURS: Monday-Friday 9.00am to 4.00pm | Licensing 9.00am to 3.30pm



# **DATES TO REMEMBER**

### Wed 17 Sept

Ordinary Council Meeting. At the Koorda Council Chambers, starting at 5pm

## Sat 20 Sept

Koorda Show

### Sat 27 Sept

Drive-In Night

#### Mon 29 Sept

Kings Birthday Public Holiday

#### Wed 15 Oct

Ordinary Council Meeting. At the Koorda Council Chambers, starting at 5pm

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Visit our website to view the 2024/25 collection calendar. Services > Waste Management



#### **Council Contacts**

Visit our website to view the Council Contacts - Council > About Koorda > Councillors





## FIRST AND FINAL NOTICE FIRE HAZARD REDUCTION NOTICE 2025/2026

#### NOTICE TO ALL OWNERS AND OCCUPIERS OF LAND WITHIN THE SHIRE OF KOORDA

Important: The works outlined below must be completed by 31 October 2025 and maintained in this state up to and including 15 March 2026.

Pursuant to Section 33 of the Bush Fires Act 1954 (WA), the Shire of Koorda (Shire) gives written notice to act as specified in this notice to land that you own and/or occupy and with respect to any matter which is upon the land that you own and/or occupy within the Shire. Failure to neglect to comply with this notice is an offence and can result in a penalty of up to \$5,000.

The Shire's Fire Hazard Inspectors are authorised under the Bush Fires Act 1954 (WA) (Act) and have powers to enter land pursuant to Section 14 of the Act. The Shire advised that its officers, servants, workmen, contractors, vehicles, machinery, and appliances (as the officers deem fit) may carry out the requisitions of this notice that are not complied with by 31 October 2025, and any costs and expenses incurred may be recovered from you as the owner and/or occupier of the land.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

**"Firebreak"** means an area of ground, of a specified width that is kept and maintained 'reasonably' clear of all material (living or dead) by scarifying, cultivating, ploughing or other means, and includes the pruning and removal of any living or dead trees, scrub or other material that overhang the cleared firebreak area to a vertical height of 4.5 metres from the ground.

In this instance, 'reasonably' is intended to mean "best endeavour", acknowledging that it is impracticable to clear and maintain a firebreak 'totally clear' of inflammable material for the period of this notice.

"Flammable Material" means material that can be easily ignited, i.e. - dead or dry grass, leaves, timber, paper, plastic and other material or things deemed by an authorised officer to be capable of combustion.

#### **Rural Land:**

- ▶ On all land owned or occupied which is not within a townsite subdivision, firebreaks not less than three (3) metres wide must be cleared inside and along the external boundary of all land.
- ▶ For the purpose of this part, all Road Reserves are to be taken as boundaries.
- ▶ The maximum area allowed with a single perimeter firebreak must not exceed 400 hectares.
- ▶ Where buildings or hay stacks are situated on the property, additional firebreaks not less than three (3) metres in width must be provided within ten (10) metres of the perimeter of such buildings or hay stacks in such manner as to completely encircle the buildings or hay stacks.

#### **Townsite Land:**

▶ All lots within townsites are required to be completely cleared of all debris of any inflammable nature and maintained free of such material.

If it is considered impractical for any reason to clear firebreaks or remove flammable materials from the land as required by this notice, a written application for a variation may be made to the Chief Executive Officer, to reach him not less than two weeks prior to the date by which the firebreak(s), are to be cleared.

No such application will be considered unless it bears the signature of the Fire Control Officer for the area in which the property is situated signifying the Officer's agreement to the variation applied for.

Restricted-Permit Required: 19 September 2025 to 31 October 2025 Prohibited-No Burning: 1 November 2025 to 31 January 2026 Restricted-Permit Required: 1 February 2026 to 15 March 2026

Landholders should note that as the reasonable installation and maintenance of fire breaks is a local Council requirement, any landholder not meeting this obligation may breach their insurance provisions.

Zac Donovan Chief Executive Officer









## **LOCAL ROADWORKS**

Maintenance Grading & Works on Warren Road. Asphalting at intersections around town **Gravel Sheeting on Martin Road** 

Please expect delays when travelling through roadworks. Please be aware and abide by the road work speed limits. We thank you for your patience.

## LIBRARY NEWS

# **Koorda Library School Holiday Sessions**

Tuesday 30 September 10am - 11.30am Lego Building 5 years & over

Thursday 2 October 10am - 11.30am Card playing / Jigsaws 5 years & Over

Tuesday 7 October 10.30am - 11.30am **Duplo / Imaginative Play Under 5 years** 

Thursday 9 October 10am - 11.30am Makedo Cardboard Construction 5 years & Over

Location: Koorda Emergency Service Building 21 Smith Street Email admin5@koorda.wa.gov.au to book a spot. Limited places. Bookings essential. Children under 8 years require parent/guardian supervision







# LONG WEEKEND SHIRE OFFICE CLOSURE

Please be aware, the Shire of Koorda Administration Office will be closed on Monday 29 September 2025 for the Kings Birthday Public Holiday.

The office will re-open on Tuesday 30 September 2025

# **KOORDA SHOW THIS SATURDAY 20 SEPTEMBER**

Finally, the show weekend has arrived. Enjoy the splendour of the show on Saturday 20 September 2025.

Don't miss the free rides, exhibitions, stalls, music, food, shearing competitions and more

End the day watching the spectacular fireworks display at 7pm



# **KOORDA COMMUNITY AWARDS NOW OPEN!**

Know someone great? Nominate them for the 2025 Koorda Awards!

Award categories include; Community Citizen of the Year Citizen of the Year – Youth Citizen of the Year – Senior Citizen of the Year – Group



Nominations are open NOW and close 4pm, Friday 31 October 2025.

The full Koorda Awards guidelines and criteria are on the following page and the nomination form can be found on our website under Community > Koorda Awards or via the below link https://www.koorda.wa.gov.au/community/koordaawards.aspx







# SHIRE OF KOORDA **COMMUNITY AWARDS**

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## **ELIGIBILITY**

person must first be nominated to be considered for the awards. Self-nominations will not be accepted. Nominees must be a person who resides in the Shire of Koorda and for:

- 1. Citizen of the Year category, be a person of anu age.
- 2. Citizen of the Year Youth category, be a person aged between 12 to 24 years.
- 3. Citizen of the Year Senior category, be a person over the age of 65.
- 4. Citizen of the Year Group category, be a local community group not-for-profit or organisation based within the Shire of Koorda.
- Sitting members of State, Federal and Local Government are not eligible.
- Nominations must be apolitical in nature.
- A person may only be nominated for one category on a nomination form.
- A person may be nominated more than once different categories) separate nomination forms.
- Late entries will not be accepted.

## **HOW TO APPLY**

Nominations must be submitted on the official Citizen of the Year Nomination Form available from the Shire of Koorda website (Community > Koorda Awards). Completed forms can be submitted via email to ceo@koorda.wa.gov.au or in person to the Shire of Koorda Administration Centre.

## SELECTION CRITERIA

The nomination must demonstrate that the person(s) or group(s) citizenship activities occurred within the Shire of Koorda. External activities that benefitted the Koorda community may be taken into consideration during the selection process.

Nominations will be assessed for an individual or group who has:

- made a significant voluntary contribution to the Koorda community.
- demonstrated leadership on a communitu issue resulting in the enhancement community life.
- undertaken a significant initiative that has brought about positive change and added value to community life.
- invested time and effort above the standard expected of any citizen (hours of time volunteered, range of tasks undertaken, and length of service) and is a good role model for the community.

## SELECTION PROCESS

- Successful nominees will be determined by Council and the results kept strictly confidential until the announcement at the award presentation.
- All nominees will be notified prior to the event to allow recipients to invite friends and family to the presentation.
- Presentation of the Citizen of the Year Awards will be held at the P&C Community Christmas Tree (Date & Time TBC)
- Shire of Koorda reserves the right to withdraw any awards issued to recipients who bring the awards program or Shire of Koorda into disrepute.





