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A Message From The New Shire President Cr Julia Meldrum:

It is an honour and privilege to be selected by my community of the Shire of Augusta Margaret River, in the role of Shire President for the next four years.

Our Shire is one of state, national and international significance and I'm excited and committed to work with this engaged community in building resilience and connectedness as we face the various challenges that are occurring now and those in front of us. Now, more than ever, is the time to enable and support capacity building, resilience, and strength within our local community as a whole, and support the community in building a future that is bright and balanced for our children and grandchildren.

I'd like to thank Paula Cristoffanini for her last two years as the leader of our Council during some challenging times. Her leadership and advocacy for our Shire has been commendable.

Thanks to all those who have supported me and entrusted me in this very important leadership role.



New National Food Safety Standards for Businesses

If you own a food business, now's the time to prepare for the new national standards that will come into effect on 8 December.

The standards will be introduced across
Australia to reduce the rate of foodborne
illnesses linked to food handling in certain
food service, retail and catering food
businesses.

You'll need to comply if your business handles unpackaged, potentially hazardous and ready to eat foods.

For more information, please go to https:// www.amrshire.wa.gov.au/Food-Safety-Training-and-Management-Tools





Augusta-Karridale network upgrade



Residents in Augusta, Karridale and surrounds will benefit from improved power reliability with a comprehensive network upgrade and maintenance program commencing in November. The upgrade will involve replacing approximately 70 poles and 12km of conductor along the main feeder line between Augusta and Karridale, strengthening network resilience against seasonal and environmental impacts and enhancing safety.



Timeframe

The work will be taking place in two stages, with the first completed between 19 November and 22 December, and the second between mid January and February 2024.

Planned outages

It's important to know that we need to schedule power outages to do the work safely. To minimise the impact on the community, we're deploying a temporary large-scale generator to support homes and businesses in the area as we complete these essential works.

Residents of Karridale, Kudardup, Augusta and Molloy Island may receive some short outages, one in the morning and one in the evening (up to 30 minutes) while the generator is connected and disconnected.

A small number of customers may experience longer outages when work is happening on their part of the network. Affected customers will be directly notified about outage dates and times.

Have your say

We appreciate hearing any feedback, queries or concerns you may have. Get in touch with our Community Engagement team on 9326 4850 during business hours or email communityenquiries@westernpower.com.au.

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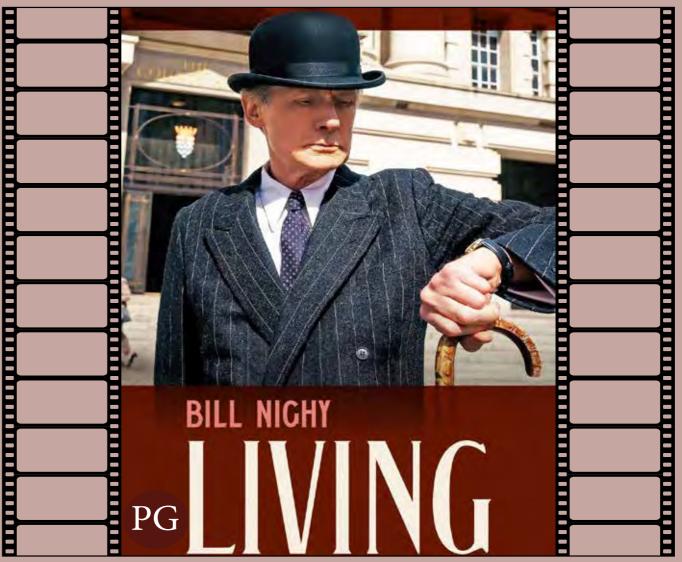








SATURDAY 11th NOVEMBER



Gates open at 6.00pm and Movie starts at 6.30pm

Food Van on site Bring a low chair and a picnic hamper \$10 CRC Members and Seniors \$12 Non Members \$6 Kids

RSVP and PAY by Friday 10th November 3:00pm

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E: reception@augustacrc.net.au

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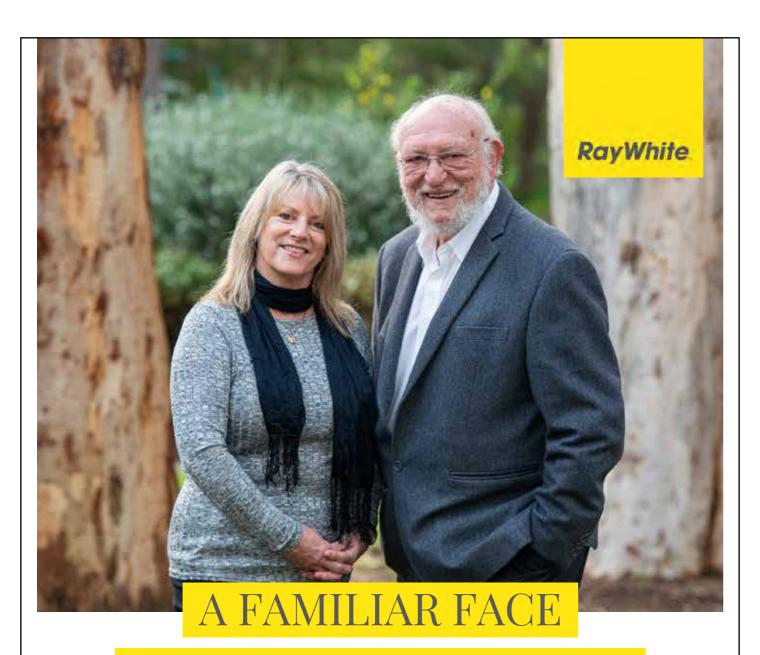
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We are excited to announce that Stacey Veitch has joined the Sales team at Augusta First National Real Estate.

Stacey's journey in the real estate industry began in 2000 in firstnational Narrogin where she achieved high results in both residential and rural sales covering the Boddington, Wandering and Quindanning areas. It was during this period she received the young achiever award and completed a diploma in Property Services Management.

In 2010 she and husband Brad sold the family property in Quindanning and decided to travel around Australia. They made it as far as Augusta and determined this was the place that provided them with the outdoor life they were seeking.

Stacey's passion for the town and its people has been enhanced by the opportunity to work for Hamelin Bay Wines, MRBTA and other various roles in tourism and bookkeeping whilst also volunteering for Augusta Chamber of Commerce and Augusta Adventure Race. She came back to real estate in 2018 as a Property Manager managing a portfolio of around 80 properties.

Stacey was always keen to return to the sales side of the real estate industry and has recently joined the team at Augusta First National Real Estate who provide over 50 years of sound local knowledge combined with friendly professional service.

We invite you to call into the office to chat or alternatively call 0455 031 194 to discuss the real estate market generally or obtain a free market appraisal for your property.



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Arum Lily Blitz 2023



Do you have Arums on your property?
Help stop the spread of this toxic weed
Pick up your Free Chemical from:
Augusta Hardware
Karridale Agencies



Videos and instructions available at: Arum Lily Blitz - Nature Conservation Margaret River Region.



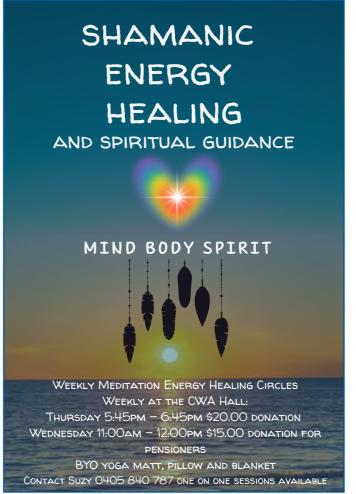
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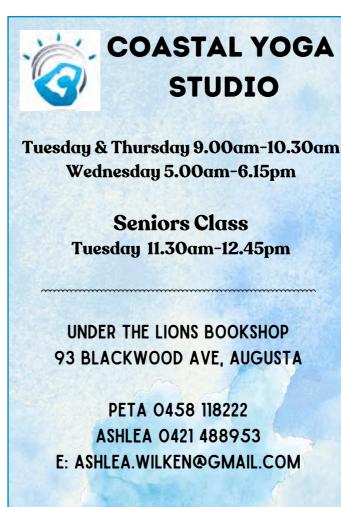
We are a non denominational Christian church. "knowing Jesus and making him known" Join us for our services Sunday 10.00am at the Community Resource Centre, Allnut Tce. Augusta

Hear us on the local radio 97.1FM Sundays 8.00am after the news and repeated at 2,00pm same day

> Pastors: Bill 0404 152 084 Diana 0428 711 766







Public Notice

Mains water supply cannot be guaranteed during a bushfire

Water Corporation is prepared for bushfire season. However, we cannot guarantee that water pressure or water supply will be maintained in the event of a bushfire. Extreme demand, fire damage and power cuts can all result in a total loss of water.

If you plan to stay and defend your property during a bushfire, you must have your own independent water supply and pumping capability. You cannot rely on mains water.

Details and resources about how to prepare for bushfire season can be found at mybushfireplan.wa.gov.au. For warnings and advice visit emergency.wa.gov.au.

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Draft Local Planning Scheme Open for Feedback

To ensure our planning rules are current and relevant, the Shire's Draft Local Planning Scheme is open for public feedback.

The Local Planning Scheme is the rule book that guides development across the Shire. The Scheme determines the types of development that require planning approvals and provide the criteria used to assess development proposals ranging from large scale commercial development to residential development.

The Draft Local Planning Scheme aligns with the recently endorsed Local Planning Strategy, reflecting a shared vision for our Shire informed by a high level of community consultation.

The Scheme provides a mechanism to put that vision into effect by creating rules for development.

Consultation for the Draft Scheme will remain open until January 2024 - community members are encouraged to provide their feedback during this time.

A targeted mail out will occur over the coming months to notify key stakeholder groups and those who own properties directly affected by the proposed changes.

Shire staff will also be available to meet residents to provide additional feedback on how the new rules would apply to their

Community meetings will occur at townsites across the Shire between October and January.

For more information about the Draft Local Planning Scheme, details on upcoming community meetings, and to provide feedback on the Draft Scheme visit the Shire's Your Say page: www.yoursay.amrshire.wa.gov.au/local-planning-scheme-no-2 or email Ipsreview@amrshire.wa.gov.au

Consultation closes at 5pm on Wednesday 31 January 2024.

Augusta Recreation Centre

Half Price and Free Gym Memberships!

Are you 75 years or over? For those aged 75-79, all gym memberships and entry fees are half price (off the standard price). This includes all membership types and entry fees to the gym, or hydrotherapy pool sessions. If you're 80 years or over, all entries and memberships are free!

Book, Pay or Set Up Direct Debit:

Book and pay for classes, or get your direct debit sorted in person, online or by phone.

In Person: Augusta Gym

(Tues & Thurs from 10.30am to 12.30pm)

Online: membership.amrshire.wa.gov.au

Phone: 08 9780 5657

Direct debit memberships for the Augusta Gym are just \$45.25 per month (standard) or \$36.20 per month (concession). Terms and Conditions apply. No minimum term, \$30 joining fee.

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Social Badminton

Wednesdays 6.30pm to 8.30pm. Contact Sandra for more information 0450 234 510.

Table Tennis

Tuesdays 10.30am to 12pm. Thursdays 10:30am to 12pm. Other session times by booking / appointment. Contact John for more information 0417 744 224.

Pickleball - Coming soon!

To register your interest, please visit recreation.amrshire.wa.gov. au/sports/pickleball-expression-of-interest-form.

Strength For Life

A gym based program for people over 50. Tuesdays and Thursdays 9.30am to 10.30am.

Hydrotherapy Pool

Tuesdays and Thursdays 8.10am and 8.50am. All sessions must be booked in advance

For Strength For Life and Hydrotherapy information please call 08 9780 5620.

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Shire Staff Profile

Emma Bridges

Sustainable Development & Infrastructure Administrator

What does a typical day at work look like?

In my role I provide administrative support to the Sustainable Development and Infrastructure teams. A typical day covers a variety of different tasks from checking and processing applications, assisting with phone and email enquiries and in-person customer service.

What is the best part of your job?

The people! I love helping people with their queries and I am also lucky to work with such an amazing team.

What do you love most about Augusta?

The boutiques where you can always find something locally handmade and one of a kind.

Walking Through History Series: The Shetland Islands

Dr Pam Lynch has a Doctorate in Romano-British history and is an avid walker and traveller. Come along and let her guide you through the Shetland Islands, learn about the history, walks and the stunning scenery along the way. Light refreshments provided.

Where: Margaret River Library

November 2023

When: 10.30am to 11.30am, Wednesday 6 December 2023.

All welcome. RSVP to reserve a seat. Email: amrlibrary@amrshire.wa.gov.au or Ph: 9780 5600

What's On at Margaret River HEART Presented by Arts Margaret River

November 2023

CINEMA & FILM FESTIVALS

Hocus Pocus (PG) Tuesday 31 October, 7pm

Stop Making Sense (G) Tuesday 28 November, 7pm

Senior's Week Movie: The Miracle Club Monday 13 November, 11am

THEATRE, MUSIC, COMEDY & DANCE

She Is Strong

Contemporary Dance Saturday 11 November, 7pm

Friday 1 December, 7.30pm Cosentino - Decennium the

The Sunshine Club Musical Theatre Friday 17 November, 7:30pm

Greatest Hits Tour

Opera in Margaret River

Magician Friday 19 January, 7:30pm

The Australian String Quartet Kate Miller-Heidke Classical Music

Concert

Friday 1 March, 7:30pm Monday 27 November, 10am

EXHIBITIONS

18th Annual MRIS Art **Exhibition & Auction** Art Auction Event

Saturday 4 November, 6pm

MRSHS Creating Identity Wednesday 8 - Thursday 23 November Mon-Fri, 10am to 4pm

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Young @ HEART

FREE live music Mondays, 10am

@ The HEART Sunday 28 January, 5pm to 7pm

Sunday Sundowner

Check artsmargaretriver.com for full program.

3000 Generations & The Next Once Presentation and Q&A Sunday Sundowner @ Pioneer Park Sunday 11, 18 & 25 February,

Wednesday 1 November, 5:30pm. 5pm to 7pm

Let's Dance -**Tutu Dance Company** Sunday 5 November, 10:30am





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Shire News

Natural Burials at Karridale Cemetery

If being close to nature is important or you're eco-conscious, a natural burial may be of interest to you and your family.

This greener way to bury your loved ones has become a popular choice in place of granite monuments at conventional cemeteries.

Natural burials offer the community a unique and sustainable final resting place with minimal disturbance to the natural bushland environment. The body is returned to nature in a biodegradable coffin made from natural fibres

Natural burial sites are located to the left of the entrance in the southeast corner of Karridale Cemetery. This unique pocket of bushland will become progressively vegetated with natural plant species as plots are utilised, encouraging revegetation and birds and

You can find out more about natural burials and other cemetery info at amrshire.wa.gov.au/residents-community/naturalburials or for further information, please contact Shire Rangers at cemeteries@amrshire.wa.gov.au or on 9780 5695.



Toddler Tales at Augusta Library

Toddler Tales is on at Augusta Library on Thursday 9th November at 10.30am. Children and their caregivers are welcome to this special storytime aimed at Toddlers which contains a story, songs, rhymes, craft and morning tea.

Bookings are required, visit https://amrlibraries-toddlertales-augusta.eventbrite.com.au or phone 9780 5602 to reserve your place.





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Locals Urged to Do Better at Poole Road Transfer Station

The Poole Road Transfer Station is being regularly misused, with users leaving furniture and other items that cannot be disposed of at this location. Waste Transfer Stations allow rural residents who do not have a kerbside collection service, the opportunity to dispose of their household waste and recyclables that would otherwise be collected in the red and yellow lidded bins.

Transfer Stations cannot accept bulk waste such as furniture, building waste, fencing wire, waste oil and batteries, all which should be taken to the Davis Road Waste Management and Recycling Facility.

Users of the Poole Road Transfer Station are asked to check their load before leaving - if it couldn't go in a kerbside bin, it can't go to the Transfer Station. Please take building waste, fencing wire, waste oil and batteries to the Davis Road Waste Management and Recycling Facility which is open 7 days a week from 8am to 4pm (except Christmas Day, New Year's Day and Good Friday).

As a community facility with access for local residents only, community ownership is important. Please report offenders directly to the Shire's Waste Services team by email to waste@amrshire.wa.gov.au or call 08 9780 5677.

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Second Round of Community Development and Events Grants Now Open

A second round of funding for the Shire's Community Development and Events Grants is now open for projects starting after 1 February 2024.

Community Development and Events Grants aim to foster community resilience, connection and wellbeing with eligible community organisations able to apply for funding up to \$10,000 inc GST.

This second round of funding provides a valuable opportunity for those who may have been unsuccessful in the previous round to strengthen their applications and is well timed for community organisations planning projects and events in the first half of 2024.

Community organisations who are interested in applying are encouraged to check their eligibility, to discuss their idea with the Shire's Community Development team and to apply by the closing date of 4pm on 30 November 2023.

To find out more visit call 08 9780 5276 or visit www.amrshire.wa.gov.au/CDEGrants

Nominations Open for 2023 Volunteer of the **Year Award**

Volunteer of the Year and Youth Volunteer of the Year award nominations recognise the important role of volunteers in enriching our community. If you know a volunteer who deserves recognition for their outstanding contribution, please nominate them!

Get a hard copy nomination form from the Shire of Augusta Margaret River Libraries, Recreation Centres, Margaret River HEART or Shire offices. To nominate a volunteer online visit www.amrshire.wa.gov.au/volunteering.

Nominations close at 4pm on Monday 20 November 2023.

To find out more please contact the Shire's Community Development team on 08 9780 5255 or email communitydevelopment@amrshire.wa.gov.au

Plus, save the date! Awards will be presented at the Thank a Volunteer Day Celebration and all nominees and community volunteers are invited to attend.

Tuesday 5 December 2023 | 6pm to 8pm | Margaret River

Celebrate Pride Fest

SAMM Fest 25 November 2023

Skate, Art. Music and Mental Health Festival

Young people and their families and friends are invited to SAMM Fest 2023, a free event at the Margaret River Youth Precinct from 3pm to 8.30pm on Saturday 25 November.

With live music from local youth bands, climbing wall, skate and art workshops, skate comp and after dark skate sesh, as well as food and stalls, there will be something for everyone

SAMM Fest is an inclusive and accessible, drug and alcohol-free event. To find out more visit www.amrshire.wa.gov.au/SAMMFest2023.

2 to 30 November 2023

Join in Pride WA's annual PrideFEST celebration with a series of free events taking place in Margaret River this November. From a roller disco and performance make-up workshop to a momentous flag raising ceremony, we're celebrating diversity and inclusion in our community. Explore the program and book online now at www.amrshire.wa.gov.au/PrideFest2023 or scan the QR code



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- Volunteer of the Year Award
- Youth Volunteer of the Year Award (12-25 years)

Nominations close at 4pm on Monday 20 November 2023.



Save the date!

Thank a Volunteer Day Celebration

Volunteer Awards will be presented at the Thank a Volunteer Day Celebration and all nominees and community volunteers are invited to attend.

Tuesday 5 December 2023 | 6pm to 8pm | Margaret River HEART





CONVERSATIONS TAALINIP-ALIGUSTA

oin us for an entertaining and informative conversation with our guest speaker.

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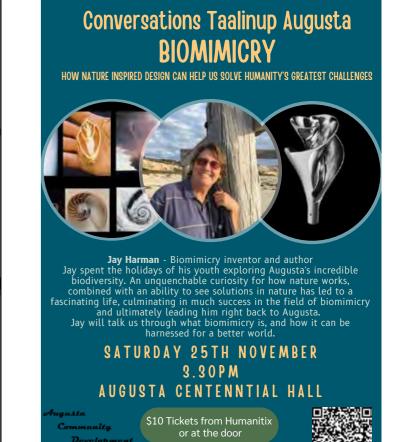
The Augusta Hotel - Function Room SUN 5th NOV 3.30-5.30PM

The Orchid Whisperer

Dr Belinda Davis, orchid research scientist extraordinaire, is working with Kings Parl to investigate the propagation of WA endangered native orchids for conservation.

Her work has included bringing some of our local orchids back from the brink of

\$10 tickets - HUMANITIX - or at the door







CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE

Lions Refund Depot Hillview Road, Augusta

Opening Times:

Thursday 8-12 midday Saturday 8-12 midday

CONTAINER DEPOSIT SCHEME (CDS) - 10 CENTS - LIONS CLUB OF LEEUWIN

Under the WARRRL (WA Reduce Reuse Recycle Ltd) agreement, ALL cans and containers must be CLEAN and in GOOD CONDITION.

- That means we DO NOT accept snails, cockroaches, ant nests, leaves, twigs, stones, cigarette butts or any liquid surrounding the items, such as stale beer, rainwater etc.
- WINE bottles and SPIRIT bottles are not acceptable.

November 2023

Please REMOVE ALL

- LIDS FROM ALL ITEMS.
- All ineligible items will be returned to the customer.
- They must be CLEAN. So customers, if you want your 10 cents, you need to help too.
- All WARRL sites operate under the same Code of Practice.

Please be advised that the AGM for Augusta & Districts Community Financial Services Ltd will be held on Wednesday 15 November 2023 at the Augusta Community Resource Centre (66 Allnut Terrace Augusta) commencing at 6:30 PM.

If you are unable to attend please provide a proxy form available from our website: bendigobank. com.au/branch/wa/community-bank-Augusta-Margaret-River/ to allow the meeting to proceed with a guorum.

We are currently looking at reducing costs to the company associated with mail outs. We are requesting all shareholders provide their emails as the primary communication mode.

Email information can be sent securely to Natalie Chambers (Communications Officer – Executive Board) at natalie@communitybankamr.com.au

Community Bank Augusta Margaret River



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Leeuwin

Lines

LIONS "CAMP QUOKKA": A ROARING SUCCESS

A glowing report on the Lions first camp for Type 1 Diabetes held in WA was received following the recent use and tenure of the Adventure Centre facility at Kudardup from 1st – 7th October 2023.

All went extremely well with all attendees having a wonderful time, said WA state coordinator Deb Jones.

Perth Diabetes Care Health Hub were fantastic in their approach, in a way in which the youth related to, and responded to so well.

The 15–18-year-olds all indicated that they would love to come back and do all the things again as they had such an enjoyable time.

They particularly enjoyed the rowing and yachting on the Blackwood River and wished it could have been longer. Also, the visit to Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse, the Eagles Heritage, Busselton Jetty and Simmo's Ice Cream Factory.

Deb Jones said, "local people would come up and ask us about the camp and would look for updates about what we were doing the next day, which provided tremendous awareness of the cause.

We appreciated the beautiful people and town of Augusta for embracing us all and look forward to the camp next year."

Leeuwin Lions acknowledge the work of President Matt Russell, Secretary Bill Perry and Roger Wilson for bringing it all together from a club perspective. It was a most successful camp from all reports.





WHERE WOULD WE BE WITHOUT THEM

Our willing volunteers who regularly turn up for work each Tuesday morning are certainly making a difference to the presentation of the main street. Lions would like to acknowledge the recent donation of coffee for the six workers at the end of work by Emma and Sarah from Flinders Collective. It is good to see the

main street traders reward the Streetscape volunteers in this manner. We understand that both Deckchair Café and Augusta Bakery have done likewise before in appreciation of their efforts.







Left to right - Jeff, Alison, Gudrun, Wendy, David, Mark, Di (AMRTA),

Alysha (AMRTA) and Prue
Change shed. The quantity of native

Change shed. The quantity of native plants propagated and supplied is impressive with the Lighthouse group using about 400 seedlings each year for the last 3 years. The Landcare Group order about 1200 - 1500 seedlings per year and have done so for the previous 13 years.

Some volunteers work for both organisations – super impressive!

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

On September 30th, at the Lions container deposit shed, Chris Buckland was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation and a Thankyou card for his voluntary work as a Wiggler. Chris attends on Thursday and Saturday mornings and we all enjoy his company as much as he enjoys ours. A big thankyou to you Chris and your lovely wife Louise.



Lion PhilI Robinson presenting Chris with his well-deserved Certificate

November 2023



small building in

front of the Lions

Containers for

Louise and Chris Buckland.



The Wigglers joining in the happy moment

ALMOST FORGOT TO MENTION \$3.6 MILLION DONATION

At the Lions National Convention on the Gold Coast in Queensland earlier this year a huge donation was announced for the Lions Alzheimer's Foundation. In a motion to continue the Lions Alzheimer Foundation as a Lions Project, Chairperson Leo McManus mentioned the Foundation had received a huge donation from a Perth computing entrepeneur and inventor, later revealed to be Peter Van Der Made, founder of Brainchip Holdings, an AI company.



Professor Ralph Martins

Professor Ralph Martins, a regular speaker at Lions Conventions and a long time recipient of Lions funding for Alzheimers Research told of his gratefulness and relief, as it meant that he and his young team would be able to continue their valuable work towards much improved lifestyle outcomes.

A happy Professor Martins heaped praise on Lions for their support for making a difference. "So many Lions have been working tirelessly to support our cause", he said.

"Even before we set up the foundation these Lions were amazing. I have just such an affection for Lions Clubs everywhere and especially the Lions of WA who first supported us".

It should be noted that Alzheimers is the leading cause of death in women and the second leading cause of death in men.

So it is pleasing that the National Convention delegates voted for the Lions Alzheimer Foundation to continue as a Lions Project.

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Expression of Interest – Traineeship 2024 Excellent opportunity

Expressions of Interest are being sought for a Traineeship position with the Augusta Community Resource Centre, starting in 2024.

Expected hours of work will be between 9.00am - 3.00 pm Monday to Friday however, these hours may vary. The traineeship offered will be under contract for 12 months and will involve;

- Undertake a Certificate III in Business or a similar credential with South West Regional Tafe
- The role is varied and includes learning a variety of **Business Service skills**
- General administration duties
- Front desk customer service and reception
- Communication and teamwork
- Learning specific aspects for bookings, functions and community events

Support will be provided on site and in conjunction with the chosen Certificate Kev competencies required:

- Good written and verbal English skills
- Excellent communication and relationship building skills
- Sound computer skills MS Office
- A willingness and ability to follow direction
- Ability to work well within a small team
- WA Driver's Licence and reliable vehicle are highly desirable

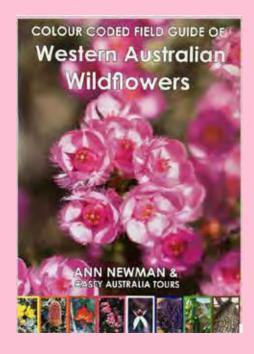
To register your interest please email or post a cover letter and resume to:

> Attn: Project Officer **Augusta Community Resource Centre** P O Box 269, Augusta WA 6290 admin@augustacrc.net.au

As per DPIRD requirements, former trainees of the ACRC are not eligible to apply for this position

Casey Australia Tours

WILDFLOWER GUIDEBOOKS



Created by Casey Australia Tours and our expert Botanical Guide, Ann Newman, our guide to WA wildflowers contains over 400 photos taken over many seasons.

Each image has a tick box to record sightings and is labelled with the flower's botanical name and any common names. Grouped by colour for easy reference, anyone can become an amateur botanist with this guide to WA's spectacular wildflowers.

On sale (limited numbers) from the CRC \$10.00 per book.



The Augusta Historical Society Inc.

Hello everyone. The year is marching on, and we are now part way through the final quarter of 2023.

Thoughts are turning to all those end of year exams, gatherings, concerts, etc. I admit, I miss having physical photos to go through and share with others. The waiting to get them developed to see the outcome (good or bad). But I also must admit that modern technology gives us perhaps a greater range of options to record those day to day or special moments. What we don't have so much of now is the written word. People used to keep diaries, appointment books, write letters. A lot of the information we have when we look back are these physical items. I often wonder what we will be able to look back on in 50 or 100 years' time. Technology is constantly changing and sometimes the new does not work with the old. The information is there, but is it accessible? Remember, we are living history now and whether we will want to reminisce next year or if it is our descendants looking back in 100 years what will they be able to see? New is good, but old is not necessarily bad.

September was our AGM, and we would like to welcome Maureen Gale to the committee as our Research Officer and welcome David Wyber back to the position of Treasurer. Kerry Gillard is currently doing the job of minutes Secretary, but we are still looking for someone to either take on the full job of Secretary or share it.

Our thanks to Jan and Geoff McKinlay, Helen McKenzie and Ven Tinley. Your time and effort has been very much appreciated. We could not operate without people like you willing to give your time and expertise to keep us running.

After the AGM we had a General Meeting and then were entertained by Kerry and Dave Bell from Augusta Wildlife Care W.A. A very informative and enjoyable

Answers to page 47 Trivia quiz

1. Lethargy **6.** 1989

2. Chemistry 7. Croatia

3. November. 8. The knee (Bonus point: 9. A cannon

July.) **10.** (a) Ammonia

4. Japanese GP

5. Bauxite

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look at what they do caring for sick and injured native animals until they can be released back where they belong. There is an extended group they share the load with including local vets and other organisations depending on the animal or the problem. Please support them when you can as they operate from fund raising

Our October meeting was Thursday 19th. Our librarian introduced several new books which have been obtained over the last few months and reminded everyone about our lending procedures. Kathy Tritton spoke about the 58th Annual Royal Western Australia History Conference held in Bridgetown at the beginning of September with additional information from Helen McKenzie. (both Helen and Kathy attended). Donations for our Christmas Hampers can be left in the Museum (box under the counter). Thank You.

Put the dates below on your calendar!!!

Next Meeting: Thursday 16th November – Speaker: Bernice Barry, Author

December Gathering: Thursday 7th December, 6pm. We are trying to get ahead of the busy time! Bring a plate of food to share and BYO own beer/wine/spirits. Bring a friend and/or an interesting item and come and have some fun. Looking forward to seeing you.



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October 9th	Graham Shearwood	Lyn Leonard &
	& Trevor Steel	Merione Wilson
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		& Edie Williams
October 16th	Lyn Leonard &	Des Thompson &

Merione Wilson Amanda Thompson New members welcome - have you played 500 or similar in the past? - We are a small friendly club and we meet on

Monday afternoons 12:30pm. If you are interested, please phone Trevor on 0428308330

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Augusta Land and bastcare

Augusta Land and Coast Care Group and Augusta Community Nursery

By PRUE LEEMING

Local native plants are the essence of our region's beauty and biodiversity.

Plant them in your garden to maintain our unique sense of place, save water, minimise the risk of introducing garden escapees and enjoy the natural wonder of native wildflowers.

During September and October our work focussed on clean up along the river walk and duck pond near Ellis Street Jetty, along Redman Brook and around Flinders. After a quiet period in the Community Nursery following several weeks of planting at Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse, numerous localities around Flinders, the duckpond and in front of Turner Caravan Park, the nursery has recommenced generating new seedlings and cuttings for 2024. Several new volunteers have joined, which makes for highly productive work.



Polygala myrtifolia (left)

is a garden escapee we wish to highlight this month for everyone's attention — whether in your garden, along a verge and/or taking over nearby bushland. A medium, shallow-rooted shrub <2.5m with light green, elliptical leaves about 1.5cm long, polygala has clusters of pea-like magenta and white flowers for much of the year followed by circular fruit capsules.



Leucopogon parviflorus

Hibbertia cuneiformis

Polygala originates from South Africa and is a serious weed throughout Australia. While the seed is short lived, it reproduces at a startling rate and generates a myriad of seedlings, which eventually choke the native bush and gardens. Polygala also rapidly forms thickets in disturbed sites.

Around Augusta polygala establishes itself in neglected gardens of holiday homes, along verges, on steep embankments and beside roads or tracks bordering bushland. All residents are encouraged to remove this weed from their properties and adjoining verge. The Shire of Augusta-Margaret River strongly supports Land Care activities, especially the removal of troublesome weeds.

Alternatives to plant in the Augusta area include Hibbertia cuneiformis or Yellow buttercup and Spyridium globulosum (Basket bush). With removal of polygala from roadsides and bushland, Leucopogon parviflorus (Coast beard heath) may easily reappear with the help of birds.



Together Ministries

By BILL WOODAGE

The most famous ship to sink would have to have been the Titanic. Strangely this event has very close parallels to the Biblical plan of people being rescued by God.

This wonderful new boat of joy, pleasure, and pride suddenly struck an iceberg and unfortunately sank. Our world is also slowly sinking into the cold and uncertain grip of death. It was only those passengers who believed that they were in serious danger made it to the lifeboats. Jesus also offers the lifeboat of hope, but will you take the opportunity to enter the safety boat to life?

The Bible says all have sinned and fall short of God's idea of perfection. Captain Jesus gave away His perfect

life so that we can have life. The Bible says that He paid the price for our sins. We have broken God's laws, but Jesus has paid all the fines on our behalf. We only have to repent and to confess our sins to God; at that moment God will forgive us and grant us the gift of eternal life.

Don't hesitate, you don't want to wait until it is too late. It was reported that some of the lifeboats that left the Titanic were only half full. Many more on board could have been saved, but because of pride and pleasure and unbelief (thinking that their ship would never sink) it cost them their lives.

Remember if you are searching and serious, God will never let you down and will rescue you.



By LEANNE BAMFORD Image by Leanne Bamford

As spring has sprung, this year is proving to be a busy year full of preparation for Augusta CWA's 90th birthday.

One of our new projects which is currently underway is our new front garden. The garden will be dedicated to all our past members who are no longer with us. Nine decades of local women giving their time to volunteer and support our community is an amazing accomplishment!

November the 17th and 18th will be a very special time for CWA Augusta. Look out Augusta there will be an abundance of women in blue!! Firstly on Friday 17th Augusta CWA will be hosting the annual CWA South West Christmas party that will incorporate our 90th birthday celebration at the Augusta Hotel. On Saturday 18th an afternoon tea at our Hall.

Thank you everyone who came along and supported our recent cake and raffle stall. It was a great success! Cakes, muffins, biscuits, slices and of course not forgetting everyone's favourite, rocky road which went like hot cakes.

Thank you, IGA Augusta, for your support. It is very much appreciated and to our friends the Lions club of Leeuwin for supplying a load of firewood as one of our raffle prizes.



The town welcomed back Kings Park fashion. Thank you to Karen and her team for making the day possible and donating the two vouchers as prizes for the CWA Augusta raffle.

It was a great success and thank you to everyone who came down and supported our branch on the day.



PROJECT CARE

CWA Augusta would like to thank you for the continued support helping with project-care hampers. We thank IGA Augusta, the community of Augusta and surrounds and the Lions of Leeuwin for their constant support. You will find the box for non perishable items inside IGA.

PLEASE CHECK ITEMS ARE IN DATE AND NOT EXPIRED BEFORE LEAVING THEM IN OUR BOX . ITEMS CAN ONLY BE ACCEPTED THAT ARE STILL IN DATE.

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CWA Cook books and merchandise are available for sale please contact us:

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USES FOR LEMON JUICE

The juice of a lemon placed in the water when boiling white clothes removes stains and makes the clothes beautifully white.

To remove perspiration marks from white clothes, dampen the article with a little lemon juice and salt before it is put in the soap and water.

(RECIPE AND HINTS THAT HELP IN THE HOME AND PRESERVE THE TEMPER from The CWA Cookery book and household hints Fifty fifth edition)







INVETERATE INVERTEBRATES - Introduction to Biomimicry

By JAY HARMAN

Ever wonder about those dark-coloured blobs that wash up and rot on the beaches of Flinders Bay?

Some classes of mollusc do just fine without a shell. Nudibranchs, a remarkable and shell-less subset of the molluscs, have highly evolved methods of communication and protection that offer surprising opportunities for bio-inspired design. The three thousand or so species include the above amorphous-looking sea hares and other varieties that are the most colourful creatures on earth (or rather, in the sea). They're exquisite in decoration with a huge variety of forms. One species, called the Spanish dancer, sports beautiful scarlet and white ruffles that look just like a dancer's flounced dress. This shell-less sea slug twists and gyrates its entire body in a choreography of movement that propels it along.

Scientists have discovered that these molluscs are a veritable chemistry lab, storing and recycling what they eat to great advantage. Their brilliant colouration and toxicity to predators results from reusing chemicals in their food. In particular, nudibranchs have a penchant for snacking on stinging sea anemones. While it was originally thought that a layer of mucus protected them from getting stung, researchers instead discovered that nudibranchs have evolved a storehouse of different chemicals—specific to each type of anemone—that neutralise the prey's poison. Nudibranchs go one step further and absorb those toxins so that they can be reused in self-defence! Unfortunately, this makes them especially toxic to dogs that find them washed up.

Anaesthetists are interested in better understanding the chemical mechanisms underlying this strategy so they can improve pain control in patients. To humans, nudibranchs can smell like "lemons, watermelon, vanilla, or flowers." Researchers are identifying the chemicals that trigger those smells, as well as the chemical messages about danger, mating, or food that their slime trails leave hanging in the water. These signals are laid down in a mucus that stays put even under water and act as instant messages and invitations to the next passing nudibranch—sort of like slime mail. Potential biomimetic applications include the inhibition of unwanted chemical signals given off by medical and industrial chemical processes.

One thing I am particularly struck by is the apparent intelligence of what are usually considered dumb animals. For instance, if you place food morsels into a screw-top jar and place the jar near an octopus, the animal will work out how to unscrew the lid to access the goodies. I know of an octopus at a celebrated aquarium in California that would wait until the

attendants left for the night, climb out of his tank, walk across the floor to adjoining fish tanks, eat his fill of their occupants and then return to his own tank before the staff arrived in the morning. It took bewildered workers some time and an infrared surveillance camera to figure out why their fish were disappearing.

Octopi, squid, nautilus, and cuttlefish are considered to be the smartest of all invertebrates. These spineless cephalopods are another class of mollusc and are cousins to the gastropods, which include sea and land snails. Cephalopod means "head-foot," since these animals are mostly head and lots of legs that developed in the place of a snail's single squishy foot. Some still live in shells, like the nautilus, while others carry a remnant of a shell inside their bodies (the cuttlefish) or none at all (octopus).

Squid, octopi, and cuttlefish invented the equivalent of polarised sunglasses aeons before us. In 1950, Dr. T.H. Waterman of Yale University discovered that cephalopods and many fish, crustaceans, arthropods, and aquatic insects have specialised mechanisms in their eyes that analyse light polarisation. This ability lets them significantly reduce glare from bright sunlight. Dr. Waterman continued his research for decades, though the developers of Polaroid sunglasses, which were originally invented in 1936, undoubtedly had no idea that they were biomimics of marine animals. We could learn more from these highly-adapted creatures to optimise our modern optics, telecommunications, and medical devices.

Even a common garden snail can teach us about nanotechnology, optimised balance, minimisation of materials, streamlining, defence, camouflage, and aesthetics. Who knows what we'll discover in coming years, as scientists zoom farther into the depths of the oceans and the molecules of molluscs. But you don't need to be a biomineralisation expert, a zoologist, or an engineer to discover a valuable biomimetic solution to formerly intractable problems. Any of us can discover and develop something new if we keep our eyes and curiosity open. The treasure chest of nature's secrets is waiting for you.

The southwest of Australia is one of the world's most biologically diverse environments. Nature solves the same problems facing humans, but does so in surprisingly efficient and sustainable ways. Jay Harman is sharing a series of examples in the Pelican Post.

Garden Gossip



By SUSIE BUTCHER Images by Shirley Shephard & Susie Butcher

Weeds, weeds! All it takes is a little sun a little rain. I pull them out, turn my back for a moment and hey presto they're back (and more besides!)

I have a confession ... I have a habit of scattering seeds in flower beds and then have trouble deciphering what is a weed and what is a seedling. Other than Cosmos, I can never remember what the other seedlings are going to become, hence all the confusion. If I was a little bit more organised I wouldn't throw the packets away, ensuring I would know what was where. No such luck. I have long since done the flinging, and now it's too late, I'm back to scratching my head.

If I didn't like a traditional "tidy" garden, I could let nature take over, leaving everything to grow willy nilly. My younger brother, who lives in the UK, leaves his garden each year to rewild itself and it looks amazing. With loads of different wildlife visiting it is utterly enchanting. Insects thrive, foxes lie amongst the long grass enjoying the sunshine and birds get fat on all thistle, teasel and grass seeds. However, I can't bring myself to do that, I like everything to be "just so". So the moaning is in vain, I must roll up my sleeves, pop in my EarPods, select a podcast, and get back to the eternal weeding!

This month we were off visiting another local garden of choice: Brenda and Andy Scholar's. What a joy this garden is. The couple have been at this eight-acre property for thirty-nine years and when they arrived, there was mainly blue gum, peppy and fir trees, a few paddocks and a scattering of juvenile English Oak and Cork Oak. Since then the Scholars have converted the hay and slaughter shed into the most amazing home using recycled items from in and around Augusta. They've planted numerous fruit trees: Loquat, Fig, Mandarin, Lemons, Bananas and Macadamia to name but a few.







Brenda has a passion for succulents, and visitors are greeted by pot upon pot of these wonderful plants in every imaginable shape and size! When they moved from Bridgetown all those years ago, they brought with them a cactus which they planted by the original 1925 settler's shack. It now stands at least fifteen feet high, and in December erupts with white flowers which open at dusk.



Sympathetically landscaping around the house, the area is very welcoming and homely. The vegetable plot, overlooking the fields and valley beyond, contains the most amazing opium pompom poppies which are to be seen to be believed!

A big thank you to Brenda and Andy for letting

us come and visit, and for their amazingly generous hospitality. It was a very relaxing and enjoyable afternoon - on the hottest day this spring so far - as we wandered around the property and then sat in the shade of the trees having afternoon tea.

Gardening tip for November:

Most garden plants that are planted out grow best with one to two inches of water per week. If there is insufficient rainfall, water thoroughly once or twice a week instead of lightly each day. Frequent light watering only moistens the top layer of soil and encourages the plant's roots to remain shallow instead of growing deeply.



WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND AUGUSTA

November 2023



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VANITY BISCUITS

- 2 cups self raising flour
- 125gr (1/4) butter
- 3 eggs

Beat butter and sugar to cream. Add the eggs and beat well together, then add the flour. Roll out thinly, cut into shapes and bake in a moderate oven.

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household hints Fifty fifth edition)



By MORVEN HANSEN **Image by Morven Hansen**

It's all action at the Art Club ART CLUB NEWS at present with the Annual Exhibition looming. It is our biggest event of the year and

involves a lot of planning which means a lot of lists. spreadsheets, forms and members painting up a storm in preparation.

The dates of the 2024 exhibition are as follows:-

- Opening evening, Friday 5th January 2024 6.30-8.30pm
- Saturday 6th January 10am to 5pm
- Sunday 7th January 10am to 4pm

Members are reminded that the General Meeting will be held at the art club on Friday 10th November at 10am sharp. This is the due date for the completed exhibition lists, so if you haven't picked up your list from the club yet, make sure you do so soon.

There will be a Bric-a-brac Sale open to the public at the Art Club, Centennial Hall, on Saturday 18th November from 9am to 12noon, so come along and hopefully find some Christmas gifts. There will be books, plants, bric-a brac and some arty items also.

Members are also reminded that the Christmas Lunch will be held at the club on 15th December. This year it will be a cold lunch and we will be self catering. With the weather much improved it's a great time to



Lightning sketch at Boat Harbour

get out and about and draw or paint on location, au plein air. There are so many beautiful spots around Augusta to perch yourself on a stool and do a masterpiece. I never leave

home without my little A6 sketchbook and some colour pencils or a travel paint box. If time is limited do some quick sketches, take a photo and work on your painting at home. It's also a good idea to make some notes eg lots of seagulls, ocean calm or turbulent, tiger snake observed (as I saw at Flat Rock recently) They all add to the mood of the painting, although the presence of a snake could put you off slightly.

It's good to see those members who travelled or hibernated during the winter months coming back into the club, today the room was buzzing with creativity and chatter.

Visitors are always welcome to drop in and see what we are up to. The club is open on Wednesdays and Fridays from 10am to 2 pm at the Centennial Hall.



By JARROD BRINDLEY eans Image by Jarrod Brindley

Augusta shone bright at the 97.1FM Quiz Night held at Augusta Golf Club on 7th October. Organized by our very own Keith Munday for Fallons Fund Asthma WA, the night was a huge success with a fantastic turnout and a wonderful atmosphere. The incredible prizes and silent auction items were a testament to the generosity of our town with special mentions to IGA, Augusta Butchers for selling tickets and Cy Fort for getting everyone home safely.

The Crew from 97.1fm pulled out the stops with Keith's MC skills, Georgina's excellent scoring skills and Christine roving the crowd for pics and cash.

The Augusta Golf Club were perfect hosts. This is such a beautiful venue with full bar facilities, dance floor and the jawdropping views are always hard to leave.

Overall, this was an incredibly successful night! 97.1fm raised over \$7000 for three community groups. Augusta Golf Club, Asthma WA - Fallons Fund and Augusta's very own licensed Community Radio.



Augusta Community Radio is your station. 97.1fm comes to the fore in times of emergencies. We kept the communcation channels open during Covid for our most vunerable community members. We broadcast specific local content during bushfires. We are voluntarily run. With our broadcasting licence recently renewed thanks to Lions Club of Leeuwin, our airways are open for you until 2028. Join as a member for \$25.



By WENDY STRUCELJ **Images by Wendy Struceli**

Our Open Day is on Saturday 2nd December, 10am – 2pm. Everyone is invited to pop in and stroll around the Garden. In addition to the Garden's

produce stall, there will be a variety of stalls with all sorts of goodies on offer. Morning and afternoon teas will be available, making a perfect opportunity to enjoy a cuppa with friends, whilst taking in the Garden atmosphere.

We have been busy in the Garden; the spring weather inspiring lots of activity.

A huge thank you must go to Adam Birch of Down South Mini Earthworks for the kind donation of white sand for the children's sandpit and another load of sand for top dressing of the front lawn. The Community Garden is very grateful for the generous support from



The paving in the shade house was done by Austin Fraser. Thank you, Austin.

The shelving in the shade house has been commenced by John, and is still a work in progress. We appreciate the help from our wonderful volunteers.



The Community Garden AGM will be held on Monday 4th December at 10.30am followed by a light lunch. New members welcome.

Nominations for Office Bearers are open now. Subs are now due for renewal, at \$20 single, \$30 family, and \$15 for seniors.

Hope to see you at the Garden soon!

Pollie Pedal 2023

On Tuesday 10th October, the Pollie Pedal pelotons cycled through Augusta with a photo stop at Cape Leeuwin lighthouse and lunch at the Deckchair café. Departing from Margaret River, the riders completed 130kms, enjoying the scenic roads, albeit a few hills.

Pollie Pedal was founded by former Prime Minister Tony Abbott in 1998. Since then, participants have ridden over 23,000kms and raised more than \$7 million for charity. At the Deckchair, Paul Sofilas from Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse caught up with participant Tony Abbott, as Paul had ridden with Pollie Pedal 2001, from Sydney to Canberra, which raised funds for the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

This was the first time the ride was held in WA and funds raised went to not-for-profit veteran support group Wandering Warriors. An organisation making a real difference to the lives and future of our former service personnel as they transition to civilian life.

The 32 riders began the journey in Perth on Saturday 7th October and completed almost 1,000kms over 8 days as they covered a circuit through the South West, finishing back in Perth on the 14th.

Riders included Former SAS Squadron Commander and CEO of Wandering Warriors Quentin Masson DSM, and MP's Angus Taylor and Andrew Hastie.





By BILL PERRY
Images by Various

The safety equipment required for new safety regulations relating to

life jackets, radios, EPIRB's and now light beacons (in lieu of flares) has been purchased and registrations of EPIRBs completed. A 'floating bag' with this equipment must now be onboard for all ocean rows.

This equipment does require users to become familiar with these safety devices before venturing forth on ocean rows.

The hosting of the Lions Camp Quokka for a row and/ or sail was a success with the feedback being that it is a 'must do activity' for next year's camp. The party consisted of some 20 Camp Quokka people. The Lions Adventure Centre has already been booked for the same time next year.



Sue readying the Quokka crew for their first time ever in a rowing boat

The activities on the day were an introduction to rowing, sailing on both a monohull and a catamaran. However it was noted a keenness for a 'burn on the support craft' was very evident. There were some who rowed /sailed who had never been in a boat before – we may need a couple of power boats next year.

The mornings activities were completed with a sausage sizzle sponsored by Leeuwin Lions.

The 'Have a Go Row Day' at the Turner Street Jetty was a picture-perfect Augusta day & attracted several potential rowers. The day provided the opportunity for all to experience rowing 'as a team' and demonstrated the versatility in accommodating all ages in our locally built St Ayles Skiffs.

To be confirmed, consideration is being given to adding in a 5klm race to the regatta, from the Turner Street Jetty to the Yacht Club – starting around 8am (tide dependent) which should have all completing the course by 9am. The short course events could then commence at 10am & still finish by 12:30 for lunch





Both skiffs were manned by a couple of regulars & mostly novices

under the peppies. Watch this space. The skiff maintenance activities are continuing, the gunnels on Colour Patch need to be redone as there is quite a bit of discolouring occurring and Zoom needs to come out for a small tidy up – nothing major. At present Lioness is having stretchers fitted, new gates & posts to replace the existing rowlocks, and oar length adjusted. Hopefully we'll also get the signwriting

on her completed. Needless to say, the building of the pram dinghies remains on the backburner.

On a sadder note, is the passing of a founding member Bob Dobson. Condolences to Zitta and family. Bob was well known to the boat builders as Bob and Zitta have been regular visitors checking up on Cliff, making sure he behaves. Zitta is Cliff's 'little sister'.

Upcoming events for the diary

- Friday 3rd November Our AGM at AYC 5pm followed by social event.
- TBA Christmas Breakfast as per last year
- Saturday 27th January Augusta Skiffs Regatta / Marges Cup

Those interested in rowing and /or becoming involved in wooden boat building please do not hesitate to contact us $(0400\ 750967)$ - check out the photo gallery on the website & Facebook, recycle your drink bottles & cans to our account — many thanks to those who donate to our account.

Notice of ACRA AGM

Friday November 3rd @ 5 pm Augusta Yacht Club

Sundowner following Meeting BYO & nibbles



By ROD CLEMENT Images by Bev Wakelin

Happy new sailing season to all you live members and

members of the Augusta Yacht Club. There has been some action happening down the club over the last month, a Saturday busy bee, lawns mowed and the bindy killed. Herman has been keeping the ducks at bay or cleaning up their spoils as they look into the windows at their reflections. A never ending pastime.

In conjunction with the rowers and the Lions Club we had a gang of young people, all with Diabetes One. They came sailing, rowing and flying around in the support boat on the Blackwood River and just looking they seemed to have been having a ball. It was a cold wind that was blowing and the BBQ was stacked high with wood thanks to the Lions Club. It warmed everyone up and the snaggers from Mick the Butcher went down a treat. Great bunch of kids, parents and carers.



Opening
day was on
the 15th of
October, a
beautiful day,
26 degrees
and a nice 10
to 15kn breeze
from the South
West. First
things first, the
the welcome
to country was

celebrated by the shire president, Paula Cristoffanini and then it was up to our new Commodore, Mal Buzza, to welcome the thirty guests to this remarkable part of Augusta in West Bay. The sun was beating down on all beside the shade sails, a happy ceremony was had.

Then came the food. Oh yeah, the bubbles were first then the food. Once again all partakers were dibbing for the best plate of the day. There were a few plates of curried egg sangers, some hooting chicken dishes, three very worthy plates of sausage rolls, but if it was down to me, Andrea's guacamole and corn chips was the one I got the hots for, really good.

After the fine feed it was time to salute the new commodore in a sail past, a practice that we all take in particular pride, the rowers were first, the cats and monos followed suit. It was pretty shallow but it was completed.

Come 1400 it was time for some racing, it was flat out for the cats. Once again it was like it was a championship race with everyone vying for the points. Cliff Hanger took the honours. In the mono's it was more of a lazy day sail on the water with Piggsy finally getting the better of Big Red Dwarf by a bee's dick on a very short course.

When all the boats were all packed up it was time for Lorraine's sponge cakes, both of them were beauties and they were soon scoffed. Must be the eggs, not sure, but these are pretty special cakes, well done mate.

Beers and a few wines were had, the last of the guacamole hammered and it was time to go home. It was a fabulous day, with the usual like minded cohorts that make the Augusta Yacht Club so much fun. Sailing proper started Sunday the 22nd October.

Sunday 8th October - SUP FUN!

What a wonderful day of community spirit.

Thank you to everyone for coming down on a morning that was less than perfect for paddling! It was a tad blustery, but that didn't stop us!

The event was a resounding success, with participants not only enjoying the thrill of paddleboarding but also knowing that their efforts were contributing to a significant cause. Funds raised during the event will support the McGrath Foundation's mission of placing breast care nurses in communities across Australia, ensuring individuals and families affected by breast cancer receive the care and support they need.

It was a wonderful reminder of the power of coming together for a meaningful cause.

Augusta truly painted the river PINK! We have a wonderful, strong community.

Great stuff Augusta.



Reece Carter – Authors Talk

Western Australian writer, Reece Carter will be at the Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse Café for a writer's talk, as part of promoting his recently released book 'The Lonely Lighthouse of Elston-Fright'. Reece is the bestselling author of 'A Girl Called Corpse'.

His love for stories - especially those filled with whimsy, magic, and a little bit of weirdness - began as a child growing up in rural Western Australia. It wasn't until high school that Reece thought to try his hand at his own stories. He loved it and never looked back. His debut novel sparked an international bidding war between publishing houses, resulting in a three-book deal and the kind of hype a first-time novelist usually only dreams of.

As book two of a planned trilogy – Danger, darkness and a mysterious legacy are unveiled in this magical seaside adventure, set in the world of A Girl Called Corpse.

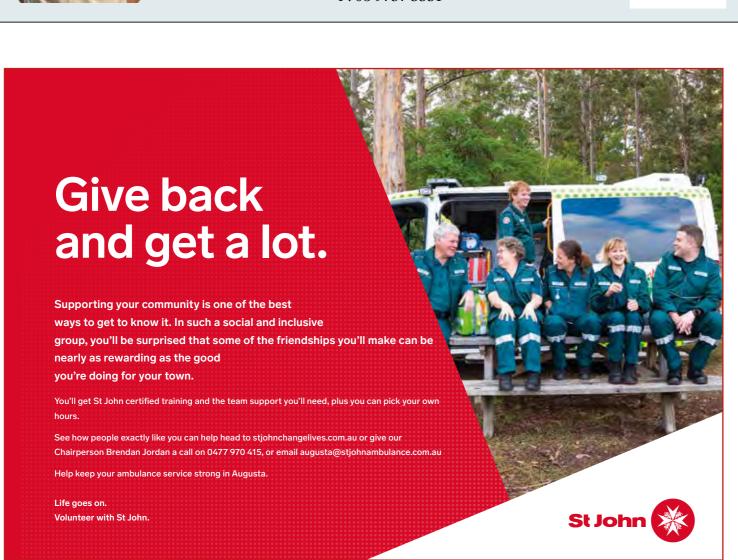
Reece now lives in Sydney. When he is not reading or writing, he can usually be found talking to his dog Hagrid and hoping that one of these days Hagrid might decide to talk back.

FREE EVENT - ALL WELCOME - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

4:30pm on Wednesday November 8th. Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse Café. E:mrbookshop@outlook.com

P: 08 9757 3331







SAVE THE DATE

Christmas Jingle Mingle-Friday 8th December 2023

The Chamber of Commerce's JINGLE MINGLE

Our final Celebration of 2023!

Annual General Meeting

The Augusta Chamber of Commerce is the heartbeat of our local business community, and it's that time of the year again when we gather for our Annual General Meeting. We invite all local businesses, both old and new, small, and large, to join us.

Thursday, 9th November at 5.30pm at the Augusta Hotel. This is your opportunity to connect, collaborate, and contribute to the prosperity of Augusta's business landscape.

- **Learn About Our Initiatives**
- **Grow Your Business**
- Influence Our Future
- **Connect with Good Company**

Join us at the Augusta Hotel, where we'll provide light

refreshments to make the evening even more enjoyable. It's not just a meeting; it's a chance to unwind and connect with like-minded people who share your enthusiasm for Augusta!

We look forward to seeing you all. Please RSVP to secretary@augustachamber.com.au Or call Nicki Jones - 0430 441 600

Your presence is not only valued but also essential to the continued growth of Augusta's business community. Let's make Augusta even more vibrant and successful together.

Don't miss this opportunity to be part of something great!



By MICHELLE READSHAW Image by Karen

On Tuesday 17th October the spinners packed their

wheels, knitting and lunch and headed to Amelia's place at Alexandra Bridge. We worked shaded by the enormous old trees that were planted many years ago by Amelia's family and took breaks to stroll around the vegetable patch and gardens. The highlight was meeting Lyle the motherless lamb who joined us and was bottle fed by Annabel. It was a very pleasant day. Thank you Amelia for sharing your wonderful place with us.

June our member from Guernsey unfortunately had to go home but we are looking forward to her return and hope it is soon.

The Melbourne Cup will be celebrated in our room with sweeps and lunch so bring your money, good luck and a plate to share.

Ideas for our end of year get together have been suggested so please check the notice board in our clubrooms for final details.



We meet Tuesdays 10:30am – 4pm and Thursdays 7:00 pm in the club rooms at the Centennial Hall. All welcome.

Augusta Community Development Got feedback? Want to get involved?: augusta_acda@yahoo.com

CONVERSATIONS TAALINUP AUGUSTA:

Do you know any rockstars you would like to have a conversation with our community? Please get in touch!

THE ORCHID WHISPERER: West Australian Orchid



Conservation Research
Scientist, Dr Belinda Davis
from DBCA Kings Park, will
tell us all about the weird
and wonderful orchid world,
including conservation
efforts for our local Caladenia
Lodgeana.

Sunday November 5, 3.30pm at Augusta Hotel. Tickets \$10/\$5 through Humanitix: https://events. humanitix.com/conversations-

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BIOMIMICRY: the practice of imitating life and nature. Local rockstar biomimicry inventor and author, Jay



Harman from Pax Scientific, will blow our minds with - How nature inspired design can help us solve humanity's greatest challenges.

Saturday November 25, 3.30pm at Augusta
Centennial Hall. Tickets
\$10/\$5 through Humanitix:
https://events.humanitix.
com/biomimicry-how-nature-inspired-design-can-help-us-solve-humanity-s-greatest-challenges

GREATER AUGUSTA VOLUNTEERS THANK-YOU BBQ:

Friday, November 24 from 4.00pm

At Centennial Hall in Allnut Tce. Raffle drawn at 6.00pm

Door Prizes including Lorraine Monahan's Award-winning Sponge!!!

All volunteers welcome!

PLANNING SCHEME UNDER REVIEW:

The document which governs what future development in our area will look like - AMR Shire's Planning Scheme — is currently being revised and is open for community consultation here: https://yoursay.amrshire.wa.gov.au/local-planning-scheme-no-2

This contains links to key information sheets and a sideby-side comparison tool. Some key changes:

TOWN CENTRE:

What is changing?

1. Augusta

The areas outlined in red form part of the current extent of the town centre zone. These areas will be rezoned residential to reflect the current commercial activity within Augusta. The current overabundance of land identified for future commercial needs has created unintended consequences for the redevelopment of land better suited to residential use. The change will also ensure Augusta develops as a focused node of commercial activity.



RURAL:

4. Preventing further subdivision

LPS2 places a prohibition on the subdivision of land in the Rural zone, except in limited cases as set out by State Government policy which allows for conservation-based subdivision to protect areas of farmland with intact native vegetation.

Please contact us with any questions you have for the planning team and register your interest in the Planning Scheme Q&A session (date tba) by emailing augusta_acda@yahoo.com.

SPECIAL OPPORTUNITY: Stephen Hopper

World famous botanist Stephen Hopper will be speaking at the Margaret River HEART on Tue 7th Nov 2023, at 5:45 pm. Stephen has a strong history in Augusta and is one of the contributors to ERGA's "Augusta's Kings Park" trove of local environmental information. Presented by Nature Conservation MR and Undalup Association, tickets are \$25 via Humanitix.

https://events.humanitix.com/sundowner-series-like-nowhere-else-on-earth/tickets

AUGUSTA'S KINGS PARK REPRINT:



Speaking of Augusta's Kings Park, the Environmental Research Group of Augusta has reprinted this precious tome — a must-have on every greater Augusta bookshelf, it contains a wealth of information about our endemic species and the incredible biodiversity of our patch of paradise. Books are for sale at printing cost — \$10, available from the Lions Bookshop and Flinders Collective.

FRIENDS OF THE SOUTHERN WADANDI: The

Friends of the Southern Wadandi group is working with our Shire to find ways to progress construction of the Wadandi Trail, hopefully from Augusta to Karridale. There is plenty of rehab, weed whacking and "finding the trail" to be done! If you would like to get involved, or come along on a Wadandi Wander, please get in touch! augusta_acda@yahoo.com

NEXT MEETING: Monday November 13th, 5.30pm at the Augusta Hotel Miners Room... come along and get involved!

Making Waves - Augusta Taalinup Beach Clean-up Makes a Splash

Augusta's community spirit shone bright during the 2023 WA Beach Clean-up. This event saw the local community come together to give back to the environment and make a difference. On Saturday, October 14th, thirty-six people came together on a mission to spring clean our picturesque coastline, stretching from Quarry Bay to the Blackwood River mouth.

The heart-warming part of this endeavour was that age was no barrier to participation. Our youngest helper was just 6 months old, showcasing the inclusivity and warmth of the Augusta community. It was fantastic to see so many children joining in.



This event was more than a clean-up; it was a celebration of our community's unique character. It offered a chance to have fun, make new friends, and soak in the beauty that surrounds us. Our volunteers removed 12.5kg of debris from our beaches.

Quarry Bay, a monitoring site for Tangaroa Blue, presented a unique challenge during the clean-up. It was evident that an unusual amount of small debris accumulates in this area. The statistics were eye-opening, with a staggering 1,620 hard and solid plastic pieces collected from Quarry Bay, in stark contrast to 363 gathered from all the other beaches. Many of these pieces were only a few millimetres long.



Over the years, one trend has become increasingly apparent: the growing number of plastic pieces and 'nurdles' washing up on our shores. Nurdles, are tiny plastic resin pellets less than 5mm in length, are used to create many everyday plastic items, from bottles to car parts. This year, Quarry Bay saw a significant influx of nurdles. These miniscule plastics are often ingested by fish and birds, causing harm to our ecosystems.

Positive changes are happening. Only four plastic drink bottles were discovered during the clean-up, showing the effectiveness of recycling efforts and the difference everyone can make.



Other items collected included an old mobile phone, part of a metal flue, 185m of fishing line, 53 pieces of rope less than 1 metre, 22 foil food wrappers, 13 pieces of foam packaging, 3 used shotgun cartridges, 80 pieces of broken glass (much of which was from the embankment at Flinders Swimming Beach), 51 sanitary items, mainly tissues and wet wipes, 42 pieces of plastic bag, 8 items of clothing, wood, straws, confection sticks and food scraps.

One sad discovery was a Little Penguin washed up on the beach at Sarge Bay. Let's hope his/her demise was not due to the impact of marine debris.

The debris collected has not been forgotten. It has been entered into the Australian Marine Debris Database (AMDI), contributing to evidence that assists in developing strategies to prevent marine debris from occurring. This information is crucial for understanding trends, identifying changes, and implementing source reduction plans. It is a testament to the power of community action and the profound impact it can have on safeguarding our environment.

Heard on the green



By KAY CHALLIS

Augusta Bowling Club held its annual AGM on 1st October with good attendance.

The following office bearers elected for 2023/24 season. President; Roger Wilson, Vice President; Kay Challis, Secretary; Jacquie Graves and Treasurer; Trish Campbell. A light luncheon and a celebratory champagne were enjoyed by all but unfortunately the weather god intervened with typical spring showers heavy enough to force the cancellation of programmed social bowls.



Retravision winners, Patrick from Retravision presenting prizes

The Retravision Day held on 8th October was the first of our major sponsored events for the season. 22 teams (88) players representing Dunsborough, Cowaramup, Margaret River, and Augusta clubs participated in a fun filled day. With music wafting over the greens mixing with much laughter and banter the day was voted a great success by all. The overall winning team was from Dunsborough, however due to the generosity of Retravision every participant went home bearing prizes. Our members wish to thank Retravision for their valued sponsorship, which we hope will continue for future years.



Ladies Champion Four

The first Club championship event, being the Ladies Fours Championship was held this week. The new reigning champions are Mem Evans, Helen Reid, Nikki Rodda and Jacquie Graves. This event has been sponsored for many years by Augusta First National Real Estate and we thank them for their continued support. It was particularly pleasing this year to note that two of our newer members were part of the winning team, showing that bowls is a very inclusive game, and that one doesn't have to necessarily be a very experienced bowler to get your name on the honour

Pennant competition has also resumed and is once again proving to be competitive in the early stages. Saturday pennants 1st division is off to a flying start with the local team having won both days and are currently top of the leader board with 15 points. Saturday pennant 2nd division team and the Tuesday pennant team have left room for improvement, and I am sure will be practising hard to up the ante next week.



Amelia Mann Club Patron opening the season

Pink Up lawn bowls was another huge success, with around 80 players participating and proved to be a good fundraiser for a very worthy cause. Well done to the Pink Up organising committee.

Friday Scroungers continues to grow with more players participating each week. To join in just have your name in by 2-30 with play to commence at 3pm. This is a great way to

is most welcome.

Until next time - See you on the green.





By GRAHAM SHEARWOOD Images by Scott Godley and Robert Rowe

Warmer weather must be round the corner as several annual migrants have returned to Augusta, having

spent the winter up north or in Europe. The hardy ones among us have continued playing tennis and croquet in the winter sunshine and showers.

Open Day

There will be an Open Day on Saturday 11th November from 1pm. All are welcome to come and enjoy either some tennis or croquet. No special sportswear required we are very informal. All equipment available for either sport. No charge on the day. You are guaranteed a lovely afternoon tea as well! Any enquiries phone Katrina (tennis) 0429 580496 or Doreen (croquet) 0428 581557.

AGM

Members are reminded that the AGM will be held on Saturday 4th November at 1pm. All positions are open, sign-up sheets are in the Clubhouse. There will be a BYO BBQ after tennis.

Plaudits

November 2023

All agree that our Clubhouse space is much better now that the dividing wall has been removed, and a folding door installed. Our thanks to the Shire for carrying out this work. Also thanks to Rhonny, Carole, Katrina and Annie for cleaning up the space afterwards and making everything look schmicko. Thanks to the boys President Scott, Murray, Mark and Mike for the working bee round the courts - cleaning out the shed, court surfaces, fencing and spraying.



A job well done and satisfaction guaranteed - Murray, Mark, Mike, Scott

Croquet lawn mowing

Our thanks to Peter Johnston for mowing the croquet lawns regularly. Also thank you to Herman Gerritsen who stepped in when Peter was away recently.



Yes, we do play tennis as well as other social activities! Far end, Katrina and Murray. This end, Louise (in the air) and Mike. (Great action shot, Scott)



A cuppa after croquet. Gail, Lorraine, Trevor and Doreen (from Kojonup), Doreen, Kate. Note the extended room!

See you at the Open Day!

Proudly sponsored by the Augusta Hotel Motel and Augusta X-treme Sports





An emergency kit provides essential items for your family's short-term survival whether you choose to stay at home or relocate to a safer place before, during or after a natural hazard such as cyclone, storm, flood and bushfire.

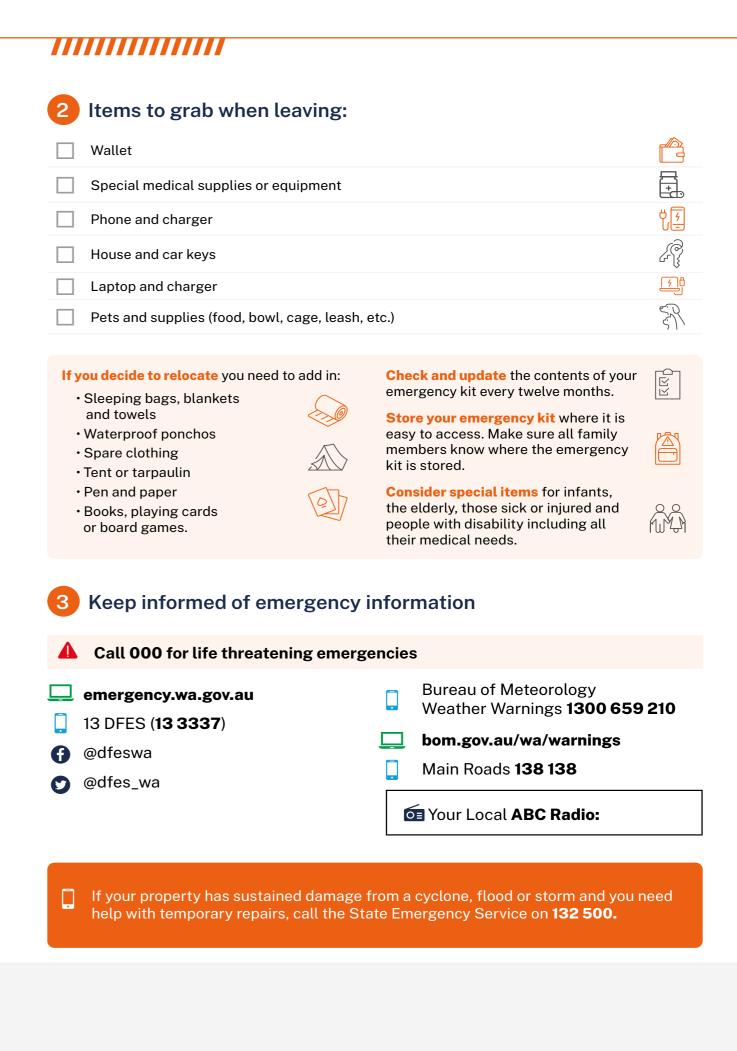
Prepack your Emergency Kit with the following items;

Portable, battery-operated AM/FM radio with spare batteries.	
Waterproof torch with extra batteries or wind-up torches that don't need batteries.	(a) (a)
A first aid kit.	₽
Bottled drinking water and non-perishable food items, can opener and cutlery.	#10
Protective clothing and blankets such as sturdy footwear, coats, pants, heavy duty gloves, wide brimmed hats and protective goggles/glasses. Smoke and particle mask for bushfires.	
A waterproof bag containing important documents like passports, identification, insurance documents and prescriptions.	PASS
Precious items such as jewellery, medals.	Ö
Survival plan with emergency contact phone numbers.	1=
Spare cash.	• • •
Toiletries and sanitary supplies.	











SLOW DOWN DUSK-DAWN, PLEASE! OUR CARERS ARE GETTING TO CAPACITY!

Kangaroos are on the move which makes it especially more hazardous in the morning hours and the late afternoons. You probably will have noticed this already travelling along our country roads. Like school zones we need to slow down to the conditions, our side country roads are like built up areas for our Roos, 50-60km would spare them and give you a relaxing scenic drive too. At 80km/hr a 40km trip like Augusta-Margaret River will still only take 30 minutes.

Spring time is busy, mobs come together, Bucks & Does pair up, juveniles are still with mum and the pouched joeys moving to be at their mother's feet more and more. Take the time to take off some speed. It could be lifesaving to yourself, your passengers and the beautiful creatures we share the natural environment with.

Our Carers literally have their arms full with rescued Kangaroo joeys, Western ringtail possums and other assorted wildlife.

Kerry and Dave Bell alone last week had

- a joey from a pouch search from a previously hit unchecked doe - this little one needed a different teat before feeding properly
- a phascogale & its suite set up
- a white robin chick/fledgling who was very vocal & insisting on being fed still, ignoring its mealworms
- a teeny tiny swallow chick
- a quenda who needed treating & then relocating after being rescued for the third time from cats
- and a wattle bird outside in the aviary.

Every hour something was squawking or needing a feed! Plus for call outs on top!



WESTERN RINGTAIL POSSUM DEATHS

Also of concern is, on Molloy Island alone this year there have been 10 Western ringtail possum deaths recorded. Please use wildlife friendly pest control, for rodents & gardens. Kerry has been given testing kits from Murdoch University to send them samples from deceased ringtail possums. Let us know if you find one. Remember to maintain the possum peppy tree highways to keep them safe off the ground too!



Police Legacy

WA Police Legacy is an charitable organisation that was set up in 1992 to assist with the welfare of Police Officers' families after the loss of a loved one.

Each year they hold a remembrance day to acknowledge those lost in the line of duty.

This year there was a request that officers from around WA go to an iconic place with a print out containing the numbers of 4 personnel lost in the line of duty, to help raise awareness of the cause. So 3 local police officers climbed up Cape Leeuwin lighthouse for a photo opportunity.





Orders close 30 November 2023





As you may know, earlier this year our community group received state government funding to renovate and refit the old house next door to the Augusta Police Station for the purposes of running a childcare service. This will be a not-for-profit community-run childcare service catering for 0-4 year olds and will deliver valuable early childhood education to Augusta's littlest residents. Employing local educators and supporting more parents to participate in work or study will also support Augusta's economy and local businesses. We are very excited to be able to deliver this project to our local community.

Whilst not much has happened at the site yet, we have been very busy! We have been working on designing the building modifications required, sourcing surveys and quotes, dealing with a surprising number of government departments, undertaking bushfire preparedness planning and more. We are nearly ready to submit the necessary applications to the Shire and we hope that after that, it will be full steam ahead. As well as this, we continue to run our successful Leeuwin Kids Vacation Care which employs 10 staff as well as undertaking the administration required to maintain our approval to provide childcare services. A lot happens behind the scenes!

This is a big project for a volunteer committee, and of course, like many other groups in town, we are working on this project along with juggling busy lives with our own families and work commitments. Many hands make light work - if you would like to join our group, we welcome new members. Or if you have skills, time, or trades which you can offer, please get in touch - info@augustachildcare.org.au or 0439 967 103.

We are excited to launch our website at www.augustachildcare.org.au - from here you can complete a waitlist application for your child. Knowing the children's ages and preferred days helps us to plan our service and staffing accordingly. You will also be the first to hear when enrolments

We would like to thank the State Government and the South West Development Commission for their support in this project and for understanding the importance of early childhood education and care services in regional communities.



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Augusta **Primary** School News

INTERSCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY

On September 15, representatives from Years 3 - 6 from Augusta Primary travelled to Margaret River to compete in the South West Interschool Cross Country. We are pleased to announce that all the Augusta Primary School representatives were fantastic on the day and all of our students tried their absolute best, cheered on fellow teammates and other schools, we were very proud of them.

We came 10th overall with 351 points and 3rd in handicap shield.

Some incredible individual results - Edie Pengelly came 2nd, Tilly Beck came 4th in the Year 3 girls event, and Kaylee Gilbert came 14th in the Year 4 girls event.

Special thanks to Paul English who marshalled on the track and to all the parents who supported APS on the day. – Mrs Clare Dallimore



▲ Year 4 competitors on the start line!

COLOUR FUN RUN

We had the perfect afternoon to finish Term 3, in style. Thanks to the enthusiastic P&C members, we were able to finish the term in a cloud of colour! Our students spent the afternoon completing laps of our oval with a number of obstacles including some great water

stations. It was amazing to see all the parent helpers that signed up to set up and assist on the day. Many helping hands allowed our P&C to run a successful event that everyone could enjoy!



▲ Chloe Clark and Charlie Taylor full of colour!

SOUTHWEST INTERSCHOOL SPELLING BEE

On October 13 Year 5 student Alfie Watkiss and Year 6 student Tyler Douglas travelled to West Busselton Primary School to compete in the Southwest Interschool Spelling Bee against 10 other primary schools. It was a tough competition, and nerves were high. Both boys did a fantastic job of representing Augusta Primary School, while our students didn't make it to the final round, Alfie is keen to head back for a second attempt next year.



CHRISTMAS HAMPERS 2023

St Elizabeth's Anglican Church Augusta are collecting non-perishable items for their annual Christmas hampers. Please bring items to the front office by the end of November.

KINDY FNROI MENTS 2024

If you have a child, or know someone who has a child, who turns 4 years old before 30 June 2024, then now is the time to enrol in the Augusta Primary School Kindergarten program. Please visit the school office to enrol and please bring your child's birth certificate and immunisation records. Parents are urged to enrol as soon as possible. Knowing student numbers early is important to our planning and critical to our staffing allocation for next year.

Hello!

Karridale Primary School News



Above: Our Year 3 "citizen scientists" investigating invertebrates on location in Margaret River.

CITIZEN SCIENTISTS

Our Year 3 students were fortunate to join a Year 3 class at Margaret River Primary School (MRPS) to build on the knowledge from our recent excursion to the Montessori wetlands. Back in August we took water samples to learn about macroinvertebrates.

During this visit, as citizen scientists, we investigated invertebrates in the gardens at MRPS with Lauren Scanlon from Margaret River Nature Conservation.

Did you know there are an estimated 200,000 species of invertebrates in Australia of which only 5 percent have been identified and named? We found insect larva, earthworms, jumping spider, slaters, millipedes and a spider in our research area. We learnt how vital these creatures are to sustaining plant and animal life as pollinators, nutrient recyclers, seed dispersers, predators and food for wildlife. They are critical to life on our planet.

HAMELIN BAY UPDATE

On a glorious spring day, our Year 3 to 6 students recently returned to our local Adopt-A-Spot at Hamelin Bay with Tracey Muir of Margaret River Nature Conservation.

This time the students weeded a non-indigenous species that has invaded the sandhills between the beach and the carparks at Hamelin Bay.

Later, the focus turned to the ecosystem of the shoreline where interesting coral and shells were found. Unfortunately, there was a considerable amount of rubbish washed up and left on the beach. The children noticed the impact of human activity to the sand dunes and they realised how important it is to keep to the paths to prevent erosion.



Above: Our Year 3-6 students return to Hamelin Bay for Adopt-A-Spot volunteer work.

Above: The Red Cross Pillowcase Project comes to Karridale.

PILLOWCASE PROJECT

Members of our local Red Cross visited to teach our students about personal and family preparedness, safety skills, local hazards and basic coping skills for emergency situations.

The Pillowcase Project helps the children to decided what they would pack in a pillowcase in an emergency. Things to consider include: medicine, toiletries, pets, change of clothes, water, food, first aid kit, torch, chargers and pencil and paper. Each child received a sturdy pillowcase to plan the items they'd take with them and using fabric markers drew pictures on the pillowcase. We hope families feel better prepared for the bushfire season, with thanks to our friends at Red Cross.

Karridale Primary School ~ an independent public school

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Lower Blackwood Catchment LCDC Community Update November 2023

Green Light for RAPP to Continue

We are delighted to announce that for a fifth year running, we have secured funding through the Augusta Margaret River Shire's Environmental Management Fund to continue our hugely popular Regenerative Agriculture in Practice Program (RAPP). Even better news is that the funding will continue for the next 3 years under the fund's new multi-year option.

RAPP 2024 will have two areas of focus, with the ultimate goal of offering a comprehensive 'learning to doing' program. Regenerative Farm Planning will give new participants an introduction to how rural landscapes work plus full access to online courses on regenerative farming principles around soil health, grazing management and building pasture diversity. Supporting Transition will give previous participants the opportunity to continue to grow and develop their skills and knowledge, build connections and networks as well as comprehensively monitor, record and share progress.

Expressions of Interest for the 2024 program will open next month – watch this space!



More Support for Tackling Ferals

Through the latest Environmental Management Funding round, the AMR Shire will be supporting a 1-year pilot Feral Pig Focus project in which the LCDC will assist the Lower Blackwood Vertebrate Pest Management Group (LBVPMG) to work collaboratively with landholders, plantation companies, DBCA, DPIRD, Undalup and local government to undertake priority feral pig control work in the Augusta-Margaret River Shire.

This new project works alongside our Scott Coastal Plain project - the **State NRM** funded **Feral Pig Focus - Protecting the Scott Coastal Plain 2022 -2025 -** which has highlighted a need for monitoring and controlling feral foxes and cats. The project will enable field officers to take control of these pests.

More information on this project coming to our website soon: www.lowerblackwood.com.au

Healthy Estuaries WA Launches Facebook Page

If you're keen stay up to date with the latest news from DPIRD and DWER's Healthy Estuaries WA program, follow their new **facebook page** - you'll see plenty of local faces on there, plus details of forthcoming programs, workshops and links to useful info.





November Events Coming Up with the LCDC

What? Webinar: Understanding Soil Function and Fertility – Tuesday 14 November (time TBC)

What? Soil Health Workshop with Mark Tupman – Thursday 23 November (time TBC)

What? HEWA Community Science Form – Tuesday 21 November (time TBC)

How? More details on these coming soon to our website: https://lowerblackwood.com.au/our-events/

Want to talk to someone at the LCDC?

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Backyard Buddies

Your monthly guide to pests, weeds and diseases

November 2023

Ants in your plants, and pavers?



Left to right: example of letter with sampled ants. Sampling ants using clear sticky tape. Coastal brown ants (Pheidole megacephala).

Want to know what your problem ants are and how to control them? You've come to the right place.

There are thousands of ant species in Australia, and most are difficult to identify without a microscope and specialist knowledge. There are very effective baits for some species, while others require control using sprays. Other species rarely need any control and can be left alone. Unless you know the species of ant, control can be guesswork, which can waste your time and money, and involve the unnecessary use of pesticides.

By submitting samples for identification, you can learn about the species of ants at your property and how to control them, plus you'll contribute to ant surveillance in WA. Detections in recent years of exotic and problematic species such as the African black sugar ant, red imported fire ant and browsing ant, is a testament to the ability of ants to arrive in WA via freight and cargo. Their rapid detection provides the best chance of eradication and prevents the economic, social and environmental impacts caused by these ants.

For ant identification services, we request that only **dead** specimens are submitted. This will prevent any unintended spread of the ants, whilst keeping the postie happy!

Sampling instructions

- Brush ants into a sealed container, Ziplock bag or collect ants using the sticky side of transparent tape and fix this gently to a piece of paper.
- Place sample in the freezer for 1-2 hours to kill any live ants.
- Label samples with the collection location e.g. backyard, kitchen, bathroom, driveway etc., and include a note with your name, address, contact number and email address.
- Deliver or post to: Pest and Disease Information Service (PaDIS), Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development, 3 Baron-Hay Court, South Perth WA 6151.

Any suspected exotic ant species should be reported for biosecurity screening to the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development.

Further information can be found at agric.wa.gov.au by searching for 'ant control', or by contacting the Pest and Disease Information Service.

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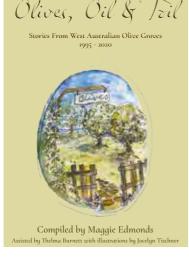
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Hear Ye Hear Ye Hear Ye

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The Management Committee of the Augusta Centennial Hall is very pleased to announce our hall now has a new state of the art sound system thanks to a generous grant from Lotteries West. Under Lotteries West Community Investment framework (bringing people together through the arts, heritage and cultural activities) the committee obtained \$15,000 towards the new system with balance made up from hall hire fees. Local businessman Jon Godden installed the system and assures future hall users the system with be super easy to use and the sound excellent.

The Committee are optimistic the Centennial hall will be used for musical and cultural events taking advantage of the potential of the new sound system. Information related to hall use and hire can be obtained from the

Combined Summer edition of the Pelican Post

The Dec 2023/Jan 2024 combined edition is in the planning stages, please let us know as early as possible of any community events that you know are going to be held over those months, so as to ensure nothing gets missed in this upcoming bumper edition.

> email: editor@pelicanpost.com.au Phone: 9758 0002

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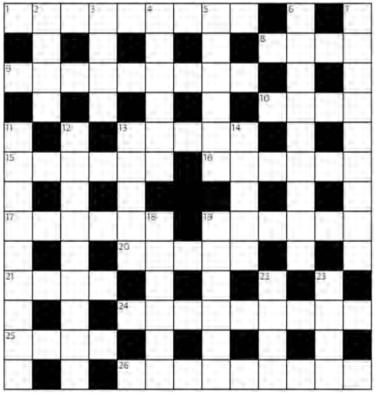
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Sudoku Rules for Complete Beginners

- Use numbers 1-9.
- Sudoku is played on a grid of 9x9 spaces.
- Don't repeat any numbers.
- Don't guess.
- Sudoku is a game of logic and reasoning, so you shouldn't have to guess.
- Use process of elimination

Source:sudoku.com.au

CROSSWORD



TRIVIA

- **1.** Is torpor a synonym for energy or lethargy?
- 2. Robert Boyle is regarded as a founding father of which modern science?
- 3. In which month did World War I end? (Bonus point for naming the month in which it began?)
- 4. Australian driver Oscar Piastri claimed the first podium finish of his Formula 1 career at which grand prix?
- **5.** What is the most common ore of aluminium?
- **6.** In what year did the Tiananmen Square massacre in Beijing occur?
- 7. Krk, Hvar, Rab and Cres are all islands of which nation?
- **8.** Where in the human body would you find the medial meniscus?
- **9.** A carronade is what type of weapon?
- **10.**NH3 is the chemical formula for: (a) ammonia; (b) table salt; or (c) laughing gas?

source:TheSaturdaypaper

Solution can be found on page: 21

ACROSS

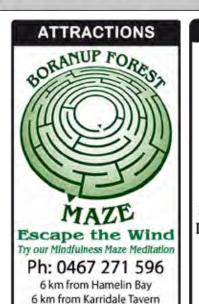
- **1.** Inside (6)
- **4.** Short of money (4,2)
- **9.** Major River of East Africa (7)
- **10.** Raw, inexperienced (5)
- **11.** Steer (anag) (5)
- **12.** Don't say a word (4,3)
- **13.** Form of dancing with robot-like movements (4-7)
- **18.** Appropriate (7)
- **20.** Portion (5)
- **22.** Due (5)
- **23.** Notified of danger (7)
- 24. Main Island of French Polvnesia (6)
- **25.** Refuge (6)

DOWN

- 1. Magician (6)
- **2.** Scholarly books (5)
- 3. In a maladroit manner (7)
- **5.** Bicker (5)
- **6.** "What you propose
- is not going to happen!" (5,2)
- 7. Central American country (6)
- 8. Star of the 1960 film Spartacus (4,7)
- 14. Large flightless bird
- **15.** Marionettes (7)
- **16.** Strenuous exertion
- **17.** Rarely (6)
- **19.** Bullion bar (5)
- **21.** Eulogise (5)

Solutions for Sudoku and Crossword can be found on page: 41

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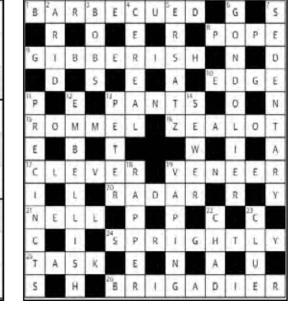
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GROUP	DATE	TIME	EVENT/CONTACT	VENUE		
Anglican Church	Sunday & Wednesday	Sunday 9:30am Wednesday 9:00am	Church Service	St Elizabeth's Church, Allnutt Tce		
Augusta Art Club and Studio Gallery	Tue, Wed & Fri	10:00am- 2:00pm	Art activities	Centennial Hall		
Augusta Bowling Club	Wednesday Thursday	12.30pm 9.00am	Men's Mufti Ladies Bowls	Allnut Tce		
Augusta Bridge Club	Monday	12:15pm for 12:30pm	Weekly Game Trevor 0428 308 330	Historical Soc room		
Augusta Chambers of Commerce	Every 2nd Month	8:30am	secretary@ augustawachamber. com.au	Various locations around town		
Augusta Community Development Assoc	Meet monthly on a Thursday	Please contact for details	Community building, augusta_acda@yahoo. com	Augusta Hotel		
Augusta Community Garden	Open Daily, Members meet Mondays	9.30am	Community visits Gardening/Stall	68 Blackwood Ave (opposite Butcher)		
Augusta Community Nursery	Mondays	8:30am-10:30am	Nursery Work	Front of Lions Shed, Hillview Rd		
Augusta Community Rowing Association	Tuesday & Thursday	9:00am-1:00pm	Wooden Boat Building/ Rowing Skiffs	366 Brockman Hwy, Karridale		
Augusta CWA	1st Wed every month	1:30pm	Monthly Meeting	CWA Hall, Allnut Tce		
Augusta Croquet Club	Monday & Saturday	12:30pm-4:00pm	Golf Croquet Doreen 0428 581 557	Augusta Sporting Complex, Allnut Tce		
Augusta Dru Yoga Group	Wednesday & Saturday	Wed 5:00pm Sat 8:00am	Dru Yoga	Augusta CRC, Allnut Tce		
Augusta Garden Club	3rd Monday every month	1:30pm-3:30pm		See Pelican Post - Garden Gossip		
Augusta Golf Club	Tuesday & Friday Wednesday Saturday Sunday	12:00pm 9:30am 11:30pm 11:30pm	Men's Scroungers Ladies 18 Holes Men's 18 Holes Mixed 18 Holes	Hillview Road		
Augusta Historical Society	3rd Thursday every month	7:00pm	Monthly Meeting	Society Rooms, Blackwood Ave		
Augusta Historical Museum	Daily	1:00pm-4:00pm	Closed Christmas Day/Boxing Day	Museum Blackwood Ave		
Augusta Men's Shed	Mon, Wed and Fri Sat	9:00am-1:00pm 9:00am-12:00pm	Member Shed activities	Men's Shed, Hillview Rd		
Augusta Playgroup	Every Fri during School Term	9:00am-12:00pm	Playgroup for under 5's	Augusta PS, K/P room		
Augusta River and Coast Care	Thursday	8:30am-10:30am	Caring for our Environment	TBA		
Augusta River Festival Inc.	As advertised on FB	6:30pm		Augusta Primary School		
Augusta Spinners & Weavers	Tuesday Thursday	10:30am 7:00pm	Textile Crafts	Centennial Hall		
Augusta Tennis Club	Wed & Sat	2:00 pm	Louise 0439 000 810	Civic Park		
Augusta Ukulele Group	Tuesday	6:30pm	Weekly Meeting Sue Air 9758 0098	CWA Hall.		
Augusta Uniting Church	3rd Tuesday of each month	10:00 am	Monthly Gatherings	Augusta Uniting Church		

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Augusta Yacht Club	Most Sundays as per programme	12:00pm onwards	January – April Call 0419 953 369 for program	Augusta Yacht Club
Berean Baptist Church	Sunday Wednesday	10:00am-11:00am 11:00am - 12:00pm 2:00pm - 3:00pm 10:45am - 11:45am	Bible Study Morning Service Afternoon Service Bible Study	Centennial Hall CWA Hall - MargretR.
Civic Park Golf Club	Wednesday Sunday	May - Nov 9:00am Dec - April 8:00am		Allnut Tce
Coops Cottage Craft	Thursday	12.00pm - 4:00pm	Wool, Fabric & other crafts	Dr John Williams Room, Leeuwin Units
Friends of Cape Leeuwin	Every First Tuesday of the month	8.45am	Revegetation project Paul 0419 940 066	Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse
Hash House Harriers	Monday	4:30pm in Winter 5:00pm in Summer	Walking	See the Newsagency window
Karridale Augusta R.S.L Sub Branch	2nd Thursday/ Month	6:30pm	Monthly Meeting	Augusta Men's Shed, Hillview Rd
Kudardup Bush Fire Brigade	1st & 3rd Thursday each month	5:30pm	Training	Kudardup Fire Shed, Kudardup Rd
Leeuwin Lions Club	2nd & 4th Monday/ Month	7:30pm	Fortnightly Dinner	Augusta Hotel
Paint by Numbers Public Art Group	Project-specific	Please contact for details	Contact paintbynumbers6290@ yahoo.com	Project - specific
St John Ambulance	1st & 3rd Mon Month Friday	7:00pm 8:30am	Training Equipment Checks	Augusta SJA sub centre, Donovan St
Tai Chi Qigong	Monday	10am - 11.00 am	Exercise	CWA Hall.
Together Ministries	Sundays	10:00am-12:15pm	Service	Augusta CRC, Allnut Tce
Volunteer Fire and Rescue Service	1st Tuesday/Month Every other Tuesday	6:00pm – 8:30pm 5:30pm – 7:00pm	Checks & Monthly meeting Checks & Training Drill	Augusta Fire Station, Allnut Tce
Volunteer Sea Search & Rescue	2nd Thursday/Month	5:30pm	Monthly Meeting	Old Rangers Res, Leeuwin Rd

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