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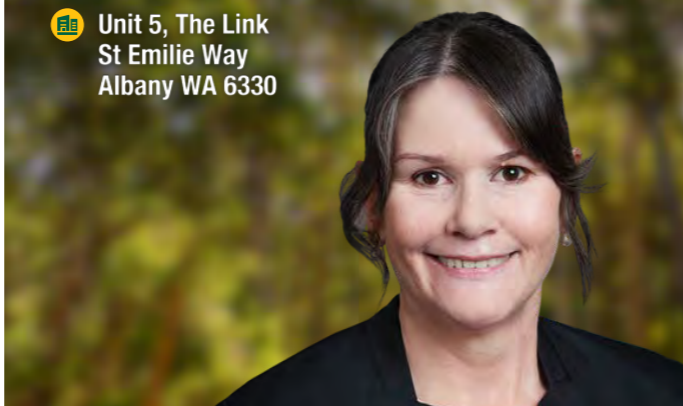
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- Differentiate between risk factors and warning signs
- Capability to be able to implement the SALT suicide intervention strategy
- Identify national and local suicide prevention resources

Date & Time: Thursday, 27 June 2024, 10:00am - 2:30pm
Location: Augusta CRC - Conference Room 66 Allnut Terrace, Augusta, WA 6290
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Wesley LifeForce Suicide Prevention Program gratefully acknowledges the funding provided by the Australian Government

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Augusta Community Resource Centre
Augusta Historical Society Inc.

Walking Together on Tallinup Boodja (Augusta Country)

Learn about our shared ancient & modern history with Zac Webb and the Wadandi Rangers from Undalup Association.

When: Sunday 2 June 2024, 10am to 12pm
Where: Ellis Street Jetty, Tallinup/Augusta
Cost: FREE (registrations required)

Visit: walkingtogethertallinup.eventbrite.com.au

Shire News



Community and Environmental Grant Funding Now Open!

The Shire's 2024 Community Development and Environmental Management grants are now open. If you're thinking of running a community project or event, now's the time to check your eligibility and apply.

There are three grants available:

Category One: Community Development and Events Grants (up to \$10,000 inc GST).

Category Two: Community Development Easy Grants (up to \$3,000 inc GST).

Environmental Management Fund Grants (up to \$44,000 inc GST).

The Community Development and Events and Easy grants aim to support the delivery of local projects and events that foster community resilience, connection, and wellbeing. The Environmental Management Fund (EMF) Grant Program supports projects that achieve local environmental and sustainability outcomes.

Organisations interested in these grants are encouraged to book a one-on-one 20min information session with the Shire's Community Development and Sustainability teams on Tuesday 7 May between 10am to 4pm at the Shire

offices. Call **08 9780 5255** or email communitydevelopment@amrshire.wa.gov.au.

Funding applies to projects commencing from 1 August 2024. Initial applications close at 5pm on 9 June 2024 with some grant types offering additional funding rounds later in the year should any funds remain.

To find out more and download the grant guidelines and application forms go to: www.amrshire.wa.gov.au/grants.

Augusta Recreation Centre

Mixed Netball Comp!

Registrations are now open for a weekly mixed netball competition. Games run every Wednesday from 5:30pm from 24 April to 26 June.

\$56 per team per game, with 7 people in a team.

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What's on

Social Badminton - Now on Tuesdays!

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

Table Tennis

Tuesdays 10.30am to 12pm.
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Pickleball

Monday 10.30am to 12.00pm & 7.00pm to 8.30pm. Thursday 7pm to 8.30pm.

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Strength For Life

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

Hydrotherapy Pool

Tuesdays 8.10am and 8.50am.

Thursdays 8.10am, 8.50am and 10.45am All sessions must be booked in advance.

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



Major Events Grants Now Open!

Applications for the Shire of Augusta Margaret River's 2024-2025 Major Events Grants are now open, with organisations running major events between 1 July 2024 and 30 June 2025 encouraged to check their eligibility.

Major Events Grants aim to support events of State or National significance that attract visitors, generate economic activity, engage the community and promote the region.

Previous recipients of the Shire's Major Events Grants include Augusta Core Big Air Nationals, Margaret River Region Open Studios, the Cape to Cape MTB Stage Race and more!

Applications for up to \$20,000 inc GST will be considered, with those looking to apply encouraged to check their eligibility and apply by the closing date of 17 May 2024.

To find out more about the Shire's Grants Program and to download the Major Events Grants guidelines and application forms visit: www.amrshire.wa.gov.au/grants



What's On in May

Nala Kaatajiin Mia – Augusta & Margaret River Libraries

Toddler Tales

Aimed at Toddlers, this session incorporates a story, rhymes, songs and craft at Augusta Library

When: Thursday 9 May, 10.30am

Where: Augusta Library.

Bookings are essential.

For more information and to book, visit: amrlibraries-toddlerstories-augusta.eventbrite.com.au



Writing with Objects Workshop Led by Dr Gemma Nesbit

Writing workshop in partnership with the Margaret River Readers and Writers Festival

Author and creative writing teacher Dr Gemma Nisbet will offer inspiration and guidance for writing with objects, drawing on her experience of writing the things we live with.

In this workshop she'll cover techniques and approaches adaptable to various genres, with a focus on memoir, autobiography, biography, personal essay, and other forms of life writing.

When: Friday 17 May, 10.30am to 12pm.

Where: Augusta Council Chambers

Cost: Free (registration required).

For more information and to register visit: <https://mrrwfestival.com/tickets/24-writing-with-objects-workshop-led-by-dr-gemma-nisbet/>

Shire Staff Profile

Sally Treloar Customer Service Officer



What does a typical day at work look like?

A typical day at work for me always starts by giving my fellow workmates a friendly 'good morning' greeting. During the day I assist customers in a friendly, professional manner. I always strive for a positive outcome!



Nala Bardip Mia – Margaret River HEART

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Ghostbusters: Frozen Empire (PG)
Tuesday 7 May, 7pm.

Banff Mountain Film Festival World Tour 2024
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LITERATURE

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Friday 17 May to Sunday 19 May.

THEATRE, MUSIC, COMEDY & DANCE

Tender is the Night With Abbe May & Dan Howls
Saturday 4 May, 7pm.

Voice & Drama – A Five Week Adventure with Bec Schofield
Commences Tuesday, 7 May, 3.45pm.

Humans 2.0
Saturday 11 May, 7:30pm.

The Other Side of Me
Saturday 27 April, 7:30pm.

Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow
Friday 24 May, 8pm.

EXHIBITIONS

Canvas of Feeling: Turning Emotions into Art - Marion Cardamone

5 April to 9 May. Monday to Friday, 10am to 4pm.

Visual Stories Art Exhibition & Competition

The power of storytelling and the unique sense of place that is Wadandi Boodja.

1 May to 27 May. Monday to Friday, 10am to 4pm.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

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Mondays, 10am.

Check artsmargaretriver.com for the full program.

What is the best part of your job?

The best part of my job is engaging with all the lovely folk who reside and travel to the Augusta region. I know many of the residents through different paths I have worked within the Augusta Margaret River Shire and it's wonderful to catch up with friendly faces.

What do you love most about Augusta?

What I love about Augusta is the relaxed and beautiful surrounding environment which we can all enjoy!

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR NOT-FOR-PROFIT ORGANISATIONS IN AUGUSTA

The Augusta Community Resource Centre was recently alerted to some changes that the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) is planning on enforcing for not-for-profit organisations from 1 July 2024. It is important for all not-for-profit (NFP) organisations in Augusta to read the below information and seek further clarity from the ATO website relating to your not-for-profit status and maintaining your income tax exemption. You will now be required to complete an annual Self Review Form and filing it with your other organisations records or if applicable, lodge a self-review return online if you operate under an Australian Business Number (ABN).

From 1 July 2023, non-charitable income tax exempt not-for-profit organisations with an active ABN will need to submit online self-review forms to the Australian Taxation Office (ATO) to remain eligible for the exemption. The first return will need to be lodged from 1 July 2024 for the 2023-24 income year. The annual reporting requirement came into effect to enhance transparency and integrity in the system, by ensuring only eligible NFPs access income tax exemption.

Previously, not-for-profits have not been required to provide their self-assessments to the ATO or obtain confirmation of their income tax status. Failure to comply with the new requirement to lodge the form may trigger penalties under the ATO's penalty framework and loss of the not-for-profit's exemption.

Not-for-profits that are also regulated as charities by the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) and have been endorsed by the ATO as income tax exempt will not be required to lodge an online self-review form. Charities have a different review process to not-for-profit organisations that can self-assess their income tax status.

Eligible types of income tax exempt entities

There are 8 categories of income tax exempt entities that can self-assess eligibility for income tax exemption, outlined in Division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997 (ITAA 1997). These are:

- community service
- sporting
- cultural
- educational
- health
- employment
- scientific
- resource development.

NFP organisations must meet the specific criteria and conditions of these categories to be eligible to self-assess as income tax exempt.

How to access and lodge the self-review return if you are a not-for-profit with an active ABN

NFPs that need to lodge the annual self-review return will need to set up myGOVID and RAM and lodge this through Online services for business via the ATO website (www.ato.gov.au) from the 1 July 2024.

Once you have set up myGovID and RAM, you will be able to view the annual self-review return in Online services for business from 1 July 2024.

If a NFP engages a registered tax agent to lodge the annual self-review return on their behalf, the agent can lodge through Online services for agents.

Hard copies of the Self Assessment Forms are available from the Augusta Community Resource Centre. Alternatively, these can also be downloaded from the ATO website www.ato.gov.au.

Looking to hold an event - need a space to suit your needs?

Large hall? Kitchen? Projector? WIFI? Private office space?
Send an email to reception@augustacrc.net.au
or phone 9758 0002.

The Augusta Community Resource Centre can offer spaces at either the CRC, Augusta Centennial Hall, the Uniting Church or the CWA Hall

**UPCOMING
EVENTS**

CHANGE IS AFOOT AT THE CRC

As with life and business, change can be healthy for progress and future growth and the CRC is no exception. Firstly, we would like to say Farewell to our Trainee Allie Halden. As I am sure anyone who has visited the CRC over the past 15 months will know you are always welcomed by the bright and bubbly Allie who will go out of her way to help anyone. It has been a pleasure to watch Allie's skills and experience grow and she has been a delightful (and not so quiet!) member of our team. We wish Allie every success in the future and know she will be an asset to her next employer or a success in her next adventure in life.



It's also great to welcome our new trainee, Taylor Hunt. I am sure you will all make Taylor feel welcome and be patient while she is learning. Taylor has recently moved to town and is keen to call Augusta her home and hopefully beyond while she completes her traineeship in a Certificate III in business and administration. Next time you are passing pop in and say Hi to Taylor and welcome her to our town.

More changes....After over 7years it is also time for me to handover the baton to a new Centre Manager. I have felt very privileged to have worked at the CRC with and amongst great staff and committee and have been given the opportunity to partner with many hard working groups and locals in our Community. As they say "love where you live" and Augusta will still be our home. I would like to thank all those who have not only supported me but also the CRC in our efforts to service the Community. We are in the process of recruiting a New Manager and I am sure you will make our new Manager feel as welcome as you have me.

Regards Carmel



CENTRE MANAGER

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The Augusta Community Resource Centre (ACRC) is seeking an experienced manager to provide strategic leadership and direction to both staff and partners accessing and utilising various services provided by the Centre.

The ACRC is a community managed not-for-profit organisation committed to servicing the regional community of Augusta by providing a diverse range of services to all residing within the surrounding areas. The ACRC works with various stakeholders and partnerships in the delivery of key services to the community.

The successful applicant will provide leadership and manage the day-to-day operations of the CRC. The role includes the overseeing and development of the CRC's strategic and business plans together with related policies, processes and procedures to ensure the Centre operates at its optimum. This includes building and maintaining positive and collaborative working relations with a diverse range of internal and external stakeholders.

A high level of financial acumen and proficiency in compiling information for the Committee of Management is required including the Centre's budget, monthly and end-of-year financial reporting requirements.

Experience or skills required will include substantial management experience including budgetary and financial planning and the competence to prepare funding and sponsorship agreements. The ability to plan, organise and prioritise workloads to agreed timeframes is essential.

To apply for this position please send a confidential covering letter and resume to manager@augustacrc.net.au before the closing date of Friday 10th April May 2024.



Leeuwin Lines

NEW MEMBER INDUCTIONS

Lions were pleased to welcome Barbara Wall and Maureen Gale into the club following a brief induction ceremony and a hearty 'Lions Roar'. Barbara and Maureen, who only moved to Augusta from NSW permanently about 12 months ago, have already become very active in the community and from all reports are making a wonderful contribution.

Barbara has had a long association with Augusta beginning with her parents who were regular visitors for over 50 years. A champion Squash player she won world recognition after winning the British Open and subsequently being inducted into the National Sporting Hall of Fame. Maureen has had a past working life in Events Hospitality and the corporate world and we trust that being inducted into the Lions Club of Leeuwin as part of the International Organisation of over 4,400 clubs worldwide, comprising some 1.4 million members, will provide much the same sense of satisfaction and achievement.

We wish both many years of enjoyable community service.



L -R Sponsor Jim Challis, Barbara Wall, Maureen Gale, President Matt Russell, Richard McKenzie

GRAND OPENING OF SHED COMBINED WITH BIGGEST BBQ FUNDRAISER

On Saturday 13th April, members of the Lions Club of Leeuwin and many of the army of volunteers, gathered for a BBQ at the newly constructed Shed to celebrate its completion, whilst at the same time conducting a fundraiser for the Biggest BBQ campaign held each year by Lions in aid of Childhood Cancer.

Secretary Bill Perry gave a short address commending the club for the work involved in completing this project which was funded entirely by Leeuwin Lions at a cost of \$230K. The additional 260 m2 of floor space will be a huge benefit for the club providing much needed storage for the furniture and second-hand goods so kindly donated by the public. Also, for plant and equipment used weekly for furniture pickups, wood delivery, hire and 'Containers for Change'. The club thanks Ross and Sylvia Newbury for all their work and organisation, along with Bill Perry, Daniel (Music)

and Angeline Kempton (Raffle) and all Lions and volunteers who attended and helped out. Appreciation is also extended to Tony Greipl, Manager of Bendigo Bank (Augusta) for the donation for the raffle of \$150 into a Bendigo Bank account.



Lions Emblem in shed

Photos below show some of the activity on the afternoon.



Ross Newbury and Bill Perry taking a well earned rest



Sylvia Newbury sampling salads



Angeline Kempton on raffle stall



Daniel Kempton on guitar



Mike Walker attending bar



Les Bumbak, Bill Perry admiring Chef Derek Scammell's BBQ skills



Brian Thompson giving Phill Robinson advice



Melanie Vassallo and Tania Scammell approve cooking



Section of crowd gathered in shed

INCOMING 201WA DISTRICT GOVERNOR'S VISIT

On the weekend of the 6/7th April incoming District Governor Mary-Anne Wolfe visited Augusta to inspect the facilities in town for the forthcoming 201WA District Convention which encompasses all of Western Australia. She was met by secretary and convention chairman Bill Perry and shown the entities operated by Leeuwin Lions which included the Augusta Adventure Centre, Bookshop, Toyshop, and Shed complex at Hillview Rd. She later inspected the venues proposed for the various functions that take place over the convention weekend. Joining Incoming DG Mary-Anne and her husband at a breakfast meeting next morning, in addition to Bill Perry, were President Matt Russell and Social committee chair Jim Challis. A number of items and logistics were discussed with very good progress made. Pleasingly incoming DG Mary-Anne Wolfe found all recommendations to be sound and the venues to be most suitable and fit for purpose. A program as proposed is included below and the organisation to make it all happen is underway.

VALE RAY POND

Lions are saddened by the passing of Ray Pond and wish to extend sincere condolences to his family. Ray was a valuable member of Lions and his regular attendance at the furniture shed on Thursday and Saturday mornings added to the great camaraderie enjoyed by all. He was also a long time member of the Men's Shed and as an experienced chef in his working days, gave much of his time and expertise to run cooking classes for the benefit of members and the general public. On several occasions in earlier years when Leeuwin Lions catered for crowds of over 300 people at the Scott River Ball, his help and advice was invaluable. Lion Ray will be long remembered by his many friends in the Lions Club of Leeuwin.

CONVENTION PROGRAM



Advance Notice of WA Convention Dates

Friday 18th October 2024

Registration & Sundowner
Augusta Bowling Club 6:00pm

Saturday 19th 2024

9:00 am Augusta Centennial Hall
6:30 pm Convention Dinner Augusta Hotel

Sunday 20th 2024

9:00 am Augusta Centennial Hall
1:00pm BBQ Farewell Luncheon

Things to do in Augusta.

Sight Seeing – Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse, Jewel Cave, River Walks, Cape to Cape Walks Fishing, Golf, Bicycle Hire, Wineries

Accommodation Suggestions

Augusta Hotel, Georgiana Molloy Motel, Augusta Escape, Riverside Cottages, Turner St Caravan Park, Flinders Caravan Park, West Bay Caravan Park, Margaret River Tourist Bureau Airbnb

Take an extra day or two - enjoy the environment & surrounds!

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HEALTH AND WELFARE

Thoughts and best wishes remain with Lion Gail Robinson who continues ongoing treatment in Perth.





The Tuesday evening sessions have commenced at the Art Club and have been very successful with several people who work during the day coming along, enjoying the company, and inspiring and passing ideas to each other. We look forward to some more people joining us at the club at 6.30pm on Tuesdays. If you require information please call Trisha on 0419 964 214.

The club has celebrated 2 birthdays recently. We had a shared lunch and cake party for Yvonne who is the daughter of the founder of our club, Melvina Russ. Yvonne has kept close links with the club (whilst living away from Augusta) since the 50th Anniversary Exhibition, she has now moved here and joined the club exhibiting for the first time this year and selling a painting (always a good feeling).

Norma reached a significant milestone a couple of years ago and from now on we will celebrate every birthday with a little party and birthday cake. Norma is a life member of the club and has contributed significantly through the years with positions on the committee and making birthday cards for members.

I have noticed a fair bit of playing and experimenting with colour, new materials and techniques recently, always fun to see. Art is not necessarily about starting and finishing a painting but just as much about trying things out and filling sketchbooks with ideas. Last month I wrote about the 'colour' white, this time it is the turn of yellow with 2 examples, one with an unblemished history and another not so.

Firstly Indian Yellow which is still called by that name although it is now a synthetic pigment. Indian Yellow started to appear in Winsor and Newton's range in the 19th Century. It would arrive from Calcutta in India and no-one really knew for sure the source of the pigment although it was reported as

smelling unpleasant. The Society of Arts in London asked an Indian investigator to ascertain what Indian Yellow was made of and the findings were surprising and shocking. In Bihar State in India, cows were fed on an exclusive diet of mango leaves and their urine was collected in buckets to become the pigment in Indian Yellow paint. This method of obtaining the pigment however fortunately did not last long for reasons of animal welfare (the cattle were not happy with their diet and did not live long) Indian Yellow is still available but is made synthetically. It is similar to English mustard in colour and is a transparent pigment.

Yellow Ochre, on the other hand has no murky past, and is made from iron oxide which is widely available in many parts of the world. Historically the best ochre came from Turkey on the Black Sea. The Indigenous Americans were known as Red Indians because they painted themselves with red ochre as a shield against evil spirits.

Australia has the longest continuous painting tradition in the world. Cave painters used the various colours of ochre 40,000 years ago. The north of Australia has been described as a 'quarry of ochres' with a wide range of hues and tones which are perfect for using in Australian landscape painting. The Campbell Ranges in WA have the most sacred ochre mines in Australia and quality ochre is also found in the Flinders Ranges in SA. I cannot categorically say if all ochre and oxide paint these days is made from the natural pigment although I would expect the high end paint companies such as Winsor and Newton probably do source the raw material for their ochres and oxides. Yellow Ochre is an opaque pigment.

The Art Club is open on Tuesday Evenings, and Wednesdays and Fridays from 10am to 2 pm. Visitors are welcome and we have a gallery of works for sale.



It was a warmer than average April for the Tennis and Croquet Club, which provided some ideal playing days for members. Many players are enjoying the noticeable reduction in wind, although the tennis players are now facing the challenge of a lower sun, which can make seeing the ball coming from the northern end of the courts that much harder. Easter was busy as expected with a number of regular, non-resident members and visitors coming down for a hit.

In late March the tennis courts were invaded by the Augusta Primary School when an intrepid group of year 5/6 students took to the courts to hone their tennis skills. By all accounts they had a great time and picked up some new skills. The Club was very pleased to be able to host the group of keen students, and looks forward to seeing them again in the future.

As this issue goes to print the Club is going through the formal process of finalising its first 10 year plan. The push for the plan was initiated at last November's annual general meeting. Both Murray Jorgensen and Julian Gale generously agreed to draft the plan, drawing on their extensive experience with various clubs and the planning process. After solid consultation with members the draft plan was presented to members last week. It is expected that it will be endorsed in coming weeks, and it will provide a solid framework for the Club over the next few years.



Champions of the future. Years 5/6 from Augusta Primary School

It mainly focusses on major works required over the next ten years, including tennis court resurfacing, and croquet court surface improvements, and replacing of court fencing. The plan should help the Club to get funding from relevant bodies, as well as assistance and support from the Shire. The plan will also seek to look at the overall viability of the Club going into the next 10 years.

Both Murray and Julian have completed a high quality, professional plan and are to be congratulated on their draft. It will stand the Club in good stead going forward.

Proudly supported by the Augusta Hotel and Augusta Xtreme Sports.



Bicycle Users Group

Ride to Jewel Cave

The next ride by the group will be on Sunday, May 12th. The ride will be at a casual pace from the Augusta Community Resource Centre to Jewel Cave, via Calkarri Rise and Caves Road - approx. distance of 18kms. All bikes welcome (includes e bikes). Meet at the Resource Centre at 8.15am for a ride start at 8.30am. A rest stop at the Deepdene cafe at the Cave.

Please advise if planning to participate in the ride. Contact - Paul Sofilas 0419 940 066 oceans2meet@hotmail.com

The deadline for submissions to The Pelican Post



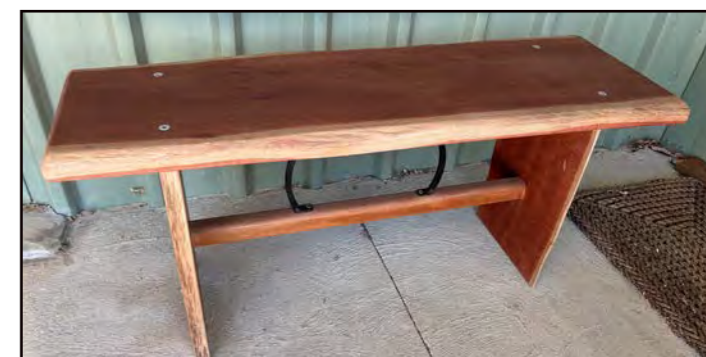
The first quarter of the year has been a very busy time at Men's Shed. There has been metal sculptures and plasma cut coat racks made, solid wood bench seats constructed, chopping boards and chairs renovated and old furniture and lamps given a new lease of life.

Our Whale Tail art installation continues.



Our members are learning new skills with power tools and machinery under supervision with a knowledge and patient group of teachers.

If you are interested in extending your skills at the Shed or starting on a project, then please come and join us. Many of us had no prior knowledge. All people (both male and female) welcome.



Men's sessions- Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9.30am.

Community morning (both men and women)- Thursday morning from 9.30am. Morning tea is 10.30am and you are welcome to come in and have a look at the action.





By KATHY TRITTON

The Augusta Historical Society Inc.

Hello and Happy Birthday to Augusta.

Thursday May 2nd is the 194th anniversary of the arrival of the first settlers to Augusta in 1830. We will be having our annual dinner at the Augusta Hotel and our guest speaker will be Barbara Wall. Barbara has recently returned to Augusta after a long absence and will regale us with stories of her adventures over the last 45 years. This will include one of the highlights of her sporting life when she won the British Open Squash Title in 1979.

Barbara and her wife Maureen have enthusiastically embraced life in Augusta, and she has many amazing memories to share with us. Hope to see you there.

Speaking of memories, we were talking about memorials at our meeting on Thursday 18th April and it is great to see how many we have in our area and beyond.

The Landing Place which marks the landing of the first settlers. Georgiana Park which is the site of the Molloy's first home. Albion House – the site of the Turner home, which was actually the second site for them as originally it was situated closer to the river but was flooded so they moved it higher up the hill. The old

school on Hardy Street. The Pioneer Cemetery, the War Memorial and Nurses Memorial. Further afield the site of the original Karridale on Caves Road. The list goes on.

Memorials are created to remind us of a special place or occasion, but they can also be something as simple as a tree or flower planted in memory of a loved one, family photos and stories or any other personal reminder. They are there to keep the memory alive of a special person or event. Keep your own memorial but also remember why we have the more visible ones. We go past them on a regular basis. Perhaps sometime stop and ponder the reason they are there. Some of them have different meanings to individuals but regardless they are part of the story of our beautiful home.

Our next meeting will be Thursday May 16th, at 7pm. This will be our last meeting until our AGM in September.



Heard on the green

By KAY CHALLIS

As our bowling season draws to a close, we have the results from the last of the competitive bowls to be played.

Last month saw the conclusion of the Ladies Leeuwin League Championships and this month it was the men's turn to shine. The Leeuwin League incorporates players from four clubs, being Dunsborough, Margaret River, Cowaramup and Augusta, and the competition is fierce.

Our local men proved to be very competitive and successful with the following results. Gary Bibby was declared the novice champion. Allan Gordin and Ken Proctor were undefeated to win the Pairs Competition. Owen Rafferty was runner up in the Veterans Singles and Ginger Milentis came 3rd in the singles championship, being beaten on a countback by one shot. Well done to all players.

Many of our members have travelled far and wide this year, covering a good deal of W.A. representing the Club. Whilst they have been very successful in the various competitions the added benefit is in the making of new friendships along the way and being great ambassadors for Augusta. They assure me they have a lot of fun in their travels and that "what happens on the road trip, stays on the road trip".

Corporate bowls unfortunately has also drawn to a close, much to the disappointment of many players. The weather this year was incredibly kind and the warm balmy nights added to the enjoyment for all.

As Mem and Allan Evans decided this year that Europe and Ireland sounded more appealing than corporate bowls in Augusta (the jury is still out on that decision) the competition was organised by Deputies Owen and Gwen Rafferty, with the assistance of the usual competent volunteers.

Everyone voted this summer comp a huge success. So much so that we are planning to run a similar barefoot bowls/corporate bowls short season in October. So, keep tabs on your teams and be ready to roll once again.

The winners of the Corporate Bowls Competition this year were as follows:



2nd Place Winners – Charlie and Ruby Flintoff
L-R Wayne Hadley, Austin Fraser, Bill Reay, John Nutley and Shaun Thom (absent)



L-R Norah Buller, Christine Brown, Margaret Munday and Trevor Buller
And the youngest supporter award goes to James who directed his father's bowls from the bank of the green.

Thanks to all participants for supporting the comp with such good humour. A huge thank you also to our many sponsors, for without your support these events can not take place. We hope participants will support these businesses in return.

See you all on the green next season.



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By *BILL PERRY*
Images by Various

At the time of writing the Rowers have 4 crews training for the Australian 5 which is a virtual race over 5 kilometres on home waters and times recorded on an app. All up there is likely to be some 30-40 crews competing Australia wide. We have competed in this event over the past two years with creditable results.



Stalwart launching

named Stalwart in memory of three of their crew who lost their lives on board the Stalwart in a poisonous gassing incident back in 1985 – a further 60 odd crew members had to be airlifted by helicopter into Darwin Hospital. Needless to say there was a lot of emotion & naval ceremony in the proceedings (uniforms, naval protocol & rum instead of a single malt tippie). There are now 11 St Ayles Skiffs in WA – the largest fleet in Australia.

Zoom appears to be the club's travel representative skiff now having been Collie, Denmark twice, Perth twice and Nannup. Lioness enjoyed an outing over at Pemberton, being the 'bridal boat' for the groom to row his bride across a private dam to the wedding ceremony – all went well.

The constructing of two 'pram dinghies' has commenced now that Zoom has had its annual makeover and Lioness completed. Currently the task is lofting of plans onto the templates. These dinghies are small 8ft tenders that can be rowed and /or sailed - one of which will be raffled as a fund raiser.

We lost one of our founding members and much respected fellow wooden boat builder recently in John Hindle. John will be remembered for his dry sense of humour, his woodworking skills and his many stories he regaled us with at morning tea. Our condolences to Betty and family. Events coming up are again the Molloy Island Big Morning Tea which we have attended over the years on May 3rd and followed next day by a Have a Go Row on the following Saturday morning as part of the Augusta Healthy Festival.

Those interested in rowing and /or becoming involved in wooden boat building, contact us (0400 750967) check out the photo gallery on the website (augustarowers.org.au) & Facebook, recycle your drink bottles & cans to our account.



Lioness at rest on the Pemberton dam

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The opportunity was taken to combine the hosting of Camp Quokka Retreat and the River Festival over the March long weekend at Colour Patch which contributed to the very festive atmosphere. There were a couple of musical buskers and the Stand Up Paddleboard races taking place at the same time. The AYC support boat manned by 'Rocket' was a highlight for some of the Camp Quokka personnel - some have never been in a boat before. The Lions again provided the BBQ lunch at the Lions Park.

Camp Quokka is a WA Lions camp for Type One Diabetics and is hosted at the Leeuwin Lions Adventure Centre in Kudardup. Zoom and crew participated in the launching ceremony of East Fremantle Skiff Assoc skiff 'Stalwart' at the HMAS Perth Memorial facilities on the river in East Fremantle. The skiff was originally built some 8 or 9 years



The scene at the rivermouth on the March long weekend

ago by naval cadets and had been left to the elements before being completely expertly restored by former naval serviceman who served on the HMAS Stalwart. The skiff is



Together Ministries

By *BILL WOODAGE*

What is a Lifeline?

Just imagine you are on the edge of a sheer cliff, and you slip and start to go over the edge. As you fall a quick-thinking person grabs your feet and pulls you back to safety.

A few years ago I was in uniform patrolling Perth Central Railway Station on the upper concourse. A man in his twenties was acting in a strange manner. Underneath the concourse were power lines and train tracks. Suddenly he climbed over the edge to throw himself down in attempt to kill or severely hurt himself. As he started to fall, I just managed to arrest his fall and save him from serious injury. How I managed to grab him and haul him back over, is a mystery even to myself.

Now according to the Word of God, we all fall short. The issue is called sin. The Word of God says the wages of sin is death. But the very good news is that the Lord loves you; His desire is to save you from the fall. He wants all people to be rescued from death and eternal separation from Him.

Do you know that Father God has thrown out a lifeline to you to stop you from falling over the extreme edge? The person who rescues you is His Son, His name is Jesus. You can also hold on to Jesus by faith. To be successful then we need to let go of sin by repentance. There is a Psalm in the Old Testament that says, Test me Lord and try me, examine my heart and mind (Psalm 26:2). So, to repent requires action. The Lord asks all people to repent and to produce good fruit. In other words, allow God to come in and set you free from your sin. Your lifeline is faith in Jesus.

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AUGUSTA BRIDGE CLUB

Winners

Runners up

March 25 th	Graham Shearwood & Trevor Steel	Di Ellis & Edie Williams
April 8 th	Di Ellis & Edie Williams Lyn Leonard & Merione Wilson	Beth Johnson & Mal Johnson
April 15 th	Graham Shearwood & Trevor Steel Di Ellis & Edie Williams	Beth Johnson & Mal Johnson

The game of Bridge has a special charm. For some, recreation and relaxation, for others, stimulation and a challenge. Bridge sharpens the mind and is easy to learn, with straight-forward rules.

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We are a small, friendly bunch who meet on Monday afternoons in the Hall next to the Historical Museum on Blackwood Avenue.

If you have not played before, lessons can be arranged. If you have, and are a bit rusty, we can sharpen you up.

Come along and try us out - phone Trevor 0428 308330
email:captsealake@bigpond.com



LET'S CELEBRATE

Do you know someone in the local area that has a birthday coming up? An important anniversary? Or a newborn baby? Drop us a line and send in a photo to editor@pelicanpost.com.au and we will publish it for free and help you celebrate.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND AUGUSTA

May 2024



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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
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STICKING UP FOR INNOVATION - Introduction to Biomimicry

By JAY HARMAN

More than 50 percent of the world's tropical trees have been cut down in the past 50 years. In the last 200 years, more than half of all Australian and U.S. indigenous forests, together with untold species of flora and fauna, have disappeared. Europe achieved much the same over the last 300 years, and "skinning the earth," as some native peoples call it, is well under way in the Amazon and Southeast Asian rain forests. Imagine if we permanently destroyed 90 percent of the knowledge in our libraries, universities, laboratories, and museums; it would be a catastrophe. What vast information have we already lost from nature that we scarcely paid attention to? With continued extinctions, what do we lose? The 400,000 species of flowering plants and trees on earth and under the sea hold an enormous library of nature's technologies and the solutions we desperately need for our existential challenges.

Perhaps the simplest of all lessons to learn from plants is the pattern of their sap flow. It can teach how to pump water a hundred metres up (in the case of the tallest trees) without any muscles or effort on the plant's part. The branching geometries of tree limbs and leaf veins; the trachea, nervous system, and veins of animals; and the tributaries of rivers all share the same strategies for optimum efficiency. In just one such strategy, researchers have confirmed that if they joined pipes in a more natural branching pattern, instead of in the usual right-angle joints humans have used for five thousand years, they saved 12 percent of the energy normally required to pump water through them. When you consider that pumps currently use almost 30 percent of the world's electrical energy each year, 12 percent is truly significant. It equates to billions of dollars in energy and millions of tons of carbon dioxide emissions annually.

Load-bearing or protective structures—such as trees, bones, shells, horns, and eggs—are optimized by nature to give the greatest strength while minimizing the energy and materials used to create them. Trees add wood to points of greatest mechanical load by arranging their fibers in the direction of the flow force. By adopting these techniques, engineers have created software programs that grow stronger, more lightweight structures without sacrificing safety. For example, car parts and entire cars designed with these principles have resulted in new vehicle designs that are at least as crash safe as conventional cars but up to 30 percent lighter, with resultant increase in energy efficiency.

Grass is also structured not to stress. As biomechanics researcher Steven Vogel of Duke University describes, "If a grass leaf is split or notched, it does tear more easily but only in proportion to its reduced cross-section; there's no sign of any significant stress concentration. Do your worst to a grass leaf; it just doesn't go along with attempts to tear it crosswise." If we could mimic the stress-resistant properties of a single blade of grass, we could build stronger, lighter fabrics for use in applications like giant sports stadiums, truck tarpaulins, tents, and even the Navy SEALs' inflatable boats.

Smart fabric designers are also learning from the "pine cone effect," since pine cones close up when wet and open again when things dry out. Most fibers, on the other hand, swell up when they get wet, like wool fibers that can expand 30 percent. This traps moisture and increases discomfort. INOTEK fabric, designed in London, does the reverse. Its fibers shrink when wet and the action opens microscopic air pockets to let moisture out. When the fabric dries, the fibers return to their regular thickness, keeping air out and warmth in.

Architects are leaders in the biomimetic adaptations of plants and trees. For example, there are no square trees—for good reason. Wind increases in force the higher you go above the ground. As wind pushes on one side of a tall building, it creates a type of suction on the opposite side. Skyscraper architects usually deal with this challenge by adding extra support structures, but copying nature greatly reduces the wind forces that act on square or rectangular buildings by allowing air to better flow around the structure while providing greater structural strength—with reduced materials.

Studies on saguaro cactus by the Center for Turbulence Research at Stanford University confirm that these tall, shallow-rooted plants are exceptional at relieving pressure from powerful desert winds. Studies on seaweeds find the same properties in water. It stands to reason that future industrial applications requiring high strength-to-weight ratios and reduced materials, weight, and drag—such as smokestacks, bridge piers, and aircraft spars—would copy natural designs. Overall weight of pilings can be significantly lowered, further enhancing strength and reducing costs.

When architect Layla Shaikley contemplated the challenge of housing astronauts on Mars, she turned to an unusual source of bio-inspiration. The durian fruit is highly prized among many for its texture and taste. However, I've seen it banned from Asian hotels because of its phenomenal, overpowering stench. A popular feature at Southeast Asian weddings and celebrations, the durian is mildly psychotropic, though consuming it with alcohol can be fatal—a real party spoiler. However, it does have a structurally unique, semi-rigid skin design, which inspired Shaikley in the creation of an inflatable building that protects against harsh elements while providing nonreinforced rigidity. As she says, "In the durian fruit, seeds serve on the inside as individual units, yet function as a whole to hold adjacent seeds in place. Likewise, the interior of my inflatable superstructure houses a series of individual pressurized volumes that provide space at an individual level, yet work as a unit to provide shelter in a highly prescribed environment like that on Mars."

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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.



Healthy Living Festival

May 2024 - in Augusta

FRIDAY 3rd May - Augusta Bowling Club Open Day
Social Bowls and sausage sizzle, including vegetarian option
\$10 adults, \$5 kids - 4:30 to 7:30pm

SATURDAY 4th May - Skiff Tryouts
Augusta Rowers welcomes all newcomers to have a go. Free of charge.
Meet at Turner Street Jetty - 10am to 12pm

SUNDAY 5th May - Stand up Paddleboard Lesson
\$10pp, age: 12 years and above. Meet at Turner Street Jetty - 9 to 10:30am.
Contact Nicki Jones on 0430 441 600 to reserve your place.

changed to 18th May FRIDAY 10th May - 80s Musical Bingo Night at the Augusta Hotel
Come on down to the pub for a great time and the chance to win some awesome prizes.
Every player has a chance to win! Dinner from 5 to 7pm. Bingo from 7 to 9pm (\$5)

FRIDAY 17th May - Harnessing our Emotions & Moods for a Healthier Mindset
A talk with coach Janine Warden followed by a delicious lunch at the CWA Hall
\$5 including lunch, limited spots - 11am to 2pm

SATURDAY 18th May - Community Yoga Class at Georgiana Park
Free Event - 9 to 10am. Bring a mat or towel
Contact Nicki on 0430 441 600 to reserve your place.

SUNDAY 19th May - Augusta Community Garden Day
Swap, Shuffle, Share - Bring produce from your garden to swap and share.
Free event - 9 to 11am
Cooking Demonstration & Lunch with Jill Walker from The Healthy Lifestyle Community Program (Limit 20 people, \$10pp) - 11am to 1pm

FRIDAY 24th May - Community Yoga Class
at the J20 Flow Yoga Studio - free event - 8am.
Contact Nicki on 0430 441 600 to reserve your place.

FRIDAY 24th May - Movie Night 'SING' at the Augusta Primary School
Bring a picnic and a comfy chair and enjoy a family friendly evening.
A fundraiser for the school P&C (\$10 adults, kids free) from 5pm

SATURDAY 25th May - 'Wellness Day' at the Centennial Hall
9 to 10am: Seniors Yoga with Ashlea Wilken (\$5)
10:30am to 12pm: Acro Yoga Workshop with Sari Bennett and Amy Hastie (\$10)
1 to 3pm: Gut Health Cooking Class with nutritionist Anna Dooley (\$10)
3:30 to 4:30pm: Connecting our mind, body and spirit with Sara Jane Taylor (\$10)
5 to 6:30pm: How to heal holistically with Suzy (\$10)

SUNDAY 26th May - Surfing Lessons at Jays Beach
Margaret River Surfing School (\$20 special, all ages from 7 years old) - 9am to 1pm
Contact Jarrad on 0401 616 200 to book your spot.

FRIDAY 31st May - Edible Gardens Competition + Documentary
'Kiss the Ground' at the Augusta CRC 10am to 12pm

SUNDAY 2nd June - Blessing of the Fleet - at the Augusta Marina - 9am

Tickets and full program information
www.augustapresents.com.au
or call the Augusta CRC on 9758 0002





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NEXT MEETING:

Our next meeting will be on Thursday May 9, 5.30pm at the Augusta Hotel – find us in the Conference Room or Miners’s room... come along and get involved!

BABY TENARDI!

ACDA is excited to congratulate Carolyn, Greg, Kenya and Barbara on the safe and joyous arrival of baby Angus – our littlest ACDA member!

CONVERSATIONS: TAALINUP AUGUSTA – NIGHT CALLING – OWL FRIENDLY AUGUSTA – THIS SATURDAY May 4, 4pm at Augusta Hotel

We are pleased to host Boyd Wykes who will be speaking and presenting “Night Calling”, the documentary from local filmmaker Sue Taylor, which sold out its opening night at the Margaret River HEART. The documentary explores the Owl Friendly journey in saving our majestic Masked Owl and other predators from rodenticide so far – which so many of our community have been a part of! Tickets available at Humanitix.com or on the door, \$10/\$5, with proceeds to Augusta Wildlife Rescue.

VALE DAVE BELL:

Dave has rescued and cared for countless creatures in our community as part of his volunteer work with Kerry and the Wildlife Rescue Group. Our deepest condolences to Kerry. Our community and our wildlife are in a better place for having known Dave’s tireless, friendly community spirit.

DEVELOPMENT PROPOSAL: CORNER BLACKWOOD & ELLIS

Check out the exciting proposed renovation of the South-eastern corner of Blackwood and Ellis on the Shire’s website! Café, Exhibition Centre and Cottage Industry

The proposal includes:

- 49 seat café/restaurant located on upper (ground) floor, addressing Blackwood Avenue
- 40sqm of exhibition centre and industry cottage use, located in undercroft floor used for display and sale of artistic goods, art classes, and manufacturing of artistic goods
- Demolition of rear portion of existing building and roof covering
- Construction of new commercial studio over 2 storeys in the vicinity of the rear of the lot and demolished portion
- The refurbishment of the existing café extends to the rooftop around the double height void of the studio below to create amenity for the café and patrons

WHALE TAIL SHOW AND TELL – JUNE 2

Put this in your calendar! The incredible whale tail which the Augusta Men’s Shed and the Paint By Numbers group have been working on IS ALMOST READY! We will be showing the whale tail before it goes on a journey to Perth for galvanising, and raising funds to top up the Men’s Shed coffers. They have worked tirelessly to bring this incredible 6-metre high metal sculpture to life, spending many hundreds of hours nutting out every curve, taking up a huge space in the Shed, and buying materials and equipment along the way to progress this ambitious project. Whilst the shire has generously contributed \$5000 and installation costs at its plinth in the Colourpatch Lions Park, you will see it is worth many many times more than that to our community. Come and check it out as part of the UNDALUP Whale Welcome in the Ellis st Jetty precinct on Sunday morning of June 2, 10-12, weather permitting!

EXPLORATION MINING:

ACDA has received endorsement from the Environmental Research Group of Augusta, The Leeuwin Group, Nature Conservation Margaret River and MRBTA For its request to the Minister for Mines and Petroleum to refuse a huge exploration mining tenement in our region. If you want to add your support to our submission, please get in contact by May 18.

SYNERGY SCOTT RIVER WIND FARM FEASIBILITY:

ACDA has requested a community meeting with Synergy to better understand the proposed Scott River Wind Farm, its risks to the potential surrounding land, residents and environment, the energy benefits and its visibility from Augusta and surrounds. We are waiting for more information to become available to answer questions, so please get in contact if you would like to attend and include your questions.

STREETScape:

ACDA understands that its submission to shire regarding the streetscape it has worked hard on to resolve safety and amenity issues counted for “1 vote” in the recent survey regarding streetscape options. We will continue to work with the Shire to assist in resolving the residual safety and accessibility issues we set out to tackle two years ago, some of which prevail in its proposed design. We apologise unreservedly if anyone felt the submission so many contributed to would hold any more weight, and encourage the community to be aware of the proposed design, and contact Steve Schreck at the shire if they have any feedback.

CAPERS:

Due to some extenuating circumstances, ACDA has allowed an extension to its DLGSC grant until the end of 2024. Stay tuned - we look forward to bringing a high-quality result to the community.

ED CONNECT – VOLUNTEER AS A MENTOR:

There is not a single boring adult in greater Augusta, and it takes a village to raise a child - did you know that Augusta and Karridale Primary Schools are looking for mentors? With only a small amount of time – about an hour a week for a minimum of 2 terms - you could help round out the life experience of a local kid. Have you ever thought about all the adults who contributed to your childhood? That inspired you? Challenged you? Opened you up to new experiences, music, sports, vocations, philosophies? Have a think about it... then call Karen Barden at Ed Connect on 0438 028 646, or check out edconnectaustralia.org.au to find out more!

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 wacking 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

PLANNING 101: NATURAL GROUND LEVEL

With all the building going on around the place, a lot of people are asking – how high is allowed, and from what point? For developments, a ground level is established during the approvals process. For other new residential builds, unless there is a previously approved ground level change, our shire uses the historical ‘natural ground level’ as its starting height, no matter what the block shape or slope. It is fine to build up a block’s height, but you must have a permit, regardless of whether you plan to build. In most areas in greater Augusta, the building height can reach 8 metres from natural ground level, but there are some areas where caveats restrict this further. If in doubt, check with the Shire’s planning team!

Augusta Golf Club

augustagolfclub.com.au



Brett Symons

It’s been a busy few months at the Augusta Golf Club with our Ladies Summer Competition coming to an end and planning the golfing calendar for 2024. It was a very tight race at the end to see who would win and Judith Wilton ended up defeating Eve Nielsen by a mere .17 of a stroke. This was after a 17 week competition. The glorious weather made for great golf over summer but we’re now all hoping for plenty of rain to fill the dams again.

An important initiative over summer was the introduction of the “Get into Golf” clinics for beginners and we commenced our first clinic for women on the 27th of January under the direction of PGA Professional Shani Waugh from Capel. We embarked on a six week program with 8 very keen women. The Clinic was a great success and the new members are affectionately known as the “9 Hole Ninja’s”.

We would like to acknowledge the amazing support that the club received from Golf WA and in particular their Regional Club Support Officer (South West and Lower Great Southern) - Brett Symons. “Get

into Golf” was an exciting undertaking but also daunting for the club as we were heading into new territory. Brett was incredibly supportive and managed to secure a great deal of equipment, including golf clubs and balls. Most of the equipment was donated by members of the Karrynup Country Club through the Golf WA “Sticks for the Stix” Program. A big thank you to the Karrynup Country Club.

With Brett’s guidance the club was able to secure a \$9,000 grant. Our “Get into Augusta Golf” program is now sponsored by the WA Golf Foundation. The next clinic for women will commence on Saturday morning, the 4th of May and we’re happy to say that we already have a full contingent of 10 very keen new lady golfers enrolled for the four weeks of instruction.

Our third program in 2024 will be for men so stay tuned for the date that will be announced shortly.

Joyce Challis - Augusta Golf Club Legend

Augusta legend Joyce Challis joined the golf club in 1957 and is the only foundation member still playing. It was a slow start for Joyce as initially she would just caddy for her husband Harold and she was busy looking after the children. Harold and his brother’s were part of the incredible team of volunteers from the community who worked to develop what is now a wonderful 18 hole Sand Green Course. Joyce remembers very clearly the day she decided to pick up a club and have a go and realised with her hockey background that she could actually hit a pretty mean ball!! There was no stopping her and 67 years later, Joyce is still going strong. At the age of 87 (soon to be 88) and a handicap of 35, you would be making a big mistake to take Joyce lightly in a head to head contest. Joyce recently won the Summer Eclectic 30+ division and is happy to boast about her hole in one, winning the Mixed Foursomes Championship with her son Graeme and the Ladies Foursomes Championships with Mary Collier.

Happy golfing Joyce and a big thank you from all of us for your dedication to the club over so many years.



The Augusta Golf Club welcomes all golfers and we invite you to join in one of our many competitions held throughout the week.

Wednesday Morning Ladies 9 and 18 hole comp - Saturday Afternoon Mens 18 hole comp
Mixed Competition - Sunday Afternoon and
Mens 9 Hole Scroungers Comp on Tuesday and Friday afternoons



Garden Gossip

By SUSIE BUTCHER & PAULA HIGGINSON
Images by Paula Higginson

I'm keeping an eye out for the weather to break so our gardens can start getting some much-needed rain. Since May 2023 this has been the lowest period of rainfall since 1900, and therefore our gardens are really suffering. Even the hardiest Australian Natives are struggling to stay alive as the normal water table is too low to help them out.

Like most of us, I prepared the garden beds with mulch and wetting-agent last year with the hope that nature would help me out from time to time with a good old downpour! Unfortunately this was not meant to be, and so I am still spending up to two hours every other day trying to give some relief to parched plants and soil. I think we should all get together and start doing a rain dance to get the heavens to open up and do what they do best and give us a few days of solid rain.

This month we were off visiting a local permaculture business called Fair Harvest and here is Paula Higginson's report:

Fair Harvest is set in three hundred and sixty acres, divided into three lots. The business uses 100 acres consisting of a eucalyptus plantation, dams, a permaculture setup, sheds, yoga barn, chooks, geese, cows, composting bays, cafe and campgrounds. Business-owner Jody, took us on a guided tour of the workings of the property. Working with the principles of permaculture, the business utilises land, resources, people and the environment and produces zero waste. Fair Harvest provides workshops on permaculture, yoga sessions in an amazing, restored barn and a cafe for lunches (with food made, as much as possible, from home-grown produce).

Even though they have had little, to no, rain in the past few months and only the necessary plants are being watered, Fair Harvest still maintains a cool and calming place to visit.



Seat of hay bales



Vincent in front of Cacti



Lots of veges



Paula eating plum



Goosy-Goosy Gander

PLEASE NOTE:
Our next meeting will be on TUESDAY 21st MAY at Gathered Organics 401 Wallcliffe Road Margaret River at 10.30am. If you wish to carpool please be behind the CRC no later than 10am.

Gardening tip for May:

May is the perfect time to prune trees and taller shrubs. This not only opens the foliage to allow winter rain to penetrate the soil evenly, but it makes them less prone to storm damage - foliage loss and broken branches - caused by seasonal winds.



Augusta Wildlife Care W.A. Inc
Rescue, Rehabilitation & Release
of Australian Wildlife

As most people now know, my husband Dave Bell has passed away.

This will affect my wildlife caring for some time and I ask people to either take the animals or birds they rescue to the Station Rd Veterinary Hospital in Margaret River, or to the Veterinary Clinic in Augusta on Thursdays.

Anyone who finds a fauna needing care should put it in a box with air holes. It should not be given water or food. If you cannot get to the vet within about 12 hours, you could offer it water, but only small amounts at a time.

It may be an idea to put a note on Augusta Community Facebook Page asking if anyone is going to Margaret River, who could transport the fauna to the Vets. The vet will not charge you for taking it in.

Dave and I worked as a great team helping the fauna that came to us, and I hope I can resume my caring somewhere down the track. Please continue to make water available to the wildlife.

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MARGARET RIVER VETERINARY HOSPITAL
Phone 08 97572163

AUGUSTA VETERINARY, THURSDAY ONLY
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Thank you for your understanding.

Love to you all.
Kerry Bell

Augusta Wildlife Care Committee Members, and all Members, extend heartfelt sympathies to Kerry and family, friends and loved ones during this difficult time.

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By ROD CLEMENT
Images by Rod Clement

Pond who was one of the old Augusta Yacht Club crew. He was sailing at the AYC in the early 2000's on his catamaran and then he took to sailing Ponderer, a Court 550, with Mal Johnson.



Ray served for Australia in the RAAF in Vietnam, Thailand and Malaysia where he served as a chef. After he retired from the RAAF he taught at William Anglis College and then TAFE, training apprentices in hotel and restaurant cooking studies. Ray was behind the Gunfire breakfasts and lunches on ANZAC Day that so many Augusta people enjoyed. The Augusta Yacht Club were roped into the catering on these days, a chore that no-one didn't enjoy, started solemn but by lunch time it was just good fun, plus it made some good money for the club. Ray was also a stalwart when it came to the Molloy Island Bush Fire Brigade. Volunteering for nearly ten years and was a valuable member, always available when needed. He was the same at the AYC, a really good worker and would be in everything that was going on. Ray and Mal sailed Ponderer, not the fastest boat but it got around the course every time. I, as the handicapper, had the pleasure of awarding a couple of first places and a few second and thirds to them over the years. When they won it was smiles for miles, Ray with his cheeky grin and Mal happy as. Later on Ray sailed with his good friend Peter Compton on F-Troop. I hadn't seen Ray for over a year and then saw him twice in a week. It was great to have a yack with him about the sailing and the club. Then only a week later we all heard that he had passed away, so sad. Condolences to the family. RIP Pondy you were a beauty. The last day of March turned out to be a ripper, a nice 12 to 15kns from the Southwest after the last two weeks of horror Southeasterlies. We welcomed back Warrigal to the fleet

for two club championship heats. It was a good start with all boats in it, Pigs Might Fly led upwind and most of the next leg until Redback took the lead. Big Red Dwarf and Warrigal were seriously fighting for third. In the end it was Redback fastest by a couple of minutes, Pigs Might Fly second and Warrigal third by seconds from Big Red Dwarf. The second race start was a mixed bag, Redback broke the start, giving the rest a good lead down the first leg. Warrigal and Big Red were out in front, Pigs Might Fly had lost her usual pointing ability so it didn't take long for Redback to come charging past her and set her sights on the leading duo. By the last lap Redback and Warrigal were at it and that's how it finished, Red Dwarf third.



The the next weekend was a washout with a 25 to 30kns southeasterly wind greeting all sailors. The 14th of April was a much better day, 10 to 12kns breeze and the monohulls had boosted their numbers with Protocol out on the water. Redback took out Pigs Might Fly on the start, Warrigal, Big Red Dwarf and Protocol were bunched tight throughout the whole race. Pigs might Fly closed in on Protocol on the down wind leg and passed her through the gibe on the reach only to have Protocol get back in front to the finish. Really good fun racing. Redback first and fastest, Warrigal and Big Red Dwarf taking the other placings. Race two had the fleet bunched all the way. Once again Redback led the way, Warrigal, Big Red and Protocol were in a hooting dice for the points in the last championship race of the season and Pigs Might Fly was struggling to keep up. Redback won by a couple of minutes, Warrigal just pipped Protocol and a fast finishing Big Red Dwarf forth and Pigs My Fly last. There were only two cats out on the water for the day, Catatonic won the first race and Frisky took the second. Next week is the last catamaran championship races so a bit of practice never goes astray.

As usual special thanks goes to the volunteers in the starting box and rescue boat crew, cheers.

WHY IS EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE IMPORTANT TO AUGUSTA KIDS?

GIVING ALL KIDS A HEAD START IN LIFE

The size of a child's brain reaches 90 per cent of an adult's by the age of five. These early years are critical for lifelong learning and well-being. Talking, reading, playing and singing with babies and toddlers is so important in shaping thinking and emotional patterns for life and influencing learning, relationships and resilience. (credit: thanks Thrive by Five)

The importance of this development and learning process is often under-recognised - some people view early childhood centres as only a child-minding service for parents returning to work. Whilst we recognise the importance of childcare for young working families, we know that this project is bigger than that. This service can provide early detection of speech and hearing concerns, parenting support, respite for parents to attend appointments, study or volunteer, and connection with other community programs. We believe that every family, regardless of the postcode in which they live, should have the choice of accessing early childhood education if it suits their child. We recognise that for some children, this can have an amazing influence on their future learning and success.

JOIN OUR WAITLIST FOR 0-4 YEAR OLDS THIS INFORMATION WILL ALSO BE VITAL IN ASSISTING WITH EXTRA FUNDING FOR THIS COMMUNITY RUN ESSENTIAL SERVICE.

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Leeuwin Kids Vacation Care

April 2024 School Holidays

Thanks for your support these holidays, we hope everyone enjoyed the holiday program. Feedback and suggestions for next time are welcome - please get in touch by email below. We love providing this service for our community and we are already working on ideas for the winter holidays!

Enrol early for our next holiday program:

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Dear Parents, Students, Families and Staff.

GRIP Student Leadership Conference

What a fantastic conference for our student leaders to attend. The GRIP conference discussed the strategies needed to develop our students into future leaders, and the qualities they will need to begin instigating change in their school and community. The student leadership group walked away feeling inspired and have already met with Mr Kehoe to discuss initiatives they would like to develop around the school, and ways they can be involved in the community. Thank you to Mrs Hardegon for organising the event.



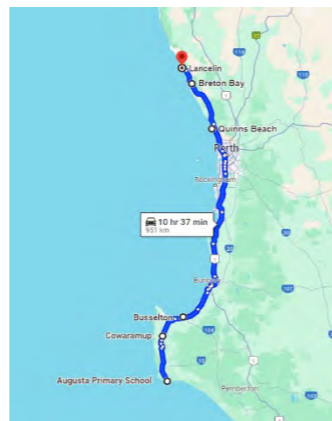
Appreciation Posts

A big thank you to Birchy from Down South Mini Earth Movers for coming in on his weekend to add to our jumps sandpit ready for the Interschool. It looked amazing and made for a fantastic day of competition. We couldn't have run it as smoothly without your help. Thank you to Dave Schlueter for repairing the damaged posts at the front of the school. Dave made two trips to the school in order to fix them and make sure they are safe for the kids in the community. Thank you!



Running Club

The Running Club Wolf Pack have made it all the way to Lancelin, where they will now have a rest over the holiday break!



Interschool Athletics



Well done to our students who participated at the Interschool Jumps, Throws and Athletics Carnivals this week. They all demonstrated amazing sportsmanship and put in phenomenal efforts.

Congratulations to Edie Pengelly who earned the Year 4 Champion Girl Award, and Cleo Jackson who was Year 6 Runner Up Girl, and to our Spirit of the Sport Award Winners Kaylee Gilbert and Tilly Beck.

Year One Visit to the Augusta Library

On Thursday 21 March, Year 1 students had the opportunity to visit the Augusta Library. Rachael Drummond's welcoming and informative approach made the visit engaging and memorable for the students. We would like to thank The Shire of Augusta Margaret River and Rotary Club of Margaret River, for the Reading Rabbits pack.



Hello!



Karridale Primary School News



SHARE YOUR LIFE SKILLS



Above: Do you have skills you can share with our students?

We're excited to welcome our first volunteer mentors to our **EdConnect Australia** program—but we'd love more people in our community to share their life skills, interests and experiences with students at our school.

Everyone has something to offer—but what does this look like? Well, you might be handy and make things from wood, build or repair mechanical objects or bikes, sew or knit clothes or rugs. You may be great in the kitchen, handy with a trowel, enjoy board games, a creative crafter, a sudoku wizard, or a jigsaw puzzler—all of these skills are valuable and will help make a difference to young people's lives.

EdConnect Australia helps to connect positive and trusted role models with our students. If you can offer one hour per week during school terms, with flexibility for your personal life, then get in touch with us today! You can volunteer at our school as either a mentor or in learning support. Mentors work face-to-face with the same student. Whereas Learning Support volunteers help students in the classroom and provide much needed support to teachers.

To learn more about **EdConnect Australia** please contact us on 9781 5150 or visit www.edconnect.australia.org.au

FULL MOON BEACH RUN

Kiran Gibbon, one of our teachers, recently travelled a few kilometres, but it wasn't by car! He ran the Sandman 50 - a 50km beach run starting at Old Dunsborough Jetty, running 25km to Busselton Jetty on the beach, then back to Old Dunsborough Jetty. He'd previously entered the event in 2019 as a duo with his father but decided to "give it a crack solo!"

Kiran says the event is quite unique and it's kept relatively quiet amongst the community (maybe because the start time was 2.30am!), though it appears to attract more participants each year. An interesting aspect of this event is that it doesn't adhere to a fixed date on the calendar. The run is planned around ocean tides being at their lowest, coinciding with a full moon. These conditions offer the benefits of firmer sand to run on, milder air temperatures, and some incredible views across Geographe Bay!

Kiran said he could barely move at the end of the race, but really enjoyed the experience of running the full 50km distance. He recommends this event to people who enjoy running long distance, or those who wish to set a new goal to work towards in life.

Right: Primary teacher achieved the Sandman 50 beach run.



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In focus – diagnostic photography



Head front and lateral views of an exotic black imported fire ant (*Solenopsis richteri*) worker, focus stacked with a stereomicroscope and dedicated high-resolution digital camera.

Imaging technologies have evolved significantly over the past decade in terms of image resolution, quality, and magnification. It's easy to observe these changes just by looking at the continuous advancements in digital cameras and mobile phones. Less apparent to many is the progress made in macro and micro photography, significantly enhancing the ability to identify invertebrates, fungi, bacteria, and other subjects.

Modern software has evolved too. One such development is a process called 'focus stacking'. Multiple images, focused at different distances are combined, or 'stacked' to form a single, fully focused image. The images featured in this article were produced through focus stacking, making complex diagnostic features easily identifiable.

Our subject

The ant photographed is about 3 mm in length. This species is not present in Australia and is of biosecurity concern. To identify this species, diagnosticians (aka taxonomists) need to be able to see its microscopic features, which include a 2-segmented waist and 10-segmented antennae, with the last 2 segments forming a distinct club.

To get a bit more technical, a characteristic seen only among the 2 species of imported fire ant, is the median tooth centred along the front edge of the clypeus, which is flanked by 2 lateral teeth. The clypeus is one of the plates that form the "face" of an insect.

The digital advantage

Having digital reference material provides so many advantages. Photographing living specimens prior to curation allows for the full colour spectrum of a species to be captured and permanently recorded. Preserved specimens can lose their colours over time, for example, the eye colour of dragonflies and fruit flies fade shortly after they die.

Diagnostic imaging can facilitate fast-tracked identification as photos may be shared directly with specialists across the globe. This is particularly useful when local experts are not available or further verification is required. Utilising diagnostic photos also reduces the need to send specimens and helps safeguard them from damage and loss.

When communicating about the various pests or diseases that are present in WA or highlighting those to look out for, being able to show them in the environment, and the damage they cause is essential. Our department's imaging specialist helps to do this by creating high-quality digital products. Many of which are available on the Pest and Disease Image Library (padil.gov.au) and are featured on our website and communication products like posters, factsheets, and videos.

Flash or not?

If you have taken a photo of something you don't recognise and it's not as flash as the ones featured in this article, don't worry! Please still report it. Photos and the information provided with them help us screen for pests and diseases of biosecurity concern.



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Beyond Sustainable

Meet the local farmers looking to regenerate their land for a healthier, happier future.



As part of our Regenerative Agriculture in Practice 2023 project we catalogued the motivations, challenges & experiences of a number of local farmers who are incorporating regenerative farming principles into the way they run their daily operations.

Over the next few months, we will be sharing some of their stories with you - some are just at the beginning, others are some way down the track but regardless of where they are at, we are sure that you will find them just as interesting and inspiring as we have. Read on for our third Case Study for the project:

Little Wychwood Farm, Karridale WA

Little Wychwood Farm is owned and managed by Dayna Reynolds and William (Bill) Macintosh. They are both first generation farmers and are bring their career skills to their Little Wychwood Farm adventure.

Dayna and Bill are experimenting with the ideal breed to supply their cheese dairy. They are currently running a cross breed, starting with UltraWhite ewes and crossing those with an East Friesian Ram. They are aiming for the best of both worlds - high quality milk production from the East Friesian with the self-shedding component of the UltraWhite. So far, they are pretty happy with the crosses but will continue to refine the bloodlines.

The full case study is available in **Talkin' After Hours**, our online community & information hub at <https://lowerblackwood.com.au/talkin-after-hours/>

This case study forms part of the Lower Blackwood LCDC's Regenerative Agriculture in Practice Program (RAPP) 2023. RAPP2023 was supported through the Augusta Margaret River Shire Environmental Management Fund



Time to Deal with Weedy Wattles

Not to be confused with our own **Golden Wreath Wattle (*Acacia Saligna*)**, Eastern States Wattles have become problematic in the South-West due to their previous popularity as ornamental trees & as soil stabilisers. Weed Wattles are not a problem in their own natural geographic locations where local seed-eating insects keep them in check. But this natural control does not occur in Western Australia where these wattles reproduce prolifically by seed.

Why is now a good control time?

A weed wattle's biological weak link is just prior to flowering (mature plants) & at seedling stage. Trees are most effectively controlled using herbicides between March and August. It is important that felled trees and branches are removed as they can reproduce vegetatively by developing adventurous roots where the plant meets the soil. Areas that have been cleared of weed wattles need to be revegetated as soon as practicably possible to out compete any germinating seeds that may be left behind. Try planting our **own native wattle (*Acacia Saligna*)** instead!

Find out more about effective control of Weed Wattles and 3 other riparian menaces in our **WeedWork Online Toolkit** available at: <https://lowerblackwood.com.au/projects/weed-work/>



The Weedwork Toolkit development was supported through funding from the State Natural Resource Management Program



Events Coming Up with the LCDC

What? Plan Your Farm Landscape, Thursday May 16th, 9am to 4pm

What? Reboot Your Grazing Course, Starts July 18th, 4pm to 5:30pm

How? Head to our website for more information: <https://lowerblackwood.com.au/our-events/>

COMMUNITY NOTICES



FROGLET GARDENS ...on the hop

Garden care and maintenance

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Vale Dave Bell

Dave Bell will always be lovingly remembered by his passionate love for animals. His life's work as a wildlife carer alongside his dedicated wife Kerry, together they would go out after receiving phone calls to rescue native wildlife in the surrounding areas of Augusta. Little baby birds fallen from their nest, bobtails attacked by cats, seabirds tangled in fishing line, possums, quendas, phascogales the list goes on, removing snakes from backyards even putting up possum boxes in trees.



As I wildlife carer myself the one thing I admired the most about Dave was his commitment to those late-night phone calls about a kangaroo left half dead on the side of the road after being hit by a motorist. Dave would go out in the dark of the night to humanly end the pain and suffering of the poor beautiful creature who lost its life through the ignorance of humanity.

Dave was one of those old school carers, helping our wildlife long before any licence or regulations came into place, you just went out there and did the best you could to help suffering wildlife.

One thing I know for sure, is that the beautiful souls of all those critters Dave saved were there to divinely guide Dave's angelic spirit through those pearly gates.

Blessed Be Darling Dave.
Stevi Goldworthy.



Digital Devices One-on-One Help needed?



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*The deadline
for
submissions to
The Pelican
Post*



By JARROD BRINDLEY
Images by Jarrod Brindley

Hello Augusta! I have an update about your local community radio station. On Sunday, April 21st, Augusta Community Radio experienced an off-air day due to the antenna being fixed. After years of birds damaging the cabling, it was necessary to replace it. A new antenna has been installed, and we hope to regain our lost coverage and eliminate dead spots. If you can hear us clearly, please don't hesitate to send us a text message or reach out to us on Facebook.



I'd like to extend a huge thank you to Anthony Benbow for dedicating his time, Glenn Taylor from South West Tree Service for providing his cherry picker, and Earth 2 Oceans Communications for their invaluable assistance.

Finally, the station is looking for feedback on how we can improve our service. We will have a question and answer form available at the station and will also be handing them out during the holidays. To help us make the station better, please come along. We will update the community on the time and date.



BACKYARD BASICS Prepare your home for storms

- Park vehicles under shelter.
- Ensure pets are safe.
- Repair damaged or missing tiles on your roof.
- Clear gutters and downpipes of leaves and blockages.
- Put away or tie down any loose items from your yard, balcony or patio, such as outdoor furniture and trampolines.

For more storm safety information visit: dfes.wa.gov.au/storm



SUDOKU

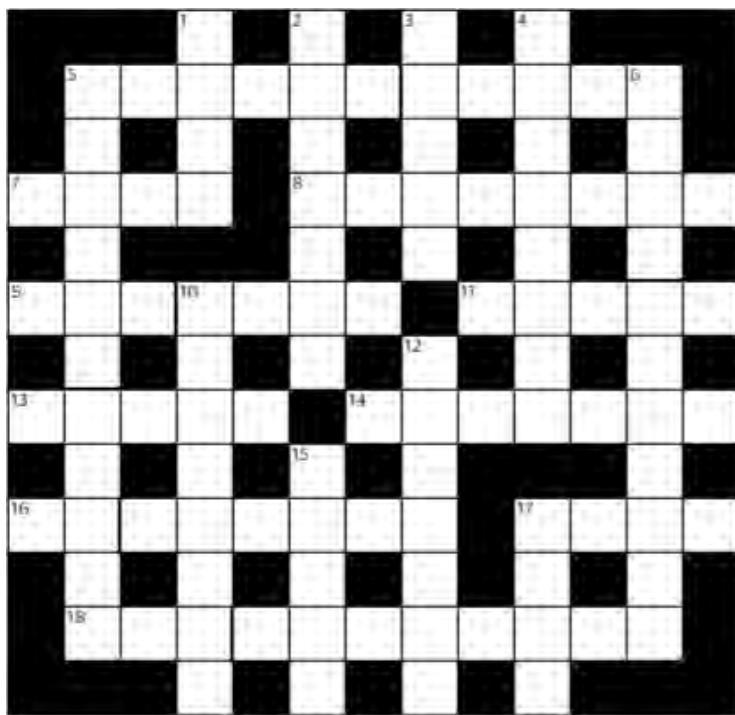
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Sudoku Rules for Complete Beginners

- 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



Across

- 5 Gibberish (6,5)
- 7 Ensnare (4)
- 8 Sticky substance – prison time (8)
- 9 Frost up (3,4)
- 11 Secret store (5)
- 13 Farewell (5)
- 14 Surgeon's pincers (7)
- 16 From the start (2,6)
- 17 Pay attention to (4)
- 18 Strong desire to eat – unhitches me (anag.) (3,8)

Down

- 1 Eructate (4)
- 2 Cetacean insulation (7)
- 3 Worship (5)
- 4 Sporty (8)
- 5 Payment system (6,5)
- 6 Us (4,7)
- 10 Ornamental shrub (8)
- 12 Kind of leather (7)
- 15 Corpulent – kind of ale (5)
- 17 Greet enthusiastically (4)

Source:theguardian.com

TRIVIA

1. In Greek mythology, what is the name of the multi-headed dog that guards the gates of Hades?
2. Which homophones can mean a vertical structural support and to look intently?
3. Was the Suez Canal or the Panama Canal built first?
4. Name Earth's five major circles of latitude
5. True or false: the spotted-tailed quoll is Australia's largest marsupial carnivore?
6. Dino is the pet of which animated television family?
7. What nationality was Jørn Utzon, the designer of the Sydney Opera House?
8. Which 1975 film featured the line: "Your mother was a hamster and your father smelt of elderberries!"
9. Does a shrew have feathers, fur or fins?
10. Are fossils generally preserved in igneous, sedimentary or metamorphic rock?

source:TheSaturdaypaper



PROGRAMME

DAY	TIME	SHOW	NAME
Monday	10-11am	Keith's Sports Show	Keith, Owen , Jarrod
	3-4pm	Just Breathe	Adrian Testa
	8-10pm	Raised On Rock	Mark O'Neill
Tuesday	11-1pm	Alphabeth	Beth Cummings
	1-3pm	Chris's Compilations	Chris Cummings
	6-7pm	Artist Of The Week	Jarrod Brindley
Wednesday	10-11am	Jazz-ter-day	Christine Browne
	12-1pm	Conscious Hour	Suzy and Sarah
	2-3pm	Just Breathe	Adrian Testa
Thursday	3-4pm	Jazz-ter-day	Christine Browne
	2-3pm	Afternoon Shift	Jarrod Brindley
	3.30-4.30pm	Rik Lok Show	Rik Lok
	5-6pm	A Breath of Fresh Air	Sandy Kaye
	8-9pm	Atomic	Melainie Smith
	1-2pm	Afternoon Shift	Jarrod Brindley
Friday	2-4pm	History Rock N Roll	Adam Mathew
	4-6pm	Private J Live	Jarrod Brindley
	9-10pm	Sugar Radio	Robin Schultz
Saturday	8-9am	Word For The Day	Amber Pasco
	9.00am	Lost In Science	CRN
	9.30am	Living Planet	CRN
	10.05am -11am	The Regan Narration	Anthony James
	11-12pm	The Country Wardrobe	Nardia Drayton
	12-1pm	Strong, Single and Human	Claire Martin
	2-3pm	Cinema Australia	Matthew Eels
	5-6pm	Australian Music is Bloody Great	CRN
	6-7pm	Lizard Lounge	Ben Thomas
Sunday	8-8.35am	Religious Program	Bill and Vicki Woodage
	8.35 -9am	Conservation	Stevie Goldworthy
	10-12pm	The Mix Bag	Neil Haring
	12-1pm	What The French Show	Mick Radojavick
	1-2pm	All The Dirt	Steve Wood
	2-2.35pm	Religious Program	Bill and Vicki Woodage
	4-5pm	Top Of The Pops	Kim Robinson
	5-7pm	The Fuse (RPT)	Tommy Collins
Daily Segments: Community Announcements with Beth Cummings, Erin Kingston and Pam Winter 10:00am and 3:00pm Daily			



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AUGUSTA COMMUNITY GROUPS CALENDAR

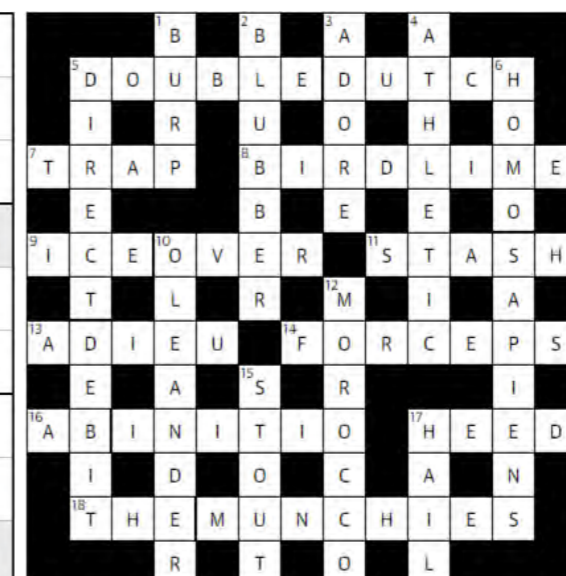
GROUP	DATE	TIME	EVENT/CONTACT	VENUE
Anglican Church	Sunday & Wednesday	Sunday 9:30am Wednesday 9:00am	Church Service	St Elizabeth's Church, Allnut Tce
Augusta Art Club and Studio Gallery	Tue, Wed & Fri	10:00am- 2:00pm	Art activities	Centennial Hall
Augusta Bowling Club	Wednesday Thursday	12.30pm 9.00am	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

AUGUSTA COMMUNITY GROUPS CALENDAR

GROUP	DATE	TIME	EVENT/CONTACT	VENUE
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	10:00am-11:00am 11:00am - 12:00pm 2:00pm - 3:00pm	Bible Study Morning Service Afternoon Service	Centennial Hall
	Wednesday	10:45am - 11:45am	Bible Study	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

If your community group would like to be included in the calendar, call the Augusta CRC on 9758 0002 or email editor@pelicanpost.com.au with the details.

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1. Cerberus
2. Pier and peer
3. Suez Canal
4. Arctic Circle, Tropic of Cancer, Equator, Tropic of Capricorn, Antarctic Circle
5. False. (It's the Tasmanian devil. The spotted-tailed quoll is the largest marsupial carnivore on mainland Australia.)
6. The Flintstones
7. Danish
8. Monty Python and the Holy Grail
9. Fur
10. Sedimentary

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