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***Festival of Small Halls returns to Augusta on Wednesday,
27 August 2025 with Charlie A'Court, Emily Barker and
Sari Bennett.***



Charlie A'Court (CAN)

Charlie A'Court

Built with a mighty voice, fierce guitar work and contemporary songwriting that is loved by fans across Canada and beyond, A'Court has always been recognised for exploring his musical horizons.



Emily Barker (AUS)

Emily Barker

Emily Barker is an award-winning Australian singer-songwriter. She had early success as the writer and performer of the theme to the hugely successful BBC/PBS masterpiece crime drama 'Wallander' starring Kenneth Branagh, and has since gone on to forge an acclaimed catalogue of releases.



Sari Bennett

W.A based writer and performance poet who lives on Molloy Island. She is a collector of moments and a seeker of the sacred hidden within in the mundane. With a background in dance, martial arts, acrobatics and physical theatre, Sari's embodied spoken word performances breathe life into her heartfelt poetry.

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Leeuwin Lines

(right)
President Bill Perry
and the new Lions
Board for the
25/26 year



CHANGEOVER COMPLETE

The Lions Club of Leeuwin Changeover on Sunday 6th July was well attended by members, volunteers, visiting Lions and guests.

Outgoing President Matt Russell gave a well received address outlining the Club activities over the past year and thanking all members for their involvement before handing over to Past District Governor Dot Jacobs to carry out the installation of the new Board.

Visiting clubs represented were Cowaramup, Vasse, Nannup and Manjimup whilst the Augusta Margaret River Shire was represented by CEO Andrea Selvey.



Visiting Lions from Nannup Club
Jim and Isabel Green



MC Tony Greipl



PDG Dot Jacobs

An enjoyable luncheon was provided by the Augusta Hotel and a good array of raffle prizes delighted many a winner. Incoming President Bill Perry thanked all for their attendance in particular PDG Dot Jacobs for carrying out the installation, and Shire CEO Andrea Selvey for finding time from her busy schedule.

As always, Tail Twister Margaret Martin lightened up the afternoon with a few hard to believe stories.

Lion Tony Greipl who carried out the MC duties in a most competent manner was able to wind up proceedings by mid-afternoon enabling those that had to travel to get away in good time, and those that did not, to enjoy a little further fellowship before finishing up around 4.00pm.

Fellowship is always an enjoyable and productive part of club meetings, and this also extends to inter-club visits. This year the Leeuwin Club were able to have good representation at Margaret River Changeover on Sunday 29th June and also at Cowaramup Changeover on Saturday 5th July from where many new friendships were formed and many new ideas gained.

Leeuwin Lines continued...

NEW SKIN CANCER SREENING BUS

The Lions Cancer Institute (WA) Inc is most appreciative of all those, including the Lions Clubs of WA, who have contributed funding to the construction and ongoing operation of our new mobile clinic.

A formal event celebrating the new mobile screening clinic was held on 14th May 2025 in the parking area at the front entrance to Parliament House.



PID Tim Irvine, DG Mary-Anne Wolfe,
Governor Chris Dawson

This event was attended by the Governor His Excellency the Honourable Chris Dawson, AM and Mrs Dawson.

The Governor addressed the crowd gathered for the event, thanking all those involved with bringing the new facility to fruition and praised the work being carried out by the Lions Cancer Institute (WA) Inc.

The Governor and Mrs Dawson are co-patrons of the Institute along with Emeritus Professor George Yeoh, who also attended. Tim Irvine who represents Lions Clubs International Foundation in this part of the Lions Constitutional Area, was also present.

Lions District 201WA Governor Mary-Anne Wolfe thanked the Governor for his words and provided some information on the history of Lions in WA.



Ken, Sue and Belinda

VOLUNTEERS TO THE RESCUE

The Leeuwin Lions are pleased with the response of the local community to the call out for additional help at the Shed complex in Hillview Road.

Various organisations have provided volunteers for the Containers for Change Shed which attracts a sizeable donation to the organisation they represent, whilst several departments within the



Lions and Helpers in
Containers for Change Shed



Bill Law & Judy Mitchell -
Furniture Shed



Vicky & Jill in clothing department

Second-hand goods and Furniture sheds have been delighted to have a few extra volunteers arrive to bolster the ranks.

With a wide spread of entities and activities ranging from the Toy Shop and Bookshop in the main street, the Lions Landscapers who tidy the gardens in the main street, the 30 bed 'Augusta Adventure Centre' Hostel, Second-hand goods Shed, Furniture Shed, Containers for Change Shed, Plant stall and Wood yard, it is easy to see what a huge role the volunteers play in keeping all operations active and viable.

Leeuwin Lions very much appreciate the 60 plus volunteers who are registered with the club and contribute so much on a regular basis. They assist Lions in a big way to provide valuable service to our district and community.

VALE ROMA GIMBEL

The Lions Club of Leeuwin is saddened to report the passing of long time volunteer Roma Gimbel, a most popular and friendly face in the Second Hand Goods Shed for many years.

As a Lions partner of past club legend Bert Gimbel who served the club and district with distinction for close on 50 years, Roma was a wonderful support in all Lions activities, many of which were carried out in conjunction with her late husband Lion Bert.

The club expresses sincere condolences to the family and in particular daughter Irene Carlsen who has continued the Gimbel legacy of community service in the running of the Lions Toy Shop in the main street and her regular assistance at the Second Hand Goods Shed in Hillview Road Augusta.

RIP Roma

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Wind farm feasibility assessment

Synergy is completing the feasibility assessment for the proposed wind farm in Scott River. Findings will be shared with the community in September during community drop-in sessions.

You're invited to attend one of our drop-in sessions, where you can chat to the team to learn more.

This is a drop-in session, so you are welcome to arrive at any time that suits you within the below timeslots.

Saturday 6 September, 2pm - 5pm
The Shed, Molloy Island

Sunday 7 September, 10am - 12pm
East Augusta Volunteer Fire Station,
51 Davies St, East Augusta

Monday 8 September, 3pm - 6pm
Augusta Centennial Hall,
62 Allnut Terrace, Augusta

Tuesday 9 September, 11am - 1pm
Margaret River Community Centre,
The Old Church,
33 Tunbridge St, Margaret River

Tuesday 9 September, 3pm - 6pm
Alexandra Bridge Hall,
1252 Brockman Hwy, Courtenay

For more information
community@synergy.net.au | 0482 993 106
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Welcome to August from Shire President Julia Meldrum

Kaya, as we reach the end of Makuru, the coldest and wettest of the Noongar seasons, I hope you have managed to stay warm and dry. Our teams have been working hard to respond to the conditions across the Shire and keep our home tidy and safe.

Our July Council Meeting was our biggest and most important meeting of the year. First up, council discussed the Turner Street Jetty. We investigated the feasibility of several options and presented them to the Turner Street Jetty Community Reference Group, who showed support for removing the existing jetty structure, and designing and reconstructing a fixed timber decked jetty. This option comes with a price tag of around \$660,000 which is a significant investment that will affect other projects that we can deliver. We will continue to progress with detailed design however before we commit, we will be asking for community feedback to make sure that this choice reflects everyone's priorities. Thank you to the Community Reference Group for your time, effort and passion - it is greatly appreciated.

Council also adopted the Strategic Community Plan 2025 – 2035. Over the past 12 months, we've been checking in with our community to make sure we understand what matters most. The result is the new Strategic Community Plan, which will guide everything we do over the next decade to achieve our shared vision: One community, standing together with nature.

To turn this vision into action, Council endorsed the 2025-26 Corporate Business Plan and Budget which includes a \$25.9 million capital works program, \$875,000 for local community and environmental groups, and continued funding for essential services like ranger operations, community health, libraries, and Nala Bardip Mia – Margaret River HEART.

This is a responsible budget, developed through careful, rigorous, and long-term planning.

It's designed to meet the needs of today's ratepayers while also planning for future generations by caring for our natural environment, managing our built environment and supporting the well-being of everyone who lives here

Local Government Elections will be held on 18 October 2025. Make sure you're enrolled to vote by 5pm on 22 August at elections.wa.gov.au

Warm regards,
Cr Julia Meldrum, Shire President



Augusta's coastal trail vision moves forward

Construction is now underway on the Cape Leeuwin Trail Extension, bringing Augusta one step closer to a continuous coastal trail linking the town centre to the Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse.

The 3.1 km shared-use trail, stretching from Dead Finish to the Water Wheel Carpark, is designed for both walkers and cyclists, offering a safe and scenic route along Augusta's iconic coastline.

The project reflects more than 20 years of community interest and over a decade of planning by the Shire.

The trail is expected to be completed by November 2025.

Environmental consultants are working closely with the Shire to ensure protection of rare flora and fauna, and to rehabilitate degraded areas along the route.

Residents and visitors are advised that temporary closures are in place. Leeuwin Road scenic lookout and the carpark opposite Water Wheel will be closed during construction. Access points between Dead Finish and the Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse may be temporarily inaccessible. Signage will be in place.



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What's on in August

Augusta Recreation Centre Nala Waabi Mia / Our Play House

Half price and FREE gym memberships

Gym memberships and entry fees are half price if you're over 75 or FREE if you are more than 80 years young. Includes entry for the gym. Call (08) 9780 5657 or email recreation@amrshire.wa.gov.au

Exercise Physiologist

Available for consultations at Augusta Gym. Wednesdays 8am - 4pm. Enquiries to fitness@amrshire.wa.gov.au or call (08) 9708 5672

Table tennis

Tuesday 10.30am - 12.00pm and Thursday 10.30am - 12.00pm. Other session times by booking/appointment. Contact John for more information on 0417 744 224.

Hydro pool

Tuesday and Thursday sessions available at 8.10am, 8.50am, 10.45am, and 11.30am. Wednesday sessions available at 1.00pm and 1.40pm.

Badminton

Tuesday 6.00pm - 8.30pm. Call Sandra on 0450 234 510.

Strength for life

A gym based program for people over 50. Tuesday and Thursday 9.30am to 10.30am.

Pickleball

Monday 10.30am - 12.00pm and 7.00pm - 8.30pm. \$5 per session, per person. Call Scott on 0477 837 369.

Augusta gym staff

Our friendly staff are in the gym on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9.30am to 1pm. Press the intercom to access the gym.

Augusta & Margaret River Libraries Nala Kaatajiin Mia / Our Knowledge House

Augusta Library invites you to Toddler Tales!

Join us for stories, rhymes, songs and craft. Free sessions aimed at children aged 18 to 36 months and their caregivers.

This special toddler tales session is held at Augusta Library on the second Thursday of the month at 10.30am during school term.

To book visit www.amrlibraries-toddlerstories-augusta.eventbrite.com.au or Phone Rachael on (08) 9780 5602

Next dates: 14 August, 11 September, 9 October

Around Oz and Home Again: an exhibition by Wendy Strucelj

Augusta Library presents artworks inspired by Wendy's recent trip around Australia. This collection includes works in oils, pastel and water colour, and are for sale through the artist.

On display until December.

Augusta Library opening hours

Tuesdays: 10am - 12pm and 1pm - 4pm
Wednesdays: 10am - 12pm and 1pm - 4pm
Thursdays: 10am - 12pm and 1pm - 4pm.
The library is closed on Monday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday.



Margaret River HEART Nala Bardip Mia / Our Story House

Cinema & Film Festivals

- Jurassic World Rebirth (M) - Saturday 2 August @ 7pm
- One To One: John & Yoko (M) - Tuesday 12 August @ 7pm
- Superman (M) - Friday 15 August @ 7pm
- Top Dog Film Festival 2025 - Saturday 23 August @ 2pm
- Gutsy Girls Adventure Film Festival 2025 - Saturday 23 August @ 7pm
- The Friend (M) - Tuesday 26 August @ 7pm
- Cinefest Oz - Saturday 30 August - Sunday 7 September

Theatre, Music, Comedy & Dance

- MRSHS Arts Festival 2025 - Tuesday August 5 @ 6.30pm, Wednesday August 6 @ 6.30pm
- Headliners Comedy Gala - Saturday 9 August @ 7.30pm
- Band Together - Sunday 16 August @ 7pm
- Australian Bee Gees Show - Monday 17 August @ 7pm
- The Wooditjup Bilya Story - Thursday 21 August @ 6.30pm, Friday 22 August @ 11am and 6:30pm

Young @ HEART

- FREE live music each Monday from 10am
- Check artsmargaretriver.com for full program



Visual Arts

- Interlaced: an exhibition by Molly Ryan and Valdene Diprose - Wednesday 16 July - Thursday 7 August

Community Events

- Mental Health Workshop presented by Mindful Margaret River - Wednesday 27 August @ 10am

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VACANCY STAYING IN PLACE COORDINATOR (FIXED TERM - 1 YEAR)

Augusta Community Resource Centre (ACRC) is seeking a part-time Staying in Place Coordinator based in Augusta. This is a fixed term position for 1 year with a possible opportunity for extension for the right candidate. ACRC is an independent not-for-profit and registered charity who is implementing the Staying in Place program locally to support seniors in the Augusta and surrounding region.

The SIP program is an innovative community approach that is making it possible for older people in rural and regional areas of Western Australia to stay living in their own homes, in their community. It is a model that draws on 'locals supporting locals' through coordination from the ACRC in partnership with an approved aged care provider Homemade and local workers who provide their services through the Mable support worker platform.

The SIP Coordinator role will commence as a two day a week position (16 hours) which could increase to three days or more in the future as more SIP clients come onboard to access local services.

This is a new role, and we are looking for someone who is able to work with SIP clients with patience, understanding and has a desire to help clients achieve and maintain wellness so they have the ability to stay living in their own home, in their own community.

We are seeking an individual who has the following skills and experience:

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- Knowledge, awareness and understanding of the Commonwealth Aged Care Home Support Program.
- Ability to develop genuine and lasting relationships with older people.
- Enjoys working in a small community and understands the confidentiality and sensitivity of connections and relationships.
- Able to work independently whilst also participating as part of a small team.
- Excellent interpersonal, verbal and written communication skills applicable to working with elderly people.
- Networking capacity with community organisations and services and Government.
- Strong communication and time management skills with attention to detail.
- Current Police Clearance or can acquire one if requested.

Desirable

- Knowledge, awareness and understanding of the Staying in Place model.
- Experience in case coordination.
- Experience as a support worker or contractor to aged people.
- Confident analytical and problem-solving skills.
- Ability to maintain social and organisational standards and values; honour commitments.
- Sound computer skills in MS Office and email communication.

If you would like a copy of the Position Description please email reception@augustacrc.net.au.

When submitting your application please provide the following:

- A cover letter
- Address the enclosed Selection Criteria
- A current CV
- Names and contact details of at least two (2) referees who can comment on your work performance.

Email your application to manager@augustacrc.net.au.

Applications close on Friday 29 August 2025.



2025 COMMUNITY RAFFLE DRAW

BE LOCAL - BANK LOCAL

Thursday August 7th

District Club

11 Tunbridge Street

Margaret River

COMMENCING at 6:00 PM

Community group participants and ticket buyers

welcome.

Queries - Natalie Chambers 0409553985

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A New Chapter for Real Estate in Augusta



Still Local, Still Independent

In the South West, real estate isn't just about property—it's about people. That's why the team at First National Real Estate Augusta is proud to continue Augusta's long tradition of personal, community-first service.

"We're not here to change what's working," says Director Kelly Donaldson. "We're here to strengthen it—with more support, better systems, and a focus on backing Augusta's future."

Kelly, who lives locally and is the new licensee, brings strong leadership and deep community ties. The office remains proudly independent, with enhanced support behind the scenes: upgraded technology, refreshed spaces, more people on the ground, and stronger links to the Capes market.

"This isn't just about doing things differently—it's about doing them better," Kelly says. "We've always helped our community make smart property decisions, and now we have more ways to do that."

The decision to partner with First National Margaret River came from a shared vision—keep it local, keep it personal, and stay focused on what works for Augusta.



Investing in What Matters Most

The Augusta office is welcoming a range of thoughtful improvements—from a fresh coat of paint to creating more welcoming spaces inside. Kelly explains why this matters: "We wanted the office to feel like a place where locals can drop in easily—to ask questions or have a quiet chat about their property. It's about being approachable and making the process simple."

Behind the scenes, modernised systems are making communication quicker and clearer. Whether you're booking a property inspection, getting a market update, or following up on a question, the process is now smoother for everyone. The Augusta office is expanding its ability to serve across sales, property management, and now commercial management.

"That means more support for local landlords and business owners," Kelly says.

More Support, Same Familiar Faces

With stronger support behind the scenes and the trusted team you know still at the heart of it, Augusta's property market is in great hands. This means faster responses when you need them, expanded services for landlords and business owners, and expert advice tailored to the unique needs of our community.

Kelly says, "Augusta is more than just a place to work—it's home. Having extra people and upgraded systems means we can give locals the attention they deserve, whether it's a quick question or a big property decision."

This partnership also connects Augusta to a broader network across the Capes, opening up new opportunities for buyers, sellers, and investors—while keeping all the trusted, local knowledge right here where it matters.

If you want real, local advice from people who care, drop in and say hello. We're here to help you make the most of your property journey.

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AUGUSTA BRIDGE CLUB

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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email: captsealake@bigpond.com

Winners

June 23rd Lyn Leonard & Merione Wilson

June 30th Lyn Leonard & Merione Wilson

July 7th Graham Shearwood & Herbie Whittall

July 14th Graham Shearwood & Herbie Whittall

Runners up

Mary Whittall & Trevor Steel

Di Ellis & Edie Williams

Mary Whittall & Trevor Steel

Mary Whittall & Trevor Steel



Spiritual Reflection

By BILL WOODAGE

Do you have a garden with flowers, shrubs and trees? Perhaps your garden is smaller within a courtyard with pot plants and maybe a bird bath. Or it may be a very small patch, like a veranda or balcony type garden. Or just a terrarium or aquarium filled with small plants.

Whether very large or just tiny, it can be a place of refuge from the social pressures of daily life. The garden is a place of pleasure and joy and wonder where nature abounds. Visitors like birds, bees and a multitude of bugs call your garden habitat home. So indeed, you can relax and unwind from the difficulties of life, even if just for a short time. As you de-stress, no amount of money can buy that moment of harmony from being in the garden environment.

When God created man in Genesis 2:8 (Amplified), And the Lord God planted a garden (oasis) in the east, in Eden (delight, land of happiness); and He put the man whom He had formed (created) there. So, God created a garden for mankind. It is in our DNA to enjoy and live within garden confines and to just be ourselves admiring the creative abilities of the growth of our garden's day by day.

There is a concept of you and I also being a garden. Is your life producing a wonderful show of flowers and glossy leaves and tasty fruit? Are your roots well nourished in God's love? Is the Son, Jesus the Messiah, shining through your life?

Nobody wants weeds or disease in their garden. God the Father wants you as a person to flourish, grow and develop to produce good fruit. Grafts are needed so the old unfruitful wood is replaced with new healthy growth. Graft Jesus into the garden of your heart today.

INTERNATIONAL LIGHTHOUSE DAY 2025

The event will be held at Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse again this year.

Saturday 16th – Sunday 17th August. The Augusta Volunteer Marine Rescue Group will have their rescue craft on display on Saturday morning in the Lighthouse grounds.

2-way radio operators will be on site all weekend – broadcasting to other lighthouses around the globe. Visitors are welcome to check out their base station in the Education Centre on site.

The Augusta Spinners and Weavers will be set up in the Interactive Museum verandah area, displaying their range of craft whilst also creating more items via their spinning and weaving skills. Items will also be on sale – unique local products.

Further details to come via Community Radio, and Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse Facebook.
Contact: capeleeuwinlighthouse@mrba.com



Volunteer Role - Join the Management Committee Augusta Community Resource Centre

We are seeking volunteers in the community to join the Management Committee (Board) of the Augusta Community Resource Centre.

If you are community minded, and have skills relating to administration, marketing, events management, communications, and/or experience in not-for-profit/charity organisations, we would love to have you join us. An opportunity to use your existing skills and experience to help guide the management of the Augusta Community Resource Centre.

For further information, please contact Wendy Mathews, Acting Chair at Augusta Community Resource Centre via wmathews@y7mail.com or phone 0439 980 932 to find out more.



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- Scanning, photocopying and other services
- Discounted price on services and room hire facilities
- Pelican Post e-mailed to you in a colour version
- Prior notification of events and courses
- Discount on selected courses and events run by the CRC
- Free Wi-Fi and use of community computer room
- Supporting your local Community Resource Centre

Types of membership and cost

- Individual \$35
- Individual Concession \$30
- Family \$45
- Community \$55
- Corporate/ Business \$157

If you are wishing to become a member for 2025 - 2026 please visit the Augusta CRC to collect a form and make payment.




Staying in Place Program

Home Care and Support Services

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST IN THIS PROGRAM!

The Augusta Community Resource Centre in conjunction with Homemade & Mable – a Commonwealth approved home and community care provider for older people - will be introducing a wide variety of home care support and services for seniors so you can continue to enjoy living at home.

Whatever your needs, we will work with you to put a plan into action so that you can live your best life at home in your own community.

If you are over 65, or an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander over 50, you could be eligible for a Home Care Package funded by the Australian Government. Home Care Packages are subsidised by the Australian Government and are available in 4 levels based on your needs.

Level 1 – basic needs like essential cleaning, pet care, social outings

Level 2 – services like meal preparation, cleaning, gardening and home maintenance

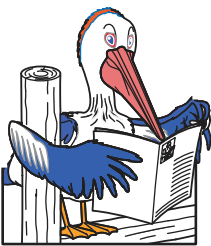
Level 3 – higher care and support needs such as meal preparation, domestic assistance, personal care, gardening and home maintenance, social support, allied health services

Level 4 - higher care and support needs such as meal preparation, nursing care and allied health services, personal care, domestic assistance, medication support, gardening and home maintenance, and social support.

The Augusta Community Resource Centre will be the coordination centre in Augusta for the Staying in Place program and we encourage people over 65 in Augusta and the surrounding areas of Hamelin Bay, Kudardup and Karridale to register now to find out more about the program and how it can support you locally.

The Augusta Community Resource Centre is currently recruiting a Staying in Place Coordinator but while that role is being finalised, we encourage you to get in touch with us and register your interest in the program.

You can email reception@augustacrc.net.au or phone (08) 97580 002 where we can take down your contact details for our Staying in Place Coordinator to contact you once they commence. You can also ask for our flyer to be sent out to you that explains the Home Care and Support Service further or collect a copy from Reception at the Augusta Community Resource Centre.



WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND AUGUSTA

August 2025



CAPE HAMELIN
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4th Record Club (see page 29)	5th	6th Over 65's Blokes Coffee Catchups (see page 29)	7th ACDA general meeting Community Bank Raffle Draw (see page 15)	8th ☉	9th Augusta Primary School Quiz Night (see page 8)	10th
11th	12th	13th Over 65's Blokes Coffee Catchups (see page 29)	14th	15th ☾	16th International Lighthouse Day (see page 17)	17th International Lighthouse Day (see page 17) Bicycle Users Group Augusta (see page 34)
18th	19th	20th Over 65's Blokes Coffee Catchups (see page 29)	21st	22nd ●	23rd	24th
25th	26th Synergy drop in office (see page 9)	27th Festival of Small Halls (see page 1) Over 65's Blokes Coffee Catchups (see page 29)	28th ACDA AGM (see page 26)	29th	30th ACDA Tsunamis Conversation (see page 29)	31st

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Hello!



Karridale Primary School News



IT TAKES A VILLAGE



Our Kindy and Pre-primary students hosted a morning for *Grandparents and Others* to acknowledge the valuable contribution that extended families and friends all play in children's education and learning.

The children delighted their special guests with a song performance. They also shared morning tea, conducted interviews and proudly showed them their student portfolios.

On the day, to build on the message of the importance of 'family' the Room One students collectively pledged a class family promise regarding acceptable behaviour in class. They promised to: use kind words and actions, to help each other and to be thoughtful, to try their best and never give up, to use big hearts and to be kind to our classmates, for we are unique, we are special and we are a class family.

Last year, when we celebrated our school's 141st birthday, we acknowledged the strong connections we have with our community. As a small rural school, we are like a big family, where we're seeing third and fourth generations of families maintaining the relationship with our school. Like all families, we are growing and we welcome the diversity that new families contribute when they join the region and our school.

Left top: Room 1 students invited *Grandparents and Others* to a special morning to acknowledge their valuable roles. **Left bottom:** Student's artwork to support their class family promise.



DON'T PLAY WITH FIRE

As part of their studies on natural disasters, our Year 4–6 students took to the stage for their class assembly item, performing a lively and educational play titled "*Blazing Bonkers—a Bushfire Blunder*." Set in the fictional town of Kangaroo Dale, the play aimed to raise awareness about bushfire safety—an especially important topic for those living in rural areas.

The story was brought to life by a cast of colourful and memorable characters including Flicker the Flame, Ember the Emu, Ash the Ringtail Possum, Windy Wendy and Scientist Sparks. Through humour and storytelling, the students shared vital fire prevention tips and emergency planning advice with the audience. Students were involved in all aspects of the production—designing the set, crafting props and creating costumes.

The audience was thoroughly impressed by the polished presentation and clear messaging. The play drove home an important takeaway: with thoughtful planning and awareness, the risks and impacts of bushfires can be greatly reduced.

Well done to all involved for such a blazing success!



Above: Year 4–6 students performed a short play that delivered key messages around rural living and the importance of preparing for bushfire season.

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Augusta Primary School News

P&C Rainbow Rave Disco

🌈 Rainbow Rave Disco – A Night to Remember! 🌈

Last week's P&C Rainbow Rave Disco was a fantastic success, bringing colour, music, and fun to our school's undercover area! It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces enjoying the evening together.

A huge thank you to our amazing P&C for putting together such a fun and memorable event for our students.

A special shout-out to Kori for her outstanding efforts in organising the night – including cooking over 150 macaroni and cheese gold bars! An incredible effort that didn't go unnoticed. Thank you also to Mrs Hardegon for her support on the night, and to our parent helpers and Mr Kehoe for running the games. Events like this truly show the strength of our school community – thank you to everyone who contributed to a wonderful evening!



Lighthouse Rehabilitation

Our Year 6 students recently had the unique opportunity to contribute to the rehabilitation of the beautiful area surrounding the Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse. This hands-on experience was made possible through a wonderful partnership with the Capes Foundation and the Friends of Cape Leeuwin group. We are incredibly grateful to the Capes Foundation for generously providing a bus, allowing our students to travel to the site and get

involved in this important environmental project. Working in pairs alongside dedicated volunteers, students helped plant a range of native species grown from seeds originally collected from the area. Together, we planted jointed rush, velvet rush, sea rush, pale rush, and coastal sword sedge. In addition to planting, students also propagated two trays of coastal pigface, which they will continue to care for at school. Once established, these plants will be made available to the local community. This project was a fantastic opportunity for students to engage with sustainability in a meaningful way, while learning about the importance of caring for our local environment. A huge thank you to all involved!



Billy Cart Bash

On Friday 6 June, our school grounds were buzzing with excitement as we hosted the Augusta Billycart Bash, a high-energy morning of racing, cheering, and community fun! The event drew a massive crowd, with proud parents, grandparents, and entire classes lining the sidelines to support our young racers. With a four-lane racetrack and dozens of eager competitors, the action kicked off with a series of thrilling heats. The atmosphere was electric as pushers gave it their all, launching their teammates down the track in a fierce battle for victory. After many heats and nail-biting moments, the semifinals narrowed the field, leading to a heart-pounding grand finale. Congratulations to Edie and Layla, who stormed ahead to claim the top trophies!

But the fun didn't stop there. Once the official races were done, it was the parents' turn to take the track—with kids gleefully pushing their mums, dads, and carers down the lanes! The morning wrapped up with a relaxing picnic lunch, where families gathered on the grass under the clear, sunny sky—sharing food, stories, and tired but happy smiles.

A huge thank you goes out to all the families who helped build billycars, volunteered their time, and cheered from the sidelines. Events like this wouldn't be possible without your support and enthusiasm.

We're already looking forward to doing it all over again in the future. Until then, keep those wheels rolling!

Kindy Enrolments

Kindy enrolments are now open and due by July the 25th – please get these to the school so we can plan for 2026!



By *PETER KEPPEL*
Image By Peter Keppel

We extend a warm 'Thank you!' to Augusta Lions for a grant so that Augusta Men's Shed can fit out a dedicated paint shop.

The new facility, being built in an annex to the existing shed, will feature a professional-grade spray system in a dust-proof space with extractor fans. This will permit high quality paintwork on many projects, and improve the safety and wellbeing of all shed users.

One job needing just such a paint shop is the tractor restoration project. Our mechanical enthusiasts have recently completed the shed's third restoration, a Massey Ferguson circa 1950s, and this is ready for sale! Please contact the president if you're interested.

Giving back is a strong part of the men's shed ethos. In this spirit, a small team has started a new project to make wooden toys, puzzles and games for kids in need. This initiative runs in partnership with our umbrella organisation, WA Men's Shed, and the Motor Bike Men's Shed, and aims to have a sackful of gifts ready before Christmas.

We'll keep you posted on progress.



The Rocking Camel



By *PAULA HIGGINSON*
Images by Paula Higginson

During the winter months, the Community Garden has been slowly producing some fresh produce such as broccoli, bok choy, beetroot,

spinach & lots of parsley! Unfortunately the rats have attacked our cauliflower and cabbage. Even covered in hard, durable netting, the rats remain persistent.

With plenty of winter rain, it has been great for the gardens, but not in our favour on the Monday mornings when we usually have the produce stall at the front. We are in the process of making a secured donation box for those who wish to take produce when we are not around.

It's still a busy time, and we have managed to make a new garden/vegie bed along the north facing brick wall, which gives off plenty of warmth in winter, hopefully not too much in summer. A big thank you to Bob from Augusta Home Hardware for his part donation of sleepers for the bed.

We have had some new members join the group, and we are very grateful for their time and contribution to the upkeep and evolvment of the garden.

One of our new members, Serena, is keen to take on the potting shed, and hopefully we will have lots

of seedlings to plant out for next season. Serena's enthusiasm and knowledge of gardening are greatly appreciated.

A group of about 12 of us met at the uniting church in the community garden for our July meeting. The aim was to paint mandalas on stones and I showed them a video on how to paint them using only cotton buds and pencil ends. I think everyone enjoyed the exercise and it was very interesting to see how creative and different each finished stone was. We ended up with a lovely colourful bunch of stones to take home to our gardens.

So Happy gardening folks.



Leeuwin Naturaliste National Park – Cape to Cape Track Trailhead Construction



CAPE LEEUWIN TRAILHEAD CONCEPT MONTAGE

The project

The Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCA) is working with key stakeholders to improve the Cape to Cape Track trailheads at Cape Naturaliste and Cape Leeuwin within the Leeuwin Naturaliste National Park. The trailhead renewal works includes:

- construction of new pedestrian pathways and gathering areas with seating
- installation of new signage structures
- improved carparking
- improved site drainage.

During construction, impacts (including noise, traffic, and dust) will be minimised as much as possible. Onsite works will be undertaken by contractors between 7am and 6pm, Monday to Friday. Weekend works will only to be undertaken if required due to weather conditions.

To safeguard the natural environment, vegetation will be retained and protected from damage during construction. Work will commence at Cape Naturaliste on Monday 21 July 2025 and is expected to be completed by the end of August 2025. Work will commence at Cape Leeuwin on Monday 1 September 2025 and is expected to be completed by 12 December 2025.

Visitor information

To ensure visitor safety and expedite contractor works, some areas will be closed to the public while work is underway. Access to the lighthouse and cottages will remain open. The public is requested to follow all construction signage during the project works.

Access and closures

- The construction area will be fenced and closed to the public. Access to the lighthouse, cottages and toilet facilities will remain open.
- Small sections of the carpark will be periodically closed to vehicle access to facilitate stages of construction. Traffic management signage will be in place during the prohibited access periods.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

17th July 25. From the Austin family

Sheila, James, Pam and family wish to sincerely thank so many friends and acquaintances in our community, for their kind, thoughtful gestures to us in the loss of our beloved Peter.

Those hugs, kisses, calls, cards, flowers, visits, words of comfort have impacted us greatly.

We feel in our hearts how very thankful Peter would be, that we have had so much love and support at this time.

He was a fine man. His loss will take some time for us to recover from.

Forever grateful to all,
Much love Sheila and family.



Notice of AGM Augusta Yacht Club

Saturday 6th September, 2025 11AM
@ the Yacht Club

All welcome, Sausage Sizzle to follow.

Enquiries to 0419 953 369

AUGUSTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

By KATHY TRITTON



Hello Everyone. I hope you are staying safe and warm in this wild weather we are having.

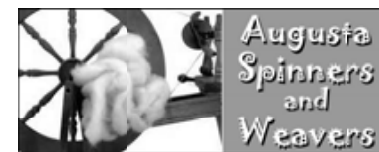
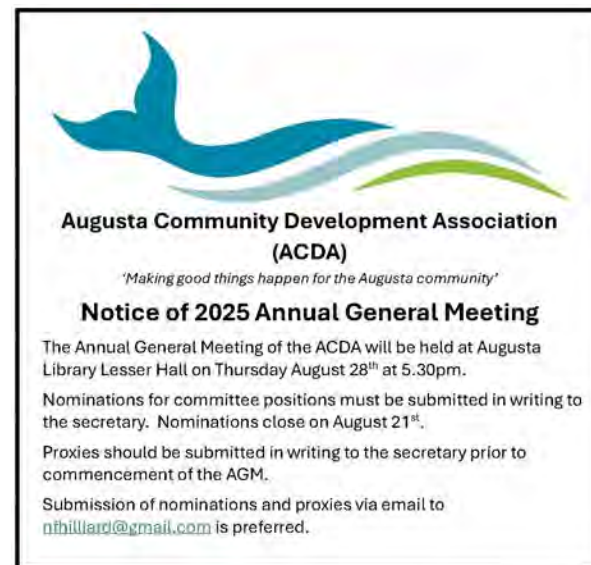
I know I have mentioned it before, but when we have these extreme weather conditions, I find myself thinking of our early settlers. Not just the first group, but those that came after as well.



DAFFODIL DAY FUNDRAISER

We shall be outside The Village Grocer on Friday August 22nd with some daffodils, pretty potted plants and a wood raffle, thanks to the Leeuwin Lions.

Take some sunshine home for yourselves and support this year's Daffodil Day - all funds raised go to the WA Cancer Council.



By JUNE LE GALLEZ

Images by June Le Gallez & Michelle Readshaw

put me out of doing any craft for some time.

Knitting is a great way to treat anxiety, depression and stress but in saying this if knitting or crocheting is to help an injury it is important not to overdo it. Make sure your yarn is loose, use large knitting needles and if crocheting, a crochet hook can be pierced through a tennis ball to provide extra grip on the hook.

There is no need to follow a pattern and be sure to take regular breaks to stretch fingers, wrists and forearms to prevent stiffness and fatigue. Too much knitting can also have its problems like carpal tunnel syndrome, tendonitis and back pain.

War injured veterans used knitting which was beneficial for recovery from various physical and emotional challenges gained during conflicts. Knitting was one of the many many ways civilians participated in the home-front. General Dwight Eisenhower would later call this *the friendly hand of this nation, reaching across the sea to sustain its fighting men.* (Eisenhower's address to congress, June 18th 1945).

On all stretches of downtime idle hands were turned to service as civilians knitted articles of warmth and comfort for the soldiers, and therapeutic distraction for the knitter.

First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt was often photographed knitting for the war effort and carrying her voluminous knitting bag. She effectively launched the *World War Two Knit for Defence Tea* held at the Waldorf Astoria in New York City on September 31st 1941. The Red Cross was the single clearing agency for all knitting and were granted priority status for receiving wool.

Seattle's chapter of the American Red Cross had formed in 1898 to provide war relief during the Spanish American war. Red Cross leaders were being trained in the old-fashioned art of carding and spinning yarn from wool.

Knitters also produced fifteen to twenty foot stretch bandages which were knitted with 100% cotton in garter stitch. Garter stitch produces a stretch fabric which lies flat on the edges. The finished bandages was sterilised and shipped to medical units worldwide.

Monthly fact or fiction: Older people don't trip they just do spontaneous yoga poses or strategically reposition themselves. Gravity is like a teenager - it starts getting more aggressive as we age.

Lastly, thank you to my husband Richard for deciphering my left hand writing and to my dear friends at Spinners and Weavers for their kind wishes.



Nancy with her little dog 'Max'



The oldest and youngest at Spinners and Weavers



Mirco Bat

A concerned local contacted AWC after they observed a Micro Bat to have been on the ground for 24 hours following a storm. On retrieval, the bat had no noticeable injuries but was cold and so was placed in a small dark container with an external heat source to gradually warm and dry the tiny mammal.



Micro Bats can't easily take off from the ground and if they're grounded, they're usually injured or unwell and won't recover without specialised

care. Bats around the world are hosts to a number of zoonotic diseases and are known to bite. It is important that members of the public do not handle bats, and instead just like this concerned local, if you find an injured or grounded bat contact a wildlife rescue / rehabilitation organisation or local veterinarian. People trained in handling bats are required to be vaccinated and advised to always use appropriate protection when interacting with bats.

The rescued bat was thought to be a Lesser Long Eared Bat as this species is the most common in the southwest and because of the length of its ears as seen the photos. After warming up and having a feed on a special "insect based" mixture – 48 hours later our little friend returned to the night skies.



Pinkie

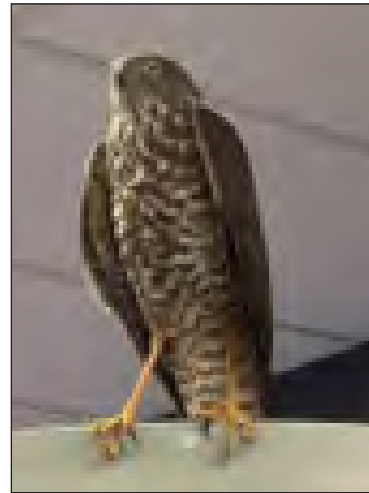
Also taken into care was "Kael" a Western Grey Kangaroo joey whose mother was killed on Bussell Highway near Caves Road. Kael is what is known as a



"Pinkie". Pinkie is the term used to describe joeys that are only seen when rescued from the pouch of a dead animal. Pinkies are the earliest stage of a kangaroo's development and are too young to survive outside the pouch as they are unable to create enough heat to keep warm as they have no fur. Kael was uninjured in the incident which killed his mother and is now in the care of Rocky Ridge Wildlife who specialise in kangaroos. Kael is being nursed indoors in a specially made pouch with a heating mat and fed every 4 hours on special formula.

Collared Sparrow Hawk

A Collared Sparrow Hawk decided recently to drop into the Augusta Pharmacy to check out the range of products. After "making itself comfortable", a quick capture saw the bird released to nearby bushland.



Bob

And as a last word.... Bob the Western Ringtail baby possum who came into care in February weighing just 102 grams, has been released to fend for himself. Almost fully grown and independent, he has a new home in a possum nest box which was erected in a tree near where he has been lovingly cared for over the past 6 months. He still drops in to check out his old digs and to see if anything is on offer.





For help with injured or orphan Native Wildlife phone carer

Kerry Bell 0437 200 605
Leonie McFaul 0422 888 343

Augusta & surrounding region
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Got ideas? Want to get involved?:
augusta_acda@yahoo.com

AGM

ACDA's Annual General Meeting and sundowner will be held on Thursday August 28th, 5.30pm at the Lesser Hall. All are welcome to come along, see what we're about and get involved! If you're keen, membership forms and nomination forms are available now – email us at augusta_acda@yahoo.com.

Nominations for committee positions must be submitted in writing to the secretary. Nominations close on August 21st. Proxies should be submitted in writing to the secretary prior to commencement of the AGM. Submission of nominations and proxies via email to nfhilliard@gmail.com is preferred.

FESTIVAL OF SMALL HALLS

Charlie A'Court and Emily Barker will be playing at the Augusta Centennial Hall on Wednesday August 27 – doors open at 6.30pm for a 7pm show. Come down and enjoy some music, and make it known we want more small events in Augusta! Tickets \$25 / \$20 concession / \$10 children, via festivalofsmallhalls.com/augusta-2025, at the CRC or on the door!

TAALINUP AUGUSTA CONVERSATIONS

Madagascar – a Busman's Holiday
1000 thanks to Dr Lynnath Beckley for her entertaining and informative conversation about Madagascar!

TSUNAMIS - Dr Srinivasa Tummala

We are excited to announce Dr Srinivasa Tummala, who leads the team managing the Indian Ocean Tsunami Warning and Mitigation System for the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission, will be visiting Augusta to discuss tsunamis and the UN Indian Ocean tsunami warning and mitigation system.

Come along on Saturday August 30th at 4pm at Centennial Hall. Tickets \$10 / \$5 concession via Humanitix here: <https://events.humanitix.com/tsunamis>, or on the door.

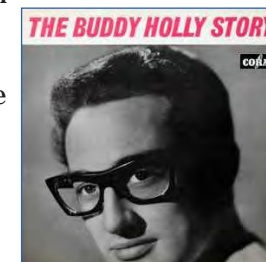
For your diary

Local rockstar geologist Peter Lane will tell us all about our local geology on **Sunday November 23** at 2pm in the Augusta Hotel function room.



RECORD CLUB

Buddy Holly and the Crickets' album, "The Buddy Holly Story", will be the next album to be played through at the Augusta Record Club. ACDA and 2Oceans FM are teaming up to take you on a deep dive into music! Come along to the Centennial Hall Foyer on Monday August 4 at 5.30pm.



ERGA

Arum Lily Blitz

The Arum Lily Blitz is in full swing. Arum lilies have a huge impact on biodiversity and agriculture in our area.

Working together we can make a difference.

Be a good neighbour! If you have arums on your property, you can obtain free chemical locally from Augusta Home Hardware or Karridale Agencies. For more information about the program: <https://natureconservation.org.au/the-battle-against-arum-lily/>

Friends of the Cape-to-Cape Track (FCCT) recently held an Arum Lily Spraying workshop in conjunction with DBCA and NCMRR.

This enables FCCT volunteers, who have attended the workshop, to spray arum lilies in approved areas along the Cape-to-Cape Track. A huge thank you is extended to Kimberley Page (DBCA) and Obelia Walker (NCMRR) and to everyone who has participated in the workshops, sprays for arums and maps infestations using the Field Book App. FCCT volunteers have mapped arum lilies along the Cape-to-Cape Track from Cape Naturaliste to Cape Leeuwin.

Vale Peter Austin

Peter Austin was a huge part of the volunteer management of the Cape to Cape track in the early days, and an active member of the Augusta Tennis Club. His brilliant sense of humour will be missed.

OVER 65's BLOKES COFFEE CATCHUPS

A casual meetup group of over-65's blokes has started at the Colourpatch on Wednesdays from 10am... come down and have a conversation and a coffee – you never know what you might find out!

FRIENDS OF KARRIDALE CEMETERY

We are seeking people interested in being part of a Friends of Karridale Cemetery group to help look after the cemetery and steer its way into the future. Please get in contact if you would like to get involved in looking after the gardens, niche wall and facilities, and providing a sounding board to the Shire for undertaking works detailed in the Cemeteries Master Plan.

ANDIMAPS

Don't forget – we are the local distributor for the excellent Andimaps. If you would like copies for your business, please get in touch at augusta_acda@yahoo.com

NEXT MEETING

Our next meeting will be on Thursday August 7, 5.30pm at the Lesser Hall (next to the Rec centre)... drop us a line or come along and get involved!

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

TRIVIA

1. Where in the human body are the adrenal glands located?
2. What 10-letter word beginning with 't' describes a device for stopping the flow of blood through a vein or artery?
3. Alexander [who] discovered penicillin in 1928?
4. What fruit, according to superstition, is bad luck on a boat?
5. Is the world's tallest statue, The Statue of Unity, in: (a) India; (b) Russia; (c) China; or (d) the United States?
6. What is the last letter of the Greek alphabet?
7. Is a 60-degree angle an acute or reflex angle?
8. Which 1951 novel features a protagonist whose first name is that of a car manufacturer and surname is that of a Melbourne suburb?
9. Which chemical element is represented by the abbreviation Ti?
10. True or false: Penny Wong is Australia's longest-serving incumbent senator.

source:TheSaturdaypaper



By JO HAYES
Images by Jo Hayes

For anyone who loves to, wants to, or hopes to, ocean swim please come and join us in our pristine local pool, Flinders Bay.

We meet twice a week for "Technique Tuesdays" and "Threshold Thursdays" at 6:30am, rain, hail or shine. Most weekends you can find us lapping other stunning local spots including Hamelin Bay, Cosy Corner, Foul Bay and the Blackwood.

It's about fun, fitness and friendships...and it's free!

We are all ages and stages and different swimming ability and experience. Swim as much or as little as you want and join us for a coffee after at one of our local cafes.

We love newbies.

Don't be shy. Just turn up. See you down there.



What's new?

Jun - July

Many Flounders have migrated north for the sun or overseas for their summer holiday this time of year. A collective of them met up in Europe for a swim trek that involved swimming the entire island of Symi, Greece over five days.

They met many new international friends, swam 5kms per day around the beautiful bays, and gratefully bypassed the worrisome warring skies of the Iranian retaliation on the route home! Flounders were very pleased to be home indeed.

There are plenty of 'winter warriors' that brave the chillier conditions this time of year. Wetsuit or no wetsuit you will still find regular Flounders down at Flinders Bay Tuesdays and Thursdays at **7am**. Come and join us.



There are 10+ Flounders who have commenced fifteen weeks of training in preparation for the Geo Bay swim in November 2025.

This will require a 4-5km swim each in a relay from Quindalup to Busselton. This will keep the Flounders fit and focused through the colder months. Anyone is welcome to join on the training sessions at our usual times Tuesdays and Thursdays at **7am** at Flinders Bay.

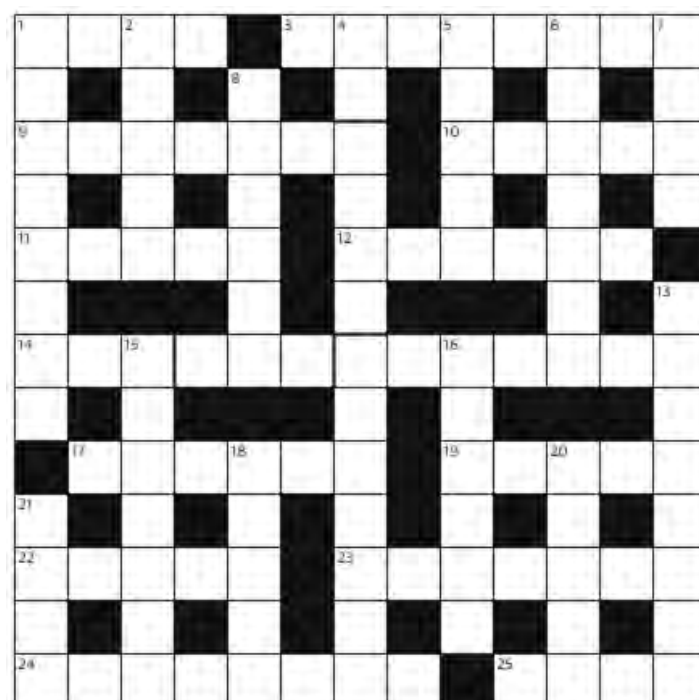
If that sounds a bit harrowing then try a more casual swim with our friends "The 8 O'clockers" (8:30am in winter) who meet at the northern end facilities at Flinders Bay every morning of the week. Either way you're guaranteed an invigorating immersion with some new friends in a very special place.



A flounder in the Dolomite

CROSSWORD

Source:theguardian.com



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- 1 Composer. JS (4)
- 3 Atmospheric gas (8)
- 9 Russian playwright (7)
- 10 Defendable (5)
- 11 Succumb to giddiness (5)
- 12 Rile (6)
- 14 Wartime campaign slogan (3,3,7)
- 17 Butcher, at times (6)
- 19 Lot hammer (5)
- 22 Nonsense (5)
- 23 Pet (7)
- 24 Improve (as in the appearance of an image) (8)
- 25 Twelve (4)

Down

- 1 Rear (8)
- 2 Cored (anag.) (5)
- 4 Alcohol will free the tongue (2,4,7)
- 5 Spike (5)
- 6 Italian astronomer (7)
- 7 Sans clothes (4)
- 8 'Way of the gods' in Japan (6)
- 13 Plant with backward-turned petals (8)
- 15 Allurement (7)
- 16 Telling (6)
- 18 Screen (5)
- 20 Star sign (5)
- 21 Design (4)

Solutions can be found on page: 37

Lower Blackwood Catchment Land Conservation District Committee Community Update August 2025



The Battle Is On: Control Arum Lily Now - Free Chemicals Available!

Why Now?

Arum Lily (*Zantedeschia aethiopica*) might look pretty, but it's no innocent flower. This aggressive invader is choking out our native bushland, damaging ecosystems, and reducing habitat for precious wildlife. Across the South West, a united front is forming to fight back - and it's time to act.



Come Get Your Chems!

If you're a **Lower Blackwood landholder** and have Arum Lily on your property, now's the **prime time to strike**—from **July to October**, when **50–70% of flowers are out**. By **appointment**, you can:

- Pick up **FREE herbicide**
- Access info on how to spray safely and effectively

Need a Hand with Costs?

Thanks to our [Environmental Weed Control Support in the Lower Blackwood](#) project, eligible landholders can receive **50% funding** toward professional weed control, not just for Arum Lily, but other declared weeds too.

To find out more please contact our **Revegetation Officer Rebecca Archer** a call on 0487 060 506 or email rebecca.archer@lowerblackwood.com.au

This isn't just a local problem - it's a regional one. The Lower Blackwood LCDC is working alongside [Nature Conservation Margaret River Region](#), and [The Shire of Augusta Margaret River](#) to coordinate action across boundaries and restore bushland before it's lost.

Our Environmental Weed Control Support in the Lower Blackwood Project is supported through funding from the Shire of Augusta Margaret River



Kids, Cows, & Catchments: Year 6's Dive into Water Health

What do cows, chemistry, and catchments have in common?

Just ask the Year 6 students from Augusta Primary School, who recently got a deep dive into the world of water health, and how our actions on land ripple downstream.

The students kicked off their learning with Adam Acosta from the **Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER)**, who wowed them with facts about pH, salinity, turbidity, and dissolved oxygen, all the essential ingredients in a healthy river system.

Our very own Ali Babington talked about how some farming practices, when not managed carefully, can have a big impact on river health - think compaction around riverbanks, nutrients flowing into streams, and muddy water harming aquatic life. Ali also talked about the positive actions that many catchment farmers are undertaking to help improve the health of our waterways, including:

Fencing off waterways to keep livestock out, protecting fragile banks and reducing sediment and nutrient loads & Revegetating riverbanks, which not only stabilises the soil but also filters runoff from nearby farms, and provides a lush home for native animals.

By the end of the session, students walked away with a solid understanding of the threats to the Hardy Inlet, plus a clear sense of how they, and their community, can and are supporting healthy waterways for the future.



Our thanks to our friends at [Nature Conservation Margaret River](#) and [Augusta Primary School](#) for facilitating the event

Our Fencing and Revegetation project is a part of Healthy Estuaries WA - a State Government program that aims to improve the health of our South West estuaries.



August 2025

European wasp successful season



European wasps feed on grapes and other fruit, human and pet food, insects and dead animals like rats, kangaroos and bandicoots.

The European wasp 2024-25 season has drawn to a close with 31 nests found and destroyed!

Western Australians can now relax and enjoy the coming few months knowing that the aggressive and invasive pest has once again been thwarted in its efforts to establish itself in WA. Every year fertilised queens enter WA via vehicles, freight and cargo from interstate where they are well established and a major social, environmental and economic pest.

WA has been entrenched in a battle for the past 48 years to prevent this pest from calling our state home. Since the first detection in 1977 WA has undergone a surveillance and eradication program, developing early detection techniques and trapping systems to locate and destroy any nests that spawn in WA. A large part of this success is due to public awareness and reporting of wasp sightings. Three of the nests destroyed this season were due directly to public reports.

The majority of nests were detected and destroyed in the City of Belmont and City of Canning in industrial areas that take delivery of interstate freight, as well as around the interstate rail freight yards. There were two regional nests destroyed: one in the suburb of Webborton in Geraldton and one in the town of Napier

just north of Albany. Around 3000 surveillance traps were deployed in the Perth metropolitan area and in strategic higher risk regional centres.

What to look for

There are similar looking black and yellow wasps in WA, so look for these key characteristics:

- **Scavenging** on human food and drinks, fruit like grapes, apples and stone fruit, pet food and roadkill (carcass).
- **Nest underground** - nests are HUGE, growing larger than a basketball in a single season, and have a small (golf ball sized) entrance hole.
- **Completely black antenna.**
- **Legs up** in flight (rear legs don't dangle).

Learn more or report

For more information about the eradication program and how to identify wasps see [European wasps: declared pests in Western Australia](#) | [Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development](#) or contact our Pest and Disease Information Service (PaDIS). Reports of suspected European wasps can be made to PaDIS or the MyPestGuide® team. Please include as much information and photos where you can.



Report your observations

MyPestGuide® Reporter via app or online mypestguide.agric.wa.gov.au
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LITHIUM BATTERY HOUSE FIRE IN AUGUSTA

I came home early that afternoon a couple of weeks ago. Just as well. As I drove up to the house, I heard our fire alarms going off.

What a nuisance, I thought. It wasn't the first time that dust, an insect or a flat battery had set them off. However, this time I smelt smoke as I came in from the back porch. What on earth could that be?

As I entered the kitchen I saw dense black smoke billowing from the hallway. I opened my office door and saw flames shooting from my desk to the ceiling. I grabbed a fire blanket that we keep in the kitchen and threw it over the flames. This slowed them down some but didn't put them out. Meanwhile huge clouds of acrid, jet-black smoke forced me out of the house. I closed the office door as I went, hoping that would starve the fire of oxygen. Fortunately, it did help suppress the fire somewhat.

Jesse Stewart, my super-competent friend and fire captain at Kudardup is on my speed dial. "Call 000 and get a hose in there immediately," he told me as he raced to my place to help. The Augusta fires turned up a few minutes later with their brand-new state of the art firetruck. How lucky that it was training night and many volunteers were in attendance.

Fortunately, Jesse and our wonderful fires saved the house, though there was considerable damage and loss of furniture and clothing. The cause of the fire: my old but still functioning iPad had been sitting on my desk. It was turned off and hadn't been charged recently but it still overheated, smoldered, and caught fire.

Unfortunately, this is increasingly common. iPads use lithium ion batteries, like many devices including smartphones, laptops, power banks, power tools, smartwatches, and even electric toothbrushes. But lithium-ion batteries degrade over time, even when turned off and especially if left unused for long periods.



BICYCLE USERS GROUP AUGUSTA

Ride to Jewel
The next ride by the group will be on Sunday August 17th. 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 8.30am for a ride start at 8.45am. A rest stop will be scheduled at Jewel Cave Cafe.

Contact – Paul Sofilas 0419 940 066
oceans2meet@hotmail.com
Please inform Paul if planning to participate.

This can lead to chemical imbalances in the battery and the risk that the battery becomes "thermally unstable," which means it can explode.

I'd heard of some Samsung phones catching fire, but thought Apple products were so well engineered that they were immune. How wrong was I? In fact, there are now about three house fires every week in Western Australia caused by lithium batteries exploding. When they do catch fire, they burn with intense heat (1500 degrees C) and are extremely difficult to extinguish.

A critical sign that a lithium battery is compromised is any swelling or bulging of the casing. This means gases are building up inside. Other signs include reduced battery life, overheating during charging, or difficulty charging.

After this experience, I'd recommend that if you have old mobile phones, iPads or laptops laying around your home, dispose of them. Just because they're not being used, doesn't mean they won't explode. Never dump one in the regular bin – take it to battery recycling. If you do ever see bulging in a battery, stop using it immediately and isolate it, preferably out of the house and away from anything flammable until it can be disposed of.

Incidentally, you may want to check your home insurance policies. It turns out that ours didn't cover contents destroyed by an electrical fire.

Jay Harman

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Garden Gossip


By CAROLINE FOLEY
Images by Various



On 10th July, the Augusta Garden Club, together with Eileen McDonald's family, held a celebratory farewell afternoon tea in honour of Eileen's life and her enormous contribution to the garden club.



About 40 people attended the gathering in the Uniting Church. Members of the Garden Club provided a scrumptious afternoon tea and a number of people related anecdotes about Eileen to share with her friends and family.



By WENDY AND GRAHAM SHEARWOOD


In fond memory of Peter Austin

Peter Austin passed away recently at the age of 87. He'd been together with his beloved wife Sheila for 66 years. They have a son James, married to Pam, and also numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

We know him as a strong tennis player and a long-term member of the Tennis Club, having served as Treasurer for some of those years. Other members of the Augusta community will remember Peter as an ambo, a Hash House Harrier and a member of the Augusta Golf Club.

Peter was an impressive narrator of monologues, with his strong speaking voice and dramatic delivery. Who could ever forget his rendition of Albert and the Lion, with all eighteen verses word-perfect from memory?

Peter also had a great singing voice. At social get-togethers he had a few favourite songs. Glass of red in hand, we can still hear him taking the lead vocal on Wonderful World, I Left My Heart in San Francisco and The Way We Were, ideally the Gladys Knight version. We were privileged to accompany Peter and Sheila to a Gladys Knight concert in Perth in February 2020, just before Covid struck.



By JARROD BRINDLEY

As winter settles in across Augusta, local radio station 2oceansfm is heating things up with a community-wide call to action. This August marks the launch of Membership March.

Local radio plays a vital role in regional towns, offering a platform for community voices, local stories, and music that reflects the spirit of the area. 2oceansfm's Membership March is not only about growing support, but also about celebrating the unique identity of Augusta through radio.

Joining is easy. New members can sign up online at www.2oceansfm.com.au or by visiting the station at 66 Allnutt Terrace, Monday to Friday between 9am and 4pm.

The station is also putting the call out for new volunteers. Whether it's helping behind the scenes, assisting with tech, categorising music, or getting involved in on-air programming, there's something for everyone. No previous experience is needed—just a willingness to get involved and be part of something local and meaningful.

So if you're looking for a way to give back, meet new people, or simply stay connected during winter, consider becoming a member or volunteer at 2oceansfm.

Warm studio. Great company. Local impact. This August, be part of Augusta's voice.

Ever the perfect English gentleman, Peter was voted the Best Dressed Man at a Melbourne Cup Lunch at the pub one year.

Growing up in Cheshire, Peter came under the spell of Manchester United. He remained a staunch fan all his life. He used to love swapping football (soccer) banter about rival teams. He knew the stories of the Busby Babes and Bobby Charlton and the other Red Devils, like it was yesterday. Lest it be thought he only followed English sport, Peter was a fervent West Coast Eagles supporter.

Thanks for the memories Peter. May you Rest In Peace.



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9. Titanium
10. True

AUGUSTA COMMUNITY GROUPS CALENDAR

GROUP	DATE	TIME	EVENT/CONTACT	VENUE
Anglican Church	Sunday & Wednesday	Please check noticeboard at the church	Church Service	St Elizabeth's Church, Allnutt Tce
Augusta Art Club and Studio Gallery	Tuesday Wednesday & Friday	6:30pm - 8:30pm 10:00am- 2:00pm	Art activities 9758 0363	Centennial Hall - Art Room
Augusta Badminton Club	Social games every Tuesday	6.30pm-8.30pm	All ages welcome. Equipment provided if needed Wendy Mathews 0439 980 932	Augusta Recreation Centre, Allnut Tce
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 first Thursday of each month	5:30pm	Community building, augusta_acda@yahoo.com	Augusta Library Lesser Hall
Augusta Community Garden	Open Daily, Mebers 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	Rowing days vary	6.30am 8.30am	Wish to come rowing In our Skiffs call Kevin Kent 0473 089 803	Augusta Yacht Club
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:oopm-4:oopm	Closed Christmas Day/ Boxing Day	Museum Blackwood Ave
Augusta Men's Shed	Mon, Wed and Fri Sat Thursday	9:00am-1:00pm 9:00am-12:00pm 9:00am-12:00pm	Member Shed activities Community Morning (ladies and men)	Men's Shed, Hillview Rd
Augusta Playgroup	Every Fri during School Term	9:00am-11:00am	Playgroup for 0-5 yr olds, all welcome	Augusta PS Kindy, sign in @ office
Augusta River and Coast Care	Thursday	8:30am-10:30am	Caring for our Environment	TBA
Augusta River FestivalInc.	As advertised on FB	6:30pm		Augusta Primary School
Augusta Spinners & Weavers	Tuesday Thursday	10:30am 7:00pm	Textile Crafts	Centennial Hall
Augusta Singrays	Wednesday / Weekly	5.30pm-7pm	Singing Deb Perry 042 8131 148	Augusta Hotel Function Room

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GROUP	DATE	TIME	EVENT/CONTACT	VENUE
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 Wednesday of each month	2:00pm	Monthly Gatherings	Leeuwin frail age lodge - Sunroom
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 9:00am - 10:00am	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	1st Tuesday/ Month	2:00pm	Monthly Meeting John Wilson 0427 586 493	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
Pickleball	Monday	10:30am - 12:00pm 7:00pm - 8:30pm	Scott 0477 837 368	Augusta Rec Centre
St John Ambulance	1st & 3rd Mon Month Friday	7:00pm 8:30am	Training Equipment Checks	Augusta SJA sub centre, Donovan St
Table Tennis	Tuesday & Thursday	10:30am - 12pm	John 0417 744 224	Augusta Rec Centre
Tai Chi Qigong	Monday	10am - 11.00 am	Exercise	CWA Hall.
Volunteer Fire and Rescue Service	1st Tuesday/Month Every other Tuesday	6:00pm – 8:30pm 5:30pm – 7:00pm	Checks & Monthly meeting 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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