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FRIDAY, 29 MAY 2026

11.00AM OPENING CEREMONY

**5.00PM WHALESONG FROLIC
COCKTAIL PARTY (SOLD OUT)**

SATURDAY, 30 MAY 2026

TOWN FESTIVITIES:

10.00 AM – 4.00PM

SAND SCULPTURE WORKSHOP FOR KIDS

11.00AM STREET PARADE

12.00 NOON ONWARDS - KITE DISPLAY AND WORKSHOPS

12.00 NOON 7.00PM – LIVE MUSIC AT AUGUSTA HOTEL

12.30-3.00PM – MERMAID JACINTA FACEPAINTING ON THE BACK LAWN OF THE AUGUSTA HOTEL

PICs GALLERY – VIEW ART ON DISPLAY

8:00AM – 2.00PM – VIEW THE ART CLUB STUDIOS

SUNDAY, 31 MAY 2026

**CHANGE OF LOCATION FOR SUNDAY ACTIVITIES DUE TO WEATHER
AUGUSTA BOAT HARBOUR**

9.00 AM BLESSING OF THE FLEET (NO CHANGE)

REVEREND DAVE BARDSLEY TO OFFICIATE THE BLESSING OF THE FLEET

AUGUSTA CIVIC CENTRE AND RECREATION CENTRE

9.00AM-2.00PM – WHALESONG MARKETS RELOCATED INDOORS

OTHER ACTIVITIES ALSO RELOCATING TO THE CIVIC CENTRE:

EV CAR DISPLAY WITH FREE BBQ

LIVE MUSIC

MERMAID JACINTA DOING FACE PAINTING AND CRAFTS

2OCEANSFM – INDOOR BROADCAST

KITE DISPLAY

DFES STALLS (MARINE RESCUE AND FIRE & RESCUE)

BORDER FORCE

CENTENNIAL HALL

1.00PM - OCEAN WITH DAVID ATTENBOROUGH – FREE EVENT BUT NEED TO REGISTER YOUR ATTENDANCE DUE TO THIS BEING A POPULAR EVENT*

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU TO SOME OR ALL OF THE EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES BEING ORGANISED OVER THE WEEKEND. CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU ALL TO HAVE A WHALE OF A TIME!

ALL WEEKEND

SEE THE SAND SCULPTURE BEING BUILT AT THE VILLAGE GROCER

WINE TASTING AT SUBSEA ESTATE WINES

PIONEER CEMETERY

GEORGIANA PARK

RAILWAY TRAIL INFORMATION BOARD

WHALE PLAQUE AT FLINDERS BAY

VISIT JEWEL CAVE JUST OUTSIDE AUGUSTA

WILD LOT DISTILLERY

CAPTAIN'S LOG - ELLIS STREET - 10.30AM-3.00PM FRIDAY

PASSPORT ACTIVATION – KIDS TO COLLECT STAMPS AT LOCATIONS AND COLLECT A FREE ITEM

WHALE PLAQUE AT FLINDERS BAY

AUGUSTA HISTORICAL MUSEUM – OPEN 10:00AM-4:00PM FRIDAY, SATURDAY AND SUNDAY

COMMUNITY MURAL AT ELLIS STREET

FIRESTONE PARK – TAKE THE KIDS TO PLAY ON THE NEW WHALETAIL PLAYGROUND

VIEW THE WHALE MURAL ON THE WATER TANK NEAR THE BOWLING CLUB, BUSSELL HWY

GO SHOPPING LOCAL IN THE TOWN CENTRE OF AUGUSTA (SATURDAY AND SOME SHOPS SUNDAY)

WHALE TAIL BUILT BY THE AUGUSTA MEN'S SHED LOCATED AT LIONS PARK

VIEW WHALE STRANDING INFORMATION AT THE AUGUSTA HOTEL (RECEPTION AREA)

TAKE A STROLL OR RIDE ON ONE OF THE MANY TRAILS AROUND AUGUSTA

MONDAY, 1 JUNE 2026

9.30AM YOGA TO WHALE SOUNDS

*** FREE ENTRY TO HISTORICAL MUSEUM FOR ALL GUESTS ATTENDING THE TICKETED EVENTS**

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BLACKWOOD AVENUE DEVELOPMENT APPROVED FOR AUGUSTA TOWN CENTRE



The proposed mixed-use development at 74–76 Blackwood Avenue has reached a significant milestone, receiving Development Approval by the Regional Development Assessment Panel (RDAP) and progressing into its next stages of planning and detailed design.

The development combines retail, hospitality, office and residential uses, including 10 two-bedroom apartments designated for permanent residential living. The project aims to support local business, improve access to services and provide much-needed medium-density housing within Augusta's town centre.

Refined throughout the approvals process, the final design incorporates reduced building heights and additional planning conditions aimed at achieving a balanced and considered outcome for the site and surrounding community.

Addressing Community Concerns

In recent weeks, a number of concerns and misconceptions have circulated in the Augusta community regarding the approved development, particularly around planning discretions, building height and parking.

The proposal underwent a comprehensive assessment process involving the Shire of Augusta Margaret River, independent Design Review Panels, agency referrals, community feedback and final consideration of the RDAP.

During the public advertising period, community submissions were received and reviewed as part of the assessment and design refinement process. While a further extension to the advertising period was requested, it is noted that the Shire had already requested an earlier extension, which resulted in an additional one-week advertising period.

No Shortfall in Parking

One issue raised publicly has been parking demand within the town centre. Although the initial application requested a parking concession, the project team would like to confirm that the development was amended and now fully complies with the required parking provisions.

Importantly, the development has been designed so it will not rely on, or take up, existing street parking along Blackwood Avenue with all required parking accommodated within the development site itself.

The additional parking allowance would have facilitated

a greater number of consultant and medical suites, the proposal has instead been scaled back to two suites in order to comply with parking limitations.

Height Variations Not About Profit

Concerns regarding the approved height variations have also been addressed, noting that the variations are not linked to maximising profit or increasing development yield.

The approved design is 20 per cent below the maximum allowable plot ratio under the local planning framework, meaning the site is significantly underdeveloped compared to what could have been achieved under a fully compliant scheme. A higher-density development would have resulted in a stronger financial return.

Alternative concepts explored earlier in the process would have delivered a larger and bulkier development, including buildings built hard against the boundaries with a uniform eight-metre height. While technically compliant, those options were ultimately eliminated because they were considered less appropriate for the site and surrounding streetscape. Instead, the approved proposal incorporates larger setbacks, reduced overall building bulk and design modifications to retain mature trees and improve privacy outcomes.

The only height variation applies to a small portion of the commercial building set back from Blackwood Avenue. From the street, the development will largely present as a two-storey building. The additional height was a design response intended to create a better-balanced building form and improved amenity, not additional commercial gain.

Planning Flexibility in Town Centres

Planning discretions and variations are a standard and established part of Western Australia's planning framework, particularly within town centre zones where flexibility is often required to achieve better design outcomes. The minor concession in height is not dissimilar to the height concession granted to a new development in the Margaret River Town Centre.

The new development is located within Augusta's designated Town Centre zone, an area specifically intended to encourage mixed-use development, commercial activity and long-term growth. The proposal was ultimately approved unanimously by the five-member RDAP panel, which includes two representatives from the Shire of Augusta Margaret River.

Looking Ahead

Following development approval, the project will progress through detailed design and further approvals ahead of anticipated construction in the coming years. The development team will continue working with the Shire, neighbours and community as the project advances, supporting local economic growth and greater housing diversity in Augusta.



Leeuwin Lines

MEMBER HONoured FOR RECRUITMENT EFFORT

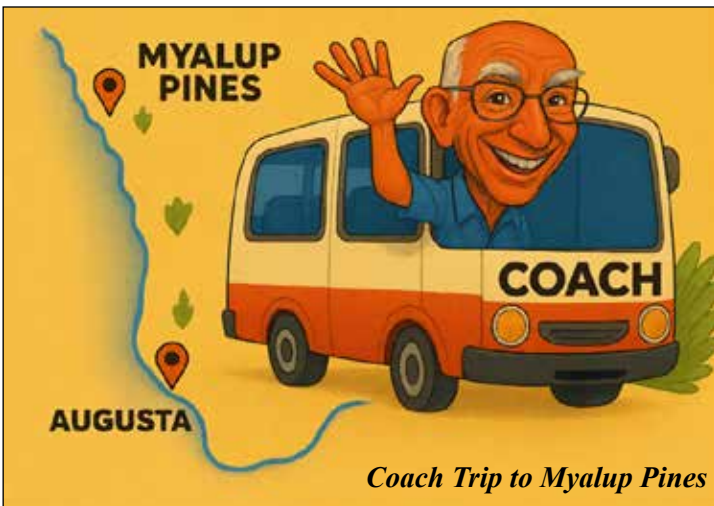
At a recent dinner meeting, Acting President Matt Russell presented Lion Karl Ambrose with an

award recognising his achievement in recruiting five new members to the local Lions Club whilst he was in the role of Membership Chairman. Matt praised the effort, describing it as a significant contribution to the club. "Fantastic effort from Karl - bringing in new members helps keep the club strong," he said.



Acting President Matt Russell handing emblem to Lion Karl Ambrose

LIONS BIG DAY OUT



On Wednesday 6th May, a merry band of Leeuwin Lions, partners and volunteers chartered a coach for a pleasant days' outing and inspection of MYALUP PINES, a Lions Holiday Camp only a short distance off the Coastal Highway, 20 minutes north of Bunbury.

First stop was at Margaret River Lions Shed where a welcome was extended by President Mike Moulding for a tour around their impressive shed and facilities. It was volunteers' day with around 30 present including Lions and Volunteers, all busy preparing for the forthcoming Saturday auction. Plenty of good information was gained from the conversations and no doubt many good ideas also that Leeuwin Lions can implement in carrying out their own renovations to the Second Hand Goods Shed.

Interesting to note that the Margaret River Lions, due to the success of their fortnightly auctions which raise in the order of \$15,000 a time, have been forced to lease an adjoining block of land and carry out site works to provide parking, such is the traffic congestion on auction days.

Second stop was at the Cowaramup Lions Op Shop to pick up prominent Lion Laurie Dwyer and partner Nola.



One of seven cottages at Myalup Pines

Third stop was at the Capel Bakery for a coffee and a comfort break. A table was set up for the group in the rear courtyard which proved to be quite ideal given the bakery turned out to be very busy at the time of arrival.

Fourth stop – Myalup Pines. Coach arrived just after midday to be met by the management committee and caretaker, Roy.

The group were provided with a most enjoyable BBQ lunch with salads followed by tea/coffee and cake.

An address by Chairman of the Management Committee Past District Governor Alan Hawkins told of the operations of Myalup Pines and the further aspirations for the development of the holiday camp for use by Lions, charitable organisations and any members of the public, especially family groups that are seeking a relaxed, but inexpensive holiday break in a quiet bushland setting.

He concluded by expressing sincere thanks to the Lions Club of Leeuwin for their past support, particularly the donation towards the ride on mower which was proudly on display on arrival.

His comments were endorsed by PDG Peter Lamb who gave a brief update on changes to the Lions insurance cover and the items for clubs to closely monitor.

Afterwards Caretaker Roy showed the group around the site with the seven cottages, large communal hall with kitchen and outside BBQ area and the various play areas suitable for both adults and children – basketball hoop, table tennis etc Seemingly ideal for family gatherings, 21st parties, small weddings or any number of functions, the venue may be booked by contacting caretakers:

Roy and Marie - PO Box 347 Harvey WA 6220 or PDG Alan Hawkins – 0418 947 721 or myalupwa@lionswa.org.wa

Fifth stop – Wokalup Tavern. Upon bidding farewell to Myalup Pines, for a change of scenery on the return journey it was determined to take the inland South West Highway which meant a short drive through some picturesque farmland via the town of Harvey and a brief comfort and refreshment stop at the Wokalup Tavern.

Sixth stop – Vasse Roadhouse. Another brief comfort and refreshment stop took place at Vasse before delivering the guests from Cowaramup to home base.

Seventh and final stop was Augusta for the Leeuwin Lions. Huge thanks and acclaim were conveyed to regular volunteer Graeme Winfield for driving the coach safely all day and arriving home precisely on time.

Leeuwin Lines continued...

LIONS REFRESH SECOND HAND GOODS SHED

Dedicated volunteers and Lions members recently rolled up their sleeves to give their much-loved bric a brac shed a well-deserved spruce up.

Following a thorough clean-out, the shed has been transformed into a more welcoming and efficient space for both volunteers and visitors. The team worked tirelessly to tidy shelves, sort donated items, and refresh displays, making it easier for the community to browse and find hidden treasures.

The bric a brac shed plays an important role in supporting the Lions Club's fundraising efforts, with proceeds going back into vital local projects and community initiatives. The recent improvements ensure the space continues to serve as an inviting hub for bargain hunters and supporters alike.

The Lions Club extends its sincere thanks to all volunteers who contributed their time and energy to the clean-up, and encourages the community to drop by, have a look, and support their ongoing efforts.



Regular volunteer Amanda in the newly spruced up Bric a Brac section



LIONS CLUBS SUPPORT HAY RUN

Lions Clubs in our South West region recently joined forces to donate an impressive \$50,500 to support "Farmers Across Borders" and drought stricken pastoralists.

The donation comes after the charity "Farmers Across Borders" was forced to halt deliveries in March when funding dried up, despite having hay stock piled and ready to go.

The pause left pastoralists across the Gascoyne and other northern regions without much needed feed.

Combined fundraising from clubs in Cowaramup, Busselton, Dunsborough, Vasse, Margaret River and Leeuwin, has provided diesel to get the trucks back on the road transporting donated hay from Esperance to properties across the state.

Past President and long serving member of Cowaramup Lions Club Peter Holben who headed up the fundraising effort stated, "We as Lions Clubs support all sorts of health and wellbeing initiatives and we saw this as covering both.

On one hand you have an animal welfare issue with stock dying because they can't get feed, and on the other, the human welfare issue with farmers genuinely under severe trauma and stress, often leading to some tragic outcomes.

We felt that if we could do something that would help in a real way, then that would truly fulfil the statement "Where there is need, there is a Lion".

Lion Peter Holben approached other clubs in our zone with an initial proposal for each club to contribute \$5000.

The response however was above expectation with amounts of \$15,000 each from Cowaramup and Leeuwin, \$10,000 from Dunsborough, \$5,000 from Busselton and Margaret River and \$500 from newly formed club Vasse.

"Farmers Across Borders" President Sam Starcevich was highly appreciative of the contribution by the local Lions Clubs and said that his gratitude would be overwhelmingly endorsed by the many pastoralists doing it tough.

The Lions in the South West can feel very satisfied that their combined efforts have enabled a continuation of this much needed project.



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We wish to announce that we raised \$2510 this year. As you know this money goes to the Cancer Council in order to support those with all types of cancer.

The community spirit displayed in this undertaking is huge and all involved were very pleased with comments made from attendees, offers for future help and one person personally contacting The Cancer Council to praise the event.

Thank you to The Pelican Post, Two Oceans FM, The Bendigo Bank and local businesses for allowing us to place flyers in their premises. In addition, many islanders donated their time, food and prizes.

The attendance was great and its diversity was indicated as the raffle prizes went to people in Molloy Hideaway Holiday Park, Augusta, Margaret River and Molloy Island. Congratulations to the raffle winners.

Looking forward to welcoming the South West community to this event again in 2027.

Regards
Ruth Combley & Anna Southwell





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CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE

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- That means we DO NOT accept snails, cockroaches, ant nests, leaves, twigs, stones, cigarette butts or any liquid surrounding the items, such as stale beer, rainwater etc.
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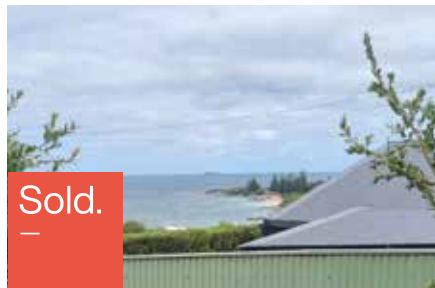
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- Seller, Augusta



Shire news

June 2026

Welcome from Shire President Julia Jean-Rice

Kaya Augusta,

Firstly, I'd like to congratulate the team at Augusta Community Resource Centre for bringing our community together over the long weekend to celebrate all things Augusta at the Augusta Whalesong Festival.

The Shire was delighted to support this fantastic festival through our [Community Development & Events Grants program](#), and continue to work alongside the Augusta CRC through our Community Partnerships Program. As part of our partnership, we'll also be joining forces on 24 June to host a free information session to help people better understand the aged care system - whether for themselves or a loved one.

I'm also pleased to announce that the Shire has successfully secured \$1.2 million in grant funding to upgrade the carpark and surrounding areas at Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse. The project will be delivered in partnership with the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions (DBCAs) and the Margaret River Busselton Tourism Association (MRBTA).

At last month's Council meeting, we began the process of setting rates for the 2026/27 financial year. Rate payments make up around 60 per cent of the Shire's operating revenue and help fund the services and facilities that make Augusta Margaret River such a great place to live - including parks, playgrounds, libraries, recreation centres, roads, community buildings, waste services and much more.

As ratepayers ourselves, we understand the pressure many households are facing and are working hard to keep any increases as modest as possible. In a time of uncertainty, our focus remains on maintaining essential services and ensuring the community continues to have access to safe, well-maintained facilities and infrastructure.

One of the changes Council is considering this year concerns how rates are applied to hosted Short Term Rental Accommodation (STRA) properties, such as where a property owner or resident rents out a spare room or granny flat for less than three months. This forms part of our ongoing work to improve the fairness of the Shire's rating structure and would see hosted STRA properties rated the same as holiday homes and other traditional accommodation providers. (Please note - this change won't affect people who have long-term tenants in a spare room /granny flat).

Before any decisions are finalised, the community will have the opportunity to learn more and provide feedback through a 21-day public consultation period, including a community Q&A session. More information is available on the Shire website. As always, our CEO Andrea Selvey will be working from the Augusta office this month. If there's anything you'd like to discuss with her, please drop in on 16 June.

Warm regards,

Julia Jean-Rice | Shire President



Waste, Recycling Guide & Tip Passes are coming! Are your details up to date?

We'll soon be distributing the 2026-27 Waste Guide. To make sure it gets to the right place, please check that your property details are up to date.

Updating your details is quick and helps ensure you receive:

- Your annual Waste and Recycling Guide
- Your new tip passes for the 2026-27 financial year

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Don't forget: all existing passes expire on 30 June 2026. Be sure to use any remaining passes before this date.

Scan QR code to update your details



Community feedback now open for the Safer Speeds Trial 12-month review

The Shire and RAC have been working together to improve safety on our local roads through the Safer Speeds Trial.

It's been 12 months since the Trial started and we are seeking community feedback to help with an interim evaluation.

For more information about the Trial and to complete the community survey visit <https://yoursay.amrshire.wa.gov.au/safer-speeds-trial-review>

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- Sat, Jun 6, 8pm - Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- Fri, Jun 12, 7.30pm - Water Mirror
- Sat, Jun 13, 8pm - Ross Wilson & The Peaceniks
- Fri, Jun 26, 7pm - UWA Classical Guitar Concert
- Mon, Jun 29, 2pm - Mediterranean Garden Design (ArtsNational lecture series)

Cinema & film festivals

- Fri, June 5, 7pm: [The Devil Wears Prada 2](#)
- Mon, June 8, 12.30pm: [EPIC: Elvis Presley In Concert](#)
- Tues, June 9, 7pm: [EPIC: Elvis Presley In Concert](#)
- Tues, June 23, 7pm: [The Voice of Hind Rajab](#)
- Sat, June 27, 7pm: [The Sheep Detectives](#) (Fundraiser)

Visual arts

- May 28-June 26 - The Memory of Trees: An Exhibition by Heloise Roberts & Moira Fearby - Mon-Fri, 10am-4pm
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Representatives from Advocare and the Department of Health, Disability and Ageing will share practical information and answer your questions about:

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Spiritual Reflection

By BILL WOODAGE

What Gives You The Greatest Joy?

Perhaps it is relationships with family or friends? Or following hobbies, sport, reading or even multimedia? For some folk it may be work-related or belonging to a specific group. And yet for others it could be a combination of life's activities.

Why were you created? One very short answer, from Scripture, is that Father God created all things out of nothing. He did not need to create us, but for His joy, pleasure and glory, He made us because we are very important to Him and His eternal plans for the family of God. Do you understand that He desires your coming into true family intimacy in perfect harmony?

But there is an elephant in the room – that being sin and death.

Romans 6:23 *For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.*

Yes, Jesus, the sinless one, died in our place for our sin. Of course, this is conditional, like everything else in life. The promise is given only to those who are willing to repent and follow Jesus as their Saviour and friend. The Lord desires a change in our heart and mind as He moves into our lives by invitation. Father God desires us to be true sons and daughters by following Him in faith. We have been made in His image, out of all of His vast number of created beings, we are the only ones to be made like him.

You are most special to your heavenly Father.

John 5:11,12 *And this is the record, that God has given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that has the Son has life; and he that has not the Son of God has not life.*

Jesus is waiting for you to invite Him into your life today.



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	First Place	Second Place
March 21 st	Lyn Leonard & Merione Wilson	Herbie Whittall & Mary Whittall
March 30 th	Nancy Gibson & Herbie Whittall	Mal Johnson & Beth Johnson
April 27 th	Nancy Gibson & Mary Whittall	Sue Air & Judith Wilton
May 4 th	Lyn Leonard & Merione Wilson	Sue Air & Judith Wilton
May 11 th	Lyn Leonard & Sue Air	Mary Whittall & Sylvia Cowell
May 18 th	Lyn Leonard & Merione Wilson	Herbie Whittall & Nancy Gibson



Wind farm feasibility study

Development Application update

Following Synergy's Development Approval application for the proposed wind farm in Scott River, the Regional Development Assessment Panel met on 30 April and granted Development Approval, subject to detailed conditions.

The proposed wind farm has now received the necessary environmental and planning approvals.

The Development Approval is initially for a period of five years. Before the proposed wind farm can proceed, Synergy will take time to carefully review the detailed and extensive conditions and assess the requirements to meet them. A comprehensive analysis, including consideration of these requirements, will also be undertaken to determine the commercial feasibility and timing of the proposed wind farm.

Synergy will continue to keep the community updated as the analysis progresses. For the latest updates the proposed wind farm, visit synergyred.net.au/proposed-wind-farm-in-scott-river

Stay informed

To receive updates or find out more, please register by scanning the QR code.



For more information

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CWA recipe

GLUTEN-FREE – BREAD SMALL WHITE LOAF

Not meant to last more than 1 day

No oil in this loaf so it doesn't freeze for long

Preparation 50 minutes. Cooking 40 minutes

Lola's Superfine flour

200g besan flour, 200g potato starch, 150g tapioca (or sago) starch, 100g fine rice flour

Ingredients

1 tbsp dried yeast	1 tbsp sugar
1 tbsp gelatine	1 <u>teasp</u> salt
1 tbsp psyllium	½ <u>teasp</u> citric acid
300g Lola's superfine flour	2 egg whites

Grease 20 x10 x 6cmbread tin with margarine and line with baking paper.

Place ½ cup of hot water and ½ cup of cold water, into a medium-sized glass or plastic bowl.

Add yeast, sugar, gelatine, salt and psyllium.

Lightly whisk to mix ingredients.

Cover the bowl and leave to rise for 15 minutes.

Add the citric acid, flour and egg whites to the yeast mixture and mix for 2 minutes using an electric beater.

Cover the bowl with a large plastic bag and leave to rise for 20 minutes.

Beat the mixture for 1 minute and scrape into the prepared tin.

Preheat oven to 220dC/430dF.

Cover the tin with the plastic bag and leave to rise for 25 minutes or less until the mixture is 2 1/2cm in from the top of the tin.

Bake on the lower shelf for 40 minutes.

Remove from oven and wrap in a clean tea towel.

Do not cut until cool.

Serves 2

A majority of storm damage is preventable.

Planning and preparation is key to staying safe and reducing damage to your property during a storm.

At a minimum, you should clean leaves out of your gutters, trim branches near roofs and tie down loose items in your garden, like sheds and trampolines.

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Mother's Day Breakfast



Thank you to all of the mums, aunties, grandmothers and VIPs who play such an important role in the lives of our students here at Augusta PS. We are so grateful for all the work you do behind the scenes each and every day, and we hope you enjoyed a special morning and some quality time with your children.

A big thank you also goes to our wonderful staff for their work and preparation in setting up and running the morning. Special thanks to Tashi and Jane for all the ordering and behind-the-scenes organisation, to the school staff who helped in the kitchen, and to Dave and Steve for cooking up a storm on the BBQs.

We hope all our mums and special guests are thoroughly spoil this Mother's Day!



Anzac Day Service

I would like to take a moment to formally thank our Year 6 leaders; Edie, Willow, Layla and Mackenzie, for their tremendous efforts at this year's ANZAC ceremony. Leading up to the event, they were always willing to practise and refine their speeches, and on the day they spoke with clarity, confidence and resilience.

I thank our school staff for the preparation they put into their classrooms and to our students for sitting and listening with patience and humility.

I would also like to thank Phil Thorpe and the members of the Augusta-Karridale RSL, Joe for escorting our wreath bearers, our guests from the RSL and Emergency Services, and the families from our school community for their attendance. It was fantastic to see so many people at the event.

A special thank you also goes to our student leaders who attended the ANZAC ceremony at the Augusta Memorial. Thank you to Tam, who met and supervised our student leaders while they laid the wreath for the fallen and represented our school with pride.

It was wonderful to have conversations with, and hear such positive feedback from, our RSL members, Emergency Services personnel and visiting veterans.

Lest we forget.



Hello!



Karridale Primary School News



AUTHOR SHARES BIG IDEAS

Author Renee Trembl shared her big ideas with our little dinosaurs when she visited our school for the *Young Readers and Writers Program* during our Dino-mite Book Fair!

Renee is the creator of 10 highly engaging and funny graphic novels, and has written and illustrated over 20 children's picture books. She also has a degree in Environmental Science and has a passionate love of natural history which she shared with our students.

During the sessions, Renee shared the inspiration behind her stories, read a book or two and guided the students in drawing some amazing Australian animals...and dinosaurs!

We wish to thank the *Margaret River Readers and Writers Festival* for making this author workshop with the talented Renee possible. Our students really enjoyed the workshops and absorbed many of the tips, tricks and information that Renee generously shared.

Above: Renee Trembl our guest author/illustrator, for *Young Readers & Writers Program*, sharing her knowledge with our students.

LOCAL ANZAC STORIES



Above: Our Year 6 councillors with John Matten, John Wilson and Andrew Hathaway at our ANZAC commemorative service.

Our Year 6 students researched two local soldiers who fought in WWI, John Brennan and Edward Brennan and shared their stories at our ANZAC commemorative service.

After interviewing her dad, Emily spoke about her father, Andrew Hathaway, as he served in the military and completed several tours overseas. We're grateful to have Andrew present at the service along with School Board Chair and RSL President, John Wilson and veteran John Matten.

After the service our guests enjoyed ANZAC biscuits made by our Year 3-6 students with a nice cup of tea.

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Since the epic “All the Rivers Row” expedition, the rowing community has fallen back into the usual pattern of morning rows on our beautiful Blackwood River and estuary.

The stunning autumn weather has resulted in some very picturesque and calm, still, glassy conditions which

makes exploring the waters and seeing the amazing variety of birdlife a real delight.

The two skiffs, Colourpatch and Zoom are available for any person who would like to experience rowing with like-minded people and even enjoy a cup of coffee after the rows.

The early bird rowers go out 6.30am, catch those wonderful sunrises, and are back in time for the later comers for the 8.30am row. Rowing can happen any day of the week depending on availability of crew and the weather.



All organised through a booking sheet which is available to all members. Pick a day, have a look, if a crew is forming (four rowers, a cox and a passenger), Put your name down, turn up and join the fun. It is always possible to try out just to see if it suits by contacting through the Augusta Community Rowing Facebook page, or via the website www.augustarowers.org.au.



A recent special activity has been a visit from Nannup rowers with their skiff, Ducks on the Pond on Sunday 17th May. Nannup make regular visits to the Alexandar bridge for a row and a BBQ, where Augusta rowers join them with our skiffs.

This visit had a change of scene with commencement at the Molloy caravan park and a 12 km row up and back on the Scott River, and as the tides were high, a circumnavigation of Molloy Island. The conditions were autumn perfect and any slight rain showers held off. A solid row and concluded with welcome lunch back on shore.

Upcoming events: Some very enthusiastic Augusta rowers will be involved in a special event organised by the Living Boat Trust in Tasmania in Jan/Feb 2027.

The Living Boat Trust (LBT) is dedicated to keeping Tasmania’s marine heritage alive and to maintaining traditional boat building, repairing, rowing and sailing skills. Find us on the banks of the Huon River at Franklin in southern Tasmania. We celebrate the history and beauty of this area (and its boats), strive for a sustainable way of life for all concerned and to be a vital part of our community (and the boats). <https://livingboattrust.org.au/>

This RAID taking nine days will which consist of a rowing event commencing on the Franklin River and culminating at Hobart with the Wooden Boat Festival.

Within boating, Raid is described as a sail and oar adventure, a leisure pursuit combining sailing and rowing. It involves a fleet of small boats capable of being rowed and sailed, exploring a coastline or inland waterway over several days, often with some competitive element. [Wikipedia.com](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Raid)

Excitement is mounting as plans are made. More news on this event will follow as time gets closer.

The Augusta Whalesong festival on the WA day long weekend will see skiffs on display during the street parade on Saturday 30th.

Then if any of this information has sparked an interest in the Augusta Community Skiffs, there will be a **HAVE A GO Day** at the Augusta marina, 9:00am onwards on Sunday 31st.

CWA recipe

SLOW COOKER – TACO FAKEAWAY

Prepare in the morning for an evening meal

Ingredients:

500g mince meat	1 onion – cut or minced
3 garlic cloves - minced	1pkt taco seasoning
1 tin chopped tomatoes	1tin sweetcorn - drained
1tbsp paprika	salt and pepper
Cheese-grated add 1/2hr before serving	2 cups rice well washed add 1 hr before serving

Into slow cooker: all above ingredients except rice and cheese

Mix well.

Cook on low all day

1 hour before serving, add well washed/draind rice

If not enough liquid to absorb rice add 100ml hot water

Mix well.

Add grated cheese on top replace lid

Cook ½ hour.

Serve and enjoy

Have your say

The Shire of Augusta Margaret River and RAC have been working together to improve safety on our local roads through the Safer Speeds Trial. We are now seeking community feedback at the 12-month mark of the Trial.

For more information about the Trial and to complete the community survey, visit:

yoursay.amrshire.wa.gov.au/safer-speeds-trial-review

If you have any questions about the Trial or wish to learn more, please register your interest to attend a community engagement session with our project team via the Your Say page.



**Consultation closes:
Wednesday 24 June 2026**



SAFER SPEEDS TRIAL



Got ideas? Want to get involved? Join our next meeting on June 25, 5.30 pm at the Lesser Hall (by the rec centre)
Or contact us at augusta_acda@yahoo.com

HAVE YOUR SAY ON LOCAL PLANNING POLICIES

The shire is updating the following planning policies: LPP1 Outbuildings, Farming Buildings and Swimming Pools; LPP2 Design Review; LPP3 Extractive Industries; LPP4 Boundary Fencing; LPP6 Jetties (previously LPP11); LPP7 Short Term Rental Accommodation; LPP10 Mobile Food Businesses (previously LPP13); LPP11 Exemptions from Development Approval (previously LPP17); LPP13 Signage (previously LPP26); and LPP14 Heritage Places (previously LPP27). View the changes and submit your comments by June 8 at <https://yoursay.amrshire.wa.gov.au/planning-policy-review>.

COFFEE WITH FOGEYS

A casual, weekly meetup for blokes over 65, at **The Colour Patch on Wednesdays from 10 am**. Come down for conversation and a coffee. You never know who you'll meet, or what you'll find out!

AGEING IN COMMUNITY: ISOLATION - THE SILENT KILLER

Changes in society, such as fragmentation of family groups, nuclear families and interstate and interregional migration, are major drivers of isolation. And while lucky retirees are fleeing suburbia or farm life to settle in Augusta, there are unexpected pitfalls to this blessed rebirth in 'Utopia'.

Many residents are hundreds, if not thousands, of kms from their home base and family. They respond by forming new friendships, new hobbies and supporting local causes. However, the accumulation of medical problems, be it deafness, arthritis or something deadly serious, leads to withdrawal and isolation. They may feel comfortable like this, or they may feel lonely. Regardless, they're all on the slippery slide to an earlier grave.

Social isolation is a 'killer', regardless of whether or not one feels lonely. It's an insidious, self-perpetuating problem. Human nature is such that once one is isolated, and even suffering pangs of loneliness, it becomes ever harder to break out and integrate again.

The term 'killer' is not used lightly. There is a mountain of compelling medical evidence that humans function best in socially supported environments, and once that support is lost, the decline in well-being is so dramatic that it competes with smoking, hypertension, drug abuse and reckless driving as a mortal danger.

What the studies show

The evidence from meta-analyses and reviews has found that both social isolation and loneliness are linked to higher mortality. One landmark meta-analysis reported increased odds of early death for loneliness, social isolation, and living alone. More recent reviews also link social isolation and loneliness in older adults with frailty.

A 2024 meta-analysis reported loneliness was associated with a 31% higher dementia risk. While a systematic review found that poor social relationships were associated with increased risk of coronary heart disease and stroke. These cardiovascular links matter because they are plausible pathways by which isolation can rapidly worsen later-life disability, dependency and mortality.

The National Academies review found that social isolation and loneliness are associated with higher outpatient and A&E visits, hospitalisations and readmissions, and longer hospital stays among older adults. It also noted that isolated people may simultaneously use more acute care while using less preventive care in some settings.

Protecting our community from this killer

Ageing in Community (AIC) is a sub-committee of ACDA that meets regularly and advocates for the needs of the aged community living in Augusta. Issues that repeatedly arise in our meetings include transport, access to medical and paramedical services, vulnerability to falls and the 90-day lag in receiving home care packages. In many ways, these are all arms of social isolation. Furthermore, social opportunities such as the HACC, MR bus services and nursing home visitors have waned or disappeared. But it is not a situation we have to accept in our community, as this particularly poignant case study illustrates.

The Compassionate Frome Study focused on a small rural town in SW England where the local GP practice ensured all isolated patients were involved in some form of social support, be it financial planning, disease-specific support, or just good fun things. After three years, the study found that attendances at the local emergency department had dropped by 17%. Over the same period, the average attendance at a regional level had increased by 24%. This study was subsequently quoted by a health economist as "the most successful intervention yet found in reducing emergency attendances."

Closer to home in WA, South Metro Health funded a similar programme using care coordinators in some high morbidity regions. After three years, the impact had been so successful that when the funding ended, the service was continued and paid for by all practices involved.

It is abundantly clear that good health and good socialisation go hand in hand. In Augusta, we have a great Men's Shed, coffee meet-ups, rowing, walking and church groups etc. If every one of these groups proactively encouraged, engaged and supported isolated folk to join in the fun, they would be sparing our health services, improving brain and heart health and saving lives.

The Ageing in Community (AIC) group meets on the third Wednesday of every month. Representatives from all local community groups are welcome to join us to discuss ways to overcome isolation in our community. Come along to our next meeting on 17 June, 5 pm at the Augusta Hotel, Miner's Room.



By *EMMA PINNICK*

Our most recent Chamber of Commerce mingle offered something a little different—and something truly memorable—with an evening hosted at the Augusta Police Station by Sergeant Simon Harrison.

It was a fantastic turnout, with a strong mix of local businesses coming together to connect in a relaxed and welcoming environment. Events like these continue to highlight the strength and spirit of our small business community.



Sergeant Harrison generously opened the station to attendees, providing a behind-the-scenes tour that many of us would never otherwise experience. We were shown through the various rooms and given a real insight into the day-to-day operations of our local police.

One of the more eye-opening moments was the opportunity to hold the operational vests worn by officers. It quickly became clear just how physically demanding their role is—those vests are no lightweight gear. It certainly gave us all a new appreciation for the level of fitness and resilience required in policing. Sue knows she has to behave after spending time in lock up!



Most importantly, the evening reinforced just how fortunate we are in Augusta. Our three local officers, Simon, Darren and Rhys are not only highly professional, but deeply community-minded. They

are present, approachable, and genuinely invested in the wellbeing of our town.

We are incredibly lucky to have them - and if we had our way, we'd never let them leave.

Next mingle is Thursday 4th June at Ray White Stocker Preston, hosted by Rebecca Ritchie



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By MORVEN HANSEN
Image by various

The Art Club is happy to be involved in the Whalesong Festival

over the long weekend. A collaboration between the Men's Shed and various organisations including our club, produced lots of wooden whales to be decorated and placed around town over the Whalesong weekend. fifteen club members had fun decorating 'our whales'. Well done to the Men's Shed for a substantial amount of work cutting out the whales.

The Club will hold an open day on Saturday 30th May from 9.00am to 2.00pm. **Come along with your Whalesong Passports and receive a small handmade gift.** Members will be at work and there will be paintings and cards for sale.

The club has been dedicating wall space to members to showcase their paintings for a 4 week period at a time. We are enjoying some fabulous art demonstrating the versatility of our members.

I am taking a break from the *Artist in a Nutshell* series and returning to the subject of colour and pigments with some interesting facts and fiction starting with red and reddish brown.

Caput Mortum, (a subdued violet- brown colour) has a strange name which means 'death's head'. It originated in the 18th century and was said to be derived from the skulls piled in the catacombs of Rome. However as none of the constituents of the pigment are obtained from bone, a more plausible explanation is that the colour was obtained from iron salts that were baked down to their 'dying embers'

Mummy Brown was a brown pigment made from asphaltum (or bitumen) naturally occurring in large lakes underground in the near and middle east and use for embalming bodies. The pigment was obtained from Mummies in Egyptian tombs from 1800 to 1920.

Cardinal Red. In the middle ages bright colours were rare due to being difficult to produce. Red was preserved exclusively for royalty and nobility and the Pope and Cardinals. In the US the Cardinal Finch, found in the Southern and Eastern states, is a small crested hard to miss scarlet finch.

Cadmium, a name commonly associated with paint colours, is a highly toxic, silvery white heavy metal found naturally in the Earth's Crust and extracted as a by-product of zinc, lead and copper smelting. It is valued industrially for its corrosion resistance and electrical conductivity, it is a human carcinogen and used in the manufacture of rechargeable batteries.

Presumably the amount of cadmium used in the production of pigments is low however my tube of Cadmium Red has poison clearly printed on the label.



Tube of Cadmium Red paint:
Artist: Morven Hansen

Cobalt has similar properties and applications and is also a byproduct of copper and nickel mining. The Democratic Republic of Congo is where the largest amount of cobalt is produced.

This is not the place to delve too much in the murky background of cobalt mining in a country already mired in civil war and starvation, but suffice to say that communities near the mines face poverty, pollution and dangerous working conditions in order to feed the high demand for Electric Vehicles to replace the Internal Combustion Engine.

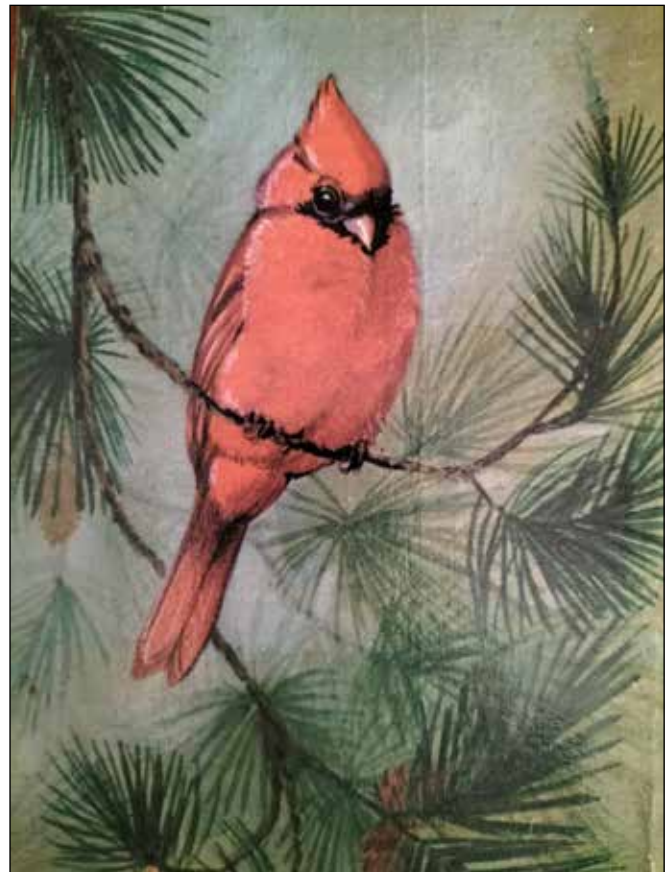
Dragon's Blood, also called Indian Cinnabar was according to Pliny, the mixture of elephant's and dragon's blood, following a fierce battle between the 2 beasts. In fact Cinnabar is derived from the Calamus Draco shrub.

Judas hair was a term used to describe bright red hair in paintings. The expression originated because artists traditionally gave Judas Iscariot distinctive red hair in paintings.

There are lots of names for the colour red in art including:- crimson, burgundy, carmine, vermilion, magenta, rose, ruby and scarlet.

Nowadays artists would commonly have alizarin red and cadmium red in their paint boxes. The original paint colours known as crimson or carmine were precursors of Alizarin and were derived from the Kermes Insect or Cochineal Beetle. 70,000 insects were boiled to produce a half kilo of cochineal pigment.

We hope to see lots of people visit the club at the long weekend.



Cardinal Finch: Artist: Morven Hansen

Biomimicry

By JAY HARMAN

A WHALE OF GOOD IDEAS

Whales are among a group of mammals that actually returned to the oceans after living on land. Their flippers are adapted from front legs, and a whale's skeleton clearly shows the fingers of its ancient land ancestor.

How these large land mammals evolved into sea creatures has fascinated and puzzled scientists for centuries, though recent findings of fifty-million-year-old fossils in Pakistan have filled some key gaps in the story. It was known that cetaceans started as land dwellers, because they have lungs and breath air. What's more, their bones follow the same lines as land animals' limbs, and their backbones move like a mammal running instead of a fish swimming. But what did they descend from?

For decades, their ancestors were thought to be distant relatives of camels, with hooves and pointed teeth, because some whales have teeth that match the pointed teeth and hearing structure of an ancient camel-like animal. Several years ago, researchers discovered missing link fossils, proving that whales, dolphins, and porpoises actually have the same ancestors as the hippopotamus. It makes sense: Hippopotamuses are heavy mammals that spend much of their lives in water. Millions of years ago, a branch of the family evolved to be heavier and heavier as they spent more time in weight-supporting water. Over millions of years they adapted into the graceful swimmers they are today.

Humans have been in the business of whale hunting for thousands of years and, by the 1960s, had almost wiped out many species. Thanks to conservation efforts worldwide, however, the total population of whales in the world's oceans is increasing, and the hunt for biomimetic solutions based on whales is gaining speed as well. Whales range in size from the 115-foot, 150-ton blue whale, the largest animal ever to have existed on earth, down to the pygmy sperm whale at a diminutive eleven feet in length. Interestingly, the easily recognized black-and-white killer whales are not whales at all but are actually orcas, the largest species of dolphin.

There are two types of whales: toothed whales and filter feeders. The latter take huge gulps of small schooling fish or plankton-rich seawater and strain it back into the surrounding sea by squeezing it through a comblike mat of stiff baleen, leaving a bouillabaisse dinner behind in their mouths. Imagine straining a mouthful of soup by gripping your teeth together and parting your lips, using your tongue to squeeze out the broth, keeping the meat and vegetables

inside the fence of your teeth.

Whales need to clean their mouths of leftover crumbs, so they have also evolved a type of flush-out process that happens when they dive and then surface for their next gulp.

Baleen is a curious material made from keratin—similar to the fingernails, hair, and hooves of other mammals. It was marketed as whalebone and was the plastic of the late 1800s, being used for corset stays, hoop skirts, umbrella ribs, fishing rods, buggy whip handles, and carriage springs.

Thanks to research at the University of South Australia, baleen has inspired a technology called the Baleen Filter. Without any chemicals, the Baleen Filter offers filtration of liquids down to 25 microns. By comparison, the smallest thing that can be seen with the naked eye is about 10 microns, so 25-micron filtering without any chemical help is highly effective.

Like a baleen whale squeezing seawater out of its mouth and leaving its lunch behind to be swallowed, contaminated water is washed through a Baleen Filter, and then, mimicking how the whale's tongue sweeps across baleen, trapped solids are sluiced from its surface and flushed into a reservoir (instead of the whale's stomach) for future handling. Baleen Filters Pty Ltd. distributes these filters to the fish processing, cured meats, pig farming, and other food and agricultural industries.

With its ability to separate liquids from solids in a portable, nontoxic way, the company also sees opportunities in mobile cleanup systems and emergency pollution response. Like all animals that have survived on earth for millions of years, every species of whale represents an extraordinary set of solutions to life's challenges, making a single whale an entire library of design expertise. For example, the filter-feeding gray whale has an enormous tongue, weighing up to one and a half tonnes, that makes up to five percent of its total body surface area—the human equivalent would be a hundred kilo man with a five kilo tongue.

All baleen or filter-feeding whales need to pass very large amounts of cold water loaded with plankton through their cavernous mouths. Although a whale's warm-blooded body is insulated with blubber that can be up to eighteen inches thick, its tongue doesn't have such a layer of protection. Nature can't afford the whale to lose essential body heat every time it gulps a mouthful of ocean water, so it has evolved the tongue into something like a giant, fleshy radiator.

The whale achieves this with a complex network of blood vessels inside its tongue. These are laid out in such a way as to retain heat while "precooling" the blood that gets sent to the tongue's surface, so that it's not shocked by the cold water. So effective is this process that the surface temperature of the tongue of a young gray whale was measured to be only half a degree Celsius higher than the (surrounding) water, while the whale still maintained its overall body temperature.

Scientists are researching this strategy for application in computer and electronic cooling and heat exchange in aircraft, buildings, or power stations.



Humpback whale



By June Le Gallez
 Images by Michelle
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 June Le Gallez

Spinners and Weavers had a most amazing day out in Busselton for our friendship day, so much spinning, weaving, crocheting and felting. Spinners were encouraged to do artyarn which goes against the grain of perfect spinning!

Artyarn looks like a very bad effort of spinning but can have the most amazing ongoing effects with lots of colour and can be woven, knitted and crocheted. There were over 20 spinning wheels on the day and we were all made most welcome by Busselton Spinners and Weavers. And a big thankyou for all the lovely refreshments. We look forward to welcoming Busselton Spinners and Weavers to Augusta for our friendship day.

This month Augusta Spinners and Weavers will be celebrating the Whalesong festival by decorating the town, we thank all who contributed to the beautiful array of yarns and work that has gone into this event.

Please come and check out our stall at the Whale Song Festival Friday 29th May to Monday 1st June where there will be an array of hand made items, beautiful and colourful, soft and warm ready for the cooler winter months and ideal for presents.

And we take this opportunity to thank all who helped with the

hard work to assemble the stall and make it possible for us to enjoy this amazing and unique event in Augusta.

Lastly wishing safe travels to all you whales and babies travelling through our waters, we are excited and honoured to see you passing through.

A la Prochaine

Augusta Spinners and Weavers meet at our room at The Centennial Hall

Tuesday 10-30 am - 4-00pm

Thursday 7-00 pm - 10-00pm

Come and join us for a warm welcome and lots of laughs and yarns!





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

Article AND IMAGES BY JUDY WENBAN

Winter in South Western Australia (June–August) is a prime time for wildlife, marked by the humpback and southern right whale migration along the coast, the emergence of early wildflowers, and active forest creatures like kangaroos, emus, and quenda (southern brown bandicoots). Coastal waters also feature active dolphins and migrating seabirds.

Western grey kangaroos are highly visible in forests and coastal heath, especially in the mornings, while quendas are active in forests and the western ringtail possum is active in the canopy at night.

Winter is excellent for spotting unique bird species, including the endangered Carnaby's and Baudin's black cockatoos, as well as red-capped parrots, golden whistlers and western rosellas. Emu's can be seen foraging along fence lines and forest edges.

Tips for Winter Spotting

- Time of day: Early morning and late afternoon are best for seeing kangaroos and birds.
- Be Patient: In the forest, stop and listen for flocks of black cockatoos or rustling in the undergrowth, indicating quendas.
- Whale Watching: Bring binoculars to coastal points like Cape Leeuwin.

Animals on the Move - Be Aware

As the days become shorter moving into winter, encountering wildlife on our roads is also much more likely. Be alert and vigilant, know the high risk areas, slow down and use high beam at night when safe to do so.

If you should hit an animal, ensure your safety first, check the animal and then call for help if necessary. If possible, stay with the animal until a rescuer or carer arrives, this will make it easier for someone attending to locate the scene and may even discourage a badly hurt animal fleeing into the bush.

60% of collisions with wildlife occur between May and October with 36% of all car strikes on regional and rural roads. Dusk is the most dangerous time of all, with 25% of accidents between 4-8 pm.

Recently a young Galah came into care after being hit by a car outside Augusta Bakery. When hit, the bird was left in the middle of the road potentially to be run over by the next oncoming vehicles. Luckily a concerned bystander collected the bird and contacted us at Augusta Wildlife Care.

The galah was bleeding from the beak, dazed, agitated and had a number of feathers from its left wing missing. When no obvious major injuries were detected, the bird was placed in a box in a quiet room to allow the concussion to abate. The bird was able to drink but unfortunately was unable to fly when an attempt was made to release the bird that evening.

Margaret River Vet examined and x-rayed the galah the next day finding no broken bones, but its wing was painful and a number of major flight feathers were missing.

The galah has been in care for three weeks now in an aviary that provides room enabling it to fly within its capabilities. Its flight feathers are gradually growing back and a release date is expected to be in another two weeks' time.




*Augusta Wildlife Care W.A. Inc
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- We plan to hold these clinics from September but depending on the registrations we receive, we are open to offering them earlier depending on the availability of the golf professionals who will be assisting in implementing them.
- We will have **24 places available** and all equipment will be provided. All you need to do is register and show up and be committed for the six week course
- If interested, please email the Club Secretary Wendy Mathews via email wmathews@y7mail.com or phone 0439 980 932 to get your questions answered prior to registration.

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PROJECT CARE HAMPERS

This project continues to be needed and has outgrown our donations basket at the Village Grocer.

While shoppers can still place non-perishable items purchased at the Village Grocer in the basket at the check-out, due to the amount of support needed in our community we will be expanding the project.

There are items that people wish to donate that are not purchased from our local Supermarket and the opportunity to donate these items can be made at the CWA Hall in Allnutt Terrace from **9am to 11.30am on the first Friday of each month.**

Dates as follows:

5th June - 3rd July - 7th August - 4th September - 2nd October
6th November and 4th December.

Since the food items will be distributed on the same day, donations can include fresh food items.

There has been discussion that gardeners with surplus vegetables and fruit from their garden would like the chance to “swap” their home grown goods with other home gardeners who grow different vegetables.

CWA will provide this opportunity; “traders” can bring their surplus goods to the Hall from 9am to 11am on the 1st Friday of the month.

Home gardeners can choose to “trade” or donate their surplus food to Project Care. Donations can be made up until 11.30am on the day. This way everyone obtains their objective.

Food hampers will be available to those in need from 12noon on the same day, the first Friday of each month at CWA Hall.

This project could not have grown without the Community support and Leeuwin Lions who have supported this project since inception and we thank you all for being such a caring community.

CRAFT MORNINGS 9.30am – 1pm on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Wednesday each Month

Kristy Edgar and Jane Denton are creating interesting items on the Children’s craft mornings, this month – ribbon/wool art.

2 nd Wednesday Of the Month	3 rd Wednesday Of the Month	4 th Wednesday Of the Month
Parents’ & Children’s Craft	Adults Craft	Adults Craft
10 th June	17 th June	24 th June
8 th July	15 th July	22 nd July
12 th August	19 th August	26 th August
10 th September	17 th September	24 th September
8 th October	15 th October	22 nd October

The Ladies sessions on the 3rd and 4th Wednesday of the month are popular. Most choose to knit or crochet and we are working on poppies to add to the amazing display that

so many others in our community are making that are displayed on Remembrance Day and Anzac Day.

It is a chance to relax, engage in a craft or just have a chat over a cup of tea/coffee with morning tea provided. All are most welcome to attend; you will receive a warm welcome.

MOTHER’S DAY PAMPER BASKET RAFFLE

A massive thank you to our August Community for supporting this raffle, and all our raffles.

Local Businesses provided goodies for the baskets, in fact we had enough to have two pamper baskets.



Manager Village Grocer, Jessica Price and CWA Lady Shirley Shephard observing the Raffle winning tickets draw.

Please support our local businesses that kindly supported us, the August Newsagency and August Pharmacy. Their donations along with donations from those who wished to remain anonymous, it made the baskets bountiful and appreciated.

Thank you to the community folk who purchased tickets and also to those who willingly gave a donation. It makes us humble to be part of such a kind and caring town. It is with this amazing support that August CWA is able to expand our Community programmes, including Project Care.

The Winners of the Pamper Baskets were Linda Rose and Sarah Hadley. Both Ladies were surprised and thrilled to receive their baskets.



Linda Rose presented with her basket by CWA Lady, Shirley Shepard

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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 630am (700am winter hours), 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 its 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?
 May ‘26**

This month the Flounders did a lot more than swim. They geared up, rolled up sleeves and dedicated some serious hours and effort into getting a sizeable artwork erected in the centre of town as a community contribution to the upcoming Whale Song festival.



Captain Flounder Joey was in a back brace after two weeks of painting 10x3m of whales n water in her back yard, while co captain Steve Stone milled, prepped and transported a similar volume of timber frame to secure it.



The epic project was ready for installation within two weeks. Another ten+ Flounders donated their weekend to supporting and securing each frame and the 9 x (2-3m) panels of art to the Ellis St wall.



Mission accomplished! The mural will be on display for the Whalesong weekend and beyond. Everyone is welcome to come by and add their creative splash on **Saturday morning 30th May**. We hope to involve our local (and visiting) kids finish it off with some colorful fish friends for these new giant residents.



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Sarah Hadley with Daughter Ebony receiving their Mother’s Day Pamper Basket

AUGUSTA CWA MEETINGS

Our Branch has changed from monthly meetings to bi-monthly. Meeting start at 1.30pm, dates are; 3rd June, 5th August, 7th October and 2nd December 2026. You are welcome to attend. All meetings are followed by friendship and refreshments.

Remembering our Previous Members

Margaret Martin our former famous treasurer, recently had a health issue, we wish her a speedy recovery and best wishes to return to good health.

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

Solution see page 37

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TRIVIA

1. According to the nursery rhyme and folk song, with what did the sparrow kill Cock Robin?
2. What yellowish-green fluid is secreted by the liver?
3. In which country is Grolsch beer manufactured?
4. Unleaded petrol is graded by a RON (research octane number) rating. What is the highest-octane fuel available at Australian service stations?
5. The author of the books Starring Sally J. Freedman as Herself, Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret and Otherwise Known as Sheila the Great is Judy [who]?
6. What three-letter word is the most common collective noun for a group of dolphins?
7. What is the name of the first leg of United States horseracing's Triple Crown, run on the first Saturday in May at Churchill Downs?
8. Relating to investments, what are ETFs? (Bonus point for naming what the abbreviation EFT stands for in banking.)
9. Thistle, mauve and plum are all shades of which colour?
10. What is the capital of Canada?

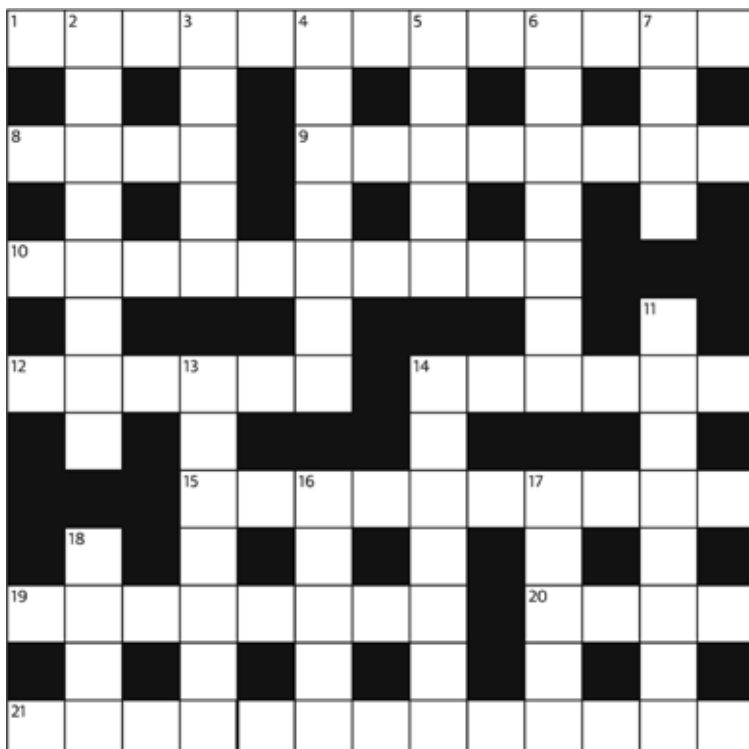
Answers on page 37

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CROSSWORD

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Across

- 1 Succession in which the first-born inherits all (13)
- 8 Sharp pain/emotion (4)
- 9 Person experiencing memory loss (8)
- 10 Improve (10)
- 12 Moneylender (6)
- 14 Former Spanish currency (6)
- 15 The nostalgic past (10)
- 19 Sleep-inducing drug (8)
- 20 Initial stake (4)
- 21 Term formerly used to describe dyslexia (4,9)

Down

- 2 Right at the back (8)
- 3 Important or powerful person (5)
- 4 Appealing/attractive quality (7)
- 5 Japanese martial arts practitioner (5)
- 6 Familiar name for elephants (7)
- 7 Wander (4)
- 11 Mythical submarine lost city (8)
- 13 Name for a fox (7)
- 14 Before adolescence (7)
- 16 Upset liquid (5)
- 17 Long for, crave (5)
- 18 Constitutionally reject, prohibit (4)

Solution see page 37



By ROD CLEMENT
PHOTOS BY ROD CLEMENT

The 26th of April was looking a bit light but pretty good for sailing, easterly breeze and a bit overcast. At 13:05 though, both monohulls drifted over the start line. The current, probably the tide, deposited Big Red Dwarf onto the bank, Fig Jam got a puff and cleared out. You could see the breeze slowly coming in from the south, the cats started moving again as it hit them, then Fig Jam and a few minutes later Big Red also got some wind in her sails. That was it for race one.

Race two was much better, 5 to 7kns constant, Fig Jam pulled away on the reach and took all the points for the day.

May 3rd was to be the last club championship race for catamarans. They had a good line up with eleven boats competing for the points. In the end it was Sirius Lee first and fastest, Cliff Hanger second and Buzz Box third.

The second race was the final of the consistency trophy. After a very tight start line the fleet spread out, not all accustomed to the very light and variable breeze. Double Shot was sailing smoothly and led the first lap with Buzz Box, Zephyr, Cliff Hanger and Sirius Lee in touch.

Next was Billy M, all by himself with Catatonic, Yellow Taxi, Frisky and Escape Route a couple a hundred metres behind with Tom Cat bringing the rear of the field. Second lap, same as the first, third lap, things were starting to hot up, Buzz Box and Sirius Lee were all over Double Shot who still had the lead into the last leg and just made it to the finish.

Zephyr in his first race back looked real good and just beat Cliff Hanger to the line. The monohulls had Big Red and Fig Jam once again out there. Big Red led to the bottom mark and managed to get half through the reaches before being overtaken. The boat was set up well for the breeze, had the new owner crewing and finished sixteen seconds behind Fig Jam, grinning.

The BBQ was lit and really well tended by Michelle, it was roaring by the time everyone was back to the beach, it took a bit for it to die down but It was nice and warm. It was a huge thumbs up from everyone.



The results for the last race for the cats were, Double Shot first and fastest, Sirius Lee second and third was Yellow Taxi. The monos fastest was Fig Jam but first on handicap was Big Red Dwarf.

The next Saturday, was presentations night at the club. The theme was Purple, bring your favourite dish and don't be late. Well there wasn't anything purple left at the Lions or at least would fit me, but everyone made the effort, the champers was going down steadily, the food got hoovered and it was time for the serious part of the evening. The Patron and Brenton told some jokes. So quite an enjoyable serious part.



The prizes were given out by our commodore and star hooter girl. After a great sailing season we all applauded everyone for their efforts and their speeches. Monohulls Champion went to Fig Jam and runner up to Big Red Dwarf. Multihull champion to Buzz Box and runner up to Cliff Hanger. Monohulls consistency to Warrigal, multihull consistency was a draw between Frisky, Yellow Taxi and Catatonic. Clubman of the year to Rod Clement.



We all said cheers to our Commodore who is standing down after three years at the helm, Richard sung a song and then we all carried on to late out by the fire, a pretty typical way to finish off the season.

I would like to thank all our volunteers for there efforts throughout the season, Sue2, Rose, Peta, Graeme, Pete and Ray, without you it would only by sailing, when you add racing too it you get the best sport there is, hands down.

Lower Blackwood Catchment

Land Conservation District Committee

Community Update June 2026



New 'Dirt to Dairy' Program Connects Farmers to Build More Resilient Dairy Systems



Dairy farming is a tough industry. And it's hard to do it alone. But what if you had 9 of the best farmers in the southwest, plus nationally recognised farming experts, working alongside you for the next year. Just imagine how powerful that shared thinking power could be.

The Lower Blackwood LCDC is inviting 10 farmers to join 'Dirt to Dairy', a dedicated dairy peer group. This group will be part of the national Dairy Resilience project, designed to strengthen dairy farm resilience through shared experience, expert input and real-world practice.

Participants will walk paddocks together, discuss real challenges and get direct input from both fellow farmers and industry experts. Each host farm becomes a learning centre, with the group working through what's happening on the ground and what could be done differently.

Interested? Register here:

www.lowerblackwood.com.au/projects/dairy-resilience or contact joanna.wren@lowerblackwood.com.au

On the ground works for this project are run by the Lower Blackwood team and the project is proudly supported by Soils for Life, an independent non-profit organisation that supports Australian farmers to regenerate soils for resilient people, communities, businesses and landscapes.

This project is supported by the Australian government through funding from the Climate Smart Agriculture Program under the Natural Heritage Trust

Enhance your Farm Biodiversity Expressions of Interest Open!



The Lower Blackwood LCDC, in partnership with Nature Conservation Margaret River, is delivering a 3 year Enhancing Farm Biodiversity Project, an initiative funded by the WA Government's State NRM Program.

This project will support rural landholders with grazing properties in protecting and restoring their remnant bush and developing shelterbelts through on-ground works, training and workshops, and expert guidance from our staff.

Healthy remnant bush and native shelterbelts provide practical ways to improve farm productivity while building a more resilient farming system. When well planned, they can protect livestock and pastures from wind and weather, while supporting soil health, biodiversity and long-term environmental outcomes. Research has shown that they can:

- Improve pasture growth and livestock performance
- Provide shelter that can reduce lamb losses
- Reduce wind erosion and support soil stability
- Create habitat for beneficial insects and pest predators
- Store carbon as trees and shrubs mature

Eligible landholders can access funding support for weed control, fencing and revegetation, along with workshops and education resources.

If you're keen or want to find out more, contact declan.mcgill@lowerblackwood.com.au

For more information about the Lower Blackwood LCDC go to our website: www.lowerblackwood.com.au



A locust is a locust is a... grasshopper? June 2016



Photos left to right: Adult *Valanga irregularis*, juvenile *Valanga irregularis* (second & third image), adult Australian plague locust.

Did you know that all locusts are grasshoppers...but not all grasshoppers are locusts? Grasshoppers and locusts are part of the order Orthoptera, meaning 'straight-winged'. Grasshoppers are plant-eating insects with long hind legs, specialised for jumping and producing their well-known 'chirping' sound. The term 'locust' simply refers to grasshoppers which can breed and feed within large groups (swarms) and cause extensive damage to surrounding vegetation.

Getting to know our natives

In suburban gardens, people mostly tend to see the giant Australian grasshopper (*Valanga irregularis*) and less often the Australian spur-throated locust (*Austracris guttulosa*). Although these species are usually found across Northern Australia from Carnarvon to Northern NSW, they have happily taken up residence in the Perth, Peel and South-west regions during the last decade or so. Both species have very large bodies in their adult stages, ranging between 5 to 7 cm in length, with long back legs and a throat spur. Adults can live up to 12 months. The females lay their eggs in the soil in late spring, and after hatching, the nymphs change colour with each moult and can vary from shades of light green to spectacular reds with blue stripes. The adults are characterised by a strong patterned body colour, white strip on the top of their thorax, dark coloured antennae and red spines (spurs) with black tips on their hind legs.

Giant Australian grasshoppers and spur-throated locusts are often mistaken for the Australian plague locust (*Chortoicetes terminifera*). Australian plague locusts usually inhabit pastoral regions in relatively low numbers, but populations can explode with favourable weather conditions. Adults are between 2.5 to 4 cm long and vary in colour from light to dark shades of green and brown. They have a distinct dark blotch at the outer edge of the hind wing, and the inside of their hind legs are red in colour. Australian plague locusts are rarely seen outside agricultural settings.

Control

Ignoring an agricultural plague - chemical control is rarely effective or recommended in the home garden. Thankfully, a healthy garden environment can keep their numbers manageable. Young grasshoppers especially, are eaten by a wide variety of predators like birds and reptiles which control their juvenile stages. They can also be parasitised by mites, native solitary wasps, flies and nematodes. Hand removal and placing the grasshoppers in the freezer for 3 hours would be the easiest method if you are wanting to control adult grasshopper numbers. Make sure to wear strong gardening gloves as the spines on their hind legs may be sharp! If you see an unfamiliar grasshopper, report it! If there are many, try and find the largest ones as the adults are more distinctive than the nymphs. Take clear photos of the leg and body markings, antennae colour and include a ruler, pen or coin for scale.



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HEARD ON THE GREEN

By Kay Challis
Photos: Kathy Tritton

Welcome to March/April Club news.

The past two months has been full of good bowls, shared laughs and strong support for one another. Thankyou to all members, volunteers and supporters who continue to make our club such a welcoming and successful venue.

Corporate Bowls was finalised with the usual hilarity and much celebration by the winning team the “Four Stooges” consisting of Ruby and Charlie Flintoff, Ray Hart and Richard Nelson, closely followed by runners up “Doris and the Dicks”. Well done to all winners, we look forward to seeing an even bigger and stronger competition next year.



It is pleasing to note that the local Karridale/Augusta RSL are making good use of our club facilities as their new meeting venue. The recent Gunfire breakfast, an annual Anzac Day tradition, was held at the club this year and from all reports was a huge success.

Did I hear a whisper that there may have also been a game or two of another tradition of “Aussie Two Up”.

The word is that we are sure to see these Aussie traditions continue at the new venue and we wish the RSL every success as their membership continues to grow.

AGM Update

Thank you to all who attended our AGM. This meeting provides an opportunity to reflect on the year just gone, review the club’s progress and look ahead to the opportunities before us. We also thank all committee members, office bearers and volunteers for their time, effort and commitment to the ongoing success of the club.

The following office bearers were elected.

- President: Roger Wilson
- Secretary: Noeline Williams
- Treasurer: Kelly Donaldson
- Men’s Captain: Ken Proctor
- Ladies Captain: Wendy Wilson

Club Member of the year was awarded to Nikki Rodda who is active in all areas of the club. We congratulate those elected and wish them every success for the year ahead.

The Management Committee also took this opportunity to present four well deserved Life memberships to long serving club members.

The life memberships for 2026 were awarded to Ginger Milentis, Owen Rafferty, Chris Watson and Dee Harrison. Our life members hold a special place in the history and spirit of our club. Their dedication and contribution over the years have helped shape the strong and friendly club we have today.

Congratulations to all recipients, long may you continue to enjoy the game of bowls and club membership.



Our club continues to be a place where competition and friendship exist hand in hand. It has been pleasing to see steady attendance at weekly bowls along with plenty of support behind the scenes from volunteers who continually help with the green’s maintenance, the kitchen, event organisation and general club duties.

As we wind up this bowling season, we wish to remind you that Wednesday afternoon mixed Mufti social bowls will continue through the winter period. It often seems that winter bowls enjoys better weather than summer bowls so just put on a warmer jacket and keep the bowls rolling.

WINTER BOWLS;

WEDNESDAY - Mixed Mufti; Register 12-30

SEE YOU ON THE GREEN.



2oceansFM Program Schedule



Day	Time	Show	Presenter
Monday	8:30 - 9:00 AM	Shire Chat	Owen Jones
	10:00 - 11:00 AM	Monday Sports Show	Owen, Jarrod, Christine
	5:30 - 6:30 PM (Monthly)	Record Club	Rotation
	8:00 - 10:00 PM	Raised On Rock	Mark O'Neill
Tuesday	11:00 AM - 1:00 PM	Alphabeth	Beth Cummings
	1:00 - 3:00 PM	Chris's Compilations	Chris Cummings
	6:00 - 7:00 PM	Artist Of The Week	Jarrold Brindley
	8:00 - 9:00 PM	On Air With Brian Peel	Brian Peel
Wednesday	9:30 - 10:00 AM	Kiddies Corner	Christine Brown
	11:30 AM - 1:30 PM	All That Jazz	Christine Brown
	3:00 - 5:00 PM	Mixed Bag	Neil Haring
	5:00 - 7:00 PM	Fridge Report	Chris Cusack
Thursday	9:00 - 9:30 AM	David Cleary Audiobook Series	David Cleary
	2:00 - 3:00 PM	Afternoon Shift	Jarrold Brindley
	3:30 - 4:30 PM	Rik Lok Show	Rik Lok
	5:00 - 6:00 PM	A Breath Of Fresh Air	Sandy Kaye
	8:00 - 9:00 PM	Atomic	Melainie Smith
Friday	8:30 - 9:00 AM (Fortnightly)	Shire Talk	Owen Jones
	12:00 - 1:00 PM	In Your Neighbourhood	Pam Winter
	1:00 - 2:00 PM	Afternoon Shift	Jarrold Brindley
	2:00 - 4:00 PM	History of Rock N Roll	Adam Mathews
	4:00 - 6:00 PM	Private J Live	Jarrold Brindley
	9:00 - 10:00 PM	Sugar Radio	Robin Schultz
Saturday	8:00 - 9:00 AM	Word For The Day	Amber Pasco
	9:00 AM	Lost In Science	CRN
	9:30 AM	Unscripted Science	CRN
	10:05 - 10:15 AM	Women On The Move	Donny Walford
	10:15 - 10:30 AM	Just Breath	Adrian Testa
	11:00 AM - 12:00 PM	The Country Wardrobe	Nardia Drayton
	12:00 - 1:00 PM	Strong, Single and Human	Claire Martin
	2:00 - 3:00 PM	Cinema Australia	Matthew Eels
	5:00 - 6:00 PM	Australian Music is Bloody Great	CRN
	6:00 - 7:00 PM	Lizard Lounge	Ben Thomas
Sunday	8:00 - 8:35 AM	Sunday Reflection	Bill & Vicki
	8:35 - 9:00 AM	Lost In Science	CRN
	9:00 - 10:00 AM	All The Dirt	Steve Wood
	12:00 - 1:00 PM	The Red Carpet	Ann Paterson
	2:00 - 2:35 PM	Sunday Reflection	Bill & Vicki
	4:00 - 5:00 PM	Top Of The Pops	Kim Robinson
	6:00 - 8:00 PM	Nothing But the Blues	Ben Menalگو



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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, Allnut 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 Wednesday	6.30pm-8.30pm	All ages welcome. Equipment provided if needed. Contact Sandra Lambe Ph 0450 234 510	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 Sue Air 0419 953369	Historical Soc room
Augusta Chambers of Commerce	Every 4th Thursday of the Month	5:30pm	secretary@augustawachamber.com.au	Various locations around town
Augusta Community Development Assoc	Meet fourth 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 Trevor 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	1:00pm-4:00pm	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	Gudrun Thiele 0413 381 852	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 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	4:30pm	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 Volunteer Marine Rescue	2nd Thursday/Month	5:30pm	Monthly Meeting Ph. 0408 907 966	Old Rangers Res, Leeuwin Rd
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	9:00am - 10:00am	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 - 11:30am	Gudrun Thiele 0413 381 852	Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse Precinct
Hash House Harriers	Monday	Start at 4:30pm	Walking	See the Newsagency window
Karridale Augusta R.S.L Sub Branch	1st Wednesday/ Month	1:00pm	Monthly Meeting John Wilson 0427 586 493	Augusta Bowls Club, Allnut Tce
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
Over 65 Bloke's Coffee Catchup	Every Wednesday	from 10:00am	augusta_acda@yahoo.com	Colourpatch
Paint by Numbers Public Art Group	Project-specific	Please contact for details	Contact paintbynumbers6290@yahoo.com	Project - specific
Pickleball	Monday	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 Saturday	10:30am - 12pm 10:20am - 12pm 5:00pm - 6:30pm	John 0417 744 224	Augusta Rec Centre
Tai Chi Qigong	Monday	10am - 11.00 am	Exercise	Augusta Yacht Club
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

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