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AUGUSTA POLICE LIGHT UP THE NIGHT WITH SCHOOL GLOW PARTY

On Friday 26 June, Augusta Police were proud to host a Glow Party for the students of Augusta Primary School, bringing together local families for an evening of fun, music and community spirit.

The event saw over 115 children light up the dance floor with glow sticks, neon accessories and plenty of smiles, creating a vibrant and energetic atmosphere enjoyed by everyone who attended.

Sergeant Simon Harrison, Officer in Charge, Augusta Police Station said "It was fantastic to see so many kids and their families enjoying themselves in such a positive and safe environment. Events like this build strong relationships between police and the community".

"A sincere thank you to Taylor and her team from PCYC WA for their enthusiasm, professionalism and dedication to making the night such a success. We couldn't have done it without them".

Augusta Police look forward to continuing to working with PCYC WA and other community partners in the future to deliver positive opportunities for local children and their families.



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The Great Carnival Crunch aims to get WA kids eating more veggies in a way that is fun, full of hype and super entertaining!

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Leeuwin Lines

CHANGEOVER AND AWARDS

The Leeuwin Lions Club held its annual Changeover Luncheon at the Augusta Hotel on Sunday 5 July, bringing together Lions members, partners, guests and volunteers for an enjoyable afternoon of fellowship and celebration.

A highlight of the event was the installation of the club's new board for the coming year. Members thanked the outgoing board for their dedication and welcomed the incoming team as they prepare to continue the work of serving the local community.



Incoming Board with installing Lion Bob Webster (centre)

This year awards were presented as follows:

MELVIN JONES FELLOWSHIP AWARD

Lion Peter Keppel

Awarded a **Melvin Jones Fellowship** for his service to Lions and the broader community that included his significant contribution in managing and handling all the firewood activities since joining the club, along with his considerable work setting up the Occupational Health & Safety compliance required for modern day operations.

His individual efforts in chopping the firewood, loading it on to a trailer or utility, delivering to the site of an event, and then delivering it afterwards to the home of the purchaser or raffle winner on so many occasions over so many years resulted in many thousands of dollars raised for charity and worthwhile causes.

Lion Peter fortunately has been well qualified to carry out this role, as in his previous life he was a state axeman and district forestry officer.

A **MJF** award is widely regarded as the highest form of recognition in **Lions Clubs International** and named after **Melvin Jones**, who founded **Lions Clubs International** in 1917.

JAMES D RICHARDSON AWARDS

Several members and a volunteer were also recognised for their outstanding service with the presentation of **James D. Richardson Awards** - named after a prominent Australian Lion who became the first to be elected to the **International Board**.

The **JDR** award is a prestigious award presented within Australia through the **Australian Lions Foundation (ALF)**. It honours individuals—both Lions members and members of the public—who have made an exceptional contribution to Lions and their community.

Lion Phill Robinson

As a life member, three times president and stalwart of the club, Phill has been previously awarded a **Melvin Jones Fellowship** amongst many other accolades.

However, the Board felt his exceptional contribution in taking charge of the 'Containers for Change' scheme and through his untiring efforts turning it into the club's **largest fundraiser**, deserved further recognition.

Hence the decision to add a **James D Richardson** award.

Lion Matt Russell

As a life member, 5 times president and current Chairperson of the 'Augusta Adventure Centre', which he has organised and served for almost two decades, Matt was considered by the Board most deserving of a **James D Richardson** award. It also adds to his **Melvin Jones Fellowship**.

Lions Ross and Sylvia Newbury

Husband and wife team Ross and Sylvia Newbury, although recent members to Leeuwin Lions, have contributed tirelessly and productively in both the 'Containers for Change' shed and Second hand Goods Shed since joining. The Board felt that their considerable and ongoing efforts should be recognised with a **James D Richardson** award.

Lions Partner Judith Wilton

Long time volunteer and manager of the Lions Bookshop, Judith has for many years organised the rosters for 35 volunteers and the operations of this highly popular entity. This is in addition to other committees in town on which she serves.

Board felt this major contribution very deserving of a **James D Richardson** award.



Lion Phill Robinson, Lion Peter Keppel, Lion Matt Russell, Lion Sylvia Newbury, Lion Ross Newbury and Volunteer Judith Wilton

Leeuwin Lines continued...

Several other awards were held over to another occasion due to members being away or unable to attend.

The Leeuwin Lions Club extends its thanks to all members, volunteers and supporters whose ongoing efforts make such a positive difference to our community.

UPDATE ON “WINNIE”

Breed Labradoodle
Source Breeding Program
Sponsor Lions Club of Leeuwin
Date of Birth 24/11/2025
FOSTER CARERS Sandra & Ken
Puppy Instructor Karen



‘Winnie’ the assistance dog sponsored by the Lions Club of Leeuwin has had a wonderful month and her training continues to progress well.

Her confidence too! During one walk, a nearby train sounded its horn, and while many young dogs might have been startled Winnie simply looked up to investigate before carrying on as normal.

Winnie has enjoyed some exciting outings, including visits to the Council Chambers and local Library, where she charmed everyone with her lovely manners. She also attended a volunteer luncheon and impressed everyone by remaining calm and polite, happily greeting people without any jumping.

Winnie is becoming more reliable with her road safety skills and is learning to sit patiently before crossing the road. She is also working on her “drop” command and continues to make steady progress, especially when treats are involved!

Toilet training is improving too, with Winnie increasingly letting her carers know when she needs to go outside.

Winnie continues to grow into a happy, resilient and well-mannered young dog, making Leeuwin Lions more confident each day that she will bring huge joy and assistance to her fortunate recipient at the end of her training.

MAJOR CHANGES TO ‘CONTAINERS for CHANGE’

New containers added to the recycling list will see a greatly increased number of containers processed at the CDS Shed which will be a huge benefit to the environment and local community.

Shed Chairperson and organiser Lion Phil Robinson has arranged additional bins and storage area within the shed to handle the extra containers that have been steadily coming in since the list was extended on 1st July to include wine and spirit bottles and plastic containers under 300ml (except for white milk).

Lion Phill said, ‘it does not have to have a 10c mark, just so long as it is clean we will take it.’



Lion Phill Robinson with a variety of containers

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS LIFTS TRADE

The second hand goods shed has experienced a healthy lift in trade during the recent school holidays. Lead by Lion Sylvia Newbury with help from volunteers Amanda, Lynn and Heather the shed has greatly diminished its stock over this period and now needs more to replenish the shelves.

‘More stock and a few more volunteers would be marvellous’ said Sylvia who turns up every Thursday and Saturday morning to manage the shed.

‘Volunteers do not need to have a Sales and Marketing degree or have worked 25 years at Myers department store’, she added. ‘We place more emphasis on agility, socialibility and enthusiasm for a fun time’. ‘Of course raising funds for charity and worthwhile causes should provide much satisfaction too.’

Anyone interested in volunteering should contact the acting Shed Chairperson, Mike Walker 0430 111 936.



Volunteers Amanda and Heather with Lion Sylvia Newbury inspecting goods for sale

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Our subcentre is 100% self-funded - from every band aid to the purchase of our ambulances and kit outs. We are 100% volunteer ambulance crew from the Augusta Region who are committed to deliver excellence in out of hospital care, to detect and correct life-threatening issues, safely transport patients to medical support and to provide interhospital transfers and effective patient monitoring.

Our small team is supported by 'voluntourists' (out of town trained ambulance officers) who generously give their time and expertise to assist in meeting our growing community needs. The support of the voluntourists enhances our ability to provide a 7 day a week, 24 hrs a day service.

As part of our responsibility to our voluntourists we provide accommodation and living away from home allowance. Short term accommodation can be difficult to source on short notice, costly and not always within an acceptable distance from the sub centre to respond to emergencies.

This exciting project will enhance the ability of our team to cover emergency call outs and hospital transfers for our community.

For further information please contact the Chairperson: Elizabeth.Stroud@stjohnwa.com.au
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Please mark donations as ***SJA Accommodation Project***. We thank you for your donations.



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We're always looking for ways to make Wild Lot a little more welcoming.

That journey has recently led to Accessible and Sustainable Tourism Accreditations, a feature in Travel Without Limits magazine and a conversation on the Margaret River Radio *Opening Doors: Inclusion* podcast.

Accessibility isn't a destination. Like sustainability, it's become one of the principles shaping how we grow.

If you have ideas or suggestions, we'd genuinely love to hear from you.

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Lions Refund Depot
Hillview Road, Augusta

Opening Times:

Thursday 8-12 midday

Saturday 8-12 midday

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

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

- That means we DO NOT accept snails, cockroaches, ant nests, leaves, twigs, stones, cigarette butts or any liquid surrounding the items, such as stale beer, rainwater etc.
- WINE bottles and SPIRIT bottles are not accepted.
- All ineligible items will be returned to the customer.
- They must be CLEAN. So customers, if you want your 10 cents, you need to help too.
- All WARRRL sites operate under the same Code of Practice.



Augusta Office

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Shire news

August 2026

Welcome from Acting Shire President Tracey Muir

Kaya Augusta,

As you're no doubt aware, at the June Council meeting we gave the final approval needed to get the Turner Street Jetty restoration underway. We're expecting the much-loved jetty to reopen this summer. We appreciate it's been a long process, but it was important to take the time to listen to the community and make these decisions carefully, transparently and with good governance.

At the time of writing, we're preparing for the July Council meeting, where Council will be asked to finalise the differential rates and 2026-27 Budget.

The proposed budget includes a \$34 million capital works program to renew and upgrade the infrastructure our community relies on every day, as well as more than \$850,000 to support local community and environmental groups and continued funding for essential services such as ranger operations, community health, libraries and recreation centres.

In addition to the Turner Street Jetty, a number of projects are planned for Augusta over the next 12 months. These include upgrades to the East Augusta foreshore walls, a new shared path around Flinders Bay Caravan Park, improvements to the Centennial Hall car park, new fencing at the Augusta Tennis Courts, new

cricket practice nets, and a range of road, drainage and bridge works, including Leeuwin Road, Hillview Road, the Ellis Street Precinct, Blackwood Avenue (corner Bussell Highway), Albany Terrace, Dennis Road and the West Bay Creek Road Bridge.

Finally, there are still two sessions remaining in our Dying Matters information series, delivered in partnership with the Augusta Community Resource Centre. These free conversations explore end-of-life planning and help people feel more confident discussing important matters with loved ones and professionals. Visit our website for more information.

Our CEO Andrea Selvey regularly works from the Augusta office. If there's anything you'd like to discuss with her, please contact Hannah Waters on hwaters@amrshire.wa.gov.au to make an appointment or drop in on 25 August.

Warm regards,

Tracey Muir | Acting Shire President



Economic Development Strategy 2027-2032 COMMUNITY FEEDBACK WELCOMED

We're drafting a new Economic Development Strategy, and we want to make sure it reflects what matters most to the people and businesses who live and operate here.

The new strategy will guide the role that the Shire can play in the economic health of our region for the next five years.

If you live or work in the Shire, we'd love to hear from you.

To find out more and have your say, visit yoursay.amrshire.wa.gov.au/econ-dev-strategy.

This survey will close at 5pm on Monday 17 August 2026.

Scan to have your say



Illegal Camping and Peak Season Pressures

We are looking for a diverse group of community members to form our Illegal Camping and Peak Season Working Group for the upcoming 26-27 peak season.

Group members will be required to attend regular monthly meetings and be asked to provide feedback on a variety of peak season issues. To help inform the Working Group, we are also looking for community feedback to find out how we are going with addressing the known issues – and help us identify any new ones.

Your input will help shape future actions, priorities, and how we manage visitation across the region.

To find out more and have your say, visit yoursay.amrshire.wa.gov.au/peak-season

The surveys will close 11.59pm Wednesday 12 August 2026

Scan to have your say





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Badminton

Wednesday 6.30pm - 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.

Table Tennis

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

Augusta Gym Staff

Our friendly staff are on site (gym and hydro pool) Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8am to 1pm. Press the intercom to access the gym.

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

Toddler Tales at Augusta Library

Thursday 13 August 10.30am - 11.30am
Free sessions for children aged 18 to 36 months and their caregivers.

Bookings are essential as spaces are limited. Call 9780 5602 or book online via amrshire.wa.gov.au/toddler-tales-augusta

Augusta Library opening hours

Tuesdays: 10am - 12pm and 1pm - 4pm
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Need help with your device, apps or online services?

Join us for free one-on-one 15-minute Digital Drop-in sessions at Augusta Library. Get support with smartphones, email, online services and more. Bring your device and your questions. No bookings required.

Dates: 6 August, 17 September and 15 October
Time: 10am-3pm (last drop-in 2:45pm)
Location: Augusta Library - Lesser Hall

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- Sat, August 8, 7.00pm - Shore Break (Theatre)
- Thu, August 13, 6.30pm - Mamma Mia! The Musical (MRSHS Student Production)
- Fri, August 14, 6.30pm: Mamma Mia! The Musical (MRSHS Student Production)
- Sat, August 15, 2.00pm: Mamma Mia! The Musical (MRSHS Student Production) Matinee
- Fri, August 21, 7.30pm: The 7 Stages of Grieving
- Wed, August 26, 7.00pm: The Australian Dream?

Cinema & film festivals

- Tue, August 4, 6.30pm: The Odyssey (CTC)
- Sat, August 22, 2.00pm: Top Dog Festival 2026 (E) Matinee
- Sat, August 22, 7.00pm: Gutsy Girls Adventure Film Tour 2026 (E)
- Mon, August 24, 12.30pm: Holy Days (PG) Matinee
- Tue, August 25, 7.00pm: Holy Days (PG)

Visual arts

July 2-August 3: Nguluk Waangkiny - Stories of Resilience
For viewing from Mon-Fri, 10am-4pm

August 5 - September 7: CinefestOz Exhibition
For viewing from Mon-Fri, 10am-4pm

Community Events

Voice & Drama Improv with Bec Schofield
Five 1-hour Sessions held on Tuesdays - Jul 28, Aug 4, 11, 18, 25.





Spiritual Reflection

By BILL WOODAGE

Three Mysterious Questions.

A: Where do you come from?

According to latest knowledge, the zinc spark is a literal flash of light that occurs when a human sperm cell fertilises a human egg cell. When this happens, millions of zinc ions are released, which in turn produces a flash of extreme light and day one starts for this new life.

Father God commanded in Genesis, *Let there be light*. This was the start of all life.

God's Word, the Bible, teaches that God knows every single detail about each individual person and that He loves each one dearly.

B: What are you doing here?

God created you to enjoy a personal relationship with Him by being adopted into the family of God. Firstly, He created Adam and Eve with a free will. They loved Him and were obedient until another one of God's creations, Satan (who desired to be God), told Adam and Eve a lie. He deceived them and they followed Satan's guidance. Sin entered and their fellowship with Father God was broken.

God promised to deal with human sin once and for all by sending the Redeemer, the Messiah.

C: Where are you going when you die?

Jesus the Messiah is the only baby ever born who existed before the creation of the world. John 1:1 *In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God.*

Jesus is the Word of God. He died as a ransom for human sin. When you ask for forgiveness of sin, known as repentance, and invite Jesus into your life, you become a new person in Christ. John 1:12 *Yet to all who did receive Him, to those who believed in His name, He gave the right to become children of God.*

God's children will live with Him for eternity when they leave this earth.

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By JO HAYES

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We meet twice a week for "Technique Tuesdays" and "Threshold Thursdays" at 6:30am (7:00am 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.

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June 22 nd	Lyn Leonard & Di Ellis	Herbie Whittall & Sue Air
June 29 th	Herbie Whittall & Nancy Gibson	Lyn Leonard & Di Ellis
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WELCOME OUR NEW TRAINEE

ARREBELLA

We are pleased to welcome our new Trainee Arrebella Ritchie (*pictured right*) who commenced at the Augusta Community Resource Centre on 20 July 2026.

Arrebella looks forward to welcoming you to the CRC as our new Receptionist & Events Officer and providing quality customer service.

Arrebella has worked in other businesses around Augusta so you might recognise her. When you drop in to get assistance, please say hello and welcome her to our team.

Arrebella will be undertaking a fully funded Certificate III in Business as part of her traineeship, which she is excited to start, and is keen to learn new skills relating to front counter engagement and events management in this role.



BUSINESS PLANNING WORKSHOP



Calling Augusta and Margaret River business owners to come along to this free business session developed just for you. IPS and Augusta Community Resource Centre are pleased to provide the following workshop so please register to attend.

Wednesday, 16 Sep, 10:30am - 12:30pm
Augusta CRC - 66 Allnut Tce

DESCRIPTION

Business plans help you become clearer about your business idea, finances and what's required to grow and sustain your business. If done well, it can also help you when you are applying for a bank loan. There's lots involved in putting it all together.

Unlock the secrets to crafting a powerful Business Plan that drives growth and attracts investment.

Whether you're refining your business idea, optimising your finances, or preparing for a bank loan, a well-crafted Business Plan is essential for growth and success.

Outcome: Know what to put into a business plan and know who can help you if you need assistance

SUITABLE FOR:

- Pre-start and new business owners with big plans for their business and who would like to plan for the next 3 years.
- Business owners who have never had a business plan before and are now ready to put one together.

WHAT YOU'LL LEARN:

- Key components of a winning business plan.
- Expert tips on what to include and common mistakes to avoid.
- Resources and support available if you need extra help.

Don't miss this opportunity to gain valuable insights and skills—all at no cost to you. Secure your spot today!

Note: Maximum of 2 bookings per business.

PRESENTER:

Sana Turnock, Business Advisor at IPS Management Consultants

IPS Management Consultants is a provider of SBDC Regional services in the South West, Peel, Mid West/ Gascoyne, Pilbara and Wheatbelt regions.

This SBDC Regional workshop is funded by the State Government through the Small Business Development Corporation.



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PCYC and P&C Disco



What a fantastic night we had on Friday, 26 June, for the PCYC and P&C Glow Up Disco!

Despite the wild and windy weather, more than 115 children, along with their parents and families, came through the doors ready for a night of music, dancing, glow sticks, food and fun. It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces and so much excitement throughout the evening.

A huge thank you must go to the wonderful ladies from PCYC, who superbly organised and ran the event. Their energy, organisation and commitment ensured the night was a great success. We also sincerely thank our local Sergeant, Simon Harrison, for his support on the evening, along with our very own Mr Kehoe, who helped welcome families and keep things running smoothly at the door.

A special thank you also goes to Kori and the P&C team, along with the many amazing parent helpers, who worked tirelessly in the canteen serving up delicious food and treats for everyone to enjoy. Events like this simply do not happen without the generous support of our volunteers, and we are very grateful for the time and effort they put in.

Our Patch Tree Planting

On Wednesday 24th June the Year six students slipped on gloves, grabbed trowels and spades and got to work planting one hundred native species in the bushland behind the pre-primary.

As part of the Our Patch program the students have been learning the importance of caring for the Blackwood catchment and the Hardy Inlet to ensure a healthy, biodiverse, and sustainable river system. With support and plants provided by Capes group, the students spent a beautiful, sunny morning learning the names of the plants, digging holes amongst tree roots, and planting a variety of native plants. They worked alongside incredibly knowledgeable and enthusiastic people from the Capes Planting group in an effort to rehabilitate the bushland. The students all agreed it was hard to go back to class after such a great morning.

The students and our community can look forward to watching these plants grow and enjoying the legacy of our 2026 year six students.

Below is a list of the plants that were planted by the students.

Acacia cyclops - red eye wattle

Bossiaea linophylla - narrow leaved bossiaea

Templetonia retusa - cockie's tongues

Lepidosperma gladiatum - coastal sword sedge

Rhagodia baccata - berry saltbush

Most importantly, the children had a fantastic time. It was a brilliant community event and a great reminder of what can be achieved when our school, families and local organisations work together. Thank you to everyone involved in making the Glow Up Disco such a memorable night!



Hello!



Karridale Primary School News



L-R: A thank you and farewell to School Board Chair John Wilson and School Board Member Margaret Martin for 11 years of service by Katherine Hardegon, Principal, at a recent assembly.

CHEERS TO 11 YEARS

School Board Chair John Wilson and Community Representative Board Member Margaret Martin have concluded their time on our School Board after an incredible 11 years of service. We sincerely thank them for the valuable contributions they have made over that time. Their support, commitment and advocacy for our school has been greatly appreciated.

At a recent assembly we acknowledged John and Margaret and thanked them for their many years of service. Students and staff joined together to give them a warm send-off.

We wish to introduce our School Board for 2026 and welcome our new School Board Chair, Bec De Burgh. Bec is enthusiastic and eager to help continue driving the school forward. We look forward to working closely with Bec and the School Board throughout the remainder of the year.

Karridale Primary School Board 2026

- Bec De Burgh (Chair)
- Kristy Hathaway (Vice Chair)
- Danni Owen (Secretary)
- Katherine Hardegon (Principal)
- Robyn Dennis
- Jane Jasper
- Liz Jorquera
- Nat Mulvey
- Harriet Wren
- Montana Young
- AMR Shire Rep (TBC)

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WASTE SORTED GRANT WON



Above: Students with some of the new waste sorting bins and worm farm supplied as part of the Waste Sorted grant we recently won.

We're excited that our school has won a \$1633.87 Waste Sorted grant for our "keeping recycling relevant" project.

The grant was approved by the Waste Authority and Honourable Matthew Swinbourn BA LLB MLC Minister for Environment. Our school already has a strong sustainability focus and existing procedures for managing waste. However, it was an opportune time to update some of our waste sorting equipment.

We have new colour-coded bins for recycling, landfill, organic scraps and a beautiful new worm farm to replace our aging one!

Karridale Primary School ~ an independent public school

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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	Jarrod 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 (On break)
	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	Jarrod 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
	1:00 - 2:00 PM	Afternoon Shift	Jarrod Brindley
	2:00 - 4:00 PM	History of Rock N Roll	Adam Mathews
	4:00 - 6:00 PM	Private J Live	Jarrod 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 Menalgo



Community Announcements Daily at 3pm – 3:05pm
Presented by: Erin Kingston, Pam Winter, Wendy Mathews and Beth Cummings.

Exciting Changes Are Happening at 2oceansFM!

As the winter days slowly grow longer, there's never been a better time to tune into 2oceansFM 97.1FM. Behind the scenes, our volunteer team has been working hard on a range of exciting improvements designed to make your local radio station even better.

We Want to Hear From You

Over the coming weeks, we'll be launching our Community Listener Survey, and we'd love you to take part. Whether you're one of our loyal daily listeners, tune in every now and then, or have never listened to 2oceansFM before, your opinion matters. Your feedback will help shape the future of the station.

We want to know:

- What programs do you enjoy?
- What music would you like to hear more of?
- What community issues should we be covering?
- What could we be doing better?
- What new ideas would you like to see us explore?

This is your community station, and we want it to reflect the people who live here.

The survey will be available online through our social media channels and website, with printed copies also available around town for anyone who prefers to complete it by hand.

Welcome Back, Chris Cusack!

We're delighted to announce the return of Chris Cusack and the much-loved Fridge Report.

Chris has always brought a unique voice, local knowledge and great humour to the airwaves, and we're thrilled to welcome him back behind the microphone. We know many listeners have missed hearing the Fridge Report, and we're looking forward to sharing it with you once again.

Welcome back, Chris!

Could You Be Our Next Radio Host?

Have you ever thought about hosting your own radio show? Maybe you've always dreamed of presenting a breakfast program to kick-start the community's morning. Perhaps you're passionate about local history, fishing, gardening, country music, books, sport, cars, cooking, or storytelling. Whatever your interest, chances are someone else in our community shares that passion too.

At 2oceansFM, we believe everyone has a story worth sharing, and we'd love to help you bring it to life.

No previous radio experience? No problem. We'll provide training, support and plenty of encouragement to help you build your confidence.

Radio Is More Than Just the Microphone

Not everyone wants to be on air, and that's perfectly okay.

A successful community radio station relies on a fantastic team of volunteers working behind the scenes, and there are plenty of ways you can get involved.

We're currently looking for volunteers interested in:

- Podcast production
- Social media and digital content
- Photography and video
- Marketing and promotions
- Sponsorship and business partnerships
- Technical support
- Events and outside broadcasts
- Music programming
- Graphic design
- Journalism and local news

Whether you can spare a few hours each month or become a regular volunteer, every contribution helps keep local community radio alive and thriving.

Be Part of Something Local

2oceansFM exists because of its community. Every show, every interview, every local event we cover and every emergency broadcast is made possible by people who care about our region.

If you've ever wanted to make new friends, learn new skills, gain experience or simply give something back to the community, we'd love to welcome you to the team.

There's a place for everyone at 2oceansFM.

Keep an eye on our Facebook page, website and on-air announcements for details about our upcoming community survey, volunteer opportunities and exciting new programming.

2oceansFM 97.1FM

Making Waves Around Augusta.



Wind farm feasibility study

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

Before the proposed wind farm can proceed, Synergy is reviewing the detailed and extensive conditions and is assessing the requirements to meet them. Synergy will continue to keep the community updated as this progresses.

Stay informed

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



For more information

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synergyred.net.au/proposed-wind-farm-in-scott-river

Biomimicry

By JAY HARMAN

What is Science Good For?

Nearly everything we use in our world today is a product of science. Biomimicry is the practice of scientists learning and adapting from the ultimate scientist – Nature. Nature is constantly experimenting and evolving – endlessly optimizing.

Did you know that Australia's National Science Week is one of the world's oldest and largest science festivals? In August each year, over three million Australians participate in 2,500+ events to celebrate, explore and investigate science. It's a chance for anyone who uses science in their work and play - from local astronomy groups and gardening clubs to universities - to share what they're passionate about with the wider community. It's also a chance for all Australians, whether you consider yourself to be science super-fans or not, to see how science touches your everyday lives.

So what is science anyway? It underpins so much, from medicine to computers to cars, the quality of the air we breathe and the food we grow and eat, but what is it? The short answer: Science is curiosity in thoughtful action about the world and how it behaves. It consists of observing the world by watching, listening, and recording. By studying the world, understanding how it works, and making predictions about how things will act when combined in new ways, then testing and retesting, and translating our discoveries into solutions, humans have advanced to a staggering level of achievement (that still just scratches the surface of nature's creativity).

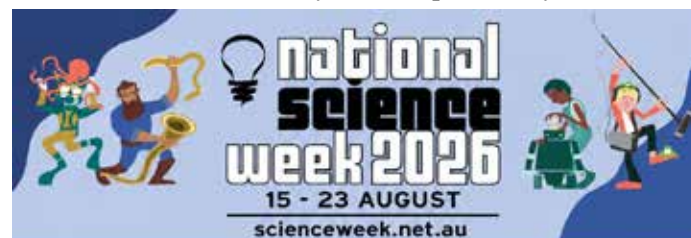
Usually categorized into three main domains, Natural Sciences study the physical world, living things, and the universe. This includes physics, chemistry, biology, and astronomy (and the discipline of biomimicry that I'm so passionate about). Social Sciences study human behavior, societies, and relationships. This includes economics, psychology, and sociology. Formal Sciences study abstract systems, logic, and rules. This includes mathematics and computer science. So science really is everywhere in our world.

This year, Augusta is celebrating Science Week by asking, "What is Science Good For?" The CRC will host a series of brilliant, free movies and fun activities open to all ages. Come post your answer to that question, "What is Science Good For" on our community billboard at the CRC and you can enter a free raffle for science prizes.

I've written in prior articles that one of the best ways we can help preserve and protect nature is by learning about the animals and plants in our own region, from our backyards to our beaches. I'm no wizard with smart phones or computers, but I've been surprised at how simple, easy, and fun it is to use a nature identification app on my phone to identify species simply by taking a photo and tapping a button.

The highest rated app that covers the plants, animals, and fungi of the South West is called iNaturalist, with a kids' version called iSeek. They're totally free and your photos can be shared (if you choose to) with scientists all around the world. That's invaluable citizen science, when members of the public contribute to scientific research. Another outstanding free app is PlantNet which, not surprisingly, identifies plants and trees. If you'd like help, bring your phone to one of the CRC workshops during Science Week and in just a few minutes we'll help you download a really simple app.

Science Week will kick off with a talk by WA's recently retired Chief Scientist, Peter Klinken, on Australia's Energy Transition (hosted by ACDA at the Augusta Hotel Function Room). At the CRC, we'll watch remarkable, award-winning science and nature documentaries, and Donald Duck (yes, Donald Duck) will explain the wonders of mathmagic. We'll go on easy nature walks (bring your smart phones) and compete to build the best marshmallow catapult... all great ways to have fun for free while learning about our world. So come along to one of Augusta's Science Week events this year. I hope to see you there!



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	Sunday, August 16: ACDA Conversations hosts Peter Klinken discussing Australia's Energy Transition. 4:00pm at Augusta Hotel Function Room.
	All other events free at the CRC with doors open 3:30pm for 3:45pm start time. See CRC website for sign-ups and final schedule).
	Tuesday, August 18: Art & Color Films.
	Wednesday, August 19: Critters & the Land Films.
	Thursday, August 20: Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, & Math Films.
	Saturday, August 22: Fantastic Fungi Film & Bush Walk.
	Sunday, August 23: Cuttlefish: The Brainy Bunch Film & Shore Walk.
	Monday, August 24: Launch Lab Mini Catapult Challenge – plus – Donald Duck Explains Mathmagic!
	Tuesday, August 25: Health Films.
	Wednesday, August 26: Arctic Films.
	Thursday, August 27: Space Films.

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End of Life Matters

Community Information Series

Join us for a series of meaningful conversations about death and dying.

Creating space for us to think about what matters, the series is designed to help you feel empowered to have important conversations with loved ones, carers, and professionals.

Each session seeks to connect you with information, normalise conversations about end of life, and encourage greater planning for the inevitable.

Session 1 Get your Death Ducks in a Row

Wednesday 8 July | 10am to 12.15pm

Facilitated by Leisa Prangnell
session completed
Turn your head and heart around some of the logistics that are part and parcel with death and dying.

Session 2 Palliative Care

Wednesday 22 July | 10.45am to 11.45am

Facilitated by Leisa Prangnell
session completed
Understand what palliative care is, who and what it involves and the services available.

Session 3 Voluntary Assisted Dying

Wednesday 5 August | 10am to 11am

Facilitated by the WA Voluntary Assisted Dying Statewide Care Navigator Service

Learn more about Voluntary Assisted Dying - what it is, who can access it, and what the process involves.

Session 4 Advance Care Planning

Tuesday 11 August | 10am to 12pm

Facilitated by Leisa Prangnell

Learn more about advance care planning and what it involves.

Venue - Augusta Community Resource Centre
RSVP - oknowles@amrshire.wa.gov.au or 9780 5667
Morning tea provided at each session

Sessions are for general information only.
More info: www.amrshire.wa.gov.au/endoflifematters



FULL HOUSE AT THE LATEST CHAMBER MINGLE

The latest Augusta Chamber of Commerce Mingle was held at Ray White Stocker Preston and hosted by our local agent Rebecca Ritchie and joined by Mike Tucker, Managing Director of Ray White Stocker Preston and Reece Penn, Head of Property management. It was a fantastic evening with a great turnout from local businesses and chamber members.



Those attending gained valuable insight into the current real estate market in Augusta and the surrounding areas.

Rebecca highlighted Ray White's commitment to providing up-to-date data, research, and property market insights to assist both buyers and sellers in making informed decisions. The evening also showcased the positive direction of the Ray White Stocker Preston team, including their strong approach to branding, local knowledge, and ongoing commitment to the community.

It was wonderful to welcome their newest team member, local Abby, who has recently joined the business as a sales associate.



A particularly interesting discussion focused on holiday homes, long-term rentals, and the importance of realistic market expectations. With accurate information and current market insights, conversations around property values can help support more achievable pricing, which in turn may assist in creating more opportunities within Augusta's rental market.

Thank you to Rebecca and the Ray White Stocker Preston team for hosting such an informative and enjoyable Chamber Mingle.

Next Chamber meeting Thursday 6th August, 5.30 Augusta Hotel



Bicycle Users Group Augusta

By *PAUL SOFALIS*

AUGUSTA WANDER

Sunday, August 15th. Start at Augusta CRC carpark.
Meet at 8.15am to start at 8.30am.

Ride route:

Along Allnut Terrace path, Bussell Highway then down past Yacht Club to Flat Rock.

Follow track and along Victoria Parade, Blackwood Avenue and around to Allnut Terrace then onto path to airport road, rail trail to Flinders Bay, path to Boat Harbour, continuing along to Dead Finish.

Back to town via pathway to start point (CRC). The ride is suitable for most bikes (E bikes welcome). Distance approx. 16 kms. Mostly bitumen with some gravel sections.

A coffee break venue will be decided on the day.

Contact Paul Sofilas – 0419 940 066
Please notify Paul if joining the ride.



By June Le Gallez
Images by Michelle
Readshaw and
June Le Gallez

Short and sweet this month for Spinners and Weavers as I am heading for my home in Guernsey. I just wanted to say what an amazing Whale Festival Augusta Spinners and Weavers had although the weather was not kind - but that didn't spoil the event and a good time was had by all. Well done everyone. The town was beautifully decorated and so much hard work had gone into making that possible, many thanks to all.



Augusta Spinners and Weavers celebrated World Wide Knit in Public Day at Deepdene Cafe at Jewel Caves. Needles were busy, the food was yummy and the fire was roaring - what a lovely day.

The 20th June was the day for our Spin In - a day of fun Creativity and Friendship, lots of beautiful soups savouries and CAKES!



There were traders there aplenty with some amazing goods for sale. Another successful day for Augusta Spinners and Weavers.

And lastly a big thank you from me to you all for making my time in the beautiful magic town of Augusta so wonderful and memorable and for the amazing afternoon tea you all laid on for me. I love you all and will miss you dearly.

A La Prochaine
(until the next time).



STAYING IN PLACE- AUGUSTA

If you are looking for an aged care service provider or a change of provider, come and speak to us at **Staying in Place- Augusta**

Staying in Place' is a game changer for older people in rural and remote WA, turning the traditional approaches to home care and support on its head! It is about local people delivering local services funded by commonwealth home care packages. Now operating in over 45 different WA communities, this keenly sought after and multi award winning model is assisting older people living in small rural and remote communities to **stay living in their own home, in the community they love until end of life.**

Why choose Staying in Place?

- Local support workers who live in Augusta and understand the community
- Face-to-face coordination and support
- Lower fees than many traditional providers
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Drop into the Community Resource Centre on **Tuesdays or Wednesdays** to speak with **Bonnie Mist**, Staying in Place co-ordinator.

HELP KEEP STAYING IN PLACE IN AUGUSTA

The Augusta Community Resource Centre has been trialling the Staying in Place initiative in Augusta for the past year. To ensure this valuable service continues in our community, we urgently need additional clients and local support workers to become involved.

Without increased participation, there is a significant risk that Staying in Place will no longer be available in Augusta.
If you, a family member, friend, or neighbour could benefit from this service, or if you are interested in becoming a local support worker, please contact us to learn more.



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*Augusta Wildlife Care W.A.
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By Judy Wenban. Pictures Judy Wenban
and South West Tree Services

Local Hero's Come To The Rescue Again....

The Ospreys are a favoured bird in Augusta with a number of followers in the community. The principal breeding pair fledged two young in early 2026.

The high winds during the storm in May blew down the pair's large stick nest in the pine on Albany Terrace. The birds are currently actively rebuilding in preparation for egg laying between late August and October.

One of the fledged young, has attracted a mate and these birds can be seen "courting" in the vicinity of the river mouth and the Flinders Bay swimming beach. Hopefully they too will be nest building in the near future.

Life for the other fledgling has not started out as well. Augusta Wildlife Care (AWC) had a report of an Osprey with entangled feet at the beginning of July. The bird was monitored and noted to have over a metre of fishing line and sinker trailing from its legs.

Just like the little Corella reported in a previous *Pelican Post* article, the Osprey became entangled by the fishing line in a tree. The bird, in attempting to free itself, became further entwined leaving it hanging upside down and being attacked by ravens and magpies. A concerned member of the public reported the bird to AWC.

The bird was 20 metres up at the top of a large gum. South West Tree Services were contacted asking if they were able to help as they had previously successfully freed the little Corella. Without hesitation, Jason and Glen volunteered their services and were on site within 40 minutes at 6:30 in the evening.

Working in the dark, the cherry picker was extended to its full height, but the bird was out of reach. After coming down and moving the cherry picker, it was extended again enabling a long handled saw to be used to cut the branch the bird was tangled in. The bird was caught by the guys and safely brought to the ground.

AWC took the bird into care and on examination the bird had no major injuries other than a fishhook firmly embedded into its left claw. As an Osprey's feet are vital to their survival, a decision was made to have a vet remove the hook to reduce any further damage to the claw joint, bones and tendons.

With the Avian Bird Flu now in Australia, veterinary services are no longer taking into care wild birds for fear of the birds being infectious and contagious.

After numerous conversations with vets and the Raptor Centre in Margret River, AWC were able to transfer the Osprey to a vet in Busselton who had an isolation ward and who agreed to treat the bird. The hook was removed and the bird discharged with painkillers and antibiotics for seven days.

The following day AWC transported the bird to the Raptor Centre in Margret River, to enable the medication to be administered and allow the bird to rest and feed so the claw could heal. The bird was cared for in an isolation cage away from all other birds.

All going as planned, at the time this article goes to press the Osprey would have spent its week in isolation and returned to Augusta and released.

This successful outcome would not have been possible without South West Tree Services. AWC are truly grateful for the willingness and generosity of Jason and Glen in undertaking this night-time rescue without hesitation when asked, volunteering their time, expertise and equipment. To us they are local hero's and we whole heartedly thank them.

Please ensure all fishing tackle is disposed of correctly in a bin to reduce the occurrence of entanglement resulting in potential injury or death to any bird or animal.

Avian Bird Flu Reminder

If anybody finds any dead bird on Augusta's beaches do not go near or touch the bird. Keep your dog away. Contact the Animal Disease Hotline at 1800 675 888.

AWC would be interested to know of any birds reported. Thank you.



left: Jason and Glen from South West Tree Services to the rescue.

Below: The rescued Osprey recuperating in care.



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By GREG BURROW
Karridale-Augusta
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60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BATTLE OF LONG TAN RECOGNISED ON VIETNAM VETERANS DAY 18TH AUGUST 2026

The Battle of Long Tan was one of the largest battles fought by Australians in the Vietnam War. On 18 August 1966, Delta (D) Company, Royal Australian Regiment (6RAR), fought an 'encounter' battle to defeat North Vietnamese forces in the Long Tan rubber plantation.

The plantation was only a few kilometres from the 1st Australian Task Force base at Nui Dat.

D Company suffered 42 casualties, including 18 dead – more than one-third of its strength. D Company's 105 men and 3 New Zealanders from 161 Battery, Royal New Zealand Artillery, fought for almost 4 hours against soldiers of the North Vietnamese Army, who outnumbered them by 10 to one.

Some 245 enemy troops were killed. Australians observe Vietnam Veterans' Day on the anniversary of the Battle of Long Tan.



Iconic photo of 7RAR
helicopter boarding

AUGUSTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY



Augusta Historical Society and Museum

By KATHY TRITTON

Hello everyone. I hope you are staying warm and dry this Winter. We have certainly had some chilly and wet days.

With our modern comforts we are lucky compared to our early settlers. I had a granddaughter and her friend pitch a swag in my yard recently. I thought they were a bit crazy doing that at this time of the year, but they survived and enjoyed themselves (just got a bit soggy on the last night). A good experience for them.

Our history is quite varied, but especially early on it was dominated by maritime endeavours. The arrival at Flinders Bay of our first settlers on the *Emily Taylor*; and the timber industry with jetties at Hamelin Bay and Flinders Bay with railway lines linking the forest to the ocean to send our timber by ship to the wider world; Cape Leeuwin Lighthouse warning and guiding shipping; the sinking of the *Pericles* and the rescue and support of the passengers and crew; and whalers and sealers hunting in the Southern Ocean and sometimes calling in to the settlement to share news and other items along with some varied conversation and other entertainment.

Of course, in our current times we now have Whale Watching with visitors from local and overseas destinations coming to enjoy these wonderful creatures in their natural environment. There was also a fishing fleet at one time, but that has also diminished and now passed into history.

And of course, not to forget the story of the *Georgette*.

This ship sailed between various ports carrying people and supplies for a number of years, but it is possibly most well-known for its interaction with the Catalpa and the escaping Fenians and not long after that when it sank off the west coast near Calgardup where Sam Isaacs, Grace Bussell and the crew of the *Georgette* struggled to bring the survivors ashore.



SS *Georgette*

There are many shipwrecks scattered along our coastline with some of the stories in various museums (Augusta, Busselton, Bunbury, etc. along with the Maritime Museum and the Shipwreck Museum in Fremantle). In those early days it was easier to move around by ship than overland, but not always the safest!

I hope you have a chance to investigate some of these museums and stories - it is well worth the effort.

THE AUGUSTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.



AGM

Will be held on
Thursday 17th September 2026
7pm in the Society Meeting Hall
Followed by a General Meeting and Supper



AUGUSTA CWA – COMMUNITY CONNECTION AND CARE
Looking to connect, create, or lend a helping hand in our Community?
The Augusta CWA warmly welcomes locals and visitors to be part of our supportive and caring network.



PROJECT CARE

As we move through the winter months the CWA Ladies would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to everyone who continues to support our community pantry and the

work we do throughout the year.

We are so fortunate to live in a community where people genuinely care for one another. Every donation, every helping hand and every act of kindness makes a difference to local families who are going through a difficult time.

Our sincere thanks go to the Shire of Augusta Margaret River for its Community Support Services Grant, which has enabled us to support and expand our community programmes in practical and meaningful ways.

We are also incredibly grateful to the Leeuwin Lions, for their generosity and valued support.

A special thank you also goes to our local producers, whose generous donations of fresh fruit, vegetables and other produce help keep our pantry shelves stocked with fresh, nutritious food for those who need it most.

We would also like to acknowledge all the local businesses and generous hamper donors, along with the many volunteers and community members who quietly and consistently support our work. Your kindness and generosity are greatly appreciated.

The CWA has always believed in neighbours helping neighbours, and it is thanks to the support of our wonderful community that we can continue to lend a helping hand to those in need. Together, we are making a real difference.

From all of us at Augusta CWA, thank you for your ongoing support and generosity. It is truly appreciated and the reason living in Augusta is so special.

Project Care – 1st Friday of the Month at CWA Hall

- Donations, including fresh food items 9am – 11.30am**
Goods can also be dropped off in the foyer prior to 9am if that time is more suitable.
- Home Gardeners "swap" produce with other Home Gardeners or donate**
- Hampers available 12 noon – 2.00pm**

7 AUGUST 26 4 SEPTEMBER 26 2 OCTOBER 26 6 NOVEMBER 26 4 DECEMBER 26

FOOD HAMPERS

We provide food hampers for those who need a helping hand. Know someone who may need support? You can discreetly nominate a friend, neighbour, or community member.

Email: cwainaugusta@hotmail.com

or via mail: Augusta CWA, PO Box 298, AUGUSTA WA 6290.

You can also come along on the first Friday of the month to collect your groceries.

CRAFT MORNINGS

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

CRAFT MORNINGS

2nd WEDNESDAY of the Month	3rd WEDNESDAY of the Month	4th WEDNESDAY of the Month
Parents' & Children's Craft	Adults Craft	Adults Craft
10th September	17th September	24th September
8th October	15th October	22nd October
11th November	18th November	25th November

Ladies Craft mornings are taking a winter break in July and August, recommencing in September.

RECIPES

Slow Cooker Asian-glazed Chicken Fillets

Ingredients

- 4 chicken breast fillets –deboned large skinless
- 1/2 cup reduced salt soy sauce
- 1/3 cup oyster sauce
- 6 tblsp brown sugar
- 6 garlic cloves crushed
- 1 1/2 tblsp cornflour
- 4 tblsp water
- 1/4 cup spring onions sliced – to garnish
- 1 tblsp sesame seeds – to garnish
- Serve with steamed greens of choice and rice.

Instructions

Step 1: Whisk together the soy sauce, oyster sauce, brown sugar and garlic cloves in slow cooker bowl.

Place chicken into the sauce, rotating to coat.

Cover and cook for 3 – 4 hours on high, or 6 – 8 hours on low setting.

Step 2: When the sauce is simmering (in the last hour of cooking time), whisk the cornflour and water together in a small bowl until dissolved.

Stir the cornflour mixture into the sauce.

Mix it through and cover again to allow to thicken and continue cooking until the chicken is just beginning to fall apart.

Step 3: Serve with steamed greens and rice.

Garnish sliced shallots and sesame seeds.

Left overs freeze well.

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Although most of our members mainly paint on canvas or paper, we also have 3 members who paint on china. Those who visit our annual exhibition would know that Jan Gozzi exhibits many of her lovely china painted items and until recently Jan was the sole china painter in the club.



China painted plate,
Jan Gozzi

Now Jocelyn and Shannon are learning from Jan and hopefully this means that at the 2027 exhibition there will be 3 china painters exhibiting. We would love more people in the community to join our little group of three who currently meet on Wednesdays.

There are plenty of the materials required available for use, including a beautiful array of the paints which come in powder form. We have past members to thank for donating these over the years. The club also has the kiln which is required to fire (usually repeatedly) the layers of coloured glazes. Please visit the Art Club on a Wednesday to see what the girls are working on and even give it a go.

Interestingly, the Art Club was established in 1967 by Melvina Russ, a china painter who taught the technique to the first members. Jan joined the club in these early days. Melvina had the molds to make what is called 'greenware' or bisque, which was then painted. There is an example in the art room of a greenware and painted biscuit barrel.

China painting has its roots in ancient China where porcelain was first developed. The art form gained popularity in Europe during the 18th century, particularly after the discovery of how to produce porcelain. By the late 19th century china painting became a popular hobby among women in North America and Europe and it has seen a resurgence as a fine art form in recent years in many countries including Australia.

Bone china, which was used by Wembleyware, (made in Subiaco and later named Bristille then Australian Fine China), cannot be painted on due to the crushed animal bone added to it.

Clarice Cliff was arguably the most innovative and original china painter of the 20th century. She was not a hobby artist but worked for and became head of the Newport Pottery factory creative department. Her china painted pieces are much sought after and consequently valuable.

China painting is a unique and intricate art form that combines traditional techniques with creative expression. It allows artists to create beautiful, decorative pieces that are both functional and artistic.

From 13th to 18th October 2026 there will be a convention of Australasian Porcelain Painting Teachers at the new arts hub in Busselton called 'Saltwater': www.apat-wa.com.au.

If you have enquiries about the club and its activities please call Trisha Hearne, Secretary on 0419 964 314.



Clarice Cliff - Orange
Roof Cottage, circa 1932

.... CWA Recipes continued from page 28

Herbed Honey Rissoles

Ingredients

- 500g beef mince
- 1 egg beaten well
- 1 onion chopped
- 2 tblsp honey
- 2 tblsp sour cream
- 2 tblsp dried breadcrumbs
- 1 tblsp soy sauce
- 1 chicken stock cube crumbled
- 1 garlic clove crushed
- 1 tblsp tarragon chopped
- 2 tblsp oil

Serve with mashed potatoes and vegetables of choice.

Instructions

- Step 1: Combine all ingredients in a bowl.
- Step 2: Shape into even-sized rissoles.
- Step 3: Heat oil in a frying pan. Shallow fry rissoles for 3 – 4 minutes each side, until golden and cooked through.
- Step 4: Drain on kitchen paper.
- Step 5: Serve with mashed potatoes and vegetables of choice.



**AUGUSTA VOLUNTEER
MARINE RESCUE GROUP Inc.**

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Annual General Meeting

Thursday 10th September 2026
at 5-30pm at the Shed
Leeuwin Rd, Augusta

SUDOKU

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Sudoku Rules for Complete Beginners

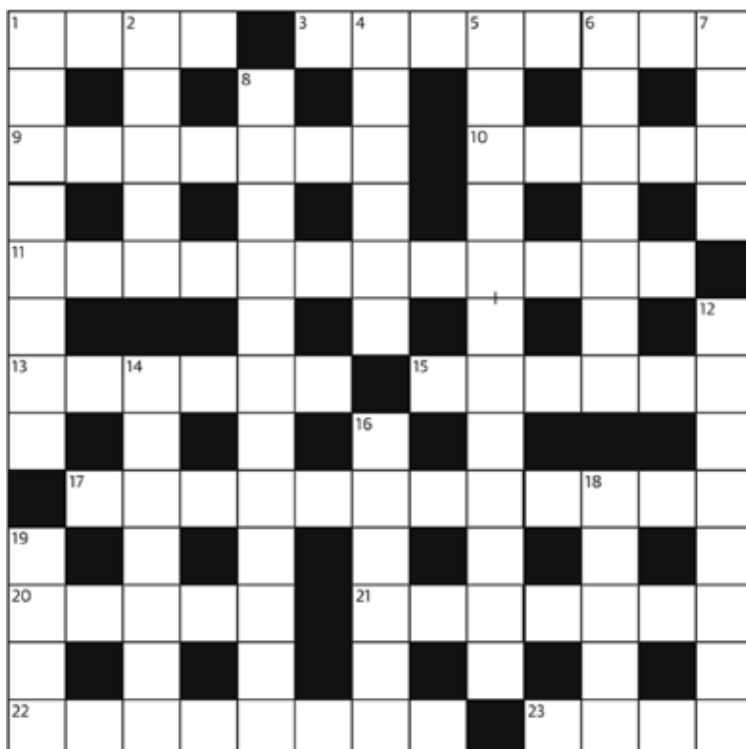
- Use numbers 1-9.
- Sudoku is played on a grid of 9x9 spaces.
- Don't repeat any numbers.
- Don't guess.
- Sudoku is a game of logic and reasoning, so you shouldn't have to guess.
- Use process of elimination

Solution see page 37

Source:sudoku.com.au

CROSSWORD

Source:theguardian.com



TRIVIA

1. Citrine a variety of quartz is what colour?
2. Which of these countries is largest in area: Spain France or Germany?
3. What beginning with 'f' is the name for the shell or main body of an aircraft? (Bonus point for naming the e-word for the tail assembly.)
4. Does a pardalote have feathers fins or fur?
5. Which Australian state introduced the slogan The Festival State to its car registration plates in 1980?
6. The New York Knicks are the 2026 NBA champions. What is Knicks a short-form of?
7. Name Australia's minister for disability and the National Disability Insurance Scheme?
8. "Ol' Man River" is a famous show tune from which 1927 musical set on the Mississippi River?
9. What fibrous protein is the primary building block for the outer layer of skin hair and nails in humans and animals?
10. Which is the only chess piece that can jump another piece?

Answers on page 37

source:TheSaturdaypaper



Across

- 1 Young kangaroo (4)
- 3 Drinking spot with Guinness and music (5,3)
- 9 Eg, in cue (anag) – descriptive of discredited breeding practices (7)
- 10 Leftmost colour of a flag in a 3ac (5)
- 11 Hush-hush (12)
- 13 Tennis great Seles (6)
- 15 'Spoon-bender' Uri (6)
- 17 Spoke angrily – like a dragon? (8,4)
- 20 Minor automotive mishap (5)
- 21 Cold-weather hat appendage (3,4)
- 22 Raymond ____, novelist (1888-1959) (8)
- 23 __ and Cromarty (4)

Down

- 1 Je smooch (anag) – the man in the street (3,5)
- 2 British name attached to Parthenon marbles (5)
- 4 Biblical wife of Jacob or Countdown's Riley (6)
- 5 Those who can perform music without seeing the notes in advance (5-7)
- 6 'May I ____ upon you to ... ?' (7)
- 7 Microsoft search engine (4)
- 8 Not fired and not released (12)
- 12 Forestalls (8)
- 14 Buddhist state or blissful existence (7)
- 16 Titaness personifying the moon (6)
- 18 Dome-shaped home (5)
- 19 Long poem (4)

Solution see page 37



By CARMEL NORRIS

The Augusta District Tennis and Croquet Club Welcomes our new Tennis Coach Pablo Gomez Pujalte



Our club is very excited to welcome our new qualified Tennis Coach, Pablo, who will commence coaching for both adults and juniors from September this year.

Some info about coach Pablo: Pablo grew up in Spain and played competitive tennis from 10 to 17 years old.

After that Pablo coached tennis for 2 years while working as assistant coach at Byron Bay Tennis Club from 2012 - 2015, and Ballina and Murwillumbah Tennis clubs in 2016.

Pablo then moved to WA with his wife Laura where he became a Tennis Australia qualified coach and ran the tennis coaching program with Laura at Margaret River and Cowaramup Tennis clubs for 5 years.

Pablo is looking forward to coaching at the Augusta Tennis Club - where he will run lessons and classes for all ages and abilities for players wanting to learn to play tennis and gain confidence on court in a fun environment.

Pablo's goals are to promote tennis and bring more people to the club where they can enjoy organised social activities or play with friends and families.

Further details will be provided in the September Pelican Post around coaching options available. If you need to contact Pablo prior to the program commencement you can contact him on his mobile 0478 773 520.



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Sheep and goat owners eID transition reminder

Know your requirements

For support phone 1300 926 547 or go to dpird.wa.gov.au/eid-sheep-and-goats



DISCOUNT FOR SHEEP AND GOAT eID TAGS

Program extended for 2026

The Tag Incentive Payment (TIP) scheme provides discounted electronic identification devices for producers of sheep and goats in Western Australia.

From 1 January 2026, the TIP scheme will provide a \$0.60 discount on National Livestock Identification System - fully-accredited orange year-of-birth eID tags, as well as pink and yellow eIDs tags via participating manufacturers.

This expansion of the TIP scheme aims to assist producers with the tagging of older stock (sheep and goats born prior to 1 January 2025) by discounting the price of yellow and pink eID tags.

Know your eID requirements

From 1 July 2026, all sheep and goats leaving your property must be identified with an eID tag.

Older stock born before 1 January 2025 can be identified with either a yellow eID or their year of birth colour eID tag if they were bred on your property. Stock not bred on your property, that don't already have an eID tag, are identified with a pink post-breeder eID tag.

For more information, phone 1300 926 547, email eIDTeam@dpird.wa.gov.au or go to dpird.wa.gov.au/eid-sheep-and-goats

Don't be a tosser: Aquatic weeds

August 2026



The jar of *Salvinia molesta* intercepted by a proactive member of the public; close-up image of an individual plant where the waxy hairs are visible on the upper leaf surface; and a previously discovered infestation in a Byford waterway.

Recently, on a beautiful winter's day on the Canning River in Perth, the sun was shining and a lucky few were out enjoying the amenity of our stunning river. One such person was kayaking when they saw something suspicious – someone hurling an object from the Nicholson Road Bridge. The quick-thinking member of the public retrieved the mystery projectile, an open container jammed to the brim with one of the world's most devastating aquatic weeds, salvinia! Fortunately, no plants escaped into the environment due to this person's fast intervention and prompt reporting to nearby DBCA officers.

What is Salvinia and why is it of concern?

Salvinia (*Salvinia molesta*) is a [Weed of National Significance \(WONS\)](#). It is an extremely damaging freshwater aquatic weed which would cause havoc to agriculture and the environment if it became established in water systems of Western Australia. Salvinia can reproduce at an explosive rate; it prefers still or slow-moving water with a high nutrient content. It grows in both tropical and temperate regions. Salvinia will readily form a mat completely covering the water surface. It blocks lakes, dams, drains and irrigation channels. The mass of green material may transpire considerably more water than would be lost by normal surface evaporation. The decaying debris pollutes and de-oxygenates the water, endangering fish and other

wildlife. The water becomes unfit for livestock or human use. Infestations of salvinia often make wetland areas useless as retreats for native waterfowl. Salvinia was most likely introduced to Australia as a pond and aquarium plant. Infestations have previously occurred in some wetland areas in Western Australia, with isolated populations discovered as far south as Denmark and north to Kununurra. Salvinia is sometimes found in aquaria or ponds, but this is illegal, as it is prohibited throughout Western Australia. We remind people that weedy aquatic plants are not the only risk to agriculture and the environment. It is of the utmost importance not to empty any aquarium or fishpond contents into natural water bodies or irrigation channels; alien organisms can negatively impact our native aquatic life, and fish can spread disease and affect native fish stocks.

What to look for and how to report

Report any unfamiliar floating plants or illegal dumping of aquatic material in our waterways to our Department or via CrimeStoppers. Please provide the location and photos of the suspicious material so it can be investigated. Salvinia and other declared aquatic plants are also illegally traded on platforms such as Facebook Marketplace and various hobbyist forums. This recent close call highlights just how important the community is in our fight against invasive species.



Report your observations

MyPestGuide® Reporter via app or online mypestguide@dpird.wa.gov.au

Pest and Disease Information Service (PaDIS) 08 9368 308 | padis@dpird.wa.gov.au

Lower Blackwood Catchment

Land Conservation District Committee

Community Update August 2026

Trees that Work: National agroforestry expert Rowan Reid to lead exclusive two-day course



Day One (Growing Value: Trees for Productive Farms) focuses on the agroforestry and the productive integration of trees into farming systems.

This session forms part of the Make Your Hectare Count project, delivered in collaboration with Regen WA and supported by funding from the Western Australian Government's State NRM Program. Additional support has been provided by GeoCatch through the Australian Government's Climate Smart Program under the Natural Heritage Trust and the WA Landcare Network UnConference Program through funding from Lotterywest.

Day Two (Growing Nature: Shelterbelts, Trees and Biodiversity) focuses specifically on shelterbelts and habitat corridors for shade, shelter, wind protection and biodiversity.

This session forms part of the Lower Blackwood LCDC Enhancing Farm Biodiversity Project supported by funding from the Western Australian Government's State NRM Program.

Date: Thursday and Friday 6 & 7 August

Venue Day 1: CBCo, Osmington Road

Venue Day 2: Venue TBC

Cost: \$50 + GST / day or \$75 + GST / 2-day ticket

Each day includes morning tea and lunch.

Book: www.lowerblackwood.com.au/events/
(make sure you're on the August calendar page!)

Mix It Up! Dairy Resilience Field Day 21 August
Can multispecies pastures improve feed quality?



Can the right mix of pasture species improve feed quality and extend feed availability for a dairy or grazing herd?

Do diverse pastures help farms manage climate risk?

Would a multispecies mix flourish on your farm?

As part of the Dairy Resilience Project, a national initiative led by Soils for Life, we'll visit the multispecies paddocks at our demo site in Warner Glen and hear from **agroecologist Mark Tupman** and **agronomist Graham Mussell** about the role of multispecies pastures in productive grazing systems.

Date: Friday 21 August

Time: 10am-2pm (light lunch included)

Venue: Blackwood Springs Farm, Warner Glen

Cost: FREE

Book: www.lowerblackwood.com.au/events/

This project is jointly funded through Soils for Life and the Australian Government through funding from the Climate-Smart Agriculture Program under the Natural Heritage Trust.



More information: www.lowerblackwood.com.au



By GUDRUN THIELE
& PRUE LEEMING

CREATING HABITAT

:meaning Australian flora for
Australian fauna.

For the last sixteen years and more volunteers of the Augusta Land and Coastcare Group have spent many hours on the removal of introduced plants and replaced them with local species along the the Riverpath, around Flinders, and areas by the beach towards Leeuwin Lighthouse.

These places were choked and knee deep in weeds and garden escapees. Not very good habitats for our critters.



Now you can again find the Slender Treefrog (*above*) around the duck pond, quenda foraging along the reed beds by the river and small birds looking for food where reeds and sedges have been re-established.

We, the volunteers of the Augusta Land and Coastcare Group feel passionate about this.

Thankfully, after all this time we've come to a stage of re-vegetation where only small amounts of herbicide a few times a year need to be applied by certified and appropriately qualified operators.

They carry out careful spot spraying and apply a narrow chemical edge around grassed areas to stop the most troublesome weeds i.e. kikuyu, buffalo grass and couch grass from re-invading our re-vegetated areas.

There is no "spraying all over the place" or "spraying all the time". Only initially at the start of a new re-vegetation project will a larger area of kikuyu get sprayed out at a time of the year when frogs are spending their dormant period underground or buried deep under leaf litter.

Most other weeds, especially the ones growing close to or in water, are removed by hand.

Please contact us if you want to help.

Should anyone wish to find out more about this issue, please direct your questions, remarks or suggestions to the environmental officer at the Augusta Margaret River Shire.

RABBITS.. RABBITS.. RABBITS

Everywhere,

They don't run, just sit and stare.

Under houses, on the verge;

In the garden—what a scourge!

Digging burrows, eating veg,

Mowing seedlings, pruning herbs.

Rabbits are vermin—this is absurd!

Tunnelling under the fence,

None of this makes sense.

Can't use a trap,

Poison is banned.

Rabbits are happy to breed in town;

They spread through the country, up and down.

Farmers are mental; production is down.

Whatever happened to the Rabbit-Proof Fence?

Residents of Augusta must be aware of the surge in rabbit numbers since last year. The AMR Shire note on their website that Karridale and Augusta are due for the release of the Calicivirus after the school holidays. But which holidays, Christmas, Easter or July?

There are rumours that rabbits are building immunity to the virus - and if it has already been released numbers have not noticeably changed. If anything, rabbit numbers have increased. Having witnessed rabbits behind fences in the company of a dog, which they take no notice of, suggests that rabbits are not only immune to Calicivirus, but also predators like dogs, cats and humans!

Regardless, the AMR Shire cannot be expected to be responsible for eliminating pests on behalf of all rate-paying landholders. Farmers eradicate pests from their properties to increase production, eliminate burrows and ensure holes under fences are repaired. It seems ironic that properties in town, many deserted for months of the year, appear absolved of this responsibility. Yet these properties are the main culprits for not only harbouring the rabbits and allowing them to breed, but also failing to eliminate woody weeds, unwanted bulbs and general weeds.

The Lower Blackwood LCDC is also aware of the growing concerns about rabbits in Augusta. While they currently have no funded rabbit management program for the town, community support and information about rabbit hotspots could help build a strong case for seeking funding for a coordinated future program.

If you've noticed rabbits on your property or know of areas where they are becoming a problem, please let Augusta Coast Care or the Lower Blackwood LCDC know. Mapping these population hubs and demonstrating community interest will be an important first step towards attracting funding and developing an effective community-wide response.

Got ideas? Want to get involved? Join our next meeting on Aug 27, 5.30 pm at the Lesser Hall (by the rec centre)
Or contact us at augusta_acda@yahoo.com

CONVERSATIONS WITH PROFESSOR PETER KLINKEN - AUSTRALIA'S FUTURE ENERGY TRANSITION: OUR WAY OF LIFE UNDER THREAT?



The average Australian household already spends around \$800 a week on energy, including electricity, fuel for transport and the extra cost of groceries and services.

The hot topic of discussion now escalating in communities and boardrooms is how we secure our future energy needs, and at what cost.

Whatever your views on fossil fuels and their impact on climate, nuclear energy or renewables like wind turbines, huge changes are afoot. Our wellbeing and security as a nation are threatened without access to affordable, abundant energy, and the challenge is now.

Former Chief Scientist of WA, Professor Peter Klinken, has been examining this topic closely over the past decade and will share his thoughts on the State's energy transition.

Be prepared for the future - know the facts. Join us for the conversation with Peter from 4 pm Sunday 16th August at the Augusta Hotel conference room.

Tickets available on the door or via Humanitix, here:
events.humanitix.com/peter-klinken-the-energy-transition

THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE MARGARET RIVER

U3A Margaret River invites you to check out its programme of courses for Semester 2, which includes an array of topics from arts and craft, current affairs, languages, history, environment, economics, writing, music and life sciences. View the programme here: u3amr.org.au/courses/

U3A also hosts a series of monthly events, posted here: u3amr.org.au/events/ If there's anything here that you'd like to see come to Augusta, please email ACDA at augusta_acda@yahoo.com

LOOK! WE'RE ON TV!

Have you seen Back Roads Season 12 yet? Check out the episode where Lisa Millar meets Augusta's keepers of ancient secrets, an inventor inspired by nature, a young pro surfer about to make a splash on the world stage, and rockstar town (arguably national) treasure, Deb Spoons. **Now streaming on ABC iView.**

ARTS MARGARET RIVER: FREE CONCERT SERIES

The first Young at Heart concert in Augusta was spectacular. Around 100 Augustans welcomed the incredibly talented Kevin McDonald, Asha Henfry and Kate Fitton to Centennial Hall, making it very clear – we love small events.



We are aiming to bring these events to you monthly with the support of Arts Margaret River and the Centennial Hall Committee.

The next FREE concert features Phil Beck on Mon Aug 3 - 10 am at Centennial Hall. See separate ad for details.

SHARE RIDES AND CUT FUEL COSTS WITH WESTRIDES

Westrides.com is a community-based platform to help locals share rides, split fuel costs and save money. It's not a commercial service or carrier. It simply connects you with friendly neighbours who are looking to share a ride anywhere between Perth and Augusta. Community admin oversight ensures all profiles are verified to keep users safe, and you can check the ratings and reviews of all drivers and ride sharers online. **Go to westrides.com to find out more and register to find or offer a ride share.**

COFFEE WITH FOGEYS

[foh-gee] In 1811, an 'old fogey' was a nickname for a wounded soldier; derived from the French word 'fougueux', meaning fierce or fiery.

This casual, weekly meetup for blokes over 65 will meet at **Jewel Cave Cafe on Wednesday, August 5 at 10 am and at The ColourPatch Cafe every Wednesday thereafter from 10 am.** Come down for conversation and a coffee. You never know who you'll meet, or what you'll find out!

MAKE A DIFFERENCE THAT BRINGS JOY AND SAVES LIVES

Visitors have become a rarity at Leeuwin Lodge and Augusta Hospital. Just an hour of your time each week is the greatest gift you could give to combat loneliness and isolation in our community. **Find out more and register to join the Aged Care Volunteer Visitors Scheme at:**
health.gov.au/our-work/aged-care-volunteer-visitors-scheme-acvvs/volunteer

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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, 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 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, members meet Mondays	9.30am	Community visits Gardening/Stall	68 Blackwood Ave (opposite Butcher)
Augusta Community Nursery	Mondays	8:30am-10:30am	Nursery Work	Front of Lions Shed, Hillview Rd
Augusta Community Rowing Association	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	Lorraine 0417 957 686 Gail 0476 594 673	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 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 - 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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