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Ordinary Council Meeting Dates

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Wednesday 22nd March
Wednesday 26th April
Wednesday 31st May
Thursday 29th June
Wednesday 26th July
Wednesday 23rd August
Wednesday 20th September
Wednesday 25th October
Wednesday 22nd November
Thursday 14th December

Council meetings commence at 8:30am in the Shire Council Chambers located at 4 Scott Street, Gascoyne Junction.

All ratepayers and residents are welcome to attend the council meetings and participate in the Public Question Time session which is held at the beginning of each Council Meeting.



COUNCIL NEWS

CEO Report

Firstly I can advise that I attended the funeral of the late Mr Don Hammarquist OAM JP on the 10th of July at the Geraldton Crematorium. It was a very well attended service with people coming from far and wide, it was heartening to see so many from our Community in attendance. Councillor Caunt delivered a eulogy on behalf of the Shire. Don was a big man and leaves a big legacy over the 33 years of service and it will be a challenge for all of us to continue "delivering".

We have had some very good news on developing the Light Industrial Land. The Department of Planning, Land and Heritage (DPLH) have advised that the purchase price for Lot 556 was negligible with only the Document Preparation fee and Landgate Document Registration fee applicable (\$1,630). I have now made an application with Development WA for funding to develop the land into eight commercial lots, this is subject to an agenda item in this month's OMC. Advice seems to indicate that it could take between 12 – 18 months to get things happening on the ground.

Budget preparations are moving along slowly; until I get a solid fix on the opening and closing balance it is difficult to rule projects in or out. Travis will be at the offices on the 25 & 26th of July where we will be appraised with the opening and closing figure, staff can then make adjustments ready for the Council to review and either agree, disagree or make changes.

Confusion reigns supreme with the new Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act / Regulations, we are still trying to determine how best to navigate through the legislative framework.

Ongoing consultation and negotiations are happening with Hastings in relation to Ullawarra Road. I am advised that they will present a detailed request at the August OMC.

Manager of Finance and Corporate Services Report

Happy End of Financial Year! The June period has been flat tack for the Corporate Team as we have been preparing for the end of the 2022/2023 financial year and getting everything ready to roll over into the new financial year for 2023/2024.

In addition to all of the great work that is happening, we are seeing an increase in tourist traffic to our region. We have also been busy working on finalising our draft budget. The Management team and RSM have been crunching numbers in an effort to balance the 23/24 annual budget in preparation for its adoption in August 2023.

With a temporary shortage in staff this has placed some pressure on the team to ensure continuity of service. I would like to extend a big thank you to the team in managing the additional work that has resulted from being short staffed. We are looking forward to welcoming the new Manager of Finance and Corporate Services in early September.



Community Resource Centre Update

Medical Clinic

On June 28 we held a Women's Clinic at the Junction Medical Clinic that was booked out with ten ladies attending. This was followed by our regular monthly GP Clinic on July 5, where we had 6 locals attend, and a childhood immunisation clinic was also offered. On July 24 I will be attending a working group on Child and Maternal Health across the Gascoyne.

Events

Our Biggest Morning Tea raised \$435 for the Cancer Council. Thanks to Cr Hoseason-Smith for manning the BBQ and to Cr McKeough and Cr Walker for their entries into the bake off.

At the beginning of July I had a meeting with the Keep Australia Beautiful National Award Conference Organising Committee to ascertain from them the scope of our role in hosting this event. I will be presenting this to the subcommittee in a meeting on July 25. At this meeting two potential dates were identified which are now with the Office of the Governor General for his approval.

Upcoming Events include the Gascoyne Rocks Science Week Night on August 12 and the dedication of the VH-DMT at the Two Rivers Memorial Park with the Bain Family on Friday September 1.

Two Gascoyne Food Festival Events will be held in the Upper Gascoyne this year – A Taste of the Gascoyne @ the Junction will be held in Gascoyne Junction on September 9 and the Biggest BBQ at Mt Augustus will be held on September 23.

Tourism

The Visitor Information Centre has been busy welcoming guests to the Upper Gascoyne. We are constantly receiving glowing praise for the town, the facilities at the Tourist Park and the Two Rivers Memorial Park. The friendliness and welcoming nature of our community has also been commended. Our data collection program is now fully up and running and we are starting to collect some solid data on our visitors which continues to compliment the Digital Marketing Campaign. Guests are arriving intending to stay one night but on arrival are extending their stay to multi night stays. Guests are staying in the Shire for up to seven nights across the National Parks and Gascoyne Junction.

COUNCIL NEWS

Manager of Works and Services Report

Sadly I attended the funeral of Don Hammarquist in Geraldton earlier this month. The service was well attended and a fitting tribute to one of the Gascoyne's greatest supporters and advocates. Don helped to make the Gascoyne more than a dot on the map. Thank you Don.

John, Sean and myself attended the 2021 Aboriginal Culture and Heritage Act workshop and rollout on the 28th June in Carnarvon. The workshop, while informative, still leaves us unsure and in a state of confusion as to how we work within the new framework and still get things on the ground. Sean and I are working with representatives from Gumala to navigate this confusing time. Unfortunately the entire town site of Gascoyne Junction is now under a heritage site which has made every day activities extremely hard to do in some cases. To put this into perspective, we are trying to replant and add to our existing plantings along the main street. We are using this as a test case to work out how to use the new system. At the time of writing we are waiting for a response from Yingarrda. I have also been planning the next 12 months of road works and checking to see if any of our proposed works fall within ACH sites. We have a section in front of Yinnetharra homestead that intersects with an ACH site. I have notified Gumala and am waiting for a response.

Another busy month for the team in and out of the office. Nat and Ali enjoyed a break over the holidays with their kids but have been hard at it keeping the gardens and parks looking schmick. Nat, David and Sean have installed new shelving and storage in the new pavilion storage shed. This is will make catering for events easier and more efficient. We have had several contractors out completing insurance work from storm damage and also to repair the oval gazebo near the pavilion. Contractors will return next week to complete the remaining insurance work.

The works crew have semi completed re-sheeting the race track for the Junction Race Club. The club received some funding from RWWA to complete the works. We will return just before the races at the end of August to lay the sand out and windrow it once the races are over. The works will be received as private works for the shire.

The works crew have also used the time between financial year projects to carry out maintenance of the fleet of equipment. Pridham Mechanical mobilised a mechanic for 10 days to do major repairs and servicing of plant. Westrac were also on site to work on our CAT plant.

Thomas has been grading the Cobra-Dairy Creek road, he is approximately half way and will continue onto Mt Augustus. Ian will mobilise to the top of Ullawarra road including Ashburton's section before joining Thomas. Damien completed sections between Landor and Glenburgh and is now prepping for the Dalgety Brook floodway project.

Over the last week Thomas, Ian and I have been mobilising plant and equipment out to Dalgety Brook to begin works on the 24th July. We anticipate to build the sub base and approaches by the end of July before Yuin contractors take over the site to install the concrete floodway, culverts and rock protection. We will then return to cement stabilise the approaches.

I am happy to say that we have filled our operator/serviceman roll. Jamie Podmore has accepted the job and will begin in late August. Unfortunately we have not been able to find a suitable person for the MC position. I will fill in for the interim and we have engaged a casual position until Jamie can start.

THEM have almost completed the bitumen upgrade works on Carnarvon Mullewa road. They have managed to get approximately 4.5km of bitumen down to date. The remainder of bitumen will be completed in the first week of August.

COUNCIL ELECTIONS 21st October 2023

4 COUNCILLOR
POSITIONS UP FOR
NOMINATION

If you are not registered on the applicable voting rolls you can make an application to the CEO for the Shire of Upper Gascoyne to be added to the Owners / Occupiers Roll. This means you may live in another area but own or rent / lease land in the Local Government District or it could mean that you reside in the Local Government Area. This applies to Mining Tenements, Pastoral Leases, Commercial / Industrial / Residential Land.

Applications for both the residents and owner/occupiers roll close at 5:00pm on Friday 25th August 2023

For those intending to nominate for a Councillor position the first date you can nominate on the

31st of August 2023.

This has to be done on a prescribed form and must be lodged with the returning officer.

The nomination period is open for 8 days and closes at 4.00pm on the 7th of September 2023.

All candidates must complete an online candidate induction prior to nominating for election so they are fully aware of what to expect as an elected member and the rules related to campaigning. This will be available on the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries web site. Candidates must also make a deposit of \$80 which is repaid if the candidate receives more than 5% of the vote.

All are encouraged to be a part of this process whether this be by nominating to be a Councillor or voting for your preferred candidate.

To be eligible to vote or nominate for a vacant to be eligible to vote or nominate for a vacant the selection you must be on either the position in this electional Roll or be on the State Electoral Roll or be State Electoral Roll.

Owners/Occupiers Roll.

You can check to see if you are on the State Roll by going to https://www.elections.wa.gov.au

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ORDINARY ELECTION CLOSE OF ENROLMENTS

Shire of Upper Gascoyne

ROLL CLOSE: 5:00 PM Friday, 25 August 2023

You may be eligible to be enrolled to vote in the Local Government Elections on 21 October 2023 if live in or are an owner occupier of rateable property in the Shire of Upper Gascoyne.

Residents

You are automatically enrolled to vote if you are on the State Electoral Roll as at 5:00 PM Friday, 25 August 2023. If you are not already on the State Electoral Roll and meet the eligibility criteria, or if you have changed address recently, you must complete an enrolment form.

Electoral enrolment forms are available from the Shire of Upper Gascoyne, all post offices, all Australian Electoral Commission Offices or the West Australian Electoral Commission and must be completed and reach a Divisional Returning Officer in Western Australia by 5:00 PM Friday, 25 August 2023

Non-Resident Owners and Occupiers

If you are a non-resident owner or occupier of rateable property in the Shire of Upper Gascoyne and are on the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll, you are eligible to enrol to vote. If you are not on the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll and own or occupy rateable property in the Shire of Upper Gascoyne you may be eligible to enrol to vote. This applies if you were on the last electoral roll for the Shire of Upper Gascoyne prior to May 1996 and have owned or occupied rateable property in the district continuously since this time. Please contact your local government for details. Owners of land who were on the last Local Government roll continue to retain that status until they cease to own the rateable property to which the enrolment relates. **Occupiers do not have continuous enrolment and should contact the Shire of Upper Gascoyne to confirm their enrolment status.** To be eligible to enrol as an occupier, you will need to have a right of continuous occupation under a lease, tenancy agreement or other legal instrument for at least the next three months following the date of the application to enrol.

Joint Owner and Occupiers

If a rateable property is owned or occupied by more than two people, a majority of the owners/occupiers may nominate two persons from amongst themselves who are on either the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll, to enrol as owner/occupier electors.

Corporations

A body corporate that owns or occupies rateable property may nominate two people who are on either the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll to enrol as owner/occupier electors.

Enrolment Forms for Non-Resident Owners and Occupiers Only

Enrolment forms can be obtained from the Shire of Upper Gascoyne and must be lodged with the Chief Executive Officer by 5:00 PM Friday, 25 August 2023.

COUNCIL UPDATE....





FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT REPORT

SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE – CARNARVON MULLEWA RD UPGRADE MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – JULY 2023

Contractor	THEM Earthmoving	Start Date:	26 April 2023
Contractor	TITEM Earthinoving	Forecast Completion Date:	Early August 2023

Project Overview

The upgrade project consists of three key sections as follows:

Section 1 - SLK 80.1 - 83.9

Upgrade of 3.8km section of road to sealed standard based on design drawings including 1 cement stabilised floodway.

End treatments to six culverts including mortar, rock protection, and earthworks.

Section 2 - SLK 96.4 - 96.6

Upgrade of 200m section of road to a sealed standard as well as reducing the steep gradient when exiting the floodway.

Section 3 - SLK100.2 - 102.7

Upgrade of 2.5km section of straight road to a sealed standard including four cement stabilised floodways.

In addition to the above, there are six other discontinuous floodways that will be cement stabilised and upgraded to a sealed standard.

Please note that THEM are undertaking all of the earthworks and final sealing will be conducted by Bitutek under a separate contract to THEMs engagement.

Works this period (July 2023) Section 1 pavement works are nearing

- Section 1 pavement works are nearing completion to their finished design level.
- Section 3 works are complete to their finished basecourse level, final trimming is required before sealing.
- 4.6km of works have been sealed by Bitutek including Section 2, six floodways, and other Shire prepared sections.
- Aggregate deliveries are ongoing for further sealing works.
- Various additional works such as rock excavation and re-prep of Shire sections have been completed.

Works next period (August 2023)

- Complete any remaining final trim works before sealing.
- Maintenance of the finished surface during final curing period of the works in anticipation of the sealing contractor's arrival.
- Bitutek will commence sealing on the 1st of August with another 7.7km scheduled.
- Site tidy up and demob of camp and equipment from Site.



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		Clearing	Subgrade & Drainage	Basecourse/ Pavement	Overall			
Section 1 - SLK 80.1 – 83.9		100%	98%	75%	90%			
Section 2 - SLK 96.4 – 96	100%	100%	100%	100%				
Section 3 - SLK100.2 – 10	100%	100%	95%	97%				
Discontinuous Floodways	100%	100%	100%	100%				
Discussion Items								
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Looking forward	have fir another comme Followir	The most recent schedule provided by THEM indicates that they would have finished in mid-July however this has not occurred. It is estimated another 10 working days are required on site with the most recent swing commencing from Monday 24 July. Following this project, they will commence mobilisation to Minnie Creek to complete the remaining AGRN974 works.						





Figure 2: Culvert/ Headwall mortar in place



Figure 1: Box out for floodway rock protection.

Gascoyne Junction Craft Group 2023 Calendar



25 th and 26 th February	Untutored /Busy Bee								
25 th and 26 th March	Untutored								
7th April - 23rd A	April School Holidays								
6 th and 7 th May	Untutored								
10 th and 11 th June	Tutored - TBA								
1st July - 16th J	uly School Holidays								
5 th and 6 th August	Untutored								
2 nd and 3 rd September	Tutored - TBA								
23 rd September - 8th	October School Holidays								
28 th and 29 th October	Creative Workshop								
25 th and 26 th November	Christmas Craft								

For any queries, please contact the President/ Secretary Alys McKeough 08 9943 0924 Or Treasurer Chris Kearney 0428 841 818

E: junctioncraft@gmail.com

YEARLY MEMBERSHIP \$20 UNTUTORED WEEKENDS \$10 WORKSHOPS \$50 with craft supplied materials OUTSIDE TUTORED WORKSHOPS \$50 + materials if required

BLAST FROM THE PAST

THIS SEGMENT OF THE GOSSIP EXPLORES PAST **ARTICLES ON NEWS AND EVENTS IN THE UPPER** GASCOYNE.

Gascoyne breaks its banks

Emergency workers battle to protect Carnarvon

Reports by Sean Cowan

THE Gascoyne River broke its banks at Carnarvon yesterday after the deluge from former cyclone Steve.

Riverside properties at the north-ern end of town were invaded by the torrent from 3am and by noon were under water.

Local plantations were hardest hit, losing their entire crops. Some homes were inundated.

The State Emergency Service closed the road north from the town when the bridge on the North West Coastal Highway went under.

It was also building levees on the outskirts of town and had evacuated those who lived outside those boundaries.

The evacuation centre at Carnar-von's Civic Centre held 55 people at 8pm and had room for another 95.

But many farmers and caravan park residents preferred to stay home and weather the storm.

One SES volunteer was trapped on the other side of the river in a calculated move to save the passen-

gers of a truck.

He will be forced to wait at
Minilya Roadhouse until floodwaters subside.

At 5.30pm the SES and local police issued an official flood warn-ing for East Carnarvon, saying evac-



Flood barrier: State Emergency Service workers erect barriers on the outskirts of Carnarvon to defend the town centre against the rising waters of the Gascoyne River in flood. PICTURES: TREVOR COLLENS

uation may be necessary during the

Farther up the river, Gascoyne Junction had escaped unscathed with locals chipping in to save the

Junction Hotel publican Gene

Russell said work had started at 4pm on Thursday to build levees around the hotel.

"We worked right through until 4.30am, when the river stopped ris-ing, with two front-end loaders," he said. "We had one of our own and

one lent to us by the shire and we built this huge earth wall."

Mr Russell said yesterday was spent with other locals waiting to see if the river would rise again.

This morning SES crews are expected to fly more than 400km to

Ullewarra and Edmund stations which are without food.

Extra SES staff were due to arrive from Perth and Exmouth last night.

In Carnarvon, SES spokesman Glenn Jennings said some properties were too close to the river to save. "There is a levee bank system around the major part of town and that is holding everything in place at the moment," he said.

"There are some places already under water although we don't know how many and there are two roadhouses outside of town that are flooded."

Mr Jennings said many residents had lived through floods before and were happy to ignore the evacuation order to stay home.

They had been offered temporary accommodation in the town centre.

"They are still occupying their homes because the evacuation order is only a voluntary one and they feel quite comfortable waiting it out at home," he said.

Family and Children's Services

Family and Children's Services staff in Geraldton were on standby to travel to Carnarvon if more help was needed.

Mr Jennings said the town centre was expected to escape serious damage. "We do have confidence in the levee bank system although we are not into making predictions," he

said.

Five thousand sand bags and 37 rolls of plastic sheeting have been sent to Carnarvon to reinforce the levees. The town was also flooded last year in the wake of cyclone Vance and has weathered major floods in 1961, 1974, 1975, 1980, 1984 and 1989.



CALLING ALL LOCAL CELEBRITIES...

The CRC is on the look out for our next **SAY G'DAY** candidates to star in future editions of the Gassy Gossip.

We want to know more about our community and our community is keen to get to know you!

So if you're interested in sharing more about yourself, like your favourite food, which footy team you support and what you like to do in your spare time, contact the CRC now with your answers to the questions below!

You could be our next local celebrity...

Full name:

Nickname:

Place of birth:

Favourite food?

Favourite animal?

Footy team:

Where did you grow up?

Why did you move to the Upper Gascoyne?

How long have you lived in the Upper Gascoyne?

What do I love most about the Upper Gascoyne?

What services or events would you like to see in the Upper Gascoyne?





We have received a huge new range of books for the start of 2023!

Fiction, Non-Fiction, Audio Books, DVD's, Picture Books, Jnr Fiction, the list keeps going.

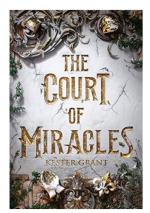
Pop into the Community Resource Centre to what stock we have on offer, can't make it in? We can always pop in on the mail truck at your request to members of the library.

Not a member? Fill out the membership form and email it to crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au or bring it in and see our friendly staff.

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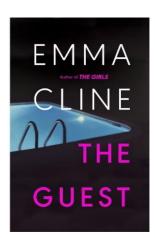




THE COURT OF MIRACLES - KESTER GRANT

In the violent urban jungle of an alternate 1828 Paris, the French Revolution has failed and the city is divided between merciless royalty and nine underworld criminal guilds, known as the Court of Miracles. Eponine (Nina) Thénardier is a talented cat burglar and member of the Thieves Guild. Nina's life is midnight robberies, avoiding her father's fists, and watching over her naïve adopted sister, Cosette (Ettie).

When Ettie attracts the eye of the Tiger--the ruthless lord of the Guild of Flesh--Nina is caught in a desperate race to keep the younger girl safe. Her vow takes her from the city's dark underbelly to the glittering court of Louis XVII. And it also forces Nina to make a terrible choice--protect Ettie and set off a brutal war between the guilds, or forever lose her sister to the Tiger.

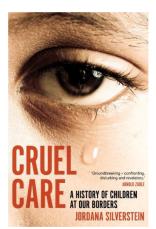


THE GUEST - EMMA CLINE

Summer is coming to a close on the East End of Long Island, and Alex is no longer welcome.

A misstep at a dinner party, and the older man she's been staying with dismisses her with a ride to the train station and a ticket back to the city.

With few resources and a waterlogged phone, but gifted with an ability to navigate the desires of others, Alex stays on Long Island and drifts like a ghost through the hedged lanes, gated driveways, and sun-blasted dunes of a rarified world that is, at first, closed to her. Propelled by desperation and a mutable sense of morality, she spends the week leading up to Labor Day moving from one place to the next, a cipher leaving destruction in her wake.



CRUEL CARE: A HISTORY OF CHILDREN AT OU BORDERS – JORDANA SILVERSTEIN

Australia has long grappled with how to treat refugees, particularly children, who come to our country. Cruel Care asks why Australia pursues such unforgiving immigration policies, and why successive Australian governments say that the cruel acts they perpetrate are a form of care. This is a story of the politics and emotions that drive national policy. Meticulously researched – and drawing on interviews with key Australian policymakers, along with a rich set of archival sources – this book explores how legislation, ministers, political parties and the public service have combined to create a narrative of compassion while pursuing repressive policies. It details the weaponisation of rhetoric such as 'best interests of the child' and the histories of race – and racism – that influence Australian discourses of national security. Cruel Care asks provocative questions about how policymakers are shaped by, and in turn shape, their histories, communities and the nation. It is a clarion call for better treatment for all who arrive on our shores.



TOGETHER WE SUCCEED

Newsletter 27/07/2023

PRINCIPAL'S POST

Hello to parents, families, and the school community.



HASTINGS TECNOLOGY METALS LIMITED

We send a HUGE THANKS to Hastings Technology Metals Limited which kindly donated their Containers for Change money of \$982-70 to our school. These funds will be used to support our program for The Arts including Music, Drama, Visual Arts and Dance. The photos below show the students and teacher using the musical instruments we have recently purchased.







BIGGEST MORNING TEA

We attended the Biggest Morning Tea at the CRC to help raise funds for the Cancer Council. We made delicious yoghurt desserts to share with CRC staff and visitors.



Kínd regards Jackíe Míller (Príncípal)



On Friday, 30th June the Gascoyne Junction Remote Community School participated in the SOCK (Save Our Country Kids) weeklong education campaign on road safety and the impact it can have on a small community. Fluro Friday was part of the road safety awareness campaign. Our staff, shire staff and some former students participated in a game of touch rugby, competing against our students, and dressing in fluro to add fun to the game.







🜟 Playgroup at GJRCS 🜟



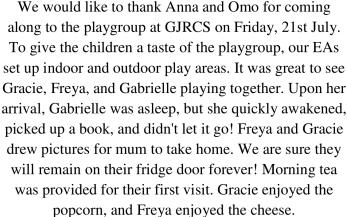




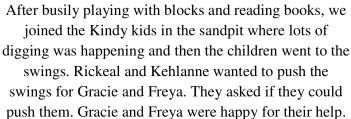




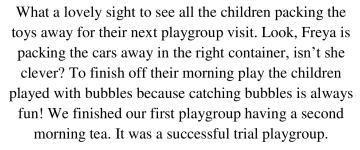




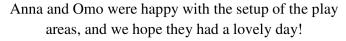




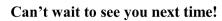


























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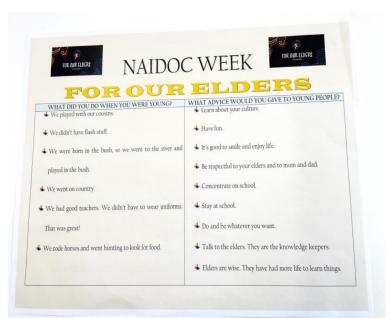
Throughout Semester 1, students from Years 1-5 have been participating in the Kids in Space challenge course. In this challenge course students have learnt about Australia's role in the space industry and the exciting and diverse career opportunities this field offers. They have explored some of the problems scientists need to solve to enable space exploration to occur, including the ethical considerations this creates. We have all developed a greater understanding of how we use and benefit from space technologies on Earth.

The challenge course concluded with a design thinking project in which students were asked to design something that might help astronauts to work and live in space or something that will help solve a problem on Earth within the space industry. The students created concepts for the reduction of light pollution to ensure ground-based telescopes on Earth can continue scientific research, inspired by the Shire of Upper Gascoyne's Light Pollution Policy.

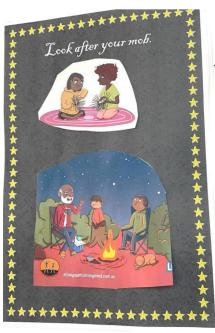
The challenge concluded with one lucky student, Scarlet Boddington, traveling to Scitech in Perth on the last day of school in Term 2 to present everyone's 3D creations. Scarlet worked incredibly hard to prepare to present to students from 7 other schools in WA. Scarlet said she was, "Nervous because there were heaps of kids and adults." and that she thought the project was, "Cool because we got to make things." Congratulations to Scarlet. She did an amazing job, and we are all so proud of her.

While Gascoyne Junction Remote Community School didn't win the trip to Adelaide, the judges; James Yuen, Space Director at the Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science, and Innovation; Darcey Watson, Executive Officer of the Andy Thomas Foundation and Evan Thyer, Program Coordinator at Scitech, were thoroughly impressed saying it was a tough decision. Our congratulations go to the winner at Santa Clara Primary School.



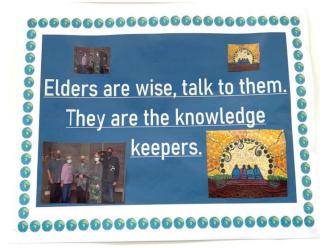


During the last week of term two we celebrated NAIDOC Week with our students. The theme this year was *For Our Elders*. We heard stories from some Aboriginal elders who told children of today what their life was like when they were young. They also each gave children a message about what advice they would give to children of today. Our students created some posters about these messages which are shown below.











EVERYDAY MATTERS



We have recently had a run of bad luck with illness across the school community which has unfortunately affected our attendance. We understand that of course, some absences are unavoidable such as for sickness or unexpected events or for appointments that cannot be made at other times, and we thank families for communicating these to us.

It's always difficult for students who are not attending regularly during the year to have the opportunity to complete a whole year of learning but hopefully everyone will be back on track soon and will be able to get back to their learning. In the meantime, take care of yourselves!

Access to free period products

We have now installed a dispenser of period products in the staff toilet for all secondary students to access. Period products are a fundamental health necessity and having a period should not be a barrier to participating in school. Providing access to free products at school is designed to enable students to stay engaged in their studies and ease some cost-of-living pressure for families.

Both single pack Libra-branded pads and multipack tampons are available.

Our school is committed to providing period health education to all students to improve their understanding and address any stigma. This will include discussing the purpose of the dispenser and the safe and hygienic use of period products.

Information available from the following websites may assist you to have conversations about menstrual health and hygiene at home:

- https://www.getthefacts.health.wa.gov.au/our-bodies/periods
- https://www.healthdirect.gov.au/menstruation

COMING EVENTS

31/7/23	PEAC Year 4
3/8/23	Sporting Schools TBC
4/8/23	Playgroup
8/08/23-11/08/23	Jackie in Exmouth – Desert Coast Meeting
17/8/23	Sporting Schools TBC
17/8/23-18/8/23	Carmen out – Teachwell PD
31/8/23	Sporting Schools TBC
12/9/23	SOTA athletics carnival Carnarvon TBC
14/9/23	Sporting Schools TBC
22/9/23	Last Day of Term



Chorizo & Mozzarella Gnocchi Bake

INGREDIENTS

1 tbsp olive oil

1 onion, finely chopped

2 garlic cloves, crushed

120g chorizo, diced

2 x 400g cans chopped tomatoes

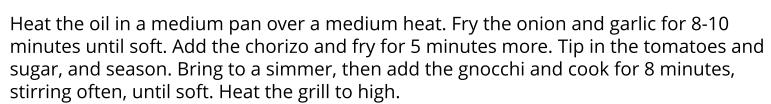
1 tsp caster sugar

600g fresh gnocchi

125g mozzarella ball, cut into chunks small bunch of basil, torn







STEP 2

Stir ¾ of the mozzarella and most of the basil through the gnocchi. Divide the mixture between six ovenproof ramekins, or put in one baking dish. Top with the remaining mozzarella, then grill for 3 minutes, or until the cheese is melted and golden. Season, scatter over the remaining basil and serve.





AUGUST

- 1 Alys McKeough
- 18 Spags Burnett
- 18 Harry McKeough
- 20 Jodie Gibson

SEPTEMBER

- 9 Stanley Hammarquist
- 20 Jason Windie
- 28 Mathew Hammarquist

OCTOBER

- 13 Jodie McTaggart
- 15 Wendy Hoseason-Smith
- 17 Ray Hoseason-Smith
- 17 Oscar Hammarquist
- 22 Richard Dowker
- 24 Ken Kempton
- 26 Melanie Hammarquist
- 30 Paula Hammarquist













GASSY GOSSIP

WOMENS CLINIC

Thanks to WACHS, the ladies of the Upper Gascoyne were able to take part in a women's health check clinic in Gascoyne Junction on June 28. The booked out session proved popular with a second clinic being discussed. Ensuring that regular health checks are undertaken in a timely manner is critical to prevention and early detection of disease. Moving forward we are hoping to offer more of these targeted clinics to the general population on top of our monthly GP Clinic. In the last quarter of 2023 we will also be receiving a nursing clinic each month a fortnight after each GP Clinic. Stay tuned for more details.

BIGGEST MORNING TEA

On July 29th we held our annual Biggest Morning Tea. The Shire have been hosing Biggest Morning Tea's since 2013 making this years our 10th one. Thank you to the community members who came to join us on the day, we raised \$435.00. Congratulations to CR Blanche Walker who was the winner of this years bake off and all of our raffle prize winners. A special thank you to CR Ray Hoseason-Smith for cooking the bbq which was very popular.

YOUTH GROUP

Thanks to a grant from Backyard Cricket on July 28 we held the first get together of the Upper Gascoyne Youth Group. Seven attendees made pizza and brainstormed ideas that they would like to see as activities over the next 12 months. From pool parties, sleep overs, camp outs and haunted mansions to learning coding, jewellery making and baking and then competitions from raft races on the river, sandcastle making, singstar, just dance or just hanging and playing games with friends we have lots of fun things on the list to share with our emerging leaders across the Shire.





BACKYARD CRICKET

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DATE SAVER
Saturday 09
September
Gascoyne Junction
Pub & Tourist
Park
6pm til Late
Live Music



FLAVOURS OF THE GASCOYNE @ THE JUNCTION

Under Gascoyne Skies, delight in a 3 Course Menu showcasing the flavours of the Gascoyne as prepared by our very own Head Chef Omo. Stepping away from traditional pub grub for the evening guests will be treated to cuisine rivalling anything you would eat in the capital cities of the world. With live music in the background and a night sky full of stars the scene is set for an evening to remember, all that is waiting is you for the perfect night in the Junction.

Tickets: ON SALE NOW
\$121 per adult \$22 per child under 18
3 Course Meal with Arrival Drink
www.gascoynefoodfestival.com.au
Accommodation: Junction Pub &Tourist
Park 08 9943 0868

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AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST BBQ

DATE SAVER

Saturday 23 September

Mt Augustus Tourist Park





Tickets: ON SALE NOW
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Accommodation: Mt Augustus Tourist Park
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Register for the Gascoyne Games!



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A4 - \$42.00

A5 - \$26.00

A6 - \$21.00

Business Card Size - \$8.50

Are you looking for a place to get your business, your event, or your items for sale in front of the residents of the Shire of Upper Gascoyne?

Its time to book an advertising space in the Gassy Gossip. Whether its for one month or year round this is the place to be seen.

Free advertising for community groups and not for profit organisations.



REGIONAL VOICES ARE UNDER ATTACK

A regional seat in Parliament is being stripped away in favour of a new seat in Perth

Email submissions - BEFORE 21 AUGUST



boundaries@waec.wa.gov.au

Get in touch





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Member for North West Central





Country Stargazing

with Carol Redford and Donna Vanzetti, Astrotourism WA

A Meteor Shower and a Super Blue Moon – August Has It All!

Stargazers have plenty to see this month, starting with the Perseids Meteor Shower! It is generated from comet Swift-Tuttle and renowned for producing bright meteors. The shower peaks on the night of the 12th/13th of August but can be viewed several days either side of the peak. The best views will be under dark skies, after midnight. The further north you are in WA, the better you will see this meteor shower.

Meteor showers occur as planet Earth crosses the orbital path of a comet. As comets pass by the sun, the extreme temperatures heat up the nucleus causing debris particles to spread out creating a comet tail. As Earth passes through this debris cloud, we see the fiery spectacle of a meteor shower.

When to look: From midnight to early morning, 12th/13th August.

Which direction to look: Low on the northern horizon.



At months end we will be treated to a Super Blue Moon! The Moon's orbit around Earth is slightly oval shaped or elliptical. So, every month there's a time when the Moon is at its closest distance to Earth (at perigee) and another time when it is at its furthest distance from Earth (at apogee).

When perigee coincides with the full Moon, it's popularly called a "Supermoon". This 'super' phenomenon will occur on the 31st of August. To add more cosmic excitement to the mix, it will also be a Blue Moon! This is the popular term for a second full Moon in a calendar month. While the Moon won't actually turn blue, it's still worth going out and observing the Moon, as blue moons only occur once every 2 or 3 years!

Does a Supermoon look bigger to the naked eye? Find out at https://astrotourismwa.com.au/supermoon/ Enjoy a super month of cosmic viewing!

Find more stargazing tips and country events at www.astrotourismwa.com.au.

If you're a budding "astro-enthusiast", check out...

Stargazers Club WA's telescope classes & astronomy events for beginners at: www.stargazersclubwa.com.au.

Gascoyne Rocks

Gascoyne Junction Pavilion Saturday August 12 6pm to 8pm





CELEBRATE SCIENCE WEEK

Join us at the Gascoyne Junction Pavilion to uncover the secrets of 'Gascoyne Rocks'.

The Upper Gascoyne is home to some very unique rocks. Learn about the secrets of what can be found in the ground across the Upper Gascoyne before turning our eyes to the sky with the team from the Perth Observatory to discover the secrets of the rocks in the sky above us.

This FREE Family Activity is for all ages. Learn about the unique geology of the Upper Gascoyne from mookaite to sea fossils. Then enjoy our dark night sky and get a close look at the stars, nebulas and planets above us.











Referendum question and constitutional amendment

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The Voice would be an independent, representative body for First Nations peoples.

- It would advise the Australian Parliament and the Government.
- It would give First Nations peoples a say on matters that affect them.

For the referendum to pass, a majority of voters need to vote 'yes' nationally, plus a majority of voters in at least 4 out of 6 states. This is known as a double majority.

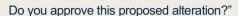
On 30 March 2023, the constitutional amendment and referendum question were introduced into Parliament through the Constitution Alteration Bill. Both the question and terms of the constitutional amendment may change as a result of consideration in Parliament.

Referendum question

On referendum day, voters will be asked to vote 'yes' or 'no' on a single question. Subject to Parliament's approval, the question will be:



"A Proposed Law: to alter the Constitution to recognise the First Peoples of Australia by establishing an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice.





Constitutional amendment

The 'Proposed Law' that Australians are being asked to vote upon is set out in the Constitution Alteration Bill. If approved by Parliament and at the referendum, the following words would be added to the Constitution:

Chapter IX Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples 129 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice

In recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the First Peoples of Australia:

- i. there shall be a body, to be called the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice;
- ii. the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice may make representations to the Parliament and the Executive Government of the Commonwealth on matters relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples;
- iii. the Parliament shall, subject to this Constitution, have power to make laws with respect to matters relating to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice, including its composition, functions, powers and procedures.

Process



Constitution Alteration Bill introduced into Parliament and referred to a Joint Select Committee. Committee reports to Parliament



Parliamentary debate and passage of the Constitution Alteration Bill



Referendum held subject to the passage of the Constitution Alteration Bill



Consultation with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, the Parliament and the broader public to design the Voice



If the referendum passes

Introduce a Voice establishment bill into the Parliament



Once Parliament approves the legislation to establish the Voice, the legislation comes into effect and the work to set up the Voice begins.







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Read the referendum question and the proposed words to be added to the Constitution on voice gov.au

What the Voice would do







The Voice will work alongside existing organisations and traditional structures

What the Voice would look like



The Voice will be chosen by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people based on the wishes of local communities



The Voice will be representative of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, gender balanced and include youth



The Voice will be empowering, community led, inclusive, respectful and culturally informed

The Voice will not have a program delivery function or a veto power.

Read the full principles on voice.gov.au. These were developed by the Referendum Working Group and agreed by Government.

Find out more on the groups of First Nations people from all over Australia who are advising the Government on the Voice and referendum at voice.gov.au.

Referendum

All Australians aged 18 and older must vote in the referendum. If you're enrolled to vote in a federal election, you don't need to enrol again to vote in the referendum.

To pass, a referendum requires a double majority, which means:

- 1. a majority of voters in a majority of states vote 'yes', AND
- 2. a majority of voters nationally vote 'yes'.

What happens if the referendum passes?

After the referendum, there will be a process with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, the Parliament and the broader public to decide the Voice design.

The Parliament will then establish the Voice in legislation.











SCAN THE QR CODE TO SIGN UP OR CONTACT Krystie Bremer, Gascoyne Catchments Group, 0417183705 or eo@gascoynecatchments.com.au FOR MORE INFORMATION.

This workshop is free thanks to the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund. It is delivered by the Australian Rural Leadership Foundation and part of the Helping Regional Communities Prepare for Drought Initiative. For more information visit rural-leaders.org.au.

Please note: This is a face-to-face session. All catering and stationery provided.

Registrations close 7 days before the workshop.

Join us for a two-day Changemaker Workshop

7 & 8 November 2023 | 9.00am - 4.30pm

Bill's Bar, Coral Bay

Become a changemaker

- · Assess your region's readiness for change.
- · Explore how change happens and how to overcome resistance.
- Learn what it takes to be a positive change agent, have the drive to build new things, how to manage setbacks and work creatively and purposefully with others.

Start community conversations

- Understand the ecosystem purposeful, inclusive engagement and robust and authentic conversations create.
- Learn how to have those conversations, suspend judgement and assumptions, and build trust and transparency for connection and diverse relationships.

Care for your community

- · Unpack what forms and shapes a community.
- Learn how a community can be more inclusive.
- Considering the impacts of drought, trauma and other events, get tools to better support others and balance giving and taking within a community.

Shape your community's future

- Explore ideas to shape the future you would like to see for your community.
- Understand the importance of language and the power of storytelling in motivating and mobilising others.
- Learn what makes a good story and how to connect with the hearts and minds of others.













SMOKO TIME



Pink Slip

ACROSS

- River hazard
- It aids commerce in Cancun, Kalamazoo, and Calgary
- 10. Left 21 across or 8 down
- He's blue without his red or white
- Offering from Google or Yahoo
- 16. He may be blue because he's in the red
- 17. Golden rule word
- 18. Princess in plum?
- One might clean up at a Vegas hotel
- 21. Certain hand-outs
- 22. Coolpix camera maker
- Fabric for a sundress
- 25. Creatures of clay
- 26. Share the stage with journalist Andrea?
- 30. See eye to eye
- 31. Lord's Prayer start
- 32. Blown away
- 36. Org. that sticks to its guns
- Auto dealer's option, and a hint to this puzzle's theme
- Greeting for Caesar
- 42. Congers and morays, e.g.
- 44. Keats creation
- 45. Novelist Joyce Carol
- 47. Caesar's boastful bon mot?
- 51. Like this clue
- 54. Pendragon of legend
- 55. Stock holding
- 56. Word with back or off
- 58. Tach readings
- 61. San Fran sportscaster?
- 63. "Piggies"
- 64. Caesar's challenge
- One with grievances, perhaps
- 66. Classic Lotus model
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- 68. Strand in Rapunzel's rope
- 69. Oxford fellows

Robert Stockton

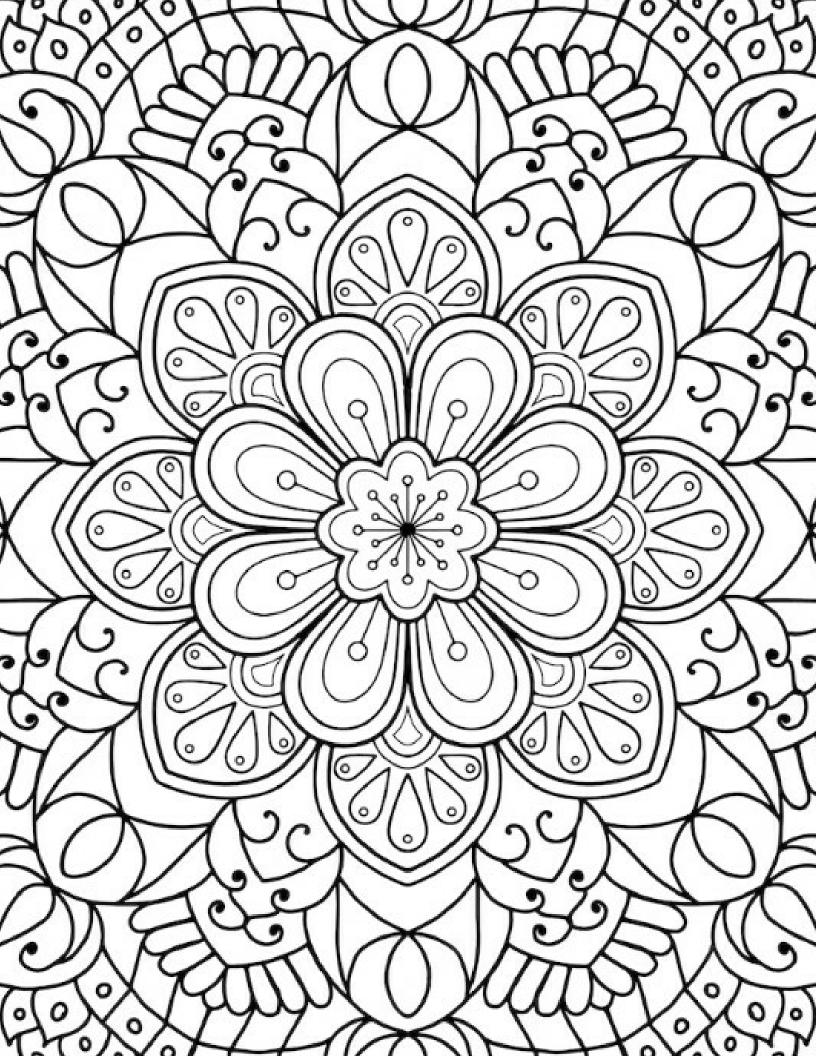
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- 1. Like one leg of a triathlon
- 2. First of a famous sailing trio
- 3. Like AZT
- 4. "Well said!!"
- 5. Himalayan denizen
- 6. Worn magic item
- 7. McDonald's, e.g.
- Certain hand-outs
- 9. Tide alternative
- Silverback, e.g.
- 11. No longer napping
- 12. Asp's output
- Moran and Brockovich
- 19. Hydroxyl compound
- 24. "...until ____ a man with no feet."
- 25. "It's Raining Men" singer Halliwell
- Heroine of a classic children's reader
- 27. Man-eater of myth

- 28. Many a software engineer
- 29. Blue, red, or white 33. Sport with very wet horses?
- 34. What to get after an insult
- 35. He loved Lucy
- 38. Unchangeable storage
- 39. Stir
- 40. A bagel and lox, perhaps
- 43. Buttress
- 46. Kept at bay
- 48. Mouse manipulator
- 49. You'll find many in a pound
- Pronounces
- 51. How good was it?
- Tony-winning Rivera
- Dennis Miller specialty
- Evening on the Champs-Élysées
- 57. Land of the leprechauns
- 59. Like 27 down
- 60. Apr. 15 data
- 62. Wine container



Sudoku Game

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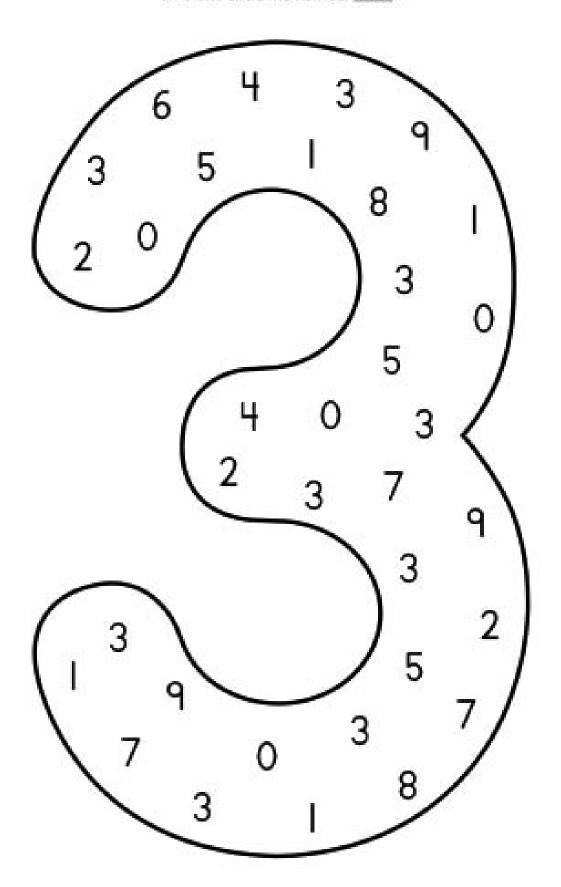
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05-06 AUGUST

GASCOYNE ROCKS

GASCOYNE JUNCTION PAVILION

12 AUGUST

UPCOMING 2023 EVENTS



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