

# GASSY GOSSIP

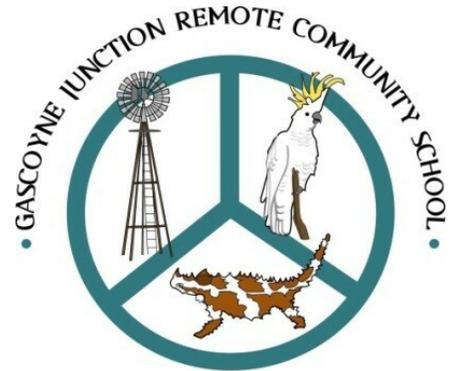
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# COUNCIL NEWS

## Ordinary Council Meeting Dates

Wednesday 8th February

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.



### CEO Report

It is with a heavy heart that we must acknowledge the passing of our Shire President and friend, Mr Don Hammarquist, JP OAM. I cannot thank Don enough for the support he provided to me and my team over the years, he was the Yang in our relationship. Although at times I get the blame for moving from one project to another at rapid pace, it must be said there was a pretty big set of hands pushing me along. Don's mantra was 'build it and they will come' and 'we deliver'. This was about getting things done now for the future to encourage growth and to spending any grant monies as soon as possible in order to demonstrate to funding bodies that we can deliver on projects on time and in budget. I was fortunate enough to be able to take Jarrod with me to see Don on the 1st of June and present him with the Freeman of the Shire Award and show him the Tidy Towns Award. It was quite an emotional reunion for all concerned but it was the best thing we could have done for him. My thanks go to Josh Kirk for flying us down and back, what an effort and it just proves the calibre of people we have working for us either as staff or contractors.

The commercial Land Project is moving along slowly with the DPLH completing their consultation requirements and we now wait for the State to determine the value of the land prior to selling it to us as free hold title. The same cannot be said for the residential land development with no action received from the Yinggarda PBC in relation to moving the ILUA forward.

I can advise that we have finished undertaking interviews for the Manager of Finance and Corporate Services. We received around 20 applications, we interviewed 3 people all of whom could have done the job, however; a choice needed to be made. Andrea was successful, at the time of writing we have not landed on a start date. We are all excited about working with Andrea and I am certain she will bring another level of professionalism to this position.

You can certainly tell it is winter as I have had numerous meetings the month, these include – Steve Post (Police Superintendent) and his entourage, Gaff Murray (Main Roads), Vince Catania (Hastings); Amanda Wilmont (GDC), Matt Derlagen (NAIF); and various others. I have attended the RRG Ands Zone Meetings in Exmouth along with the MWS, Shire President and Councillor McTaggart.

**\*\*Updated\*\***

The funeral for Mr Don Hammarquist will be held in Geraldton on July 10 at 10am at the Geraldton Crematorium. Following the service Don's family invite you to celebrate his life with good food, drink and shared stories at the Walkaway Polocrosse Grounds at 2pm. In conjunction with the Shire President, I have decided that we will close up shop and all staff are invited to attend as Don had interactions with all staff and this will provide the opportunity for staff members to say their final goodbyes.

## **Manager of Finance and Corporate Services Report**

*On behalf of the entire team, we extend our deepest sympathies to Dot, Matthew, David, Melanie, and their families on the loss of Don Hammarquist JP OAM. Don was highly regarded by his fellow Councillors and Shire of Upper Gascoyne Staff, he will be dearly missed around the office and the wider Upper Gascoyne community. Don will be forever in our hearts.*

We sadly said our final goodbyes to Sa this month and we have been busy preparing for the End of Financial Year (EOFY), as the 30th of June is fast approaching which means that the corporate team is busy and will be kept on our toes with implementing all of the usual EOFY procedures. We hope that this process will be a smooth transition into the new year and without any hassle or system glitches! The review process of our Interim Audit with William Buck is finished. Our audit file is currently sitting with the OAG pending their final review and sign off. I am hopeful this will be completed by the end of June early July.



## **Community Resource Centre Update**

**Author - Ainley Hardie, Tourism & Community Development Officer**

### **Medical Clinic**

I have been working with the team at WACHS on a MOU to further clarify the agreement between our organisations as we move forward with our monthly clinics. On June 20th I was invited to attend the Gascoyne Midwest Regional Executive Meeting. It was a beneficial day where I was able to learn more about future plans happening across the health network, make valued connections and get a perspective of the challenges they are facing in their organisation with staffing.

I raised issues that had been brought to my attention by the local community. On June 28th we will be holding an additional clinic specifically for women's health. I have also been asked to collect information on what child and maternal health requirements we have across the Shire including child immunisations and we will work to have a clinic here soon if not tied in with our regular GP clinic. This is an area that is lacking in qualified staff and is a priority for WACHS to fill this gap and get critical health service delivered not only here but across the region. The doctors conducting our clinics are really happy with how they are operating and we will all continue to work together to improve the services offered.

### **Upcoming Meetings**

In August the Shire will be hosting board meetings for Australia's Golden Outback, Regional Development Australia (Midwest) and the Gascoyne Development Commission. Spending time in the Upper Gascoyne is a wonderful opportunity for board members to acquaint themselves with local issues, and to get a strong sense of what our Shire has to offer and the understand the community and its needs.

### **Disability, Accessibility & Inclusivity Policy**

On June 19th I attended a workshop on updating the Shire Disability, Accessibility & Inclusivity Policy. With new technologies emerging it was insightful to see the ways in which we can best support those in our community. I look forward to presenting this policy for consideration to council in the next quarter.

## Events

The Outback Car Trek Car Rally raising funds for the RFDS came through Gascoyne Junction on Saturday June 3. All 65 vehicles refuelled in Gascoyne Junction and enjoyed morning tea provided by the Gascoyne Junction Remote Community School. A packed lunch was also supplied raising over \$4000 for the school. The event had media attention with a focus on Gascoyne Junction including a live cross during ABC Breakfast Radio on the Saturday morning. Many trekkers took photos of the Wander Outback maps and plan to return with extended family and a little longer to stay in the area. In June as of the time of preparing this report we still have a Supper Under the Stars with AstroTourism WA. We have had visitors change their travel plans to join us for the evening. A fun run as part of Save our Country Kids Week will be held on Sunday June 25 which is a campaign about being safe on country roads and finally at the conclusion of the council Meeting our annual Biggest Morning Tea.

## Manager of Works and Services Report

I would like to open this report by offering my condolences to Dot Hammarquist and extended family for the passing of one of the Gascoyne's true statesmen Don Hammarquist. Don was the biggest promoter and lover of this region who dedicated much of his life to the Shire of Upper Gascoyne and to country racing in WA. He was a great friend and mentor of mine and he will be missed.

As we close out the 22-23 financial year we are busy preparing the budget and works program for 2023-24. I would like to thank Cherie Walker for her assistance as we await our newly appointed Manager of Finance to arrive. The next twelve months will be full on once again with a busy work schedule including resheeting sections of the Ullawarra, Pimbee and Cobra Dairy Creek roads and bitumen reseals. We will begin our 2023-24 campaign resheeting the Junction Race Club's race track and then onto the Dalgety Brook completing earthworks for the new concrete crossing. I am pleased to say that the Aboriginal Heritage survey on Dalgety Brook was completed and approval has been given to go ahead.

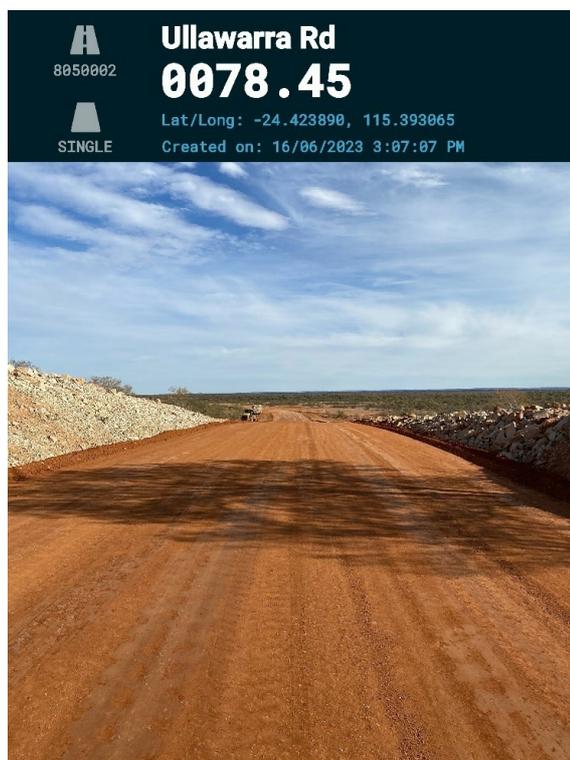
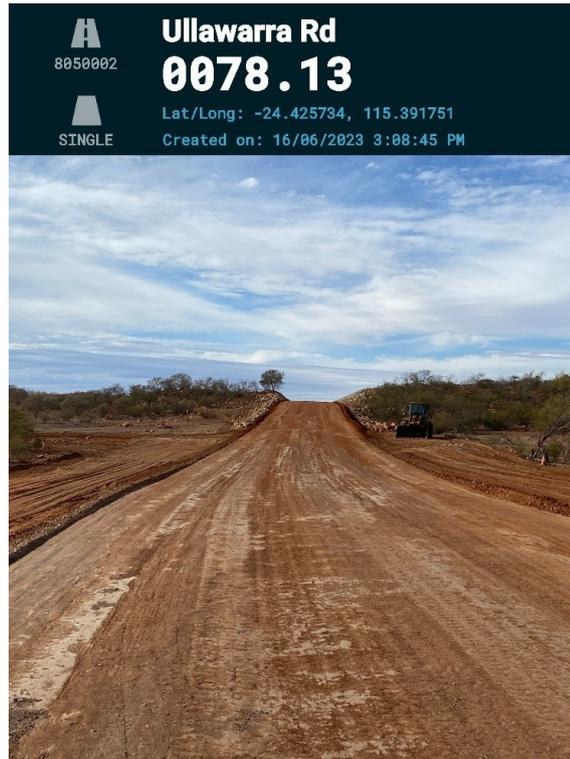
Much of June has been focused on Hastings once again. Unfortunately we saw a huge increase in heavy vehicles accessing the Yangibana project via routes contrary to the Road Use Agreement. This caused premature damage to Ullawarra Road and the south east end of Carnarvon Mullewa Road. Hastings have since redirected their HV's to the correct route. John and I made a special trip to Yangibana to inspect roads and drop in to see the team at Yangibana on 19th June but were disheartened to find the top end of Ullawarra and Edmund Gifford Creek in poor state clearly due to heavy vehicle use. This was extremely disappointing given Hastings sent Vince Catania to our last Council meeting to discuss alternative routes and issues surrounding access. However it must be said that the road crew (North Coast plant Hire) who have been engaged by Hastings to do maintenance works, have done a great job on the bottom half of Ullawarra Road, they will continue north across to Cobra Dairy Creek road. Hastings will also get them to make the necessary repairs to Ullawarra road.

We had a huge contingent of tradesman here in the middle of June completing the CEO shed, pavilion shed and retaining wall, footpaths, insurance work. These works will complete our projects for 2022-23.



The works crew attended a Roads to Rehydration workshop organised by the Krystie Bremer from the Gascoyne Catchments Group and facilitated by the Shire. Richard Marver of Contour Consulting ran the workshop and discussed different techniques in the field to improve natural drainage to maximise rehydrating the landscape and minimise soil erosion.

We have completed the Blackspot project at Mt Sandiman. This project wasn't without plenty of hold ups and complications including rain, contractor unavailability and breakdowns. The crest is now much safer and has been lowered by approximately 2m and widened to 10m. Signage and guide posts were being installed at the time of writing this report.





**IN LOVING MEMORY**

**DONALD (DON) HAMMARQUIST OAM JP**

**1956-2023**





## IN LOVING MEMORY

# DONALD (DON) HAMMARQUIST OAM JP

1956-2023

## A TRIBUTE & FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS

It is with deep sadness that we announce the passing of the Shire of Upper Gascoyne Shire President Cr Donald Hammarquist OAM JP surrounded by his family and loved ones. The Shire of Upper Gascoyne and broader community offer our most sincere condolences to his wife Dot, children Matthew, David and Melanie and their families, and to the extended Hammarquist family at this time.

Don was elected as a Shire Councillor in 1990 and served the Shire for 33 years. Don was elected as the Shire President in 2017, a position he held until his passing. In April 2019, Don was awarded an Order of Australia (OAM) for his service to Local Government and to the community of the Upper Gascoyne and was made a Freeman of the Shire in May 2023.

In his time representing the Shire of Upper Gascoyne, Don was heavily involved with the Gascoyne Development Commission, the Regional Road Group and WALGA Zone Meetings. Don was passionate about the Upper Gascoyne, and worked tirelessly to create and deliver services and facilities across the Shire for residents and visitors alike. His passion for tourism was well regarded and Don worked closely with Australia's Golden Outback and within the Gascoyne Murchison region to share far and wide what the Upper Gascoyne had to offer visitors.

Don was highly regarded by his fellow Councillors, and the Shire of Upper Gascoyne staff who will miss him dearly as they continue to strive for excellence in delivering for the Upper Gascoyne community as Don did.

**A funeral service for Don will be held at the Geraldton Crematorium on the 10th of July 2023 at 10am.**

**Following the service Don's family invite you to celebrate his life with good food, drink and shared stories at the Walkaway Polocrosse Grounds at 2pm.**

**The service will be livestreamed for those who are unable to attend.**

**A link will be posted on the day.**

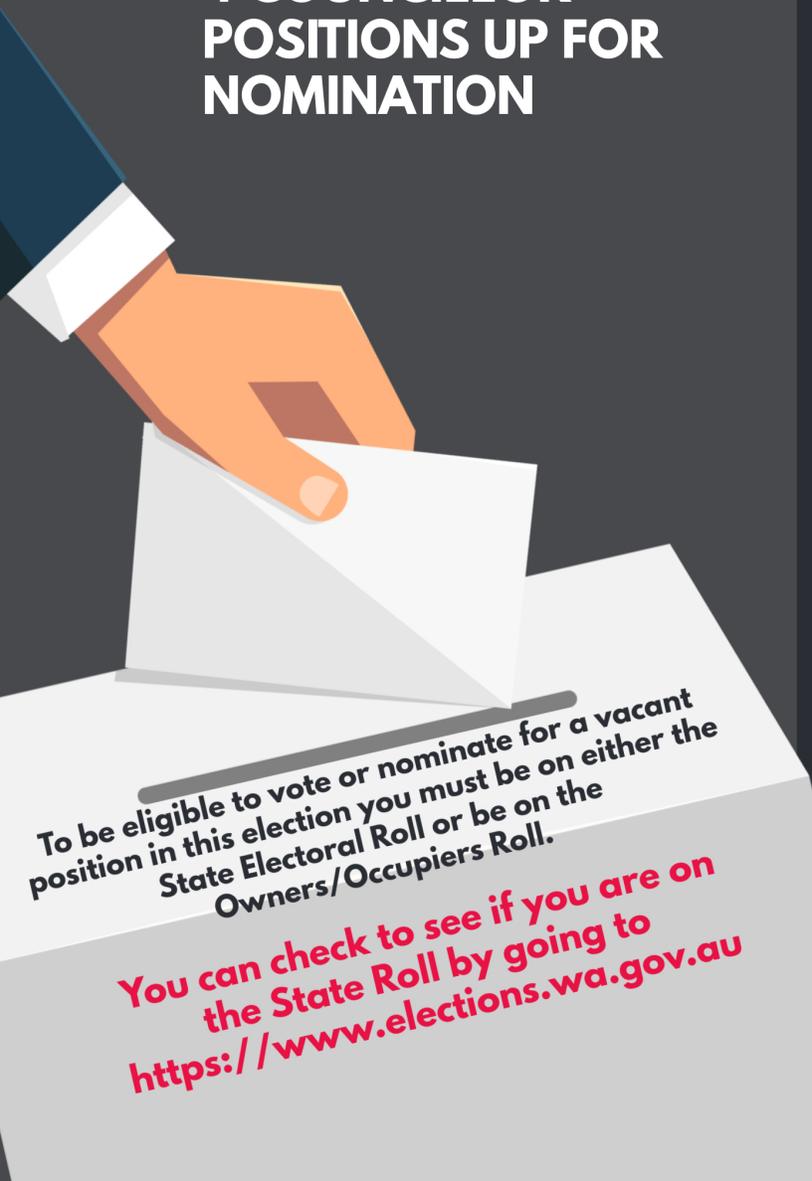
**The Shire of Upper Gascoyne will screen the service at the Gascoyne Junction Community Resource Centre from 10am.**

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# COUNCIL ELECTIONS

21st October 2023

## 4 COUNCILLOR POSITIONS UP FOR NOMINATION



To be eligible to vote or nominate for a vacant position in this election you must be on either the State Electoral Roll or be on the Owners/Occupiers Roll.

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

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.

## 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 – JUNE 2023

Contractor	THEM Earthmoving	Start Date:	26 April 2023
		Forecast Completion Date:	Mid July 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 THEM's engagement.

Works this period (June 2023)	Works next period (July 2023)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Section 1 pavement works have been completed to subgrade level, surveyed and compaction tested.</li> <li>Imported all basecourse material for section 3 (2.5km).</li> <li>The majority of aggregate for the sealing has been delivered to site.</li> <li>Some additional works such as rock excavation and repairs to Carnarvon Mullewa Rd have been completed.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Import, lay and compact all basecourse for section 1 to design levels.</li> <li>Final compaction and trimming of sections 2 &amp; 3 ready for sealing.</li> <li>Maintenance of the finished surface during final curing period of the works in anticipation of the sealing contractor's arrival.</li> <li>Bitutek to complete all sealing works commencing on the 5<sup>th</sup> of July. Second trip is to be made at the end of July to complete any remaining works.</li> <li>Site tidy up and demob of camp and equipment from Site.</li> </ul>

<b>Status Breakdown</b>				
	<b>Clearing</b>	<b>Subgrade &amp; Drainage</b>	<b>Basecourse/ Pavement</b>	<b>Overall</b>
Section 1 - SLK 80.1 – 83.9	97%	80%	5%	54%
Section 2 - SLK 96.4 – 96.6	100%	100%	40%	76%
Section 3 - SLK100.2 – 102.7	100%	98%	77%	90%
Discontinuous Floodways	100%	100%	90%	95%
<b>Discussion Items</b>				
Camp	The contractor camp is located at the end of Section 3 on Dairy Creek Station.			
Looking forward	The most recent schedule provided by THEM indicates that they will finish in mid-July. Following this project, they will commence mobilisation to Minnie Creek to complete the remaining AGRN974 works.			



*Figure 2: Basecourse being laid at end of existing seal.*



*Figure 1: New basecourse through design section bends*

**SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE – DRFAWA FLOOD DAMAGE WORKS  
OVERVIEW – JUNE 2023**

Contractors	THEM Earthmoving & Quadrio Earthmoving	AGRN	908, 951, 974 & 1021
<p><b>Overview of Outstanding Items</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AGRN908 - Approx. \$130k of outstanding claims to be approved which are all for fuel variation costs.</li> <li>• AGRN951 – Approx. \$420k of outstanding claims to be approved. Majority of costs are for fuel variations.</li> <li>• AGRN974             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Approx \$5k of costs currently under assessment. All earthworks contractor costs are approved including fuel variation.</li> <li>○ THEM Earthmoving to commence the remainder of the works following the completion of their current project.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• AGRN1021 – Funding submission is not yet approved. Various correspondence between the Shire, DFES, MRWA and Greenfield however not yet clear when this will be finalised.</li> </ul>			

# Gascoyne Junction Craft Group



## 2023 Calendar

25 <sup>th</sup> and 26 <sup>th</sup> February		Untutored /Busy Bee
25 <sup>th</sup> and 26 <sup>th</sup> March		Untutored
<i>7th April - 23rd April School Holidays</i>		
6 <sup>th</sup> and 7 <sup>th</sup> May		Untutored
10 <sup>th</sup> and 11 <sup>th</sup> June		Tutored - TBA
<i>1st July - 16th July School Holidays</i>		
5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> August		Untutored
2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> September		Tutored - TBA
<i>23<sup>rd</sup> September - 8th October School Holidays</i>		
28 <sup>th</sup> and 29 <sup>th</sup> October		Creative Workshop
25 <sup>th</sup> and 26 <sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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

This article was originally published on  
September 2 2004.

## Gascoyne school to reopen doors

**G**ASCOYNE Junction will once again have its own school next year after closure of the previous school almost 10 years ago.

Education and Training Minister Alan Carpenter said the school would reopen in time for the start of the 2005 school year with its own principal and teacher.

The \$450,000 facilities would include two classrooms, an administration block, a library area and a toilet block.

"The old school building, which has since been the site for the Gascoyne Junction Education Centre, is beyond

repair and will be demolished to make way for the \$450,000 facilities," Mr Carpenter said.

"It is an exciting time for the Gascoyne Junction community, who have been united and very passionate about the growing need for a school in the town to meet the educational needs of their children from kindergarten to Year 10."

Providing better education infrastructure was part of the strategy to increase school retention rates in WA by improving the delivery of education in remote communities, he said.

"Gascoyne Junction now has 16 school-aged children of

indigenous and non-indigenous backgrounds in the community and improved school facilities are essential," he said.

"The number of students is expected to rise further due to increased housing construction already under way in the area.

"Moreover, some families have not taken up the available Aboriginal housing due to the lack of a school and we believe some families will return to the area when the school reopens."

Mr Carpenter said the current education program being accessed through distance education, while appreciated by the community, did not meet their

expectations for the education of their children.

"Students of primary age are educated at the Gascoyne Junction Education Centre by accessing programs from the Carnarvon School of the Air and the secondary students through the School of Isolated and Distance Education," he said.

Staff from the School of the Air have regular radio contact and visit Gascoyne Junction twice a term. Meanwhile an education assistant works with the students on a daily basis.

The original Gascoyne Junction school was closed in December 1994.



# 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](mailto:crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au) or bring it in and see our friendly staff.

**PLEASE TICK THE MEMBERSHIP YOU REQUIRE:**  
 MYSELF ONLY       MYSELF AND PARTNER       MYSELF AND CHILDREN       CHILDREN ONLY

Mr/Mrs/Ms/Miss    SURNAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 GIVEN NAMES \_\_\_\_\_  
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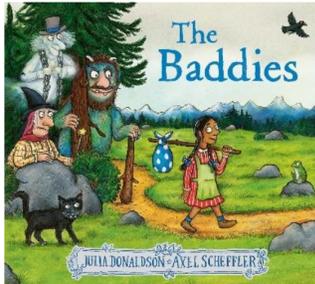
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 PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

**OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS (PARTNER OR CHILDREN)**

SURNAME	FIRST NAME	DATE OF BIRTH	MALE/FEMALE	LIB CARD NUMBER

**I AGREE TO ABIDE BY THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE LIBRARY BOARD ACT AND THE SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE**  
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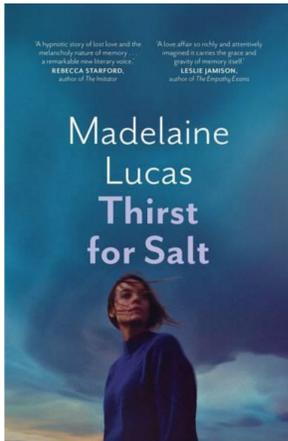
# BOOKS OF THE MONTH



## THE BADDIES – JULIA DONALDSON & AXEL SCHEFFLER

The Baddies are the meanest, nastiest ghost, witch and troll in the land. They just adore being bad, and fight over who is the worst.

When a little girl moves into a nearby cottage, the Baddies can't wait to scare her out of her wits. But the little girl quickly shows them that you don't have to be big to be brave, and baddies don't always win.



## THIRST FOR SALT – MADELAINE LUCAS

It's in the water where she first sees him: a local man almost twenty years her senior. Adrift in the summer after finishing college, a young woman is on holiday with her mother in an isolated Australian coastal town. Finding herself pulled to Jude, the man in the water, she begins losing herself in the simple, seductive rhythms of his everyday life. As their relationship deepens, life at Sailors Beach offers her the stability she has been craving as the daughter of two drifters—a loving but impulsive mother and an itinerant father. But the arrival of Maeve, a friend from Jude's past, threatens to rock their fragile, newfound intimacy. And when she witnesses something she doesn't fully understand, she finds herself questioning everything—about Jude, about herself, about the life she has and the one she wants. A magnetic and unforgettable story of desire and its complexities, and a powerful reckoning with memory, loss, and longing, Madelaine Lucas's debut novel, *Thirst for Salt*, reveals with stunning, sensual immediacy the way the past can hold us in its thrall, shaping who we are and what we love.



## NO LONGER A WANDERING SPIRIT – SHARON HUEBNER & EZZARD FLOWERS

In June 1867, Bessy Flowers was sent away from Minang Country, never to return. She was a young woman, educated, musical, confident and hopeful. Bessy was educated at Annesfield in Albany, showing strong aptitude in writing, reading and the piano. She became a teacher herself. But like generations of Aboriginal children to follow, Bessy was separated from those she cared for and often longed for home. Often and often my thoughts fly to Albany she wrote from a Mission in Victoria on August 16 1867. More than ten years in the making *No Longer a Wandering Spirit* is a remarkable story that offers a unique insight into Aboriginal connections between family and country and the harm when this contact is lost. Readers are invited to follow Bessy's family from both sides of the country as they unite and fulfil on their own terms Bessy's spiritual return home.



TOGETHER WE SUCCEED

# Newsletter

21/06/2023

## PRINCIPAL'S POST

*Hello to parents, families, and the school community.*



### SEMESTER ONE REPORTS

We are almost near the end of term two and the year is just flying by. Semester One reports will be sent home on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> June so please feel free to contact us if you would like an appointment to discuss any details of your child's report.



### CROSS COUNTRY & WINTER CARNIVAL

Some of our students will head off this week to participate in the Cross Country and the Winter Carnival events in Carnarvon.

We wish Scarlet, Juanita, and Eli good luck in their Cross-Country event on Thursday. At the Winter Carnival on Friday some of our students will participate in a series of round robins and will be joining in with other teams on the day: Scarlet will play AFL with a team from St Mary Star of the Sea College; Corey and Eli will play basketball with a CCC team; and Juanita will be playing soccer with a CSOTA team.



### MATHS GAMES

Students have been learning some Maths games to consolidate their understanding of place value and to develop their fluency with basic Maths facts. Fluency builds on a foundation of conceptual understanding, strategic reasoning, and problem-solving to achieve automaticity.

Next term we will be inviting parents and carers to a Maths games challenge to see if you can beat us with our basic facts and with our Maths games.

**Watch this space!!!**

*Kind regards  
Jackie Miller (Principal)*

## Student Councillor Report



Last week, our students walked, jogged, and ran around the oval as they participated in our **Lapathon**. Each year we raise funds for a state or national organization and this year our student councillors chose to support **Diabetes WA**.

Our fundraising efforts resulted in a **TOTAL OF \$1185.00** What a fantastic effort this was for a small group of students!

Once again, we thank the local community for supporting our fundraising efforts for another worthy cause.



***OUR LAPATHON RAISED \$1185.00***

***THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT.***



## Outback Car Trek

As part of the Outback Car Trek, Gascoyne Junction was the venue on Saturday, June 3rd. A yearly event, the Outback Car Trek raises money for the RFDS. Since 1990, the trek has raised over \$32.5 million. We were fortunate enough to be asked to provide catering for the drivers as a fundraiser for Gascoyne Junction School.

Upon arrival, we provided the drivers with a lovely morning tea selection and a lunch bag to take with them. All the drivers, organisers, and support crew were great to meet and chat with, and it was neat to see what kind of cars they were driving (some drivers were covered in dust because their cars had no roof). The school also held a raffle with Gascoyne Junction merchandise packs, as well as a magnificent box of Carnarvon local vegies and gifts donated by Borich & Sons. We would like to say a big thank you to Andrea and her family for their donation!

Our sincerest thanks go out to the Shire of Upper Gascoyne staff members who volunteered their time to help with set up, donate some morning tea, make sandwiches, and lunch packs, help with the raffle, and help pack away. We couldn't have done it without you! Lastly, we would like to thank Jodie from Bidgemia Station for her help in setting up and making some delicious scones for morning tea, and Sweeter Banana Co-operative for donating bananas for the lunch packs.

**The school raised \$4798.58 from the event and will use the funds for school upgrades planned this year.**





# SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS



## Meet your School Council



Jackie Miller  
(Principal)



John McCleary  
(Community Member)



Ainsley Hardie  
(Chairperson)



Carmen Wilson  
(Staff Representative)



Erica Clinch  
(Parent Representative)

## New School Council Members:

The School Council welcomes two new members to our team this year. One of our parents, **Erica Clinch** and the CEO of the Shire of Upper Gascoyne **John McCleary** bring their expertise and experience to the School Council.

## Role of council members:

- parent members of council or boards bring their perspective as a parent at the school, as well as context of the wider school community.
- student members of council or boards bring their experience as students at the school.
- community members may bring expertise such as business skills that the council or board is looking for at that time.
- department employees bring their educational expertise.

*Please feel free to contact any of the School Council members if you have any issues or suggestions you would like to discuss.*

## LEARNING JOURNEY

We held a Learning Journey a few weeks ago where students shared their learning with family members. Students were very proud of themselves when they were given an opportunity to explain what they have been learning and reflect on their progress and achievement. Thanks to everyone who had time to attend.



## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE KINDY / PRE-PRIMARY ROOM

### **Tangram Fun!**

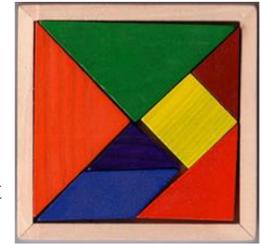
The tangram is a dissection puzzle consisting of seven flat polygons, called tans, which are put together to form shapes. The objective is to replicate a pattern (given only an outline) generally found in a puzzle book using all seven pieces without overlap.

Like building blocks, tangrams can teach kids about spatial relationships. It encourages the ability for children to discover things on their own, allows children to come to conclusions, generate their own knowledge and develops the ability to reflect and reason to come up with a solution using different shapes and sizes.

Kehlanne made a rectangle composed of a big triangle and two smaller triangles.

It was so clever of her to come up with this idea on her own! What a clever girl!

Tangrams were taught using a variety of different activities. Our next task was to cut shapes and build houses.



*Cutting shapes*



*Building houses with shapes*



*Having fun with Tangram templates*

### **Bean Bags!**

The students had an outside play session using bean bags. They had their own hoops in which to throw bean bags and they tossed bean bags at different targets. There was a round target that had different coloured pouches. The students would name the bean bag colour and then throw them into the corresponding pouch.

The key rule of this game was that they used an underarm technique, this is one of the fundamental movement skills designed to develop students' locomotor, balance, and ball skills. These skills are the building blocks for the more complex skills that children will learn throughout their lives.



## ROOM 1 NEWS



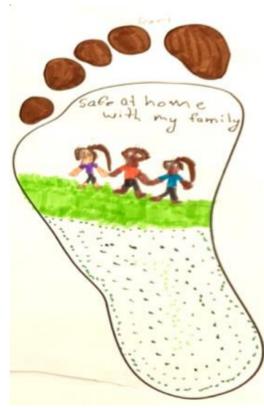
### National Reconciliation Week



27<sup>th</sup> May to 3<sup>rd</sup> June was National Reconciliation week. This was a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

This year's theme was **"Be a Voice for Generations"**, encouraging all Australians to be a voice for reconciliation in our everyday lives – where we live, work, and socialise.

Students and teachers had many in depth conversation about reconciliation and what it means to them. Different stories, games and artwork were all shared.



One of our favourite activities was when local resident **Betty Fletcher** came to visit the class. The students discussed many things such as the community, life in Carnarvon and Gascoyne Junction and similarities and differences in some cultures. The students were fascinated with her recounts of her childhood.

All students got to spend some individual or small group time with Betty, which they loved. It is always a pleasure to have Betty visit us and we thank her very much for taking time out of her day to share some of her stories with us.



### COMING EVENTS

26/6/23	Reports home
28/6/23	Speech and OT visit
29/06/23	Biggest Morning Tea at the CRC - 12:30pm
30/6/23	<b>LAST DAY OF TERM / VALUES AWARD VOUCHER DAY</b>
<b>1/07/23-17/07/23</b>	<b>SCHOOL HOLIDAYS</b>
MONDAY 17/07/2023	STAFF RETURN TO SCHOOL
TUESDAY 18/07/23	<b>STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL</b>

# COOK'S CORNER

## Veggie Risotto

### INGREDIENTS

400g gold sweet potato, peeled, cut into 2cm pieces  
2 tbsp olive oil  
1 large zucchini, cut into 2cm pieces  
4 cups vegetable Stock  
1 brown onion, finely chopped  
125g white cup or flat mushrooms, quartered  
1 large garlic clove, crushed  
1 1/2 cups Italian Arborio Rice

1 1/2 cups water  
25g Butter  
100g frozen Peas  
1/3 cup Shredded Parmesan



### INSTRUCTIONS

#### Step 1

Preheat oven to 220C. Combine the sweet potato and 1 tbsp oil in a small baking dish. Roast for 10 minutes. Add zucchini and roast for 10 minutes or until vegetables are lightly browned and tender.

#### Step 2

Meanwhile, bring the stock and water to the boil in a medium saucepan over high heat. Reduce heat to low and simmer, covered.

#### Step 3

Heat the butter and remaining 1 tbsp oil in a large heavy-based saucepan over medium heat. Add the onion, mushroom and garlic and cook, stirring, until onion softens. Add the rice. Cook, stirring, for 1 min or until the grains appear glassy. Reduce heat to low. Add the stock, 1 ladleful at a time. Stir with a wooden spoon until all the liquid has been absorbed. Repeat with remaining stock (this should take about 25 mins).

#### Step 4

Add sweet potato mixture and peas to rice mixture with the last ladleful of stock. Cook for 2-3 mins or until heated through (the rice should be tender but firm to the bite). Stir in the parmesan. Serve sugar and custard powder together. Add to creamed butter, alternating with the hot water. Spread over base. Chill until firm.



## JULY

- 4 Blanche Walker
- 7 Hamish McTaggart
- 13 Darcy McKeough
- 14 Carl Julian
- 17 Dameon Whitby
- 24 Jarrod Walker
- 30 Beth Burnett

## AUGUST

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

## SEPTEMBER

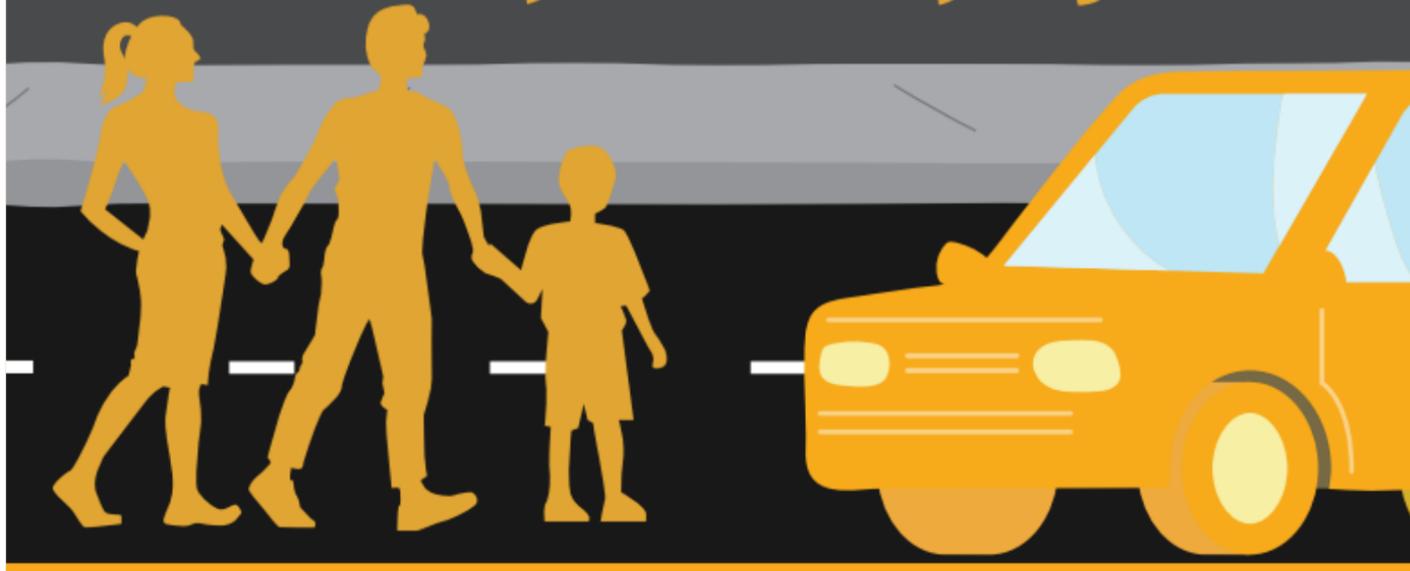
- 9 Stanley Hammarquist
- 20 Jason Windie
- 28 Mathew Hammarquist



# SOCK WEEK

**2023**

**26 June - 2 July**



**IT WON'T HAPPEN  
TO ME  
UNTIL IT DID...**

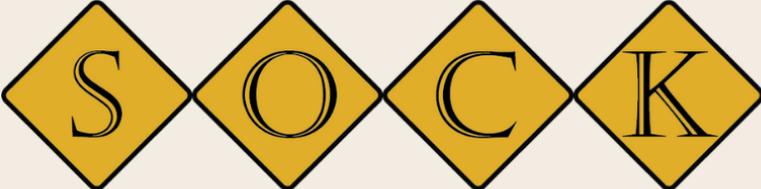
**#SaveOurCountryKids**



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COMMUNITY  
GRANTS PROGRAM





## Save Our Country Kids®

From June 26 to July 2, the Shire of Upper Gascoyne is participating in SOCK week thanks to a grant received from the Narambeen Community Resource Centre. SOCK stands for 'Save Our Country Kids' and is a road safety initiative created by the Narembeen CRC. SOCK week is a week long campaign of education on road safety and the impact poor decision making can have within a small community. SOCK Week is held annually in the last week of June and facilitates a number of activities and events that are designed to be informative as well as engaging. Activities held during the week-long event promote several road safety messages such as drink driving, speeding, distractions and fatigue and is aimed at a broad cross-section of the community. The initiative aims to raise awareness, inform and educate road users as well as promote safe, legal and responsible road use. It is a significant event for the Narambeen community with a huge focus on remembering those that they have lost in road accidents in their community.

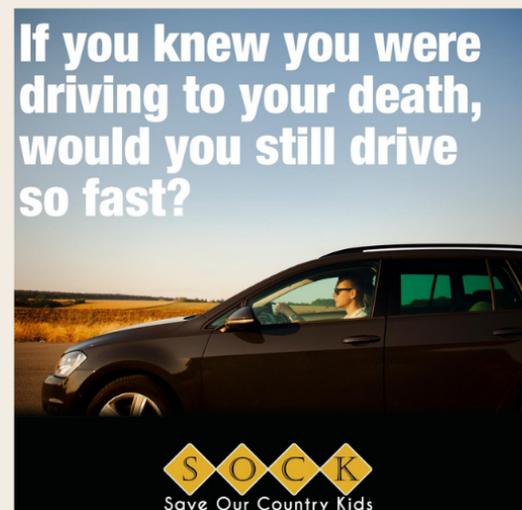


### DRINK DRIVING

- The decision to drink drive is unspoken. It is a conversation you have with yourself. It is a calculated risk weighing up pros and cons - nothing is worth the risk of drink driving NOT EVEN ONCE
- As a community we need to be advocates that drink driving is unacceptable
- Our kids deserve to feel safe on our streets and roads
- If you have an accident it is a small community and it will be someone you know that will come to your aid, or be the someone you hurt

### SPEEDING

- Maximum speed limits are in place for a reason. They are the limit and not a suggestion
- You should always drive at a speed that suits the road condition
- You should also take into consideration driver competency, weather and visibility when determining your safe driving speed
- Large vehicles are limited to 70km hour on Shire of Upper Gascoyne Roads unless signed at a lower speed
- Please adhere to school zones in Gascoyne Junction driving at 40km per hour
- At all other times 50km per hour is the maximum speed for driving the streets of Gascoyne Junction.



## SOCK Save Our Country Kids®



### DISTRACTIONS

#### DID YOU KNOW?

If you look away from the road for 2 seconds at 60km per hour how far do you travel?

33 metres

If you look away from the road for 2 seconds at 100km per hour how far do you travel?

55 metres

### FATIGUE

- 80% of fatigue related crashes are on country roads
- Plan ahead and get at least 7.5 hours sleep before you drive
- Take regular breaks atleast every 2 hours
- Swap Drivers regularly
- Plan your drives for daylight hours



### WILDLIFE



- Avoid driving between sunset and sunrise
- Be alert for wildlife and cattle - slow down and proceed with caution
- DO NOT swerve to avoid animals. One in 10 crashes on country roads are a result of a vehicle hitting an animal or crashing after swerving to hit an animal
- Follow animal warning signs
- Livestock collisions can be fatal for drivers, passengers and animals
- You might know the road like the back of your hand, but you don't know when an animal might suddenly appear in front of your car
- When you dip your lights slow down. Low beam lights reduce the distance you can see.
- Kangaroos and Emus can be fast moving and unpredictable

## GP Clinic

Our monthly clinics on the first Wednesday of the month will continue on July 5. At this clinic we will also be conducting a child immunisation clinic. If you require this service please contact the CRC as soon as possible to make an appointment. On June 28 we held a women's health clinic which was booked out. We will arrange another of these soon and advise the details.

Appointments for the GP Clinic can be made through the CRC, in person, by phone on 9943 0988 or by email: [crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au](mailto:crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au)

## Supper Under the Stars

The clouds cleared and revealed the clear night skies over Gascoyne Junction on Friday night. Visitors and locals heard from Carol Redford of Astrotourism WA who spoke about light pollution and the night sky policy adopted by the Shire of Upper Gascoyne and the progress of the dark sky street lighting program. The importance of Astrotourism to the visitor economy in the Upper Gascoyne was also discussed. Then after a hot chocolate, it was out to the oval to view the night sky through telescopes and to learn about the constellations in the sky. Carol presented attendees with red light torches and personal planispheres. Thank you for visiting us, and thank you to Rennee from Wooramulla Eco Tours who also shared Yinggarda stories of the night sky with attendees. It was a wonderful night. Our next night sky viewing will be on Saturday August 12 with the team from Perth Observatory visiting Gascoyne Junction to gaze at the night sky.



## SOCK Week Fun Run

To launch our SOCK Week program in the Upper Gascoyne a Fun Run/Walk was held on Sunday June 25 starting at the Pavilion and finishing at the Roadhouse. Participants could choose between a 5km and 2.5km track. Congratulations to Blanche Walker winner of the 5km event and Hee Jeong Hwang the winner of the 2.5km event. Thanks to the team at the Junction Pub and Tourist Park for providing breakfast for those who participated and a great place for people to catch up. At the presentation to the prize winners the purpose of SOCK week and a reminder of ways to stay safe on our roads and to keep our kids safe on our country roads were discussed. It was great to see so many participating on a beautiful Sunday morning. Thank you to everyone who participated





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- ✓ Project Civil Engineer - Perth
- ✓ Senior Mining Engineer - Perth
- ✓ Principal Mine Planning Engineer - Perth
- ✓ Senior Project Planner / Scheduler - Perth
- ✓ Civil and NPI Supervisor - Yangibana
- ✓ Operational Readiness Manager - Perth/ Yangibana
- ✓ Training Coordinator - Yangibana
- ✓ Maintenance Planner - Yangibana
- ✓ Stores Supervisor - Yangibana
- ✓ Project Site Administrator- Yangibana
- ✓ Mine Geology Manager- Yangibana
- ✓ Deputy Construction Manager- Yangibana

## Busy Bee dates

29 & 30 April

20 & 21 May

3 & 4 June

1 & 2 July

12 & 13 August

If you are able to help out at our busy  
bee's please give Hamish a call  
0401282562



# GASSIFIEDS

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## ADVERTISING RATES PER MONTH

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.



## Country Stargazing

with Carol Redford and Donna Vanzetti, Astrotourism WA

### Dance of the Planets

Just as our daylight skies are ever-changing, with new sunsets and shifting cloud formations, our evening skies are constantly changing too, as the planets of our solar system appear to move across the sky throughout the year. The word planet means “wanderer”, given by the ancient Greeks who studied the night sky and began to understand their orbits.

From our perspective here on Earth, as the planets continue their never-ending ‘waltz’ around the Sun, their orbits can sometimes bring the planets together to form incredible conjunctions or ‘Planet Parties’.

Across the month of July, stargazers will be treated to a sunset display as Mars, Venus and Mercury take centre stage. Starting on the 10th, Mars will appear right next to the bright star Regulus and Venus! Keen eyed observers may also spot the ISS passing by this triplet of lights around 6pm. Watch Mars drift away from Regulus and Mercury and take centre stage throughout the month, culminating in Mercury making a very close approach to Regulus on the 29th. Even the Moon will join the party, making a close approach on the 20th and 21st!

**When to look:** Earlier in the month, watch from sunset to 7.30pm, by the end of July, this event can only be seen from 6.00pm to 6.30pm.

**Which direction to look:** West north-west, very low to the horizon.

They will continue their beautiful dance throughout July, and this will culminate with another special grouping on the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21st, when the stunning thin slither of the Moon joins the party to form a striking nightscape with Mars and Venus.

Enjoy the cosmic views stargazers.

Written by Donna Vanzetti

Find more stargazing tips and country events at [www.astrotourismwa.com.au](http://www.astrotourismwa.com.au).

[Finding the Emu in the Sky.](#)

If you’re a budding “astro-enthusiast”, check out...

Stargazers Club WA’s telescope classes & astronomy events for beginners at:

[www.stargazersclubwa.com.au](http://www.stargazersclubwa.com.au).

Or visit Donna Vanzetti’s YouTube Channel, [Star Tracks Space Adventures](#).



**UPPER GASCOYNE YOUTH CLUB**

# **ARE YOU AGED 8 TO 16 & LIVE IN THE UPPER GASCOYNE? A PIZZA PARTY**

**Through funding from the Backyard Cricket Program, we are inviting residents of the Upper Gascoyne aged between 8 and 16 to join us for a Make Your Own Pizza Party to discuss a regular Youth Club in the Upper Gascoyne. We want to hear your ideas of what activities you would like to see throughout the year.**

**Join us for some fun and pizza of course.**

**THURSDAY JULY 27  
4.30PM-6.00PM  
GASCOYNE JUNCTION CRC**

Please RSVP to [crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au](mailto:crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au) or call 08 9943 0988 by Thursday July 20 for catering. This Pizza Party is strictly for 8 to 16 year olds ONLY.



# 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

In late 2023, Australians will have their say in a referendum on whether to recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples as the First Peoples of Australia in the Constitution through an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice.

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.

Do you approve this proposed alteration?"

## 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:

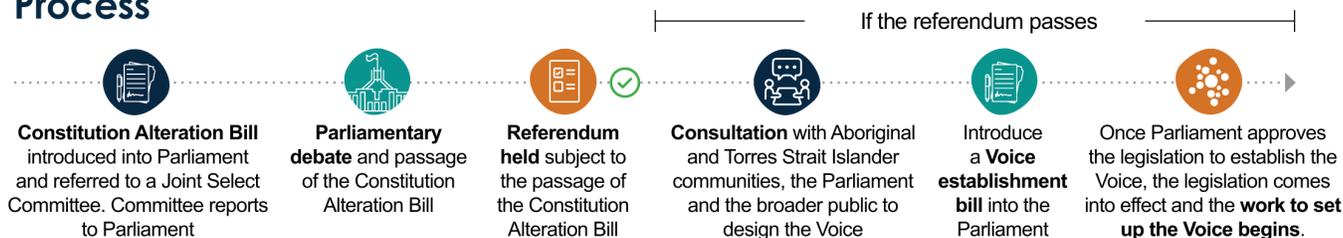
### Chapter IX Recognition of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples

#### 129 Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice

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

- there shall be a body, to be called the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice;
- 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;
- 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



Get informed.  
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Read the referendum question and the proposed words to be added to the Constitution on [voice.gov.au](https://voice.gov.au)

## What the Voice would do



The Voice will give **independent advice** to the Parliament and Government



The Voice will be **accountable and transparent**



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](https://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](https://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.

Get informed.  
[Voice.gov.au](https://voice.gov.au)



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# SMOKO TIME

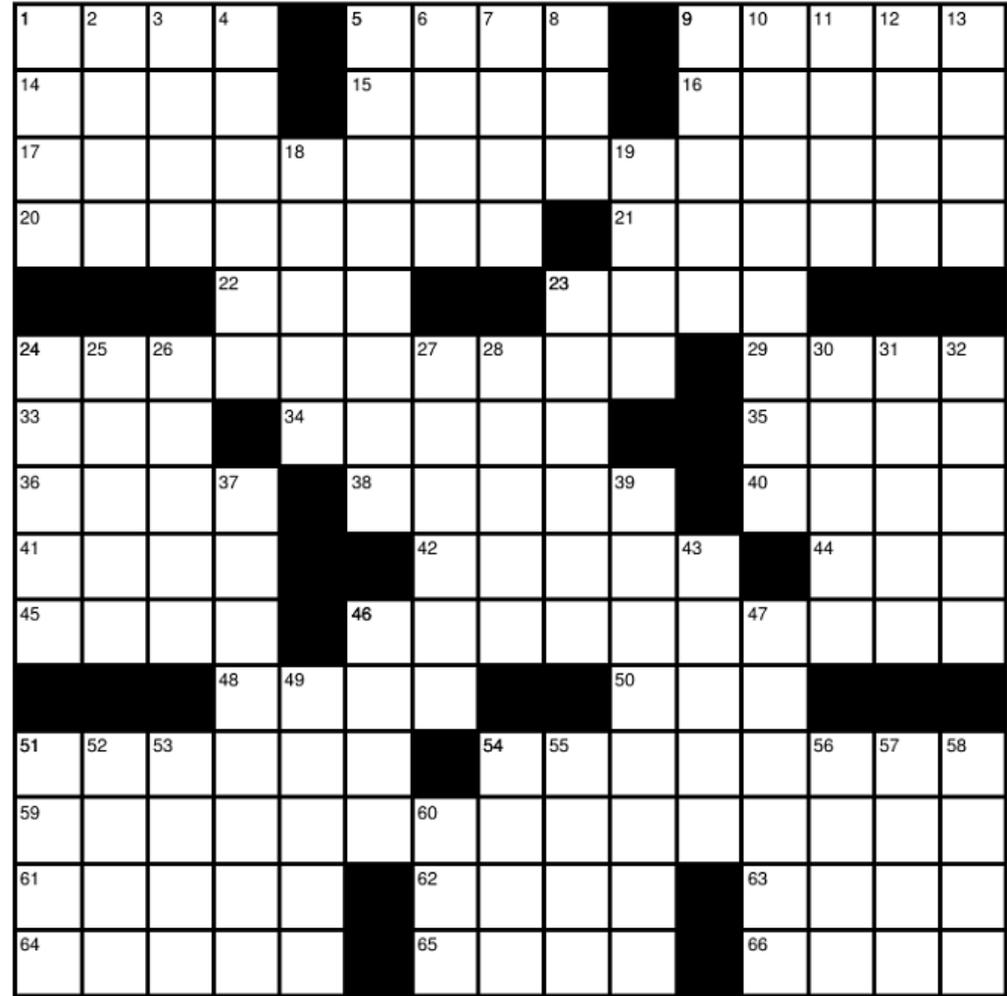


# Tat Away

Robert Stockton

## ACROSS

- 1. Lipping lab assistant
- 5. Florist's accessory
- 9. Posseser, perhaps
- 14. Dealer's device
- 15. Structural beam
- 16. Duck
- 17. Bio-weapons which destroy property but not people?
- 20. Schedule the union meeting?
- 21. Workers who make regular pit stops?
- 22. Airline to Amsterdam
- 23. Shakespeare's foot?
- 24. Words from a golfer's anthem?
- 29. Cracked
- 33. Follower for mod or nod
- 34. Bergen's pal Mortimer
- 35. "Sun Salutation" stretching system
- 36. Genesis figure
- 38. Bloody 2005 sequel
- 40. Carol opener
- 41. Sicilian thing
- 42. Creditor's claims
- 44. Born in France
- 45. Genesis locale
- 46. Like Oz's Nick Chopper?
- 48. Atop
- 50. Jeanne D'Arc, e.g.
- 51. Bored to tears by
- 54. Go for the shorter sentence
- 59. Vacuum chambers, e.g.?
- 61. Coming out swinging, perhaps
- 62. It may bring on the heat
- 63. Sal's canal
- 64. The Geek Squad, e.g.
- 65. Past partners
- 66. Bankrolls

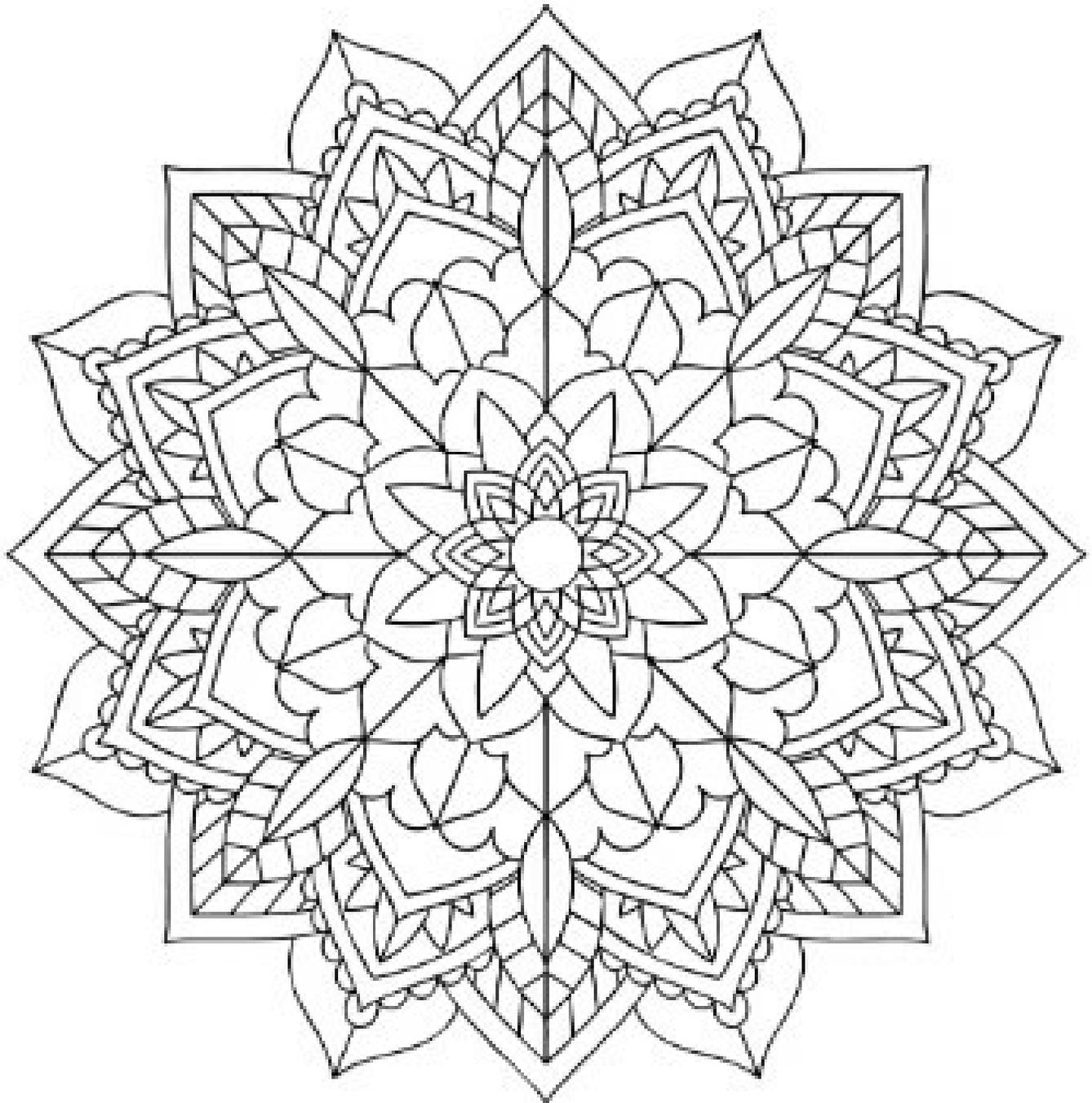


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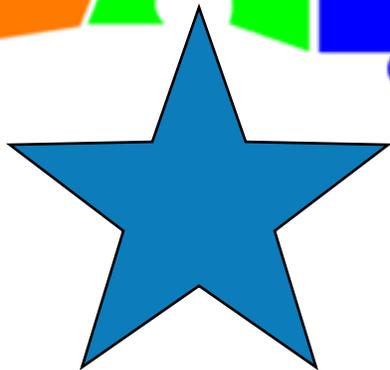
- 1. Suffix for workers and believers
- 2. Indian frying ingredient
- 3. Comet-bearing cloud
- 4. Reenact a famous shooting?
- 5. Lack leading to scurvy or rickets
- 6. Aid the shady
- 7. Kind of advice
- 8. Go wrong
- 9. Sturdy fabric
- 10. Second generation Indiana senator
- 11. Earned
- 12. Frankfurt's river
- 13. Loch famed for it's "fish stories"
- 18. Runs without moving?
- 19. Paperless periodical
- 23. East or West places
- 24. Troy follower
- 25. Genesis event
- 26. Coquette
- 27. Secure via a Ziploc
- 28. "Crocodile Hunter" Steve
- 30. Big name in craft shops
- 31. Jibe
- 32. Maintained a rock garden
- 37. Jewish Festival of Lights
- 39. Doo-wop pioneers with #1 hit "The Gypsy"
- 43. Occupy, as a restaurant booth
- 46. Superior sort, in Soho
- 47. Huey, Dewey, or Louie, to Donald
- 49. Fence features
- 51. ASAP
- 52. "Must've been something \_\_\_\_"
- 53. Bloomberg TV competitor
- 54. Heart
- 55. A single time
- 56. Coin in Cyprus
- 57. Children's author Blyton
- 58. Stone and bronze, e.g.
- 60. It's often dedicated

# mandala

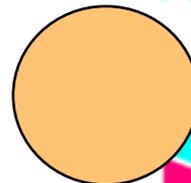
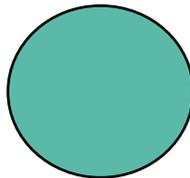
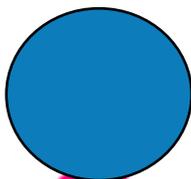
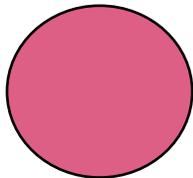
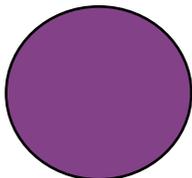
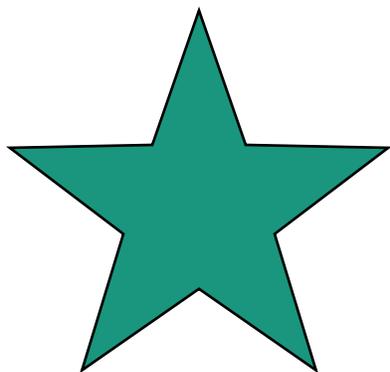


**ADULT COLORING PAGES**

MINDFULNESS - RELAXATION - MEDITATION



# KID'S CORNER



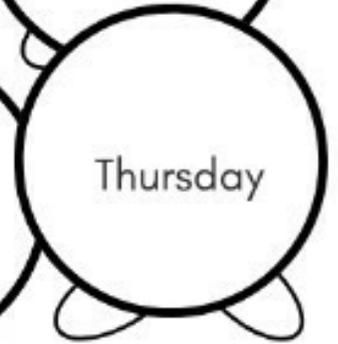
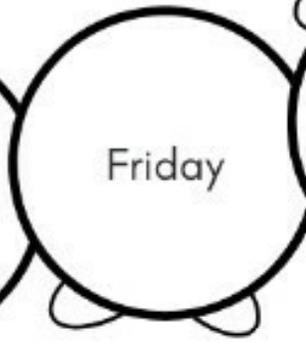
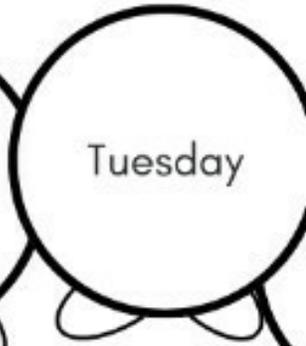
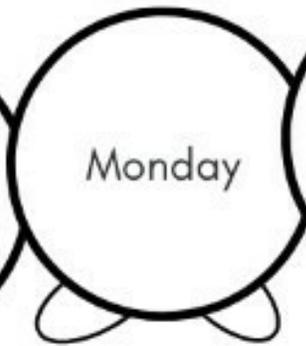
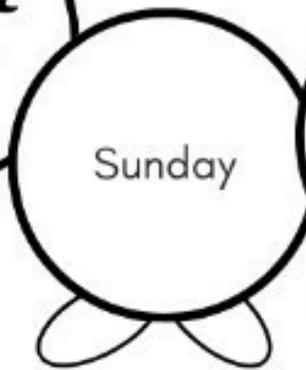


# Build a Puppy

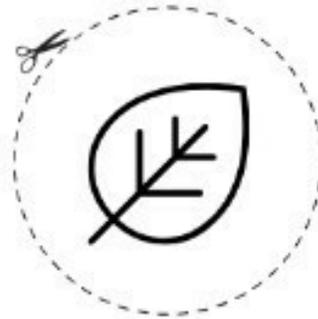
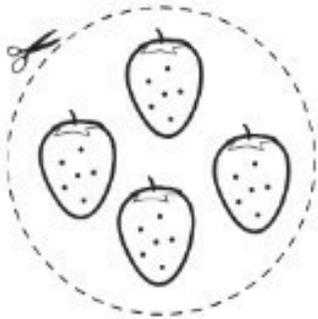
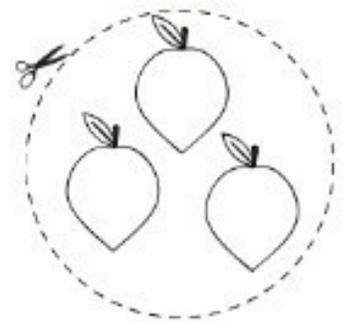
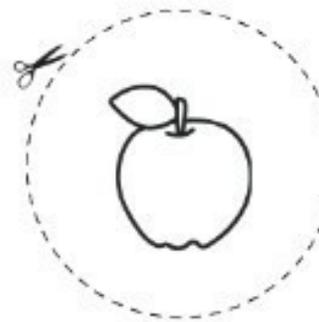
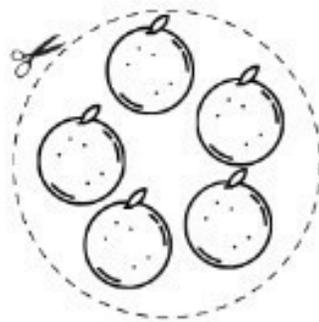


Build a Puppy - colour in, cut out, glue down  
and name your puppy

# The Very Hungry Caterpillar



What fruits did The Very Hungry Caterpillar eat, and when?



Cut out each circle below and glue to match the day of the week above.



# DIY TOILET PAPER

FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW TO MAKE YOUR OWN TOILET PAPER USING COMMON HOUSEHOLD SUPPLIES

## MATERIALS



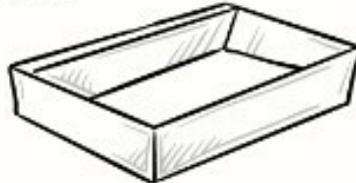
SCRAP PAPER



BLENDER



WATER



SOME SORT OF TUB



MESH SCREEN CUT FROM PATIO DOOR



TOWEL

**1** TEAR SCRAP PAPER INTO SMALL PIECES AND PLACE THEM IN THE BLENDER.

**2** POUR 2 CUPS OF HOT WATER INTO THE BLENDER.

**3** BLEND TO MAKE PULP.

**4** PLACE THE SCREEN OVER THE TUB.

**5** SPREAD THE PULP OVER THE SCREEN IN AN EVEN LAYER.

**6** PLACE A TOWEL OVER THE SCREEN AND PRESS TO STRAIN WATER.

**7** ALLOW TO DRY FOR A QUICK 24 HOURS, AND THERE YOU HAVE IT! TOILET PAPER (SORT OF)!

**8** WASH YOUR HANDS. A LOT. (SERIOUSLY.)

DON'T FLUSH!

## TP ALTERNATIVES

- NEWSPAPER
- COLLEGE DIPLOMA
- CHILD'S HOMEWORK
- THIS PRINTABLE

**GP CLINIC**

GASCOYNE  
JUNCTION  
COMMUNITY  
RESOURCE  
CENTRE

05 JULY

**GASCOYNE  
YOUTH  
GROUP**

GASCOYNE  
JUNCTION  
CRC

27 JULY

**GP CLINIC**

GASCOYNE  
JUNCTION  
COMMUNITY  
RESOURCE  
CENTRE

02 AUGUST

**DEPARTMENT  
OF  
TRANSPORT**

GASCOYNE  
JUNCTION  
CRC

02 AUGUST

UPCOMING  
**2023**  
EVENTS



**GASCOYNE  
JUNCTION  
CRAFT  
GROUP**

GASCOYNE  
JUNCTION  
PAVILION

05-06 AUGUST

**GASCOYNE  
ROCKS**

GASCOYNE  
JUNCTION  
PAVILION

12 AUGUST

**JUNCTION  
RACES**

JUNCTION  
RACE CLUB

25-27 AUGUST

**GASCOYNE  
JUNCTION  
CRAFT  
GROUP**

GASCOYNE  
JUNCTION  
PAVILION

02-03 SEPT

**GP CLINIC**

GASCOYNE  
JUNCTION  
COMMUNITY  
RESOURCE  
CENTRE

02 SEPT

**UNDER  
GASCOYNE  
SKIES  
DINNER**

GASCOYNE  
JUNCTION  
PUB

09 SEPT

**BIGGEST  
BBQ**

MT  
AUGUSTUS  
TOURIST  
PARK

23 SEPT

**LANDOR  
RACES**

EAST  
GASCOYNE  
RACE  
CLUB

29-02 OCTOBER