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<p>FOOD SENSATIONS COOKING CLASS</p> <p>CRC</p> <p>15 MARCH</p>	<p>UPPER GASCOYNE SOCIAL TENNIS COMP</p> <p>PAVILION</p> <p>17 MARCH</p>	<p>FOOD SENSATIONS COOKING CLASS</p> <p>CRC</p> <p>19 MARCH</p>	<p>HARMONY WEEK MOVIE NIGHT POT LUCK DINNER</p> <p>PAVILION</p> <p>8 MARCH</p>
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Find out what exciting events are coming up next in our Community Calendar.

COUNCIL NEWS

Ordinary Council Meeting Dates

Friday 9th February

Wednesday 23rd March

Wednesday 27th April

Wednesday 25th May

Wednesday 22nd June

Wednesday 27th July

Wednesday 24th August

Wednesday 21st September

Wednesday 26th October

Wednesday 23rd November

Thursday 15th 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

Firstly welcome to the new financial year. With 2021/22 fast disappearing in the rear view mirror, it now means our attention turns to the 22/23 budget, audit, end of year reports and the like which is a busy time for all concerned.

The Two Rivers Memorial Park is still progressing with the rock wall, kerbing and stone pitching now being completed. Work is continuing with the concrete paths and these should be finished in early August. The lawn will be laid in mid to late August with all electrical and plumbing also completed.

The Budget process continues, we are waiting for the opening and closing balances to settle down as this has a major bearing on the overall budget position and will ultimately determine what projects we will be able to get up.

I have a meeting in Carnarvon on the 28th of July to attend the second round of consultation for the Cultural Heritage Act. At this stage it appears that no much change has happened within the various tiers of works. I will be accompanied by key staff members to this event to ensure that a well rounded viewpoint for the Shire is developed in this consultation stage.

Councillor McTaggart, Jarrod Walker and myself attended the Zone and RRG Meeting held in Shark Bay. Nothing specifically to report but it was an interesting affair.

The Shire have been offered the Shearing Equipment from Mooka Station, which we have gratefully accepted, to go on display once we have found a suitable space in which to display it. This will fit in with the Cobra Wool Press which is being sourced in the next month or so. One of the Shires residents, Mr Will Baston, has been pre-selected by the Liberal Party to run in the forth-coming North West By-Election.

DRFAWA have approved our claim for the flood damaged roads occurring in March and April of this year. The initial estimate is approximately \$10.5 million. I have a meeting with the Minister of Emergency Management, Hon. Stephen Dawson, on Saturday the 6th of August to discuss some of the issues we have with the current requirements under DRFAWA

Corporate Services Update

I am pleased to report that the review process of our Interim Audit with William Buck is finished, if Council recall as per previous reports our interim audit had to be conducted offsite as the Auditors could not attend in person. 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 July.

The Corporate team have been kept busy with our End of Financial Year (EOFY) processes and as we wrapped these up for another year, I moved on to completing the annual performance reviews for my staff. We are trialling a new format for the reviews whereby we have conducted them in bulk for my team this year, instead of aligning them with the officer's anniversary date. This change has meant the process is more streamlined and all officers are due to have their performance review done at the same time. We have also introduced a new form template, which gives individual officers more opportunity to assess their own performance and provide feedback about areas where they have excelled and those that need improvement.

The new process has been very helpful for me as the Line Manager because it gives me real insight into how my staff are faring in their role and how they feel about working for the Shire.



Community Resource Centre Update

Author - Ainsley Hardie, Tourism & Community Development Officer

CRC Conference

In early June Billie and I attended the 2022 CRC Conference in Mandurah with a theme based around being Agents for Change by using Technology and Innovation in Regional Settings.

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A strong focus was placed on the Western Australia Digital Strategy and the role of CRC's in implementing the policy into communities across the State. With a panel of guests speakers from State Government, NBN, DPIRD, Office of Digital Government, WA Aust Cyber and the Regional Tech Hub it was a wonderful chance to speak to the challenges of how we can continue to be agents for change delivering better services, providing our community with information to make informed decisions about being online, how to be safe and secure online and making our community digitally inclusive. Seeing programs run by other CRCs across the state was thought provoking and it was a wonderful opportunity to network and make connections

Library Grant

We have been successful in the State Library Technology and Digital Inclusion Grant again this year with a range of digital tools including sound recording equipment, video recording equipment and a 3D Printer to build upon the new computers purchased last year through the grant being added to the digital tools available at the CRC. In the coming months the CRC will be hosting learning opportunities in the fields of photo and movie editing and also using 3D printers for pastoralists. A local history project will also be undertaken using these new digital tools. The CRC will really be the Upper Gascoyne Technology Hub.

Events

The CRC hosted another COVID and Flu Vaccination Clinic at the beginning of June, with another scheduled for August 5. On June 10, a successful Bogan Bingo event was well attended with guests travelling from Geraldton and Carnarvon to attend. The Admin Team did an incredible job of pulling this event together again after having to postpone at the last minute in April due to road closures. The Biggest Morning Tea held in the CRC in conjunction with the last Council Meeting raised \$461.15 for the Cancer Council.



Tourism Update

Media Visit

In early June, both the Western 4WD Magazine, Hema Maps and Guru TV Productions visited the Shire of Upper Gascoyne creating content on the Kennedy Loop Track, Gascoyne Junction, Kennedy Range National Park and Mount Augustus. Two stories went to air on Sunday July 10 on Channel 9 on the show Outdoor Destinations. The stories are in the second episode of the series and am happy with 99% of what went to air. There are a couple of key messages that were misconstrued on screen however, overall a great showcase of the region. The episodes remain on 9 Now for follow up viewing until early September with a minimum of 4 repeats guaranteed across Channel 9 stations over the next few months.

Walking Tours and Visitor Feedback:

Our walking tours have been taking off over the past month averaging two to three a week. Monday, Tuesday and Friday seem to be the optimum days.

We are getting great feedback from our guests who have enjoyed the experience and feel that they have left with a better understanding of life in the Upper Gascoyne. June and July have seen increasing visitor numbers into the Visitor Centre and we are receiving positive feedback on our roads, the appearance of the town, the service, amenities and hospitality at the pub and the friendly locals. The National Parks exceed expectation and guests are leaving happy.

Marketing and Social Media Strategy

New content is still being loaded to the Shire webpage especially in regards to Tourism Content. The Shire Facebook page is used to communicate community and Shire news and events to its 2.8K followers. It is a source for council news, event updates, public notices from the Shire and other Government departments, to communicate road closures and weather events and general Shire news. The Shire Instagram page is growing in audience and is aimed at visitors to the Shire with images and messages designed around building awareness of our brand, location and creating a desire to visit the Shire. This will be further built upon in coming months with the new content created from our recent media visit.

This new content will also be used through the Shire You Tube page which has been set up with two audiences. One to communicate council meetings as required to meet LGA requirements, and the second demographic is for visitors seeking information on our region, to build a desire to visit the region.

Sponsorships

Upcoming events that are being supported by the Shire include the Gascoyne Dash being held from July 28 to July 31, the Junction Races from August 19 to 21, the Gascoyne Food Festival with two events in the Shire: The Biggest BBQ at Mt Augustus on September 3 and Smoke & Stars Dinner in Gascoyne Junction on September 17. Finally Landor Races and Gymkhana is also being supported from September 30 to October 3. Each of these events will be asked to submit an evaluation form within four weeks of the events conclusion.

Manager of Works and Services Report

We are having another red hot crack at WA's Tidy Town's awards again this year with the town crew returning from annual leave. It is great to have plenty of visitors commenting on how nice the town is looking... well done team.

The town oval is already reaping the benefits of being aerated and the pleasant weather, the remaining reticulation upgrades will be completed in August/September when the turf is laid at the Two Rivers Memorial Park.

The Council chamber upgrade is 95% complete. The carpet has been laid and the concrete surrounds at the front of the building have been poured to stop water ingress. The painters will return to complete the final touches.

I have been busy seeking quotes for our new plant and equipment purchases, we are hoping to lock in suppliers early on in the case there is a delay or shortage in availability.

Frank Drayton has resigned in his role as our all-round operator. I would like to thank Frank for his contribution over the three and a bit years working for the shire. Frank has worked in various capacities within the shire for the past 15 years and will be sorely missed. I wish him all the best in his next chapter. We have advertised to fill his role with applications closing at the end of July.

We engaged Lance Root with his newly formed business ABBL Contracting to erect new signage along the Cobra Gifford Creek Rd. Lance is returning at the end of July to install new concrete grid abutments on the Carnarvon Mullewa road, grid cleanouts and signage throughout the shire. They will also be retrieving the old wool press for preservation from the Cobra wool shed.

The maintenance graders have finally caught up with repairing damage from earlier weather events and driver this year. Thomas and Ian have completed opening up Pingandy Road for the fourth time this year and will now return to normal maintenance grading. Thomas will concentrate on our southern side while Ian is over on our eastern side of the shire.

Capital Works

Thanks to Main Roads WA we received \$2.5M to upgrade a section of the Carnarvon Mullewa Road. THEM Earthmoving have completed upgrading 8km worth of alignment and drainage and sealed 6km up to the Pells Range. The installation of new culverts out to SLK 82 is also complete and leaves us in a good position to lobby for more funding to continue sealing east.

I am pleased to announce that the shire road works crew have successfully completed all of our 2021-22 works program. All of our projects were completed within budget with the exception of the Carnarvon Mullewa seal works going over due to several weather events prolonging the sealing. Works completed in 2021-22 included:

- 13 km of upgrades to seal standard on Carnarvon Mullewa Road
- 4.2 km of upgrades to seal standard on Landor Meekatharra Road
- 3.5 km of re-sheeting and 25 km reforming of road on Landor Meekatharra Rd



New bitumen seal and rock protection on Landor Meekatharra Road

We have been gearing up to start our 2022-23 works campaign. We expect to continue the bitumen upgrades on Landor Meekatharra road in the last week of July. We will aim to complete a further 4.8km of seal by the end of October. This year's other projects include 8km of resheeting on Carnarvon Mullewa Road between Congo and Daurie Creek, lowering and improving Blackspot crest at Mount Sandiman.

COUNCIL UPDATE....



FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT REPORT

SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE – AGRN951 MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – July 2022 (PACKAGE 1)

Contractor	QEM Group	Package Start Date:	17 Nov 2021
		Forecast Completion Date:	July / August 2022
Works this period (July 2022)		Works next period (Aug 2022)	
<p>Landor Meekatharra Rd</p> <p>Completed all works on this road comprising heavy reshaping, removal of silt and reconstruction of unsealed floodways. The works also repaired the sealed floodway at Errabiddy.</p> <p>Landor Mt Augustus Rd</p> <p>Completed works on this road, working from Burringurrah south towards Landor homestead. Works include heavy grade to pavement gravel, reinstatement of road shoulder, pavement gravel re-sheet, silt removal and reinstatement of unsealed floodway pavement.</p> <p>Meekatharra Mt Clere Rd</p> <p>Completed works on this road working from the Meekatharra boundary towards Mt Clere homestead. Works include heavy grading of scours on the pavement.</p> <p>Landor Mt Clere Rd</p> <p>Completed works on this road from Mt Clere homestead working west. Works include minor and medium silt/debris removal from subgrade and pavement, reform subgrade, heavy grading to the pavement, silt removal and reinstatement of unsealed floodway pavement.</p> <p>Waldburg Rd</p> <p>Completed defect repair works on this road, working from the Waldburg Homestead south towards Landor Mt Clere Rd. Works include heavy grade to gravel pavement, shoulder reinstatement, drain silt and debris removal, re-sheeting of pavement gravel and reinstatement of unsealed floodway pavement.</p>		<p>Ullawarra Road – Bundagee Wash</p> <p>The Contractor has provided pricing for the flood damage reinstatement works and betterment works (concrete cutoff wall and additional rock protection and grouting) at the Bundagee Wash. Unfortunately the pricing was significantly higher than the original estimate. Alternative pricing has been requested from THEM. Depending on the alternative price, the betterment works may or may not be able to be completed.</p> <p>All defects for this AGRN951 are complete with the exception being the Ullawarra Bundagee wash bitumen seal defect repair. The works are planned to be completed in August before the next Downer bitumen campaign.</p>	

Status of Roads		
	This Month	Last Period
Overall Package	99%	82%
Bingegaroo Road	100%	100%
Cobra Mt Augustus Road	100%	100%
Dalgety Downs Landor Road	100%	100%
Dooley Downs Road	100%	100%
Edmund Gifford Creek Road	100%	100%
Erong Road	100%	100%
Eudamullah Road	100%	100%
Landor Meekatharra Road	100%	97%
Landor Mt Augustus Road	100%	39%
Landor Mt Clere Road	100%	0%
Lyndon Minnie Creek Road	100%	100%
Lyons River Road	100%	100%
Mangaroon Road	100%	100%
Meekatharra Mt Clere Road	100%	0%
Minnie Creek Road	100%	100%
Mt Augustus Road	100%	100%
Mt Augustus Woodlands Road	100%	100%
Pingandy Road	100%	100%
Potts Road	100%	100%
Ullawarra Road	98%	98%
Waldburg Road	100%	16%
Wanna Road	100%	100%

Discussion Items	
Water / Materials	Refer attached resources report
Camp	<p>Contractor Camp is still maintained at Landor Station, providing accommodation, mess facilities and workshop facilities for the QEM crew.</p> <p>The crew has left site and is planning on a 3 – 4 week break for the remainder of July and early August before they commence the AGRN974 package.</p>



Grading works on Landor Mt Clere Rd



Landor Mt Clere Rd – Flood damage repair works



Landor Mt Clere Rd - Defect rectification works



Gravel Resheet Rd – Defect repair works

**SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE – AGRN951 FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT
MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – July 2022 (PACKAGE 2)**

Contractor	THEM Earthmoving	Package Start Date:	29 June 2022
		Forecast Completion Date:	June 2023
Works this period (July 2022)		Works next period (August 2022)	
<p>Callagiddy Winderie Rd Commenced and complete all works on this road comprising removal of silt, reinstatement of drain lines and isolated segments of reforming and resheeting.</p> <p>Carnarvon Mullewa Rd Commenced works on this road from the Carnarvon / Upper Gascoyne boundary working towards Gascoyne Junction. Works have comprised shoulder and drain reinstatement works.</p> <p>Rubbish Tip Access Rd Commenced and completed all works on this road comprising removal of silt and reshaping.</p> <p>Rubbish Tip Rd Commenced and completed all works on this road comprising removal of silt and heavy reshaping.</p>		<p>Carnarvon Mullewa Rd Continue works on this road working towards Gascoyne Junction townsite.</p> <p>Gregory St Commence and complete works on this road comprising backfilling and reinstatement of scoured kerbing.</p> <p>Hatch St Commence works on sealed pavement reinstatement works.</p> <p>Viveash Wy Commence works on removal of median islands and upgrade of existing culverts as part of the Shire's betterment works on this road.</p>	
Status of Roads			
		This Month	Last Period
Overall Package		11%	0%
Callagiddy Winderie Rd		100%	0%
Carey Downs Road		Works yet to commence	
Carnarvon Mullewa Road		13%	0%
Cobra Dairy Creek Road		Works yet to commence	
Cobra Gifford Creek Rd		Works yet to commence	

Dalgety Downs Glenburgh Road	Works yet to commence	
Gilroyd Rd	Works yet to commence	
Gregory St	Works yet to commence	
Hatch St	Works yet to commence	
Killili Rd	Works yet to commence	
Mooloo Downs Access Road	Works yet to commence	
Newton Drive	Works yet to commence	
Pimbee Road	Works yet to commence	
Rubbish Tip Access Rd	100%	0%
Rubbish Tip Road	100%	0%
Viveash Way	Works yet to commence	
Weedarrah Road	Works yet to commence	
Discussion Items		
Water / Materials	Refer attached resources report	
Camp	Camp remains in place at the southern end of Ullawarra Rd.	

CALLAGIDDY WINDERIE RD



CARNARVON MULLEWA RD



**SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE – CARNARVON MULLEWA RD UPGRADE PROJECT
MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – July 2022**

Contractor	THEM Earthmoving	Package Start Date:	20 Apr 2022
		Forecast Completion Date:	3 July 2022

Works this period (July 2022)

<p>Carnarvon Mullewa Rd</p> <p>Funding for this project is grant-funded to the value of \$2.5M to cover the costs of project management, engineering design, survey, geotechnical testing, earthworks, drainage and bitumen spray seal.</p> <p>The earthworks commenced from the current extent of the existing bitumen pavement at SLK74.5. Construction activities include survey set-out, minor clearing, foundation preparation of subgrade, cut-to-fill, gravel borrow-to-fill, compaction, and trimming.</p> <p>Clearing</p> <p>All clearing from Slk 74.5 – 81.6 complete</p> <p>Subgrade</p> <p>All subgrade from Slk 74.5 – 80.25 complete</p> <p>Drainage</p> <p>All floodways and culverts between Slk 74.5 – 80.17 complete</p> <p>Pavements</p> <p>All pavements from Slk 74.5 – 80.12 complete</p> <p>Spray Sealing</p> <p>All sealing works from Slk 74.5 – 80.12 complete</p>	<p>All works within the original scope were complete in early July 2022.</p> <p>Final construction close out documentation is being collated and reviewed and the job should be closed out in August 2022.</p> <p>Design</p> <p>Design of proposed upgrade to Pells Crossing including the associated realignment on the west approach to the crossing has been provided to the Shire for feedback.</p> <p>Final design report and construction drawings will be completed following receipt of feedback from the Shire.</p>
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Progress Status

	% Completed
Carnarvon Mullewa Rd Upgrade Overall Progress	100%
Clearing	100%
Subgrade & Drainage	100%

Pavement	100%
Discussion Items	
Water / Materials	Refer attached resources report
Camp	The contractor camp remains in place at the southern end of Ullawarra Rd.

Carnarvon Mullewa Rd



**SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE – AGRN908 FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT
MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – July 2022 (PACKAGE 2)**

Contractor	THEM Earthmoving	Package Start Date:	8 Nov 2020
		Actual Completion Date:	30 June 2022
Works this period (June 2022)			
Pimbee Rd Completed all remaining works on this road comprising minor works on the northern end of the road near Gascoyne Junction.		All works complete, final claims to DFES in progress. Contractor has remained in the same camp location and commenced work on AGRN951 Package 2. Project completion report will be presented at next month's meeting	
Status of Roads			
	This Month	Last Period	
Overall Package	100%	99%	
Carey Downs Road	100%	100%	
Carnarvon Mullewa Road	100%	100%	
Cobra Dairy Creek Road	100%	100%	
Dalgety Downs Glenburgh Road	100%	100%	
Dalgety Downs Landor Road	100%	100%	
Erong Road	100%	100%	
Eudamullah Road	100%	100%	
Gilroyd Road	100%	100%	
Gregory Street	Transferred to AGRN951 scope		
Hatch Street	100%	100%	
Killili Road	100%	100%	
Lyons River Road	100%	100%	

Minnie Creek Road	100%	100%
Mooloo Downs Access Road	100%	100%
Newton Drive	100%	100%
Pimbee Road	100%	98%
Riverside Drive	100%	100%
Rubbish Tip Road	100%	100%
Scott Street	100%	100%
Ullawarra Road	100%	100%
Viveash Way	100%	100%
Weedarrah Road	100%	100%
Discussion Items		
Water / Materials	Refer attached resources report	
Camp	Camp remains in place at the southern end of Ullawarra Rd.	

SAY G'DAY TO OUR



Sa Toomalatai

Manager of Finance and Corporate Services

My role is responsible for managing the Corporate Services team and overseeing the day to day financial management of the Shire and the general operations of the CRC. I assist the CEO in delivering an annual budget for the Council each year, coordinating audits and other financial reviews and ensure we meet our legislative obligations required under various acts and regulations as it applies to a Local Government organisation.



Cynthia Wright

Corporate Services Officer Finance

My primary role at the Shire is to assist with the general financial operations, which includes processing of invoices for our suppliers, managing payroll data for staff and maintaining financial records and reconciliations.



Cherie Walker

Senior Corporate Services Officer Administration

My main duties are to provide high level administrative support to the CEO, management team and members of the council. Provide customer service to the members of our local and wider community, local businesses in the area and visitors to the Upper Gascoyne region. Assist the CEO and Management Team in the development, maintenance and delivery of Human Resource and OH&S services for the organisation and provide assistance in coordination of staff within the Finance and Corporate Services team.

Not Pictured

FRIENDLY CORPORATE SERVICES TEAM



Ainsley Hardie

Tourism and Community Development Officer

I am the Tourism and Community Development Officer for the Shire and whilst you will find me most days in the Community Resource Centre working alongside Billie, my role is focused on tourism growth and sustainability, as well as community development and engagement. This includes identifying opportunities that encourage economic growth and increase social benefits to the community.



Billie O'Sullivan

Customer Service Officer – Community Resource Centre

My role in the Community Resource Centre is to assist both locals and tourist with information. I am able to help in a range of areas including Australia Post, Road Information, Department of Transport, Library Services, as well as assisting in our Centrelink and Medicare Access Point.



BLAST FROM THE PAST



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

New School for Gascoyne Junction

Gascoyne 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 announced today.

Speaking in Parliament, Mr 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 Gallop Government is committed to providing schools where schools are needed," the Minister said. "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. "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." Mr Carpenter said the provision of better education infrastructure was part of the State Government's strategy to increase school retention rates in the State by improving the delivery of education in remote communities. The Minister said the original Gascoyne Junction school was closed in December, 1994 by the previous government. "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 Aboriginal 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 currently 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 to assist students with their studies. "However, they do not stay overnight because of lack of accommodation. "An education assistant, who is the local policeman's wife, works with the students on a daily basis. "While this has provided some educational continuity for the students and their families, there is no long-term guarantee of a competent education assistant being available in the future. "The current situation clearly does not provide the best possible education program for the number of students at Gascoyne Junction." The Minister said the Shire of Gascoyne Junction and the Department of Education and Training would provide housing accommodation for the principal and teacher.

This article was originally published in the Carnarvon Community News on Friday August 27, 2004.

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, then contact the CRC now!

You could be our next local celebrity...





GASCOYNE JUNCTION CRAFT GROUP 2022 CALENDAR

5th & 6th February Untutored

19th and 20th March Untutored

9th & 10th April Junk Art

21st and 22nd May Untutored

11th & 12th June Basket weaving

30th & 31st July Mystery Quilt

13th & 14th August Untutored

3rd and 4th September Untutored

29th & 30th October Mosaic Workshop

26th & 27th November Christmas Craft

For any queries, please contact the Secretary Tina Matthews

E: junctioncraft@gmail.com

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

sixty eight

That is how many new titles arrived at the Gascoyne Junction Library this month. DVDs, Biographies, Audio Books, Childrens Books, Fiction and Non Fiction await. The Library is FREE to join. Make sure you take a look next time you are visiting the CRC.

DVD

1. Annika Season 1
2. Bull Season 5
3. Catwoman Hunted
4. Charmed Season 2
5. Dune
6. Good Girls Season 3
7. The Larkins Series 1
8. The many saints of Newark
9. Prodigal Son. The complete second season.
10. Stargirl: The complete second season.



AUDIO BOOKS

11. The Candy House by Jennifer Egan
12. The Golden Couple by Greer Hendricks & Sarah Pekkanen
13. Will/Will Smith with Mark Manson
14. Wish you were gone by Kieran Scott

LARGE PRINT

15. Booth: a Novel by Karen Joy Fowler
16. The Coconut Children by Vivian Pham
17. Kingdom of Secrets by Claire Leggett
18. The Magnolia Palace: a Novel by Fiona Davis
19. The Other Emily by Dean Koontz
20. The Silent Listener by Lyn Yeowart



FICTION

21. Elizabeth of York: The Last White Rose by Alison Weir
22. The French House by Jacquie Bloese
23. The Good Left Undone by Adriana Trigiani
24. Her Time to Shine by Fiona McCallum
25. The Lessons by John Purcell
26. Mara's Choice by Anna Jacobs
27. The Natural History of Love by Caroline Petit
28. No Hard Feelings by Genevieve Novak
29. Not the Witch you Wed by April Asher

new titles

30. People Person by Candice Carty-Williams

31. Pod by Laline Paul

32. The Silence of Water by Sharron Booth

33. Sister Stardust: a Novel by Jane Green

34. This is all come back now: An anthology of First Nations speculative fiction

35. Where the Light Gets In by Zoe Coyle

36. The Winter Dress by Lauren Chater

NON FICTION

37. The All Rounder by Dan Christian and Gideon Haigh

38. ANZAC Sons: Mateship, Bravery & Sacrifice by Allison Marlow Paterson

39. Basics to Brilliance: Kids by Donna Hay

40. Cartwarra or What? Selected Poems and Short Storeis by Alf Taylor

41. Cooking for me and you: recipes for one and two

42. Diplomatic: a Washington Memoir by Joe Hockey and Leo Shanahan

43. The Healthy Baker: Editorial and Food Director Sophia Young

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45. Keeping them honest: the case for genuine national integrity commission

46. The Life Changing Magic of a Little Bit of Mess by Kerri Sackville

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BIOGRAPHY

49. Apollo & Thelma: A True Tall Tale y Jon Faine

YOUNG ADULT

50. An Arrow to the Moon by Emily XR Pan

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51. Hedgewitch - Skye McKenna

52. Slipping the Noose by Meg Caddy

53. Rainbow the Koala by Remy Lai

JUNIOR NON FICTION

54. Queen Victoria's Secret Diary by Terry Deary

55. Weird History! by Anh Do

56. World's Most Incredible Animals

PICTURE & BOARD BOOKS

57. Bin Chicken Flies Again by Kate and Jol Temple

58. Bush Magic Written and Illustrated by Kylie Howarth

59. G is for Guguyal: A Dhurga Alphabet Book by Leanne Brook

60. A Good Place by Lucy Cousins

61. Island Campout

62. Let's Build a Backyard by Mike Lucas and Daron Parton

63. Miss Understood by Kathryn Apek & Beau Wylie

64. My Favourite Teachers by Beck and Robin Feiner

65. This is Me! by Sally Morgan

66. Wpmbat Can't Sing by Katie Stewart

KIDS DVDS

67. Adventure Times. Distant Lands

68. Luca





Watch this space for
the next school
newsletter



Dear parents and carers

Throughout the pandemic, Western Australian public, Catholic and Independent schools have worked together to provide COVID-safe measures across our schools to help keep our students, staff and community safe.

As Western Australian COVID-19 infections are rising and new sub-variants are leading to reinfections for people who have already had COVID-19, we are asking for your support to ensure we keep our schools open and minimise disruption to student learning.

It is vital we continue to keep ourselves and our school community safe.

As endorsed by National Cabinet as part of a nationally consistent approach, wearing masks indoors is strongly encouraged and we fully support this across our three school systems. We ask that your child wears a mask to school to keep our schools as safe as possible. Staff have also been strongly encouraged to wear a mask while at school.

We ask for your support to please explain to your child the importance of wearing a mask to reduce the risk of transmission in schools and the community.

You can support your school community to be COVID-19 safe by:

- wearing a mask indoors when visiting the school
- ensuring your family stays up-to-date with COVID-19 and flu vaccines
- testing your child for COVID-19 if they have symptoms or are a household close contact
- keeping your child home if they are unwell
- maintaining good hand hygiene.

To further support face-to-face learning and minimise disruption to students' schooling, the WA Government will again be providing 20 free Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) for each student. Your school will be able to provide you with further information in the coming weeks on how you can collect these once they receive their allocation.

Testing for COVID-19 remains an important step in keeping our more vulnerable community members safe. If your child is a close contact and does not have symptoms, they must return daily negative RATs to leave isolation and attend school, and must also wear a mask when outside their home (usual exemptions apply), as per the [testing and isolation protocols](#). Close contacts who have symptoms should not attend school.

For more information on testing and isolation requirements, go to the [HealthyWA website](#).

Thank you for your continued efforts in working together to keeping all Western Australian schools COVID-19 safe.

Kind regards

Jim Bell
Acting Director General
Department of Education

Dr Debra Sayce
Executive Director
Catholic Education
Western Australia

Valerie Gould
Executive Director
Association of Independent Schools
Western Australia



BECOME A MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AIDER

to support young people aged 12 to 18.

About 1 in 4 young Australians experience a common mental illness each year. Youth Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) training will teach you practical skills to support an adolescent with a mental health problem. Make a real difference to the young people in your community.

YOUTH MHFA TRAINING BENEFITS

KNOWLEDGE

Improves knowledge of mental illnesses, treatments and first aid actions.

CONFIDENCE

Increases confidence in providing first aid.

DE-STIGMATISING

Decreases stigmatising attitudes.

SUPPORT

Increases the support provided to others.

"I found the course to be truly beneficial and useful to me as I interact with secondary school students on a daily basis. I have gained the necessary tools to recognize and help those in need." - Luca



LEARN PRACTICAL FIRST AID SKILLS

- Recognise common mental health problems in young people
- Provide initial help using a practical, evidence-based Action Plan
- Seek appropriate professional help, and
- Respond in a crisis situation

This is a 14-hour educational course, not a therapy or support group.



HOW DO I SIGN UP?

Email Liz at Elizabeth.lockyer@health.wa.gov.au or call 9956 1963 with any queries

DATES 15th & 16th September

TIMES 9am - 4pm

COST FREE

VENUE Carnarvon Community College - Marmion St

FACILITATOR/S

Liz Lockyer & Isabel Ross



Gatekeeper Suicide Prevention Workshop Registration Form

Gatekeeper Suicide Prevention is a two day workshop designed for professionals and para-professionals in the human services whose roles bring them into regular contact with people at risk of suicide. This workshop aims to help participants:

- Gain an understanding of the problem of suicide
- Identify suicide risk
- Provide a framework for risk assessment and intervention
- Develop appropriate intervention skills
- Understand the limits to confidentiality
- Understand the importance of consultation
- Gain an understanding of self-harming behavior
- Gain an understanding of the link between mental disorders and suicidal behaviours
- Understand the importance of postvention

Note: Participants need to be aware that the workshop is intense and demanding. They are encouraged to consider the potential emotional impact (on themselves) before attending.

DATE: 30 October & 1 November 2022 - Attendance on both days is essential

TIME: 9.00am-4.00pm

LOCATION: Carnarvon Motel Function Room, 34 David Brand Drive, Carnarvon

COST: FREE

CATERING: Morning tea and lunch will be provided on both days

Please complete this form and return to:

elizabeth.lockyer@health.wa.gov.au

Name:

Organisation:

Role:

Email:

Phone:

Address:

Dietary requirements:

Please note: proof of COVID vaccination will be required on the day



Foot-and-mouth disease: keep Australia free

Western Australia exports about 80% of its livestock and livestock products annually. Access to these markets depends on Australia being free of foot-and-mouth disease.

What is foot-and-mouth disease?

Foot-and-mouth disease is a highly infectious viral disease that affects cloven-hoofed (two-toed) animals including sheep, cattle, pigs, goats, buffalo, camels, alpaca, llama and deer.

Affected animals may survive foot-and-mouth disease, but they take a long time to recover and often do not regain their full productivity. Surviving animals may also become carriers of the virus.

Foot-and-mouth disease could enter Australia by:

- illegally imported meat and dairy products being fed to pigs
- people returning from overseas with the virus on clothing, footwear or equipment.

What would an outbreak mean?

Western Australia exports about 80% of its livestock and livestock products every year. An outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease would result in:

- closure of livestock export markets
- severe economic impact on the livestock industries and regional communities
- a cost of more than \$52 billion over 10 years.

What can you do?

- **Reduce the risk of an outbreak:**
 - Do not feed meat, swill or any other prohibited feeds to pigs.
 - Ensure overseas visitors to your farm wear clean clothes and disinfected shoes.
- **Know the signs** of foot-and-mouth disease.
- **Immediately report** any signs of foot-and-mouth disease to a vet.

Early reporting is key

Recognising and reporting foot-and-mouth disease early can help to contain its spread. Minimising spread will reduce the devastating economic and social costs of an outbreak to producers, the livestock industries (including abattoirs, saleyards, stock agents and transporters) and regional and national economy.

To report signs of the disease, call the:

- emergency animal disease hotline on **1800 675 888** or
- your Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) vet or
- your private vet.



Signs of foot-and-mouth disease: 1. Drooling in cattle. 2. Lesions on cattle gums. 3. Blisters (vesicles) on tongue. 4. Lesions between toes. 5. Lameness in sheep. 6. Lesions where sheep hoof meets leg. 7. Broken vesicle on sheep gum. 8. Lesion where pig hoof meets leg. 9. Vesicle on pig snout. Images 1–5, 7: EU-FMD; 6: DPIRD; 8-9: Foreign Animal Diseases, 7th Ed., US Animal Health Association.

How does foot-and-mouth disease spread?

Foot-and-mouth disease is highly contagious. The virus is present in large amounts in the blisters, saliva, urine, manure, milk and breath of infected animals.

The virus spreads between animals by:

- direct contact with an infected animal
- air-borne particles from infected animals
- movement of infected animals
- movement of contaminated animal products (such as wool or manure), vehicles, equipment and people.

The virus can survive in the environment for several weeks. Virus particles can remain in people's noses for up to 24 hours.

Animals usually show signs of foot-and-mouth disease within 3–5 days of infection, but signs can take up to 14 days to appear. Infected animals spread the virus before they show signs of the disease.

Important disclaimer

The Chief Executive Officer of the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and the State of Western Australia accept no liability whatsoever by reason of negligence or otherwise arising from the use or release of this information or any part of it.

Signs of foot-and-mouth disease

Signs of foot-and-mouth disease vary depending on the species infected and the virus strain. Signs of the disease include:

- blisters in the mouth, nostrils, teats or on the skin between and above the hoofs. (Blisters may not be obvious until they have ruptured.)
- slobbering/drooling
- lameness, reluctance to move
- lack of appetite
- reduced productivity
- sudden death in young animals
- a large drop in milk yield in dairy animals
- abortion in pigs.

In sheep, blisters are usually small and often difficult to see. The signs are often mild and lameness may be the only visible sign.

To report suspicious disease signs, call the:

- EAD hotline on **1800 675 888** or
- your DPIRD or private vet.

CALLING ALL YOUNG PEOPLE IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA
10 - 25 YEAR OLDS



WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Are you aged 10-25 and live in Western Australia?

We would love to hear about how climate change affects your wellbeing, and how children and youth services can better respond to these impacts.



SCAN HERE TO COMPLETE



Contact Dr Naomi Godden
n.godden@ecu.edu.au



9780 7670





ABOUT OUR SURVEY

We invite children and young people aged 10-25 to do a 20-minute online survey.

The survey will ask about how you feel about climate change, and if you are involved in any actions to address climate change.

All responses are anonymous, and all information we collect will be private and confidential.

The organisations involved in this project include Edith Cowan University, Telethon Kids Institute, Australian National University, Youth Affairs Council of WA, Climate Justice Union, Aboriginal leaders, and young people involved in climate advocacy.

If you would like more information, please contact Dr Naomi Godden on n.godden@ecu.edu.au or phone 9780 7670.



Could you be the next

LOCAL SPORTING CHAMPION?

If you're a dedicated junior sportsperson you may be eligible for a grant to help you pursue your sporting dreams.

For further information on the Local Sporting Champions program, including the application form and eligibility criteria, visit sportaus.gov.au/lsc



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CORNER COOK'S

Chinese Chicken Fried Rice

INGREDIENTS

- 4 ½ cups cooked jasmine rice day old, see Notes for amount of uncooked rice
- ½ lb boneless skinless chicken thighs thinly sliced
- 1 shallot finely chopped
- 3 cloves garlic minced
- ¾ cup carrot finely diced
- ½ cup peas frozen
- 3 eggs beaten
- 4 tsp vegetable oil or any neutral tasting oil

Chicken Marinade:

- 1 tsp regular soy sauce not light or dark soy sauce!
- 1 tsp Shaoxing Cooking Wine or sub with Dry Sherry Wine
- 1 tsp cornstarch
- 1 tsp vegetable oil

Sauce:

- 2 tbsp regular soy sauce not light or dark soy sauce!
- ½ tbsp dark soy sauce
- 2 tsp sesame oil
- 1 tsp chicken bouillon powder aka. Chicken instant stock mix
- ¼ tsp white pepper or sub with black pepper



Chinese Chicken Fried Rice

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Marinate your sliced chicken for 5 minutes. Remove from heat and set aside.
2. In a bowl, pre-mix sauce ingredients as listed. Set aside.
3. In a hot wok set over medium high heat, add 1 tsp oil. Once oil is hot, fry chicken until fully cooked. Remove and set aside.
4. Add 1 tsp of oil and fry garlic and shallots for 10 seconds or until softened. Quickly add peas and carrots and fry for another 10 seconds or until softened. Push everything to the side of the wok.
5. Add 1 tsp of oil into empty space of wok. Pour in eggs and scramble before mixing with ingredients in wok.
6. Add remaining oil along with rice and toss with ingredients. Toss back in chicken.
7. Pour sauce around your rice along the edges of the wok (the heat + sauce creates more flavour vs. pouring on top of rice). Mix until all rice granules are coloured brown. Remove off heat. Serve and enjoy!



AUGUST

- 1 Alys McKeough
- 18 Spags Burnett
- 18 Harry McKeough
- 20 Jodie Gibson
- 25 Theona Mitchell-Smith

SEPTEMBER

- 9 Stanley Hammarquist
- 20 Jason Windie
- 23 Frank Drayton
- 28 Matthew Hammarquist
- 29 Don Hammarquist

OCTOBER

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



KICKSTARTERS **GASCOYNE DASH** www.gasdash.com

The 2022 Coral Coast Helicopters Services Kickstarters Gascoyne Dash took place at the end of July. The Gascoyne Dash hosted an excellent event. The Saturday saw bikes and cars arriving in Gascoyne Junction, before heading back into Carnarvon on the Sunday.

WINNERS : Bikes - Jackson Mcgrath / Quads - Dylan Richards / Cars - Stephen Ketteridge-Hall



Farewell Frank

The Shire would like to wish Frank Drayton a happy farewell and all the best for his next chapter.

Frank has worked in various capacities with the shire over the past 15 years and will be sorely missed.



UPPER GASCOYNE AS A DARK SKY TOURISM DESTINATION

We have two exciting yet separate projects coming up within the Shire in the space of Astrotourism.

The Shire of Upper Gascoyne to become an Astrotourism Shire

From August 28 to August 30, Carol Redford from Astrotourism WA will be visiting the Shire as part of our Dark Sky Tourism destination plan. During this visit Carol will be visiting sites across the Shire to map out a Dark Sky Tourism Trail that will welcome visitors for stargazing and astronomical activities.

During her visit Carol will also be holding community gatherings, one in Mount Augustus and one in Gascoyne Junction. We would love to have as many of you come along to discuss the proposed trail and how we can work together to maximise its potential across the Shire.

Mt Augustus:

Monday August 29 at Mt Augustus Tourist Park

2pm to 3pm Community Forum to hear about the program and share feedback

3pm to 4pm 1:1 Meetings with interested stakeholders

Gascoyne Junction:

Tuesday August 30 at the Shire of Upper Gascoyne Chambers

1pm to 2pm: Community Forum to hear about the program and share feedback

2pm to 3pm 1:1 Meetings with interested stakeholders

During Carol's onsite visit we will be looking at uncovering unique selling points in our local area to highlight our Shire and establish a competitive edge by uncovering Dark Sky Tourism Experiences. The overall aim of the project long term is to create jobs across the Shire and increase our tourism capacity. Whilst we will be taking in places during the day, we are also going to be exploring at night to choose the best night sky locations and also to measure night sky quality to monitor the darkness.

Through this visit we want to identify:

- Sites where visitors are welcome for stargazing activities to use telescopes and binoculars.
- Astrophotography Hot Spots where visitors are welcome for stargazing activities and to use cameras

We would any suggestions you have at these community events or prior to the event by emailing tcdo@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au or calling Ainsley on 9943 0988. These sites need no special infrastructure, but ablutions, shelter and/or picnic facilities would be a bonus.

I hope to see as many of you as possible at either of these meetings with Carol.



Solar Eclipse 2023

We are collaborating with the Shire of Carnarvon to coordinate the marketing of a series of events based around the 2023 Solar Eclipse that will be occurring on Thursday 20 April in Exmouth. Around 11.27am the path of totality will graze the tip of WA along the Gascoyne coastline drawing thousands of

visitors to the Gascoyne. With both our Shire and the Shire of Carnarvon becoming Astrotourism Towns we are poised to attract visitors to the region. On the day Gascoyne Junction will receive 90.25% coverage, Kennedy Range National Park 92.19% coverage and Mt Augustus 87.81% coverage. You can find more details on the Solar Eclipse on the Shire webpage: www.uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au/tourism/what-to-see/solar-eclipse-2023

KEY DATES

- 18 April: Stargazing Cocktail Event at Coral Bay
- 20 April: Solar Eclipse
- 22 April: Bush Dance under the Stars in Gascoyne Junction
- 25 April: ANZAC Day in the Junction

How can you benefit from this rare opportunity?

The 2023 eclipse is expected to be very well attended by enthusiasts and media from all over the world. Eclipse chasers travel obsessively to see these solar occurrences. There is an opportunity to leverage off the exposure of this event and increased visitor levels to the region.

What we are looking for:

Event organisers or venues interested in creating and implementing a suitable event under the Carnarvon/Coral Bay/Upper Gascoyne Solar Eclipse event brand, which is unique to the program and may not necessarily be available at any other time of the year

- A mix of free and ticketed events that will entice day trippers, locals and short haul visitors from Perth and other target markets
- Expressions of interest, even though you may not have an idea, we can support to develop your concept with you
- Products or services that meet the needs of additional visitors to the region

Opportunities to Consider:

Open Sky Accommodation	Stargazing Tours	Visiting geological & natural attractions
Musical Performances under the Stars	Special Event Astrophotography	Star Bathing
Aboriginal and Guided Astronomy Tour	Navigational Team Building Experience under the Stars	Yoga under the Stars
Day turns to night Quad Tours	Silent Disco	Camping under the Stars
Micro Flights	Viewing wildlife at Night	Dinner under the Stars
Public Stargazing		

If you have an idea, or an event you would like to develop please do not hesitate to reach out. The earlier we start the further reach we can get for the event.



TIPPING

ROUND 16

David Miller	7
Jarrold Walker	7
Cherie Walker	7
Ainsley Hardie	7
Frank Drayton	7
Brad Wright	7
Clint Hardie	7
Scott Maxwell	6
Vaughn Whitby	5
Jackie Miller	5
Blanche Walker	5
Matt Wright	5
Billie O'Sullivan	5
Shane Pridham	5
Cynthia Wright	3
Sa Toomalatai	3

ROUND 17

Cherie Walker	7
Ainsley Hardie	7
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Scott Maxwell	6
David Miller	5
Matt Wright	5
Vaughn Whitby	5
Shane Pridham	5
Brad WOright	5
Jarrold Walker	4
Cynthia Wright	3
Blanche Walker	3
Billie O'Sullivan	3
Frank Drayton	3
Sa Toomalatai	3
Jackie Miller	3

ROUND 18

David Miller	8
Scott Maxwell	7
Billie O'Sullivan	6
Cherie Walker	6
Jackie Miller	6
Brad Wright	6
Ainsley Hardie	6
Shane Pridham	5
Frank Drayton	5
Blanche Walker	5
Matt Wright	5
Clint Hardie	5
Vaughn Whitby	5
Cynthia Wright	4
Jarrold Walker	4
Sa Toomalatai	4

ROUND 19

Billie O'Sullivan	8
Blanche Walker	8
Clint Hardie	8
Scott Maxwell	8
Cherie Walker	8
Ainsley Hardie	8
Shane Pridham	8
David Miller	7
Matt Wright	6
Brad Wright	5
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Vaughn Whitby	5
Cynthia Wright	4
Jarrold Walker	4
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Upper Gascoyne Footy Tipping

2022 Footy Tipping is back! Stay tuned to see who's on top of the ladder at the beginning of each month. Currently in the lead is Cherie Walker - who will it be next

SUG6705
FOOTY TIPPING
ONLINE IN 2022

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.

VOTE 1

MEROME BEARD

CANDIDATE FOR NORTH WEST CENTRAL



Merome Beard
North West Central

Hon Mia Davies MLA
Leader of the The Nationals WA

Hi, I'm Merome Beard, but most people call me Mem. I'm your Nationals WA candidate for the North West Central by-election.

My family and I have a long connection to the region, and we call Carnarvon home. It's where my husband and I run our business the Port Hotel for nearly 20 years, raised our kids and volunteered in the community.

As a fourth generation local, raised in the region and a proud School of the Air graduate - I know first hand what makes this region great. Whether you live in the Gascoyne, the Pilbara or the Murchison, I understand the issues, challenges and opportunities across North West Central.

The Labor Government is failing to tackle important issues to you such as health services, crime, housing, staff shortages and the cost pressures of doing business and living.

Meanwhile they've decimated regional representation in Parliament and under spent in regional WA, all while boasting a \$5.7 billion budget surplus.

That's why I'm asking for your support, so I can continue to take up the fight in Parliament on your behalf.

Thanks, *Mem!*



"Your vote can send Mem to Parliament to be the strong voice your community needs - part of the team dedicated to regional WA. She's the right person for the job."

Hon Mia Davies MLA
Leader of The Nationals WA



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STARGAZING IN THE JUNCTION

The team from the Perth Observatory are back with their telescopes for a night of stargazing.

See the Moon, Jupiter, Saturn, nebulas and star clusters and take a journey across the Night Sky.

When: Saturday September 17

Where: Caravan Park at Junction Pub & Tourist Park

Time: 6:30pm to 7:30pm

Cost: FREE



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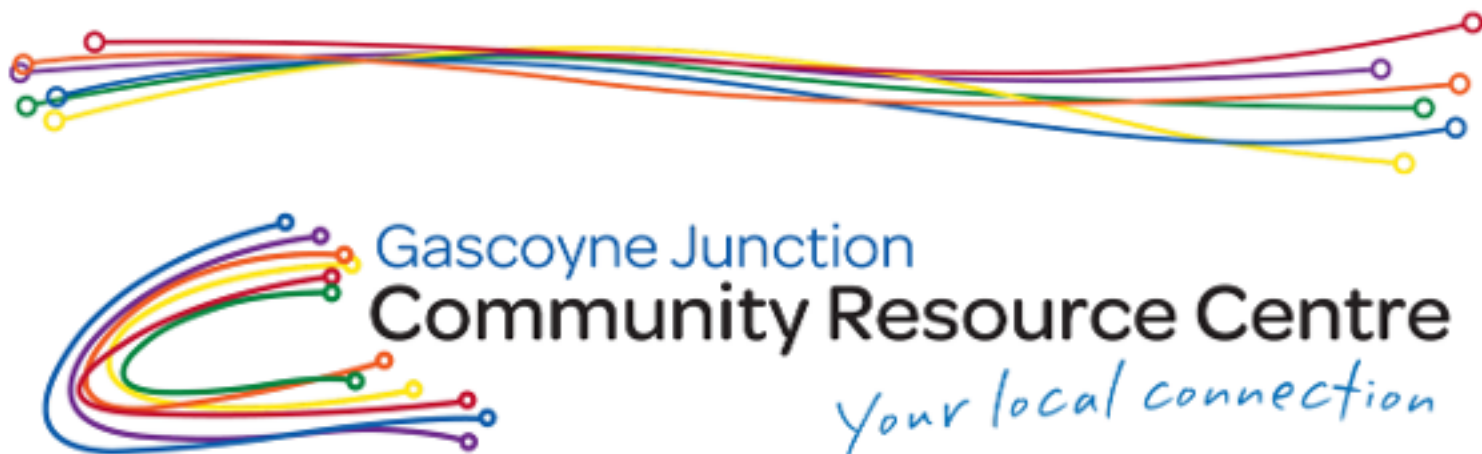
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Gascoyne Junction
Community Resource Centre
Your local connection

Join us to celebrate the Community
Resource Centre's 10th Birthday!

We are hosting a free community BBQ on
Wednesday 19th October 2022 at 12pm,
Located at the Gascoyne Junction
Community Resource Centre

Please RSVP to crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au or
(08) 9943 0988 by Monday 3rd October 2022.



FIRST AID & CPR TRAINING



**GASCOYNE JUNCTION
OCTOBER 2022**



The 2 Day HLTAID011 Provide First Aid Course will be delivered over three dates in October by St John Ambulance in Gascoyne Junction. The course will also customise scenarios to our environment, common injuries and illnesses.



COURSE 1
Saturday October 22 &
Sunday October 23

COURSE 2
Monday October 24 &
Tuesday October 25

COURSE 3
Wednesday October 26 &
Thursday October 27



COURSE COST

\$295

To register for a course call the Gascoyne Junction Community Resource Centre.

MORE INFO:

08 9943 0988

tcdo@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au

TWO RIVERS MEMORIAL PARK OFFICIAL OPENING SATURDAY OCTOBER 29 SAVE THE DATE



Join us from 5.30pm as the Shire of Upper Gascoyne officially opens the Two Rivers Memorial Park with a FREE community Music Concert

Musical Performers will include:

ELAVINA

Finalist Junior Vocalist Award at The Boyup Brook Country Music Awards in 2021

AND

PROUD MARY

Creedance Clearwater Revival Tribute Band

MORE DETAILS COMING SOON!



For enquiries, please call the Shire office on (08) 9943 0988



Shire of
UPPER GASCOYNE



Gascoyne Junction
Community
Resource
Centre



HAPPY
HALLOWEEN

Movie Afternoon

Sunday | 30th Oct |
3:30pm

Gascoyne Junction Pavilion

Halloween lollies and juice boxes
will be provided. All other snacks
BYO

Kids Costume Competition
come dressed in your best
halloween outfit

Please RSVP by Monday 24th October 2022 to
crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au or (08) 9943 0988

KIDS MOVIE NIGHT

Friday August 12 CANCELLED

Sunday October 30 HALLOWEEN SPECIAL

Friday December 2 CHRISTMAS SPECIAL

Gascoyne Junction Pavilion

Starting times:

6:00pm Family Movie

3:30pm Halloween Special



Popcorn provided (all other snacks BYO)

Bring along a comfy chair or beanbag to get yourself comfortable to catch a movie on the big screen.

The family movie session require all children have an adult accompanying them for the duration of the movie.





2022 Community Christmas Party

9TH DECEMBER 2022

A Night of Fun and Festivities!

- Santa Visit
- Raffles
- Entertainment
- BYO Drinks
- EOY School Presentation
- Xmas Dinner
- & More!

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SOLDIERS
SOUTHERN BELLE
TARA
TWELVE OAKES

Across

1. Gem units
 7. Revolutionary Guevara
 10. Sea creature that moves sideways
 14. Common recipe amount
 15. Actor Holbrook
 16. Turner of Hollywood
 17. Masonry work that may be smoothed with a trowel
 19. Grace finisher
 20. Deadly snake
 21. Shoving away, football-style
 23. Director Bob who won a Tony, Oscar and Emmy all in the same year
 24. Evicts
 25. Quester for the Golden Fleece
 28. Her's place
 30. "It's a sin to tell ___"
 31. Goes 80, say
 34. Fellow

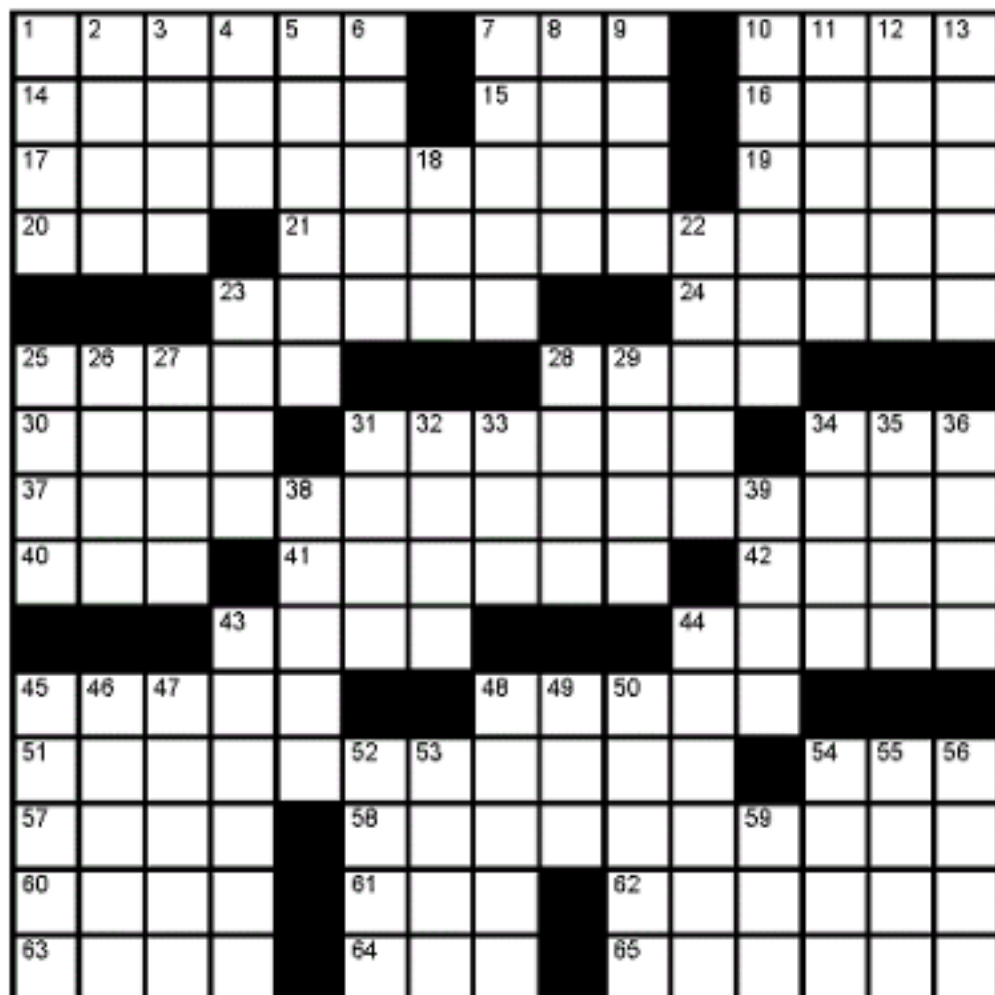
37. More rain and less light, e.g., to a pilot
 40. Sault ___ Marie
 41. Ill-___ gains
 42. Hitchhiker's need
 43. Tabbies
 44. Person whose name appears on a museum plaque, e.g.
 45. Zorro's weapon
 48. Colorado resort
 51. Some memorization in arithmetic class
 54. Airport overseer: Abbr.
 57. Director Kazan
 58. Earlier ... or a hint to the words circled in 17-, 21-, 37- and 51-Across
 60. Book after John
 61. Coach Parseghian
 62. White fur
 63. Two tablets every six hours, e.g.

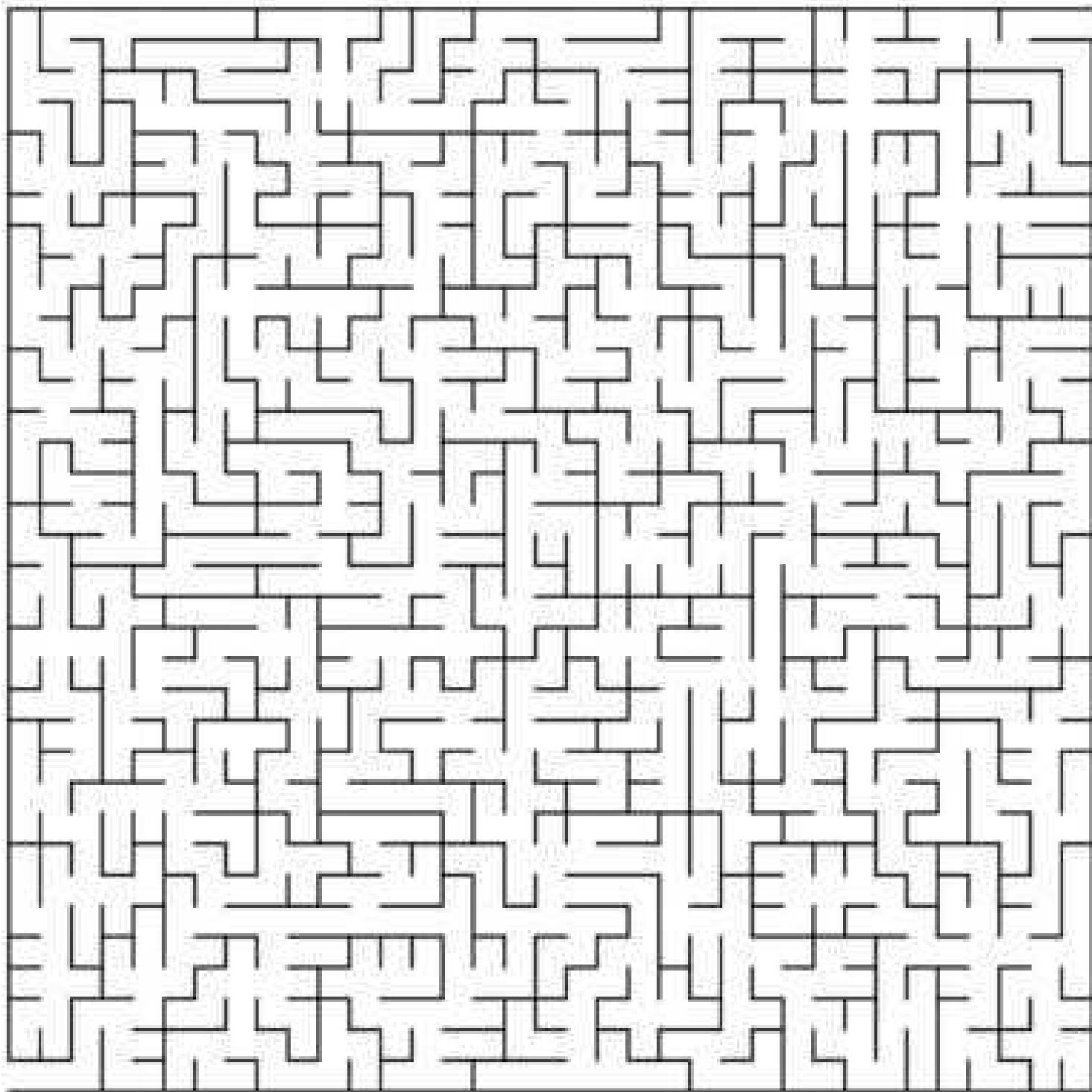
64. Thieve
 65. Target and J. C. Penney

Down

1. ___ Nostra
 2. Six-legged intruders
 3. Sign on, as for another tour of duty
 4. N.C. State's group
 5. University of Arizona's home
 6. Leopard markings
 7. Rub raw
 8. .5
 9. Singer Fitzgerald
 10. Zip one's lip
 11. Harold who directed "Groundhog Day"
 12. Concerning
 13. Hair over the forehead
 18. State known for its cheese: Abbr.
 22. Her's place
 23. Enemies
 25. 1975 thriller that took a big bite at the box office
 26. Very much
 27. Father
 28. Give
 29. Chief Norse god
 31. Many a person whose name starts Mac
 32. Flower holders
 33. Suffix with differ
 34. Enter
 35. Ruin
 36. Belgian river to the North Sea
 38. "Zounds!"
 39. Laundry implement that might make a 43-Down

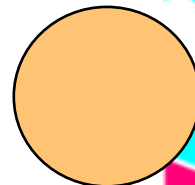
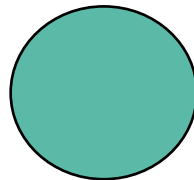
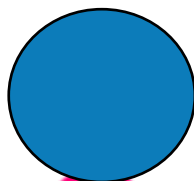
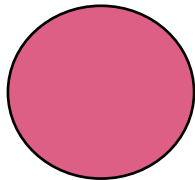
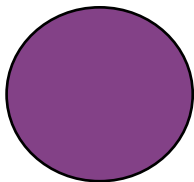
43. See 39-Down
 44. Gobi or Mojave
 45. Lieu
 46. Radio word after "Roger"
 47. Skips
 48. Popular BBC import, for short
 49. ___-mo replay
 50. Israel's Shimon
 52. Skier's transport
 53. Prefix with -nautic
 54. Light-skinned
 55. Actress Heche
 56. Citrus coolers
 59. M.D.'s group



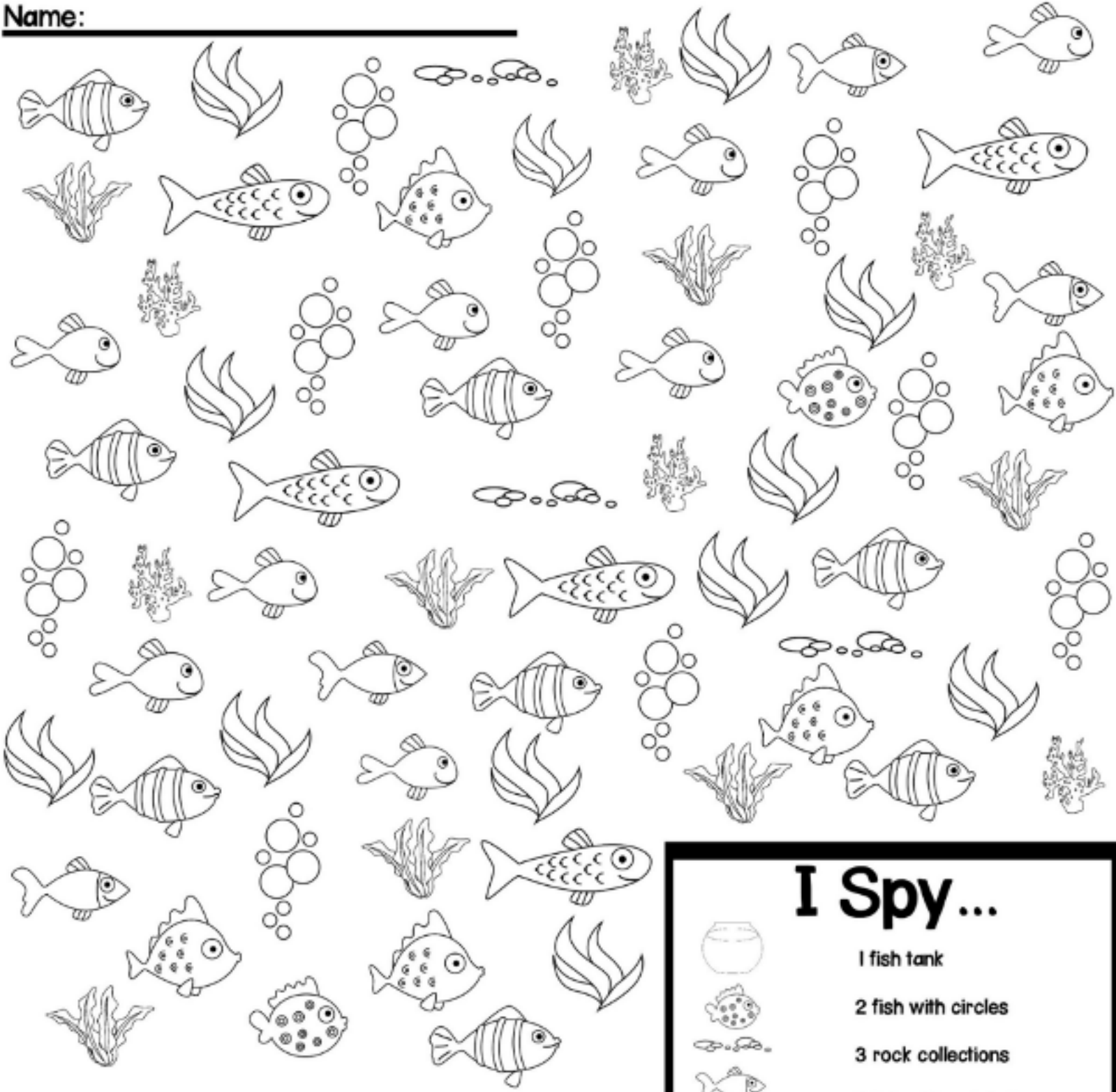




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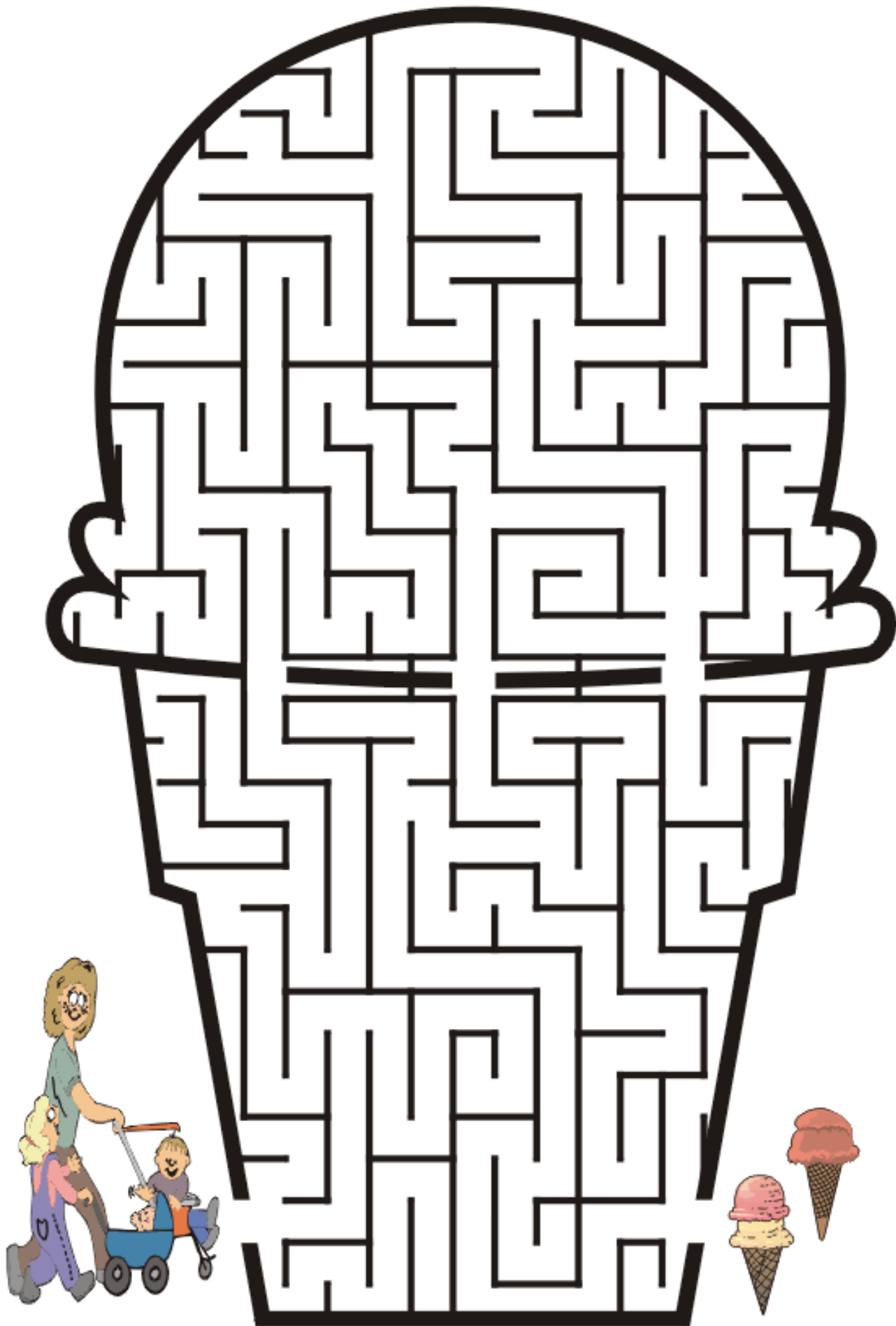


I Spy...



- 1 fish tank
- 2 fish with circles
- 3 rock collections
- 4 fish with pointed noses
- 5 bumpy fish
- 6 rough corals
- 7 wavy seaweed
- 8 striped fish
- 4 plain fish
- 10 floating bubbles





**GASCOYNE
JUNCTION
CRAFT
CLUB**

PAVILION

13-14 AUGUST

**JUNCTION
RACES &
GYMKHANA**

JUNCTION
RACE COURSE

19-21 AUGUST

**GASCOYNE
FOOD
FESTIVAL
BIGGEST
BBQ**

MT AUGUSTUS

03 SEPTEMBER

**GASCOYNE
JUNCTION
CRAFT
GROUP**

PAVILION

03-04 SEPTEMBER

UPCOMING | **20**
EVENTS | **22**



**STARGAZING
IN THE
JUNCTION**

CARAVAN PARK
JUNCTION PUB
AND TOURIST
PARK

17 SEPTEMBER

**GASCOYNE
FOOD
COUNCIL**

GASCOYNE
JUNCTION PUB
& TOURIST
PARK

17 SEPTEMBER

**LANDOR
RACES**

EAST
GASCOYNE
RACE CLUB

30-31 OCTOBER

**CRC
10TH
BIRTHDAY**

GASCOYNE
JUNCTION
CRC

19 OCTOBER

**PINK
STUMPS**

GASCOYNE
JUNCTION
OVAL

29 OCTOBER

**TWO
RIVERS
MEMORIAL
OPENING**

TWO RIVERS
MEMORIAL

29 OCTOBER

**GASCOYNE
JUNCTION
CRAFT
GROUP**

PAVILION

29-30 OCTOBER

**KIDS
HALLOWEEN
ACTIVITIES**

GASCOYNE
JUNCTION
PAVILION

30 OCTOBER