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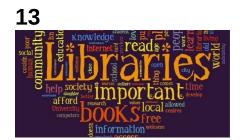
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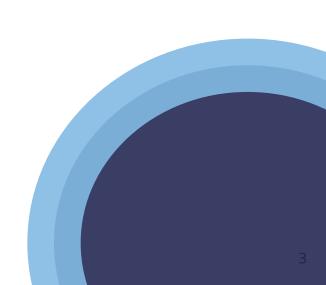
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UPCOMING EVENTS

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



Ordinary Council Meeting Dates

Wednesday 28th February Wednesday 27th March Wednesday 24th April Wednesday 22nd May Thursday 26th June Wednesday 24th July Wednesday 28th August Wednesday 18th September Wednesday 23rd October Wednesday 27th November

Thursday 12th December

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

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



COUNCIL NEWS

<u>CEO Report</u>

This has been a relatively short month for me as I have been away in Perth with medical appointments taking front and centre. During my absence Andrea and Jarrod managed to keep the ship afloat.

It is with a heavy heart that we acknowledge the sad passing of Betty Fletcher. Obviously, Betty was deeply respected and loved by many within our very small community, and she will be greatly missed. Prior to Betty becoming unwell I managed to spend a couple of weeks with her helping to feed the sheep whilst Thomas was away in Perth. Betty and I shared many a good story and laugh as I grew up with many of her Shark Bay relatives.

This month is still all about the budget. We now have notification on all revenue sources – RRG, R2R, LRCI, FAG and Rates. By all accounts our Financial Assistance Grant has received the largest increase of any Local Government in the State. This is largely a result of having our Asset Preservation Value correctly accounted for. The APV is a measure that pervades all the grants, as such, the work undertaken over numerous years is now starting to pay dividends.

Work has commenced on addressing issues raised under the Reg 17 and the Financial Management Review, over time you will see various Strategic Documents, Policies and the like come forward.

Manager of Works and Services Report

General:

July is always a busy month as we close out the last financial year and prepare for the next.We have successfully completed all of works programs and continue to deliver our ongoing projects in town.The town crew have enjoyed a bit of time off during the school holidays and we have welcomed Mitchell Hoseason-Smith to the crew on a part time basis. Mitchell replaces Dave Miller as he has decided to end his part time tenure with the Shire. I would like to thank Dave for his commitment and efforts, we wish him well.

The new 3x2 staff house is coming along nicely as is the newly acquired 3x1 on Hatch Street. Sean has engaged a contractor from Carnarvon to complete landscaping and gardening in the next month or so. The painters and electricians will complete the renovations at the 3x1 this month. We are hoping to have both completed in the next two months.

Works Crew:

The works crew are working on the Landor Mt Augustus Road. We have been fortunate enough to receive an additional \$200,000 in Aboriginal Community Access funds from Regional Road Group,we are liaising with the Burringurrah community as to accessing gravel and water and the best place to expend the monies.

Clive Ryder has joined our works crew. Clive will replace Ian Golding and fill in on the construction crew when required. He has teamed up with Ray in the other maintenance grader on Cobra Dairy Creek as he settles in. Unfortunately, sections of the Carnarvon Mullewa Road were damaged in the last rain event. We were fortunate enough to have one of THEM's multi rollers on site and completed a grade and roll from Pells to the Murchison boundary while we had plenty of moisture in the road. I have also had Boyd Leeson completing grading on the Pimbee and Winderie Callagiddy roads while there is moisture. Unfortunately, Boyd was away for a week or so due to personal reasons, however he is back in the saddle and will continue onto Carey Downs roads in the next week or so.

We will have a jet patching truck here early next month to carry out repairs on various sections of bitumen. Lance from ABBL Contracting has sourced the truck and will help oversee the repairs. Once repairs are complete, Greenfields will assist in auditing our entire bitumen network and provide a detailed maintenance program to us. This audit will inform us of our reseal program for the next 5-10 years.

Due to the recent rains and unavailability of accommodation, THEM have delayed the repairs to Ullawarra Road. They are expected to begin works by the 21stJuly and take approximately two weeks to complete.

Manager of Finance and Corporate Services

The whole team is focused on completing year end reconciliations in preparation for the Annual Financial Statements as well as drafting the 24/25 Annual Budget for the Shire. It is a huge task that needs to be completed so that the Shire can continue to operate and provide services to our community.

On Wednesday 24 July we will be holding a Budget Workshop with Council to finalise projects and expenditure and ensure we are meeting our community plan key objectives. It is anticipated that the budget will be adopted at the August 2024 Ordinary Council Meeting.

Even though we are short staffed at present the team has worked extremely well and should be commended for their efforts. Well done.



Community Resource Centre Update

The Gascoyne Junction Community Resource Centre has been listed as a finalist in the upcoming DPIRD CRC Organisation Awards. The judging panel has been impressed by the vast impact that CRCs have in creating resilient regional communities across Western Australia. Gascoyne Junction is a finalist in the Innovative Service Delivery Award for the Upper Gascoyne Youth Group. This award will be announced at the upcoming CRC Conference in July.DPIRD will be visiting Gascoyne Junction on Monday July 8 to record a video to be played at the CRC conference.

As we begin a new financial year we have secured funding agreements for the ongoing provision of services for the State Library, Services Australia and DPIRD for our overall CRC funding. A new action plan is in progress for the next three years for the CRC as a benchmark for reporting.

I attended an online session regarding the Local Government Public Health Policy that all LGAs will need to adopt by 2026. There will be several stages in bringing this policy into effect including consulting with MidWest Health to establish our Healthy and Wellbeing Profile from data, public consultation and meetings to best understand the priorities for our community. More details and a timeline for this project will be available after the release of the State Public Health Plan in October.

Work continues on the Gascoyne Connect Mining Symposium to be held in Gascoyne Junction on Thursday September 5. The program for the day's event is almost finalised with the last of speakers being locked in ready send to our invitees. A save the date has already been sent. The aim of the event is to support ongoing relationships between the mining and resource sector and the Upper Gascoyne community and to also establish new relationships. By working collaboratively, the event aims to identify potential gaps and problems as well as highlight what is working well as we continue to work together to find solutions to ensure a positive and sustainable mining industry in the Upper Gascoyne and extended Gascoyne region. This all day event will include keynote speakers and round table discussions throughout the day before a complimentary networking Outback BBQ dinner under the stars and is being supported by GDC. The Shire of Upper Gascoyne sponsored a prize in the 2023 Astrofest Astrophotography Awards.The winner visited the region in early June and captured night images across the Shire. This image of Temple Gorge is an example and a contender for the 2024 Awards. On Saturday July 6 our Dark Sky Camera went live. Each night through timelapse images of the Gascoyne Junction night sky are sent to the Global Meteor Network in Canada to be included in data used in understanding meteors.These images are now available on our webpage to share with the wider community. This is yet another important part of our submission as we begin the process to become an International Dark Sky Community.



July has seen two Stargazing nights presented to tourists in the area. 26 visitors attended the events over two nights, one held in Gascoyne Junction and a second at Mount Augustus. This inaugural event has had positive feedback and we will continue to offer these in August and September. These nights have coincided with school holidays. There has been a noticeable increase in visitors over this period with high occupancy rates in both tourist parks.

In partnership with the Gascoyne Junction Remote Community School in Term 3 we will be offering a free Auskick Clinic for residents of the Upper Gascoyne. Both Shire and School staff have put their hands up to volunteer to assist at these clinics. Many hands make light work so if anyone can assist for one, a few or all of these 10 clinics please let the CRC staff know.





SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE – AGRN1021 FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – JULY 2024

Contractor	MTF Services	Package Start Date:	8 June 2024		
		Forecast Completion Date	November 2024		
Works this period (July 2024)		Works next period (August 2024)			
No work has been progressed during July as the Contractor was on an extended break for school holidays.		Landor Mt Clere Rd			
		Complete all work on the Landor Mt Clere Rd comprising reforming and resheeting, removal of silt and reinstatement of drains.			
		Work will be progressed from Waldburg Rd working west towards Landor.			
		Waldburg Rd			
		Complete the remaining work on the southern end of this road primarily on the first 10 km north of the Landor Mt Clere Rd intersection.			
Status of Roads					
		This Month	Last Period		
Overall Package		22%	9%		
Landor Meekatharra Rd		100%	100%		
Landor Mt Augustus	Rd	Works yet to commence			
Landor Mt Clere Rd		41%	16%		
Meekatharra Mt Cler	e Rd	100%			
Mt Augustus Woodla	inds Rd	Works yet to commence			
Pingandy Rd		Works yet to commence			
Waldburg Rd		16%	0%		
Discussion Items		· · ·			
Water / Materials		Refer attached resources report			
Camp		Landor Meekatharra Rd Slk 25.8			

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Landor Mt Clere Rd



Slk 58.266 - 59.588 - Defect



Slk 58.266 - 59.588 - Completed

JUNCTION CRAFT GROUP CALENDAR 2024



30th January End of School Holidays

17th and 18th February 23rd

and 24th March

AGM/Untutored Workshop

Bag Workshop

29th March - 14th April School Holidays

20th April and 21st April

25th and 26th May

22nd and 23rd June NEW

29th June - 14th July School Holidays

29th July ~ 2nd August

24th and 25th August

21st September - 6th October School Holidays

26th and 27th October

Creative Workshop - TBA

23rd and 24th November

Christmas Craft

Contact

Email-junctioncraft@gmail.com Alys McKeough – President/Secretary 0438 384 603 Chris Kearney – Treasurer 0428 841 818 Junction Craft Group acknowledges the generous support of the Shire of Upper Gascoyne



Tuffet Workshop

Untutored Workshop

Untutored Workshop

Bullara Retreat (*Limited Numbers)

Tutored ~ TBA

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BLASTFROM THE PAST

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



Dave Macdonald (left), Shire of Upper Gascoyne special projects officer Terry Cahill, Mid West Gascoyne area consultative committee deputy president Christine Armstrong, steering committee member and Kalgoorlie MHR Barry Haase.

Pathways guidebook launched

THE Gascoyne-Murchison Outback Pathways guidebook was officially launched by Kalgoorlie MHR Barry Haase at a function at the Carnarvon Visitor Centre last Thursday morning.

There are three pathways – the Kingsford Smith Mail Run, Miners Pathway and Wool Wagon Pathway. They cover more than 3000 kilometres from Geraldton to Exmouth and east to Sandstone.

The Gascoyne-Murchison Outback Pathways guidebook consists of 176 full colour pages outlining the fascinating history, rich indigenous culture and natural beauty of this special area. Mr Haase acknowledged the work done by the original steering committee in seeing this project to completion.

"The Gascoyne-Murchison Outback Pathways are a great initiative in helping visitors get off the beaten track and experience the real Western Australian outback," he said.

Mr Haase said the Australian Government was proud to be associated with this project. It was a great example of what could be achieved through the Government's Regional Partnerships program.

The Gascoyne Murchison Outback Pathways guidebook can be purchased from the Carnarvon Visitor Centre.

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!

SAY G'DAY TO ...

Full name: Paige Hardie Nickname: Paigee Place of birth: Mornington, VIC Where did you grow up? Toowoomba, QLD Favourite food? Chicken Burger Favourite animal? Cats Footy team: Hawthorne



What is on your bucket list: Run a marathon one day

Why did you move to the Upper Gascoyne? A new experience plus my parents live here

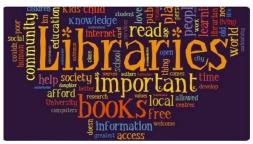
How long have you lived in the Upper Gascoyne? 7 months

What do I love most about the Upper Gascoyne? How peaceful it is and the fact that you are never bored

What services or events would you like to see in the Upper Gascoyne? Not sure

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!

BOOKS OF THE MONTH





SPREAD YOUR WINGS- EMMA DODD

A heartwarming book about growing up and exploring the world around you.

As we snuggle here together, gazing at the sky, I know that soon the day will come when you'll spread your wings and fly. A baby cockatoo learns that there is a big wide world out there to explore.

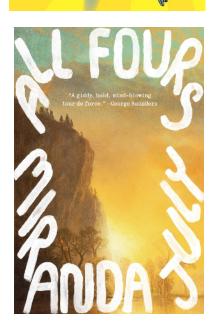
The perfect book for young and old, this uplifting and reassuring book with stunning art celebrates growing up and discovering new adventures.

TELE-PORTA-LOO- RICHARD HIGGINS

A STUPIDLY FUNNY adventure from Australia's favourite BFFs.

Rich and Matt love their nan. Unfortunately their nan has an evil NANASIS. And by the time Rich and Matt discover that their Nan ALSO has a TELEPORTING PORTALOO in the backyard it's too late. They're already hurtling through the interdimensional plumbing of time and space on a mission to stop the world from going down the toilet, literally!

THE NANASIS has gone crazy and WANTS HER STUFF BACK or the world is doomed. Can the Listies pay attention long enough to save it?



ALL FOURS- MIRANDA JULY

All Fours tells the story of one woman's quest for a new kind of freedom. Part absurd entertainment, part tender reinvention of the romantic and domestic life of a forty-five-year-old female artist.

A semifamous artist announces her plan to drive cross-country, from LA to New York. Twenty minutes after leaving her husband and child at home, she spontaneously exits the freeway, beds down in a nondescript motel, and immerses herself in a temporary reinvention that turns out to be the start of an entirely different journey.

Gascoyne Junction Remote Community School

NEWSLETTER

JULY 2024

PRINCIPAL'S POST

Hello to parents, families, and the school community.

PEAC Assessments

A reminder that PEAC assessments for Year 4 students will be held at school on Monday 29th July. Test results are used to identify eligible students for PEAC courses in 2025. Please contact me on 9943 1600 if you have questions.

Swirly Slide

Our student councillors Juanita and Scarlet will continue to raise funds this term towards the purchase of a **swirly slide** for their playground. We are hoping to raise enough funds to get this installed before the end of this year or even earlier if possible.



Our councillors will leave collection boxes in locations around town if anyone would like to support their efforts.

We thank you in advance for your support.

Lapathon

Scarlet and Juanita, our school councillors will also hold our annual Lapathon later this term. This year they will raise funds for *The Smith Family*. Keep an eye out for details in upcoming newsletters.

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Kind regards, Jackie Miller (Principal)



BOOK FAIR!!!!

Exciting News! The **Book Fair** is coming to Gascoyne Junction Remote Community School! From August 19th to 23rd, during Book Week, visit our library after 2:30pm each day to explore and purchase the latest children's books. Don't miss this chance to support our school and discover some fantastic reads!





Ingredients

- 2 cups self-raising flour
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1½ cups reduced fat
- milk
 1 tablespoon polyunsaturated margarine,
- melted or canola oil
- Canola spray



1. Sift flour into a bowl, add sugar

Pikelets

- Combine eggs and milk in a jug, add to flour and mix to a smooth batter
- 3. Heat frypan and spray lightly with oil spray or heat a flat sandwich press
- Drop dessertspoons of mixture onto the pan and cook until bubbles rise to the surface
- 5. Turn with spatula and cook on the other side
- 6. Serve topped with a thin spread of margarine, or sliced fruit such as strawberries.

Add any of these at the end of step 2 being careful not to over mix

Traffic Light: 🔵

<u>Sweet</u>

Variations

banana, mashed and ½ teaspoon of cinnamon apple, grated with skin on and ½ teaspoon of cinnamon

3/4 cup fresh or frozen blueberries

³⁄₄ cup sultanas

Savoury - omit the sugar

1/2 cup sweet corn and 1/2 cup spring onions, sliced 1/2 cup reduced fat cheese, grated and 1/4 cup chopped chives

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Everyone was very excited to be back for term 3



First day of Term 3, doing some mindfulness activities and sharing stories of our holidays.



In maths we have been testing probability by doing chance investigations.



The students have begun their training for the athletics carnival later in the term.







It is the perfect time to start studying biological science. Look at those healthy plants in the greenhouse!





Premier's Reading Challenge



The students have been reading books for the Premier's Reading Challenge.



Welcome to Term 3!



Andre and Harper selected a new lot of books for our class library this term. They have sorted them, so they are easy to find.



Shapes, shapes, and more shapes. We have been building them and sorting them!





and filling in the gaps, using their knowledge of letters and sounds to sound out some of their own words.

Jackie, Andre, and Harper have been writing sentences







Students in room 1 are learning about narratives this term. They started off with writing a story about a dog to see what they already knew.



Term 3 of Kindy and Miss Harper is already writing her name. Beautiful!

All students from K-6 are very lucky to have Ms Brie from Dust Creative Arts studio this semester to teach them some dance moves. Our first session included stage direction and dancing out names! I wonder what will be in store lesson 2!









Why is going to school regularly so important?

At school, many concepts (such as numeracy and literacy) are taught in a sequence. Missing school means missing out on learning – which can often make it difficult to catch up later. This is particularly important in the early years when essential foundation skills are being taught.

Going to school every day helps children learn the important life skill of **'showing up'** - at school, at work, to sport and other commitments.

Research from the Western Australian Telethon Kids Institute shows that **every day at** school counts towards a student's learning.

STUDENTS WHO ATTEND MORE, GENERALLY DO BETTER AT SCHOOL AND IN LIFE. EVERY DAY MATTERS!





COMING EVENTS

29/07/24	PEAC assessments. Speech Therapist		
2/08/24	CENSUS to collect details of 2025 enrolments.		
6/08/24	School Psych		
10/08/24-18/08/24	Science Week		
12/08/24	Camp Quality Car Rally		
17/08/24-23/08/24	Book Week and Book Fair ('Reading is Magic')		
19/08/24	Book Week dress up day and competition ('Reading is Magic')		
20/08/24	School Psych		
10/09/24	CSOTA Athletics Carnival (K-2 students)		
12/09/24	Jumps and Throws at CCC (Years 3-6)		
13/09/24	Interschool Athletics Carnival at CCC (Years 3-6)		
17/09/24	School Psych		



How many ways can you fill a cob loaf?

We've got all the inspiration you need with our collection of ultimate bread and dip recipes

COB LOAF RECIPES



Garlic bread cob loaf dip-This amazing cob is coated in garlic butter and filled with a creamy 3-cheese mixture – what's not to love?

Meatball cob loaf dip- We can't think of anything more satisfying than this meatball cob loaf, stuffed with moist, meaty morsels and oozing cheese.

Bacon and corn cob loaf- For an easy entertaining idea, try this warm bacon and creamed corn stuffed cob loaf.

Meat pie in a cob- For the best-ever Aussie recipe you can't beat this meat pie in a cob.

Nachos cob dip- Say 'hola' to your new party food favourite. Everyone will love digging into the beef and bean Mexican filling with corn chips, vegies toasted bread cubes.

French onion pumpkin soup in a garlic bread cob- Pump up easy pumpkin soup with flavour bomb bacon and crème fraîche in a pull-apart garlic bread cob loaf bowl!

Butter chicken in a cob- Ditch the naan bread and dish up your next butter chicken in a cob loaf. There'll be plenty of bread to soak up all that delicious sauce.

Cob loaf spinach dip recipe- A big carbohydrate hug filled with a creamy French onion dip with spinach – what could be better?

To find these recipes and more follow the link below

https://www.taste.com.au/recipes/collections/cob-loaf-recipes

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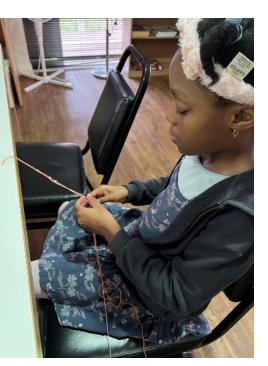


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Do you live in the Upper Gascoyne? Is your birthday missing from the monthly Gassy Gossip? Email us at crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au At our last Youth Group held in July, we were visited by Steve from DPIRD, the organisation that provides funding for the Community Resource Centre. Our Youth Group program has been nominated as a finalist in the Innovative CRC Program category in the 2024 Awards. Steve travelled from Perth to meet the group and to create a video of what the program is about. He asked the members of the group questions on why the group was created and how activities are selected. At this session, Miss Paige joined us to make frienship bracelets. Scarlet and Juanita loved learning this new skill and adding more colours to their bracelets. By the end of the session they were looking very fancy with beads. Our next Youth Group will be a movie night at the Town Pavilion on August 15.



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ALL AGES

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SPORTS KDSLYMPICS

FRIDAY 9 AUGUST

4PM TO 6PM

GASCOYNE JUNCTION OVAL

ACTIVITIES

FUN RACES SKIPPING THROWING GAMES BALL GAMES and more!

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STARGAZING IN THE UPPER GASCOYNE

Join us over the coming months for a series of Stargazing Events in the Upper Gascoyne.

Learn about the constellations in our night skies and look for the moon planets and nebulas.

This is a free activity offered by the Shire of Upper Gascoyne.

Gascoyne Junction Town Pavilion 7pm to 8pm AUGUST 5 SEPTEMBER 4

Mount Augustus Tourist Park 7pm to 8pm SEPTEMBER 3

Bookings for this FREE event can be made on the Shire webpage: uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au/events





A WEEK-LONG OUTBACK ADVENTURE WITH A MISSION TO HELP KIDS FACING CANCER



WA'S WACKIEST AND HAPPIEST OUTBACK MOTORING ADVENTURE.

Camp Quality wesCarpade is coming to a town near you! Come down, visit our wacky themed cars and help raise funds for children and families impacted by cancer. For more information visit www.wescarpade.org.au



SCAN THE QR CODE TO FIND OUT MORE!



VISITING GASCOYNE JUNCTION 12 AUGUST 2024



This event is for Upper Gascoyne residents aged 8 to 16 ONLY MIN NUMBERS APPLY.



TO BOOK YOUR TICKET: https://calendly.com/crcgascoynejunction/family-movienight

MIN NUMBERS APPLY.

Restival

Flavours of the Gascoyne

GASCOYNE JUNCTION PUB & TOURIST PARK

TICKETS ON SALE GASCOYNEFOODFESTIVAL.COM.AU

24 AUG 2024

YOU CAN PURCHASE TICKETS AT

https://www.gascoynefoodfestival.com.au/events/flavours-of-the-gascoyne



MUSIC IN THE PARK

Sunday August 25 2pm to 4pm

Live Music performed by Dylan Hutchins

Bring your chairs, picnic rugs, food and drink for this family friendly event

To register for this FREE event visit uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au/events

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GASCOYNE JUNCTION BUSH BALL FUNDRAISER

SATURDAY 9TH NOVEMBER 2024 FROM 6PM - 12AM

LIVE ENTERTAINMENT FORMAL ATTIRE DOOR PRIZE AUCTION ITEMS CHEEKI PIZZERIA CATERING ALCOHOL SOLD SEPARATELY



TICKETS ON SALE 22ND MAY 2024 AT 9AM HOSTED BY THE SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE

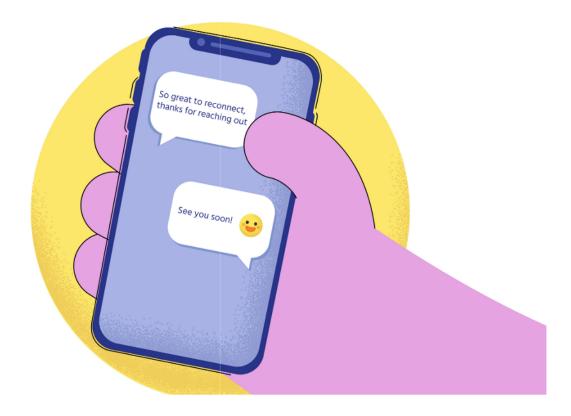




When we are stressed, tired, and focused on daily challenges, it's easy to lose touch with friends and family. Try to maintain regular contact with loved ones, join like-minded communities, or reconnect with friends.

Staying social can help you feel less alone and maintain important relationships in your life.

Learn ways to look after you at thinkmentalhealthwa.com.au



KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION 2024

Children born between 1st July 2019 and 30th June 2020 are eligible to enrol for kindergarten for 2024.

Do you live out of town or on a station and not sure of options for primary years schooling ?

Carnarvon School of the Air may be your answer.

CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION

Call : 9947 2600

Email :rachel.johnson2@education.wa.edu.au





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

TO ADVERTISE PLEASE CONTACT US CRC@UPPERGASCOYNE.WA.GOV.AU ADVERTISING RATES PER MONTH A4 - \$44.60 A5 - \$27.60 A6 - \$22.30

Business Card Size - \$9.00

Free advertising for community groups and not for profit organisations.



What's Up in the Night Sky?



With Carol Redford and Donna Vanzetti

Mysterious Dark Regions of the Sky

Our galaxy is filled with millions of stars and out under dark country skies, the view is incredible. Scientists estimate that our universe contains around 70 sextillion stars, that's a 7 followed by 22 zeros and more stars than grains of sand here on Earth.

Astrophotographers refer to this time as the 'Milky Way season'. That's because, from mid autumn to mid spring, we look towards the centre or core of our Milky Way Galaxy. It's dense with stars and stretches right across the dark night sky in country WA.

Many people around the world never see the band of the Milky Way, due to light pollution. In cities, light pollution is so bright they don't see many stars let alone the band of the Milky Way. Light pollution is increasing by about 10% every year.

Within the Milky Way there are also dark regions throughout that multitude of stars and one of interest now is the Coalsack Nebula. It is a massive dense cloud of hydrogen gas that dims the light coming from the stars behind it. It is approximately 600 light years from Earth. This thick dense cloud of gas is fuel for future star formation and can be easily seen on a dark night.

The Coalsack Nebula is special in that it also forms the head of the Aboriginal constellation, the Emu in The Sky, just below the Southern Cross.

When and where to look: On dark moonless nights after 8.30pm, look to the south.



See more stargazing tips at <u>www.astrotourismwa.com.au</u>.

Early evening moonless nights August 2024. Look for the Coalsack Nebula below the Southern Cross (circled above). Astronomical image provided by SkySafari, a Simulation Curriculum Company, All rights reserved <u>www.simulationcurriculum.com</u>.

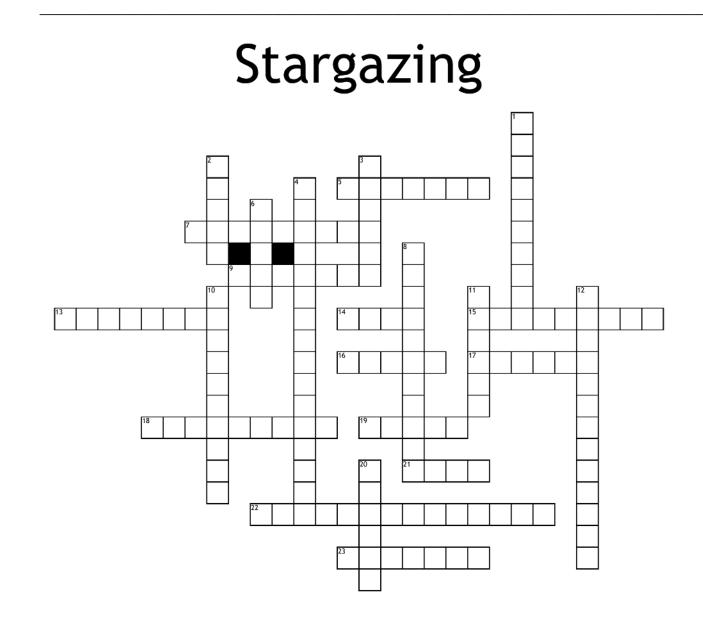


SMOKO TIME

RIDDLE OF THE MONTH

Sometimes dark and sometimes bright, I make my way among twinkling lights. Seas and oceans obey my call, yet mountains I cannot move at all. My face is marred and gray, but I'm majestic anyway. What am I?

The moon



Across

5. The planet closest to the sun

7. A large piece of rock that enters the Earth's atmosphere 9. The largest planet

13. A faint band of light made up of a vast number of stars 14. A natural satellite orbiting the Earth

15. Rocky objects in orbit between Mars and Jupiter

16. The place where we live

17. This planet has 15 moons

18. Stars shaped like a saucepan

19. The planet furtherest

away from the Sun 21. The red planet

22. Different coloured lights that come out on a clear night

23. The blue planet

Down

1. Three stars in a row

2. A ball of ice and dust with a gassy tail

3. A shooting star

4. Follows the heels of the hunter Orion

6. The hottest and brightest planet

8. A place to learn about space

10. A constellation recognisble for its W pattern

11. The planet with many rings made up of small icy particales

12. A group of stars forming a pattern or picture in the sky **20.** A large mass that revolves around the Sun

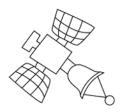
KIDS RIDDLE OF THE MONTH

DRNER

I have rings, but i'm not a piece of jewellery. What am I?

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SPACE CROSSWORD PUZZLE



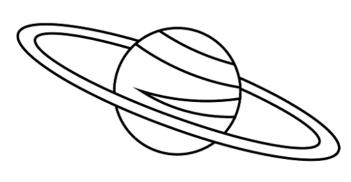
GUESS THE SOLUTIONS TO THE CLUES AND FILL THEM IN THE GRID.



- 2. TWINKLES
- 4. A BRIGHT DBJECT IN THE NIGHT SKY
- 6. THE BRIGHTEST OBJECT IN THE SKY
- 7. PERSON WHO WORKS IN SPACE

ACROSS

- 1. TUBE FOR STAR GAZING
- 3. BRIGHT DBJECT WITH A TAIL
- 5. OUR PLANET

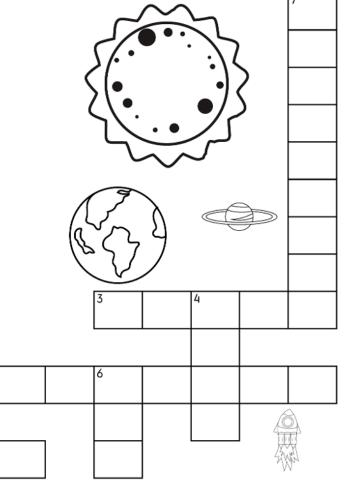


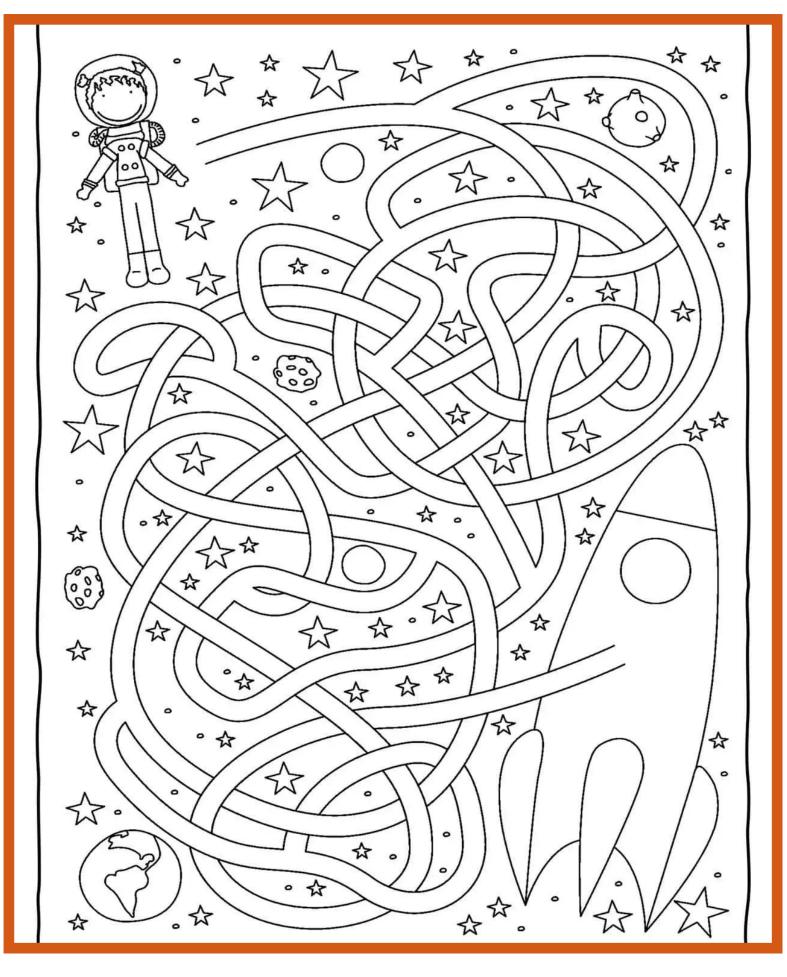
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- GP Clinics will be held on the first Wednesday of each month with the exception of Jan which is the 2nd Wed of the month.
- First Appointment is at 10am with the last at 2.15pm
- Nursing Clinics will be held on the 3rd Wednesday with the exception of January

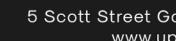


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- Appointments will be bulk billed
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05 AUGUST	07 AUGUST	09 AUGUST	15 AUGUST

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FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

GASCOYNE JUNCTION PAVILION

16 AUGUST

CRAFT GROUP

GASCOYNE JUNCTION PAVILION

24-25 AUGUST

NURSING CLINIC GASCOYNE

GASCOYNE JUNCTION COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE

21 AUGUST

BIGGEST

BBO

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TOURIST PARK

31 AUGUST

24 AUGUS

STARGAZING

GASCOYNE JUNCTION PAVILION

04 SEPTEMBER

MUSIC IN THE PARK

TWO RIVERS MEMORIAL PARK

25 AUGUST

GP CLINIC

GASCOYNE JUNCTION COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE

04 SEPTEMBER