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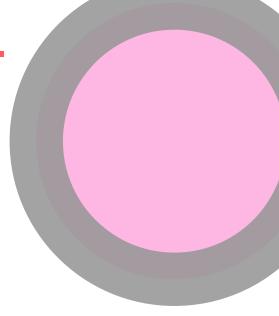
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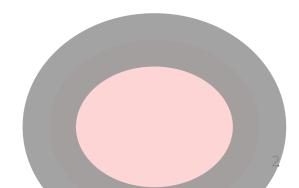
Puzzles and Games to keep the kids entertained!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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



Ordinary Council Meeting Dates

Wednesday 12th February
Wednesday 26th March
Wednesday 30th April
Wednesday 28th May
Wednesday 25th June
Wednesday 23rd July
Wednesday 27th August
Wednesday 24th September
Wednesday 22nd October
Wednesday 26th November
Wednesday 17th December

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

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



COUNCIL NEWS

CEO Report

Things have been quite hectic with Staff availability. I have had to spend a fair amount of time with the Works Area to ensure it kept running smoothly, Damien has been a great help in this regard. The primary issues have been around plant breakdowns and ordering parts.

I had a meeting in Shark Bay with the CEO's of Shark Bay and Carnarvon and the District DFES Manager to discuss a way forward for the shared CESM position.

Staff have been very busy organising and setting up the Gascoyne Junction Bush Ball Fundraiser with all proceeds going to the Cancer Council to support the provision of accommodation for Country Cancer Patients. It is intended for the Shire to adopt a room for 12 months. I have the suit pressed, new teeth in and intend to thoroughly enjoy the night. I will also address the guests on the benefit of the accommodation from my perspective of a Cancer Patient.

Congratulations go to all returning Councillors and to Greg Watters for being elected. My staff and myself are excited to work with you all.

It is good to see that the Joint Venture with Wyloo and Hastings for Yangibana Rare Earths Project has now been finalised, and I look forward to establishing a good working relationship with this new entity. I have also been in discussions with Benz Mining who are now the new operators of the Glenburgh Gold Mining tenements, representatives of Benz will attend the November Council Meeting.

Manager of Works and Services Report (CEO)

The construction works crew are continuing with the works campaign re-sheeting sections of the Carnarvon Mullewa Road. All the material is laid out, and Damien and our crew are mixing and laying the material in.

Clive and Jeff haven busy with their maintenance grading. Firstly, they ensured that all roads leading to the Landor races were attended to. Clive is currently on the Cobra / Dairy Creek Road. I was advised by various attendees at the Landor Races that our roads were in very good condition. Jeff has had to take some time off over the last couple of weeks but should be good to go on or around the 18th of this month.

Damien will be taking four weeks off starting on the 18thof this month so we will need to find someone to take on the construction work for the time being.

Dean contracting has commenced work on the Carnarvon / Mullewa SIP funded Sealing project. They have commenced from the end of the bitumen though to the Dairy Creek Boundary with the subgrade work of this section nearing completion. Material is also being carted in for the base course.

THEM will be looking to mobilise to the Landor Realignment Project in the week commencing on the 20th of October 2025 and commence works thereafter.

The new Manitou telehandler and two of the new trailers have arrived, an AFGRI representative came to town and took Sean, Jarrod and Bredan through the operation of the Manitou in Geraldton and the replacement work vehicle for Works Manager.

In the past month the town crew have been concentrating on:

- 1. In-depth residential gardening, setting ourselves up for success with the rise in temperatures on the horizon.
- 2. The start of the rotation in fertilising of the town gardens.
- 3. Weed reduction/removal around our town gardens and streets.
- 4. Organising the Shire Garden Shed, to ensure better stocktake, and better tooling/equipment storage.
- 5. Maintenance on the airstrip lighting.
- 6. Setting up for the Cancer Council Bush Ball.

Manager of Finance and Corporate Services

This month's Council meeting leads staff into the tail end of what has been a very busy month. By the time this report is presented at the October OMC, the Corporate team would have delivered on the Cancer Council Ball, be finalising the Community mental health weekend and on top of that, finalising our audit for 2024/25– after John spoke with the auditors it appears that there have been no issues raised, and we are hopeful of a clean Audit.



Community Resource Centre Update

Our visitor numbers have started to slow as the weather warms up, and we approach the end of the season.

Music in the Park lined up perfectly with the AFL Grand Final, so we made the most of it and shifted the event to the Junction Pub & Tourist Park after the final siren. Emmet from M8 Mewsic set the tone with some old-school classics, which turned out to be the perfect soundtrack to wind down the afternoon. It was a great day of music, footy, and plenty of socialising — the perfect mix for our community.

The Bush Ball is only days way, Cherie and Billie have been busy getting the final things organised. It will be a fantastic evening filled with celebration, great music, delicious food — and most importantly, support for a meaningful cause.

Planning is underway for our Community Weekend, which will celebrate both Mental Health Week and Children's Week, bringing our community together in a positive and supportive way.

There will be children's, women's, and men's workshops, along with guest speaker Warren Davies – The Unbreakable Farmer, who will share raw stories and practical tools for building resilience in small business and in life. The weekend will also feature a Community BBQ with live music on Friday evening, followed by a Community Dinner at the Junction Pub & Tourist Park on Saturday.

Yoga classes continue to be a popular weekly activity, with an average of 6–7 participants each session. The classes are not only about physical movement but also provide social connection and mental wellbeing benefits. Living remotely, we don't always have access to these kinds of opportunities, so we are very grateful to Heejong for bringing them to our community.



Our new Council has been officially sworn in following the 2025 local government elections.

Cr Blanche Walker



Cr Greg Watters



Cr Alys McKeough



We're thrilled to announce that Cr Blanche Walker, Cr Alys McKeough and Cr Hamish McTaggart have been re-elected and we also welcome back Cr Greg Watters who re joins us as a new Councillor.

At the Ordinary Council Meeting on the 22nd October Cr Jim Caunt was re-elected as Shire President and Cr Hamish McTaggart was also re-elected as Deputy Shire President of the Shire of Upper Gascoyne.

Shire President
Cr Jim Caunt



The Shire looks
forward to working
with Council and
continue
delivering for our
community and
shaping the future
of Upper
Gascoyne.

Deputy Shire President Cr Hamish McTaggart





Shire of Upper Gascoyne Notice of Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee

It is hereby notified that an Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting will be held by the Shire of Upper Gascoyne on Wednesday, 26th of November 2025 commencing at 10.00am.

This meeting will be held in the Shire Council Chambers at 4 Scott Street, Gascoyne Junction.

Ratepayers and Residents are welcome to attend the meeting.

John McCleary Chief Executive Officer

SHIRE OFFICE AND CRC CHRISTMAS CLOSURE DATES FOR 2025/2026

We would like to advise that the Shire and the CRC will be closed from 12 noon on the 19th of December 2025 to the 5th of January 2026.

We will re-open on Monday the 5th January 2025 as per normal business hours.

The Shire and CRC Staff would like to wish you all a safe and happy Christmas!





Position Title	Senior Finance Officer		
Cash Component	Highly Competitive - Dependant on experience and qualifications		
Housing New 3x2 House inclusive of rent and utilities			
Division	Finance & Corporate Services		
Reports to	Manager of Finance and Corporate Services		

The Shire of Upper Gascoyne has an excellent opportunity for a highly skilled and experienced Senior Finance Officer to join our dynamic team. The successful candidate will play a pivotal role in our finance department, contributing to the efficient processing of journals, reconciliations, and financial reports. If you have a passion for finance, excellent attention to detail, and a desire to make a difference, we want to hear from you.

Key responsibilities of the position will include:

- Provision of month end functions incorporating general ledger reconciliation and review.
- Management of fixed asset register, fair value revaluation and reconciliation.
- Assist with audit and budget preparation.
- Provide support to accounting functions and processes as required. ie payroll, creditors, debtors and bank reconciliations.
- Management of insurance portfolio.
- Rate enquiries contact in conjunction with rates officer.
- Management of grants register inclusive of grant acquittals preparation and assistance to internal stakeholders.
- · Provide the team with general accounting support and guidance.

An attractive remuneration package will be offered including a New 3x2 House inclusive of rent and utilities.

In order to be considered for the position, you must be able to demonstrate your suitability for the role.

In addition to a resume, applications should include a covering letter which clearly outlines why you are interested in the position, local government or other relevant finance experience, and other relevant skills and experience as requested in the application criteria.

An application package is available on the Shire's website

https://www.uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au/council/our-region/employment.aspx or by contacting Andrea Pears on 9943 0988. Applications close 4:00pm on Monday 1st December 2025, however the Shire of Upper Gascoyne reserves the right to close the advertising at an earlier date. Applications should be marked 'Private & Confidential – Senior Finance Officer, addressed to financemanager@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au.

The canvassing of Shire Staff and/or Elected Members will disqualify potential applicants from this process.

The Shire of Upper Gascoyne is an equal opportunity employer.

John McCleary

Chief Executive Officer

JUNCTION CRAFT GROUP CALENDAR 2025



4th Fobruary End of School Holidays	
8th and 9th March	Untutored
5th and 6th April	AGM/Cricut Workshop
12th April - 27th April	
3rd and 4th May	Woodwork Workshop - Bins
14th and 15th June	Mystery Quilt
5th July - 20th July School Holidays	
1st August - 5th August	Bullara Retreat (*Limited Numbers) TBC
20th and 21st September	TBA
21st September - 6th October School Holidays	
18th and 19th October	Mosaic Table
22nd and 23rd November	Christmas Craft

Contact

Email - junctioncraft@gmail.com

Alys McKeough - President/Secretary 0438 384 603

Chris Kearney - Treasurer 0428 841818

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BLASTFROM THE PAST

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

The Gascoyne Junction Museum has been cleaned up and refreshed!

Come down and check out the new look.







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:

Nickname:

Place of birth:

Favourite food?

Favourite animal?

Footy team:

Where did you grow up?

What is on your Bucket List?

Why did you move to the Upper Gascoyne?

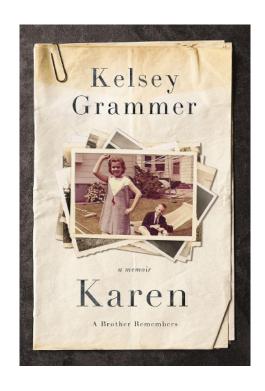
How long have you lived in the Upper Gascoyne?

What do I love most about the Upper Gascoyne?

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 above!

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BOOKS OF THE MONTH



<u>Karen: A Brother Remembers</u>

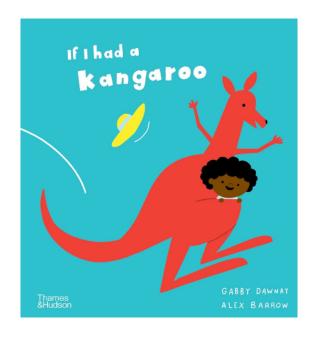
Author: Kelsey Grammer

Karen by Kelsey Grammer is a deeply moving memoir about his sister, who was brutally murdered at 18 while he was studying at Juilliard.

Grammer recounts her tragic death in Colorado Springs and the devastating impact it had on his life and family, writing with raw honesty about grief, trauma, and the long path toward healing.

More than a story of loss, the book reflects Grammer's resilience and his determination to turn tragedy into inspiration, offering solace to others who have endured similar pain.

Ultimately, Karen stands as both a tribute to his sister's memory and a powerful testament to the strength of the human spirit in the face of unimaginable loss.



If I Had a Kangaroo

Author: Gabby Dawnay & Alex Barrow

Have you ever given any thought to what the perfect jumping pet would be?

Wombats are cute, and koalas can cling, but what about a springy kangaroo?

Being an ace on the trampoline is a breeze when you have a kangaroo for a pet, but hold on to your stomach during the school run—it's pretty bumpy being bounced around in a pouch.

In this charming, rhyming bedtime story, a young protagonist imagines what it would be like to have an outrageously impractical pet.

Gascoyne Junction Remote Community School

NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2025

PRINCIPAL'S POST

Hello to parents, families, and the school community.

Term 4 is off to a great start at Gascoyne Junction RCS!

At the beginning of the term, staff took part in a valuable School Development Day with **Scott Harris from Cultures of Excellence**, focusing on school improvement planning for 2026 and building a strong, positive school culture.

We also hosted a fantastic **Art Clinic**, proudly supported by the **Shire of the Upper Gascoyne**. Gosia from G-Stop worked with our students to explore creativity through visual arts, and students produced some truly impressive pieces during the workshop.

Our **Colour Fun Day** was a huge hit with students, full of laughter, colour, and movement! It was made even more special by the attendance of a few students from **Carnarvon School of the Air** who joined us for the event.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at our **Learning Journey on Wednesday**. A great opportunity to connect with families and celebrate a successful year together.

Kind regards

Amanda Grayson - Principal



Time: **1:30pm – 3:00pm**

P Location: Room 2

A friendly reminder that our Learning
Journey will take place on Wednesday, 5th
November. Parents and carers are welcome
to pop in anytime during this session to see
the wonderful learning that has taken place
throughout the year.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Vegemite and cheese scroll

Traffic Light: (

Ingredients

- 2 cup self raising flour
- 1 1/4 cup Greek yoghurt
- 1 tbsp margarine
- 1 tbsp Vegemite
- 1/2 cup cheese, grated

Method

- Preheat oven to 180°C and line a baking tray with paper.
- Mix flour and yoghurt to form a smooth ball and knead.
- Roll out dough on lightly floured surface to a 30cm x 25cm rectangle.
 Spread margarine and Vegemite and grated cheese. Roll up from long side and cut into 3cm thick slices.
- Place cut side up onto trav.
- Bake for 20 minutes until golden.



Term 4 Begins!





Welcome to the final term of the school year! Our students have hit the ground running and are already shining like superstars. They've been learning new basketball skills, and revising their AFL techniques with Chloe and Seth from the Stephen Michael Foundation.





We're also excited to welcome our new students — Corey, DJ, and Kawhi — to Gascoyne Junction Remote Community School. It's wonderful to have them join our school community!













Our Colour Fun Day was a huge hit with all the students! Laughter, bright colours, and smiles filled the school grounds as everyone got involved in the colourful fun run.

We were very lucky to be joined by some of our SOTA friends — Hazel and George from Bidgemia Station, Billie and Mackenzie from Edagee Station, and Brooke and Ta-Leah from the Shire. It was wonderful to see everyone come together to share in the fun and community spirit.

The morning finished with a delicious, supplied picnic recess, giving everyone a chance to relax, chat, and cool off after all the colour and excitement.



















As part of the Shire of Upper Gascoyne's Community Weekend, students took part in a fantastic children's art session to celebrate Mental Health Week and Children's Week.

The session was led by Gosia from G-Stop, who painted a beautiful setting and encouraged the students to create their own versions with their own unique spin. The students had an absolute ball getting creative and expressing themselves through art!

Thanks to **Brooke from the CRC**, everyone was also treated to a delicious **smoothie and some snacks** afterwards — the perfect way to finish off a fun and inspiring morning.

A big thank you to the Shire of Upper Gascoyne for organising such a great community event and for their ongoing support of mental health awareness and children's wellbeing. #



COMING EVENTS

31/10/25	COLOUR FUN DAY
3/11/25	Stephen Michael Foundation – AFL
5/11/25	Learning Journey 1:30pm-3pm
6/11/25	Optometry Visit - CRC
6/11/25	School Psych Visit
11/11/25	Remembrance Day Celebration
19/11/25	Staff and Students Morning Tea
24/11/25-27/11/25	Year 9 Career Taster Geraldton
25/11/25	School Psych Visit
12/12/25	Community Christmas Party and School EOY Concert
18/12/25	LAST DAY TERM



Lemongrass-Ginger Coconut Grilled Steak



METHOD

Step 1 - Season the steak on all sides with the salt and place in a baking dish.

Step 2 - In a blender or food processor, pulse the coconut milk, lemongrass, ginger, garlic, sugar and fish sauce until as smooth as possible. Pour over the steak, turn to coat and let sit at least 30 minutes and up to 1 hour.

Step 3 - Prepare a grill for high heat. Grill the steak pieces, turning once halfway through, until deeply charred, about 4 minutes per side. Let sit 10 minutes before slicing against the grain.

Step 4 - Assemble the sliced steak on a serving platter and drizzle lightly with chilli crisp or sprinkle with red pepper flakes, if using, or just sprinkle it with flaky sea salt.

INGREDIENTS

- 3 pounds skirt steak, cut into 15 cm pieces
- 3 teaspoons kosher salt
- 1 cup coconut milk
- 1 stalk lemongrass, smashed and coarsely chopped
- One 7 cm piece ginger, peeled and finely chopped (3 tablespoons)
- 2 garlic cloves, crushed and coarsely chopped
- 1 teaspoon brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon fish sauce
- Chilli crisp or crushed red pepper flakes, for serving (optional)
- Flaky sea salt, for serving

HAPPYBURILIDAY

NOVEMBER

- 4 Laney McKeough
- 14 Dustin Walker
- 20 Nate Soltoggio
- 21 Dot Hammarquist



DECEMBER

- 16 Scarlet Boddington
- 27 Levi ChongWee

JANUARY

- 3 Ella Hoseason-Smith
- 3 Hazel McTaggart
- 3 John McCleary
- 17 Nat Rogers
- 17 Gracie Collins



Do you live in the Upper Gascoyne? Is your birthday missing from the monthly Gassy Gossip?

Email us at crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au

Gascoyne Junction Bush Ball:

What a night to remember!

The Bush Ball Fundraiser for the Cancer Council was an incredible success — everyone dressed in their finest and danced the night away! The band Monty Cotton was a huge hit, keeping the dance floor packed all night long.

The guests were kept full by delicious food from Cheeki Catering, we would like to acknowledge and say thanks to our Shire President, Jim Caunt, from your opening speech to your fantastic auctioneer skills — you made sure everyone dug deep for this special cause. John and Jarrod, your heartfelt speeches sharing your personal experiences with cancer truly moved everyone in the room.

Cherie and Billie, thank you for leading the charge and all your hard work in the lead-up to the event and a massive shoutout to our amazing sponsors — your generosity made this night possible so thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Nights like these wouldn't be a success without dedicated staff, councillors, and community so thank you to each and every one of you!

We're still finalising the total raised, but it's safe to say we've exceeded our goal of \$10,000 to adopt a room at Crawford or Milroy Lodge — helping ease the burden for regional patients who must travel to Perth for treatment. Thank you to everyone who contributed to making this unforgettable night such a success!





















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Community Weekend

In support of Mental Health Week and Children's Week, the Shire of Upper Gascoyne hosted a wonderful Community Weekend!

It was a fun-filled few days, kicking off with an art session with Gosia from @G-Stop Art Studio over at GJRCS. The kids had an absolute blast getting creative! We then took a break to enjoy delicious smoothies, fried rice, and a fresh healthy platter — the perfect fuel for a day full of imagination and fun.

Later that afternoon, we welcomed Warren Davies – The Unbreakable Farmer, who shared his inspiring story about resilience, mental health, and staying strong through life's challenges. His message truly resonated with everyone in the room.

We then gathered for a community BBQ, where everyone came together to share stories, good food and enjoy live music from Dylan Hutchins.

On Saturday morning, the women headed down to the Pavilion to get creative and complete a leaf design mosaic. A big thank you to the Craft Group for taking the lead and providing morning tea. Craft group members also stayed on to start their larger mosaic projects — everyone did a fantastic job and showed off their creative side!

Meanwhile, the men headed over to the Junction Pub & Tourist Park for some light-hearted competition with games of pool and darts.

Saturday night was a time for families and community members to come together, catch up, and enjoy great music along with a delicious buffet dinner and desserts at the Junction Pub & Tourist Park.

This weekend was all about connection, creativity, and checking in with one another — a beautiful reminder of the strength and spirit of our community.

A huge thank you to everyone who joined in and helped make this event such a success.

This memorable weekend was made possible thanks to the Shire of Upper Gascoyne, Gascoyne Junction Community Resource Centre, GDC, The Business Social Team and Meerilinga.

Check out pictures of our Weekend!





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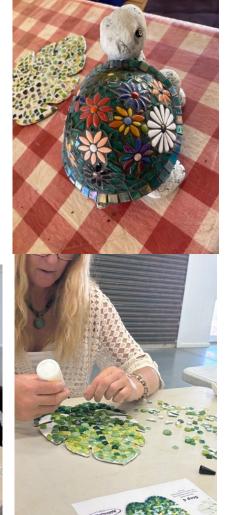






















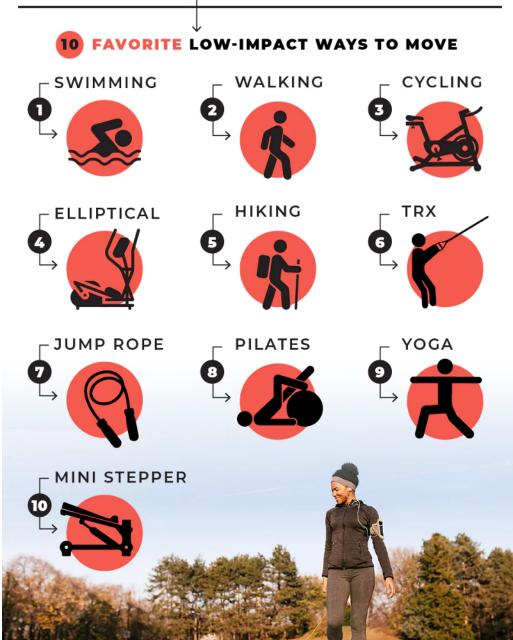


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COMMUNITY GATHERING & MORNING TEA

Are you interested in joining or supporting a new CWA branch in the Gascoyne region?

We're hosting a friendly morning tea to connect with community members and gather expressions of interest.



When: Sunday, 9 November at 10:00 AM

Where: The Old Lighthouse Cottage One Mile Jetty

Why: To bring our community together and help get the CWA Gascoyne branch up and running!

Everyone is welcome – come along for a cuppa, a chat, and to show your support.





UPPER GASCOYNE

KIDS

CLUB

LETS HAVE FUN



Games Challenge

TUESDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 4:30 PM

SNACKSPROVIDED

Ages 5 -16

RSVP

crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au or 9943 0988.







Department of Transport Remote Services

Visiting: Gascoyne Junction

When: Tuesday 25 November 2025, 8.30am-11.30am

Where: Gascoyne Junction CRC Building

We will be able to help you with the following services:

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COLLATING UPPER GASCOYNE HISTORY CAN YOU HELP?

The Shire of Upper Gascoyne is currently undertaking a project with an emphasis on preserving our past. Work has recently been undertaken to catalogue all items in the Gascoyne Junction Historical Museum and this was just the beginning. Work is underway to create signage for the Museum precinct cataloguing the history of our region. There are also projects in the early stages of development to update the Shire of Upper Gascoyne Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places, the Gascoyne Junction Town Cemetery and other burial sites across the Shire and to establish an honour board for the Upper Gascoyne War Memorial.

DO YOU KNOW OF A PLACE IN THE UPPER GASCOYNE THAT SHOULD BE ON OUR INVENTORY OF HERITAGE PLACES?

There are currently 15 sites across the Shire that are listed on the municipal heritage inventory. Former Upper Gascoyne Road Board Office, the Junction Hotel, Old Cemetery, the Station Homesteads at Carey Downs, Winderie, Jimba Jlmba, Lyons River, Mt Sandiman, Bidgemia, Dairy Creek, Minnie Creek, Mount Augustus, Landor and the original Cobra Homestead. The Former Bangemall Hotel is also listed. In 2026, we plan on conducting a review of these listings and also determining if there are more to add. If you are aware of a site, please email tcdo@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au

HAVE AN HISTORICAL ARTEFACT, AN HISTORIC EVENT OR STORY FOR THE GASCOYNE JUNCTION HISTORICAL MUSEUM

Do you have an historical artefact lying around that you don't know what to do with that helps preserve the stories of and life in the Upper Gascoyne? Did a significant event happen on your station, or in town that we might not know? Do you have a story to that you would like to share? Tell us about it using the QR code below and someone from the team will be in touch.



Use this QR Code to share your information on an historical event or story in the Upper Gascoyne

TELL US ABOUT SOMEONE YOU KNOW FROM THE UPPER GASCOYNE WHO HAS SERVED IN THE AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE FORCE

The Shire has a listing of confirmed and potential serving members to place on an honour board at the War Memorial in Gascoyne Junction. We would love to hear about your family and friends from the Upper Gascoyne who have served in conflicts for the Australian Defence Force.





Use this QR Code to share your information for the Upper Gascoyne War Memorial Honour Board

CAN YOU ADD TO OUR LIST?

BURIED IN THE GASCOYNE JUNCTION CEMETERY OR SOMEWHERE DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE OR HAVE YOU HAD A FAMILY MEMBER

ELSE IN THE UPPER GASCOYNE?

We're seeking assistance from the public to expand our list of burials and grave sites across the Shire of Upper Gascoyne. If you have any information or know of any burial sites, please reach out and help us preserve this important part of our heritage. Use the QR Code to complete an online submission or contact the Gascoyne Junction Community Resource Centre for a hard copy of the form

GASCOYNE JUNCTION CEMETERY

Flown gazetted under the name of KILLILI - and cemetery located on an island formed by the junction of the Gascoyne River with Box Gully, close to the Old Police Station

Surname	Givenname	Occupation	Age	Cause of Death	Date of Death
JACOB FRANCIS	Aboriginal	Shepherd	Unkn	Murdered by a Native	5-Mar-1882
MITCHELL	Ernest Samuel James	Station Hand	31 yrs	Fall from a Horse	31-Mar-1906
McNALLY	John Joseph 'Jack'	Station Hand	33 yrs	Heart Failure	06-Jun-1917
WEISNER	Friedrich aka Fred Winton	Station Hand	66 yrs	Natural Causes	04-Feb-1919
DALTON	Philip Joseph	Station Hand	65 yrs	Heart Failure	23-Jul-1922
MCDONALD	Frederick	Shearer	40 yrs	Accidental Drowning	14-Apr-1923
COUSINS	Fred	Blacksmith	58 yrs	Heart Failure	21-Oct-1923
SELWAY	Frederick Edward aka Frederick Edwards	Contractor	76 yrs	Natural Causes	07-Jan-1931
ABORIGINAL	Unknown				26-Jun-1931
ABORIGINAL	Unknown				15-May-1932
MOLONEY	Charlotte	Domestic	45 yrs	Natural Causes	26-Sep-1942
CARSON	Charlie	Pauper	75 yrs	Natural Causes	23-Apr-1943
JACKIE	Aboriginal	Pauper	Unkn		17-Jun-1943
FAIRWEATHER	James Henry	Gardener & Odd Job Man	62 yrs		1984
ALBINSKI	Henryk 'Harry'	General Handyman	57 yrs	Heart Attack	1984
ANDERSON	John	Grader Driver	58 yrs	Heart Attack	24-Jul-1986



Use this QR Code to share your information

DID YOU KNOW?

Douglas Hugh Phillips, a station manager from Mt Augustus who died in 1942 was buried in the Gascoyne Junction Cemetery and was later reburied in the family graveyard in Toodyay.





Regional Economic Development Grants

The Regional Economic Development Grants (RED Grants) program is a State Government initiative that is investing \$60.85 million over 11 years in locally driven projects to stimulate economic growth and development in regional Western Australia.

Delivered locally by the State's nine Regional Development Commissions, up to \$250,000 is available for individual projects that contribute to increasing or sustaining jobs, expanding or diversifying industry, developing skills or capability, increasing business productivity and attracting new investment to the regions.

To be eligible for RED Grant funding an applicant must:

- Be a legal entity capable of entering into a legally binding and enforceable financial assistance agreement (Grant Agreement) with the Western Australian State Government;
- Have an Australian Business Number (ABN);
- Have an account with an authorised deposit-taking institution (an Australian financial institution or bank) registered with the Australian Prudential Regulation Authority.

The Gascoyne Development Commission's Regional Priorities include:

- Land and housing development;
- Workforce accommodation;
- · Low carbon transition;
- Diversification of the local economy.





How to Apply

Eligible applicants are encouraged to contact Grants Officer, Courtney Whitehead at the Gascoyne Development Commission to discuss their project proposal prior to the submission of an application.

To arrange a time to discuss your project in more detail, please contact Courtney on 0467 905 262 or email **courtney.whitehead@gdc.wa.gov.au**





Cascoyine SKIES FESTIVAL MAY 21=24#2026



Under Gascoyne Skies is a must attend four day celebration of the rugged beauty and unique lifestyle of the Real Outback in the heart of the Upper Gascoyne, Gascoyne Junction. Set against the stunning backdrop of the Kennedy Range and the Gascoyne and Lyons Rivers, this festival is an unforgettable mix of music, stargazing, local history and adventure - you can even take part in line dancing classes. Enjoy a four act music festival, explore the pristine night skies through guided stargazing sessions, and immerse yourself in a photography exhibition capturing life Under Gascoyne skies. With walking tours, a taste of local history, don't miss your chance to camp under a blanket of stars and discover the heart of the outback in Western Australia.

For more events and experiences see over page.









FRIDAY NIGHT STARLIGHTS

Join us for an unforgettable night under the stars in Gascoyne Junction, where the breathtaking beauty of the night sky comes alive. This stargazing experience offers the chance to connect with passionate locals who share their knowledge and love for the celestial wonders above.

With the help of high-powered telescopes, you'll explore the stars, planets, and constellations while learning the stories that have shaped the night sky for generations. As you soak in the awe-inspiring views, enjoy a comforting hot chocolate and a delicious starry treat to make the evening even more special. In this pristine, light-pollution-free environment, you'll discover a whole new appreciation for the vastness of the universe and the simple joy of stargazing. It's a perfect family-friendly activity, a serene escape for retirees, and a must-see for any adventurer!

Friday 17 April
Friday 22 May*

(*Part of Under Gascoyne Skies Festival)
Friday 19 June
Friday 17 July
Friday 14 August
Friday 11 September

MUSIC IN THE PARK - AN OUTBACK SOUNDSCAPE

Escape to the heart of Gascoyne Junction for Music in the Park, a free, family-friendly event held on the fourth Saturday of every month from May to September at the Town Amphitheatre. From 3:00 PM, enjoy two hours of live music under the wide, blue skies of Western Australia's outback.

Each month, a diverse range of talented local performers take the stage, bringing an exciting mix of genres that will have you tapping your feet or relaxing in the lush green surrounds. Whether you're into folk, rock, blues, or something else, there's something for everyone.

Pack a chair or blanket, bring your favorite drink and snack, and unwind to the tunes while soaking in the natural beauty of the town. It's the perfect way to spend a Saturday afternoon with friends and family. Music in the Park – where great music meets the open skies. See you there!

Saturday May 23*

(*Part of Under Gascoyne Skies Festival)

Saturday June 27

Saturday July 25

Saturday August 22

Saturday September 26

WANDER GASCOYNE JUNCTION

Step back in time and explore the unique charm of Gascoyne Junction on a relaxing walking tour with a local guide. This 1-hour, flat walk covers around 3km and is the perfect way to learn about the rich history and vibrant stories that have shaped this outback town and the Upper Gascoyne region. As you stroll through the picturesque landscape, your local guide will share fascinating insights into life in the area, from its pioneering past to the present-day community. Whether you're a curious mind, like to immerse yourself in local culture, or simply a lover of history, this easy-paced tour offers a great way to connect with the heart of the Gascoyne. Available on select dates throughout the year, it's the ideal way to immerse yourself in the local culture—so be sure to book ahead to secure your spot!







For more information on these events and experiences visit www.uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au/tourism.aspx



GASSIFIEDS

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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?

It's 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.

ADVERTISING RATES PER MONTH

A4 - \$44.60

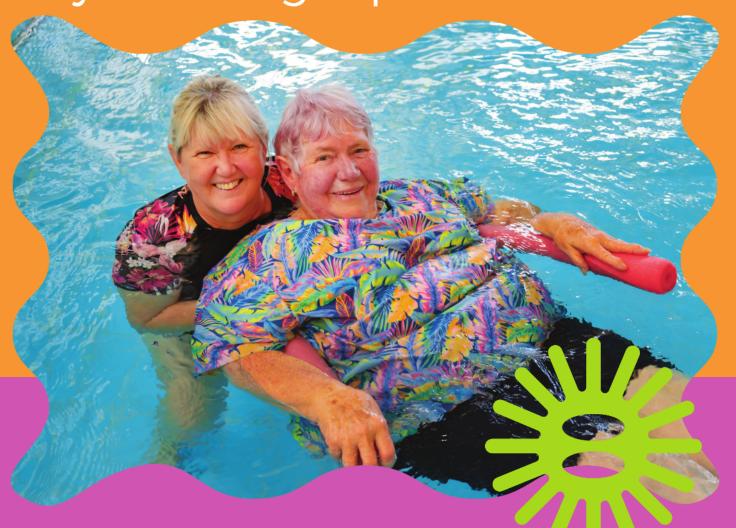
A5 - \$27.60

A6 - \$22.30

Business Card Size - \$9.00

Contact the CRC on 9943 0988 or crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au

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What's Up in the Night Sky?



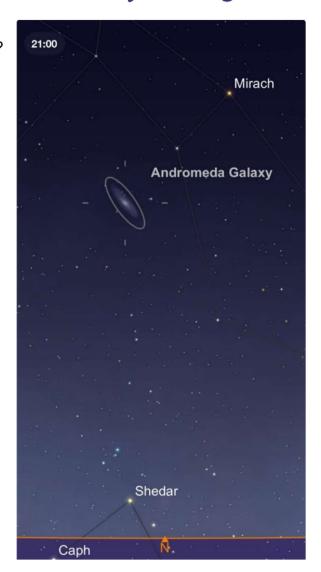
November is Time for Galaxy Hunting

Have you ever seen something that is 2.5 million light years away from Earth? November is your chance!

The Andromeda Galaxy is in our local group of galaxies, a neighbour of our home galaxy, the Milky Way. Research from the University of Western Australia node of the International Centre for Radio Astronomy Research estimates that Andromeda is the same size as the Milky Way or perhaps even slightly smaller.

A dark night sky is essential to see Andromeda, as it is a very faint object, and it will appear as a very small and faint smudge. The best time to see it is between 12th to 22nd November. At 9pm, the sky will be dark with no moonlight. Look directly north and find the brighter star called Mirach (see the image, right). Andromeda is a bit lower and to the left of Mirach, about 15° above the horizon.

A good tip is to use "averted vision" to see Andromeda from your peripheral eyesight. Don't look directly at Andromeda, instead look a little off to one side. Apps like SkySafari or Stellarium have a compass tool that can also help guide you across the night sky to find Andromeda's location.



The location of Andromeda Galaxy. 9pm, 12th - 22nd November. Image provided by SkySafari, a Simulation Curriculum Company, All rights reserved www.simulationcurriculum.com.

As regional WA residents, you can be very proud of our dark night sky. It's a view that has disappeared in many places around the world. Your local community is working with Astrotourism WA to share and protect our beautiful night sky.

When and where to look: From 9pm, between 12th to 22nd November. North.





SMOKO TIME

RIDDLE OF THE MONTH

I have cities, but no houses. I have mountains, but no trees. I have water, but no fish. What am I?

EASY

SUDOKU

Puzzle #1

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Puzzle #2

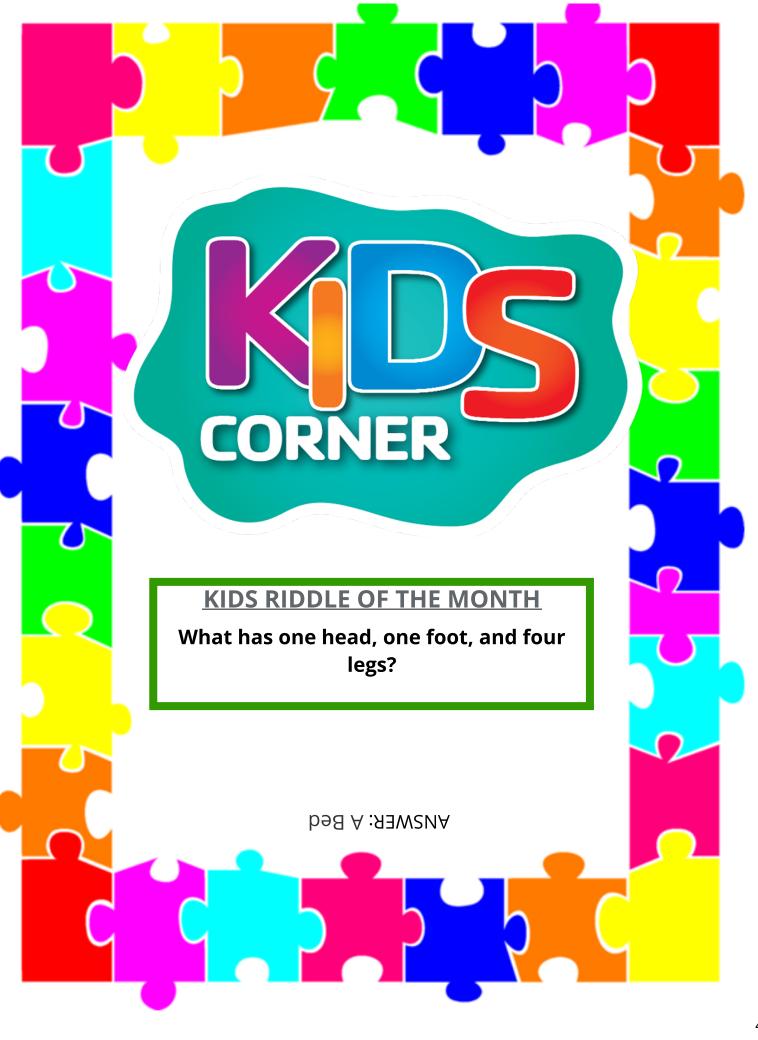
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Puzzle #3

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Puzzle #4

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Use the picture clues to solve these crossword puzzles. **FRUITS** E C



Gascoyne Junction 2025 GP CLINIC DATES



09 JAN 05 FEB 05 MAR **02 APR** 07 MAY 04 JUN 02 JUL 06 AUG 03 SEP 01 OCT 05 NOV **03 DEC**

Gascoyne Junction 2025 NURSING CLINIC & PHYSIO DATES



15 JAN 19 FEB 19 MAR 16 APR 21 MAY 18 JUN 16 JUL 20 AUG 17 SEP 15 OCT 19 NOV 17 DEC

- * Appointments will be 30 minutes long but longer consultations can be requested
- * Appointments will be bulk billed
- * Appointment can be made by online via the following link

https://www.uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au/community/our-community/medical-clinics.aspx





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5 NOVEMBER

KIDS CLUB

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RESOURCE
CENTRE

18 NOVEMBER

NURSING CLINIC

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CENTRE

19 NOVEMBER

PHYSIO CLINIC

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19 NOVEMBER

UPCOMING 2025 EVENTS



CRAFT GROUP

GASCOYNE JUNCTION PAVILION

22-23 NOVEMBER

GP CLINIC

GASCOYNE
JUNCTION
COMMUNITY
RESOURCE
CENTRE

3 DECEMBER

KIDS CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES

GASCOYNE JUNCTION PAVILION

9 DECEMBER

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY

GASCOYNE JUNCTION PAVILION

12 DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS DAY

25 DECEMBER

BOXING DAY

26 DECEMBER

DO YOU HAVE
AN EVENT
YOU WOULD
LIKE ADDED
TO OUR 2026
UPCOMING
EVENTS
CALENDAR

CONTACT
THE CRC
WITH YOUR
EVENT
DETAILS