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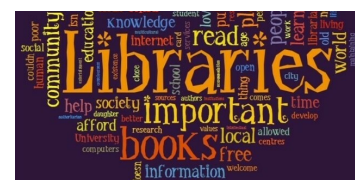
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Ordinary Council Meeting Dates

Tuesday 10th February
Wednesday 25th March
Wednesday 22nd April
Saturday 23rd May
Monday 29th June
Wednesday 29th July
Wednesday 26th August
Wednesday 23rd September
Wednesday 28th October
Wednesday 25th November
Wednesday 16th 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

Chief Executive Officer

This month seems to have come and gone in a blink of an eye. The organisation still continues to be under some stress due to staff resourcing issues. We are still attempting to fill the Maintenance Grader and Serviceperson/General Operator Positions. Two rounds of advertising have yet to land on the right people for the positions. We will go again and see what this brings forward. On a brighter note, Sean's replacement, Adam Watkins has commenced duties. Adam comes from the Shire of Shark Bay, and I am confident that he will fit in nicely and become a valued member of the team.

I had a very enjoyable road trip with our Shire President and former Councillor Mr David Robinson (Waddy). We inspected the new works on Carnarvon/Mullewa Road and the Landor Realignment Project and also went up to Mount Clere Station and caught up with Councillor Watters. Whilst on the Glenburgh/Dalgety Road we called into Benz Mining Camp and caught up with them. Benz have a camp of around 100 people and are flat out drilling with seven rigs onsite. We spent the night at Mount Augustus and were treated to a very hearty meal. The following day we travelled back to Gascoyne Junction via Cobra/Gifford, Gifford/Edmund and Ullawarra Roads. We called into Yangibana Rare Earths Mining Camp, not much action is happening in this space at the moment. Overall the roads were in fair/good condition with the worst being at the top end of Ullawarra going into Edmund/Gifford Creek.

I have started the process of transitioning into retirement. With the advent of new legislation there is now a distinct legislated process for hiring a new CEO. This entails forming a committee, doing a Terms of reference, seeking an independent person and securing the services of an appropriate HR Company. Kim and I have purchased a new property in Victoria and we have put the Collie house on the market. Once the purchase/sale has been completed I will be in better position to determine my last day of service. At this point I am thinking February/March 2027.

The Hot Springs Project is moving ahead. In partnership with the Gascoyne Development Commission a contractor for the Concept Design and Visualisation of the project has been selected and we look forward to the next steps in this very exciting project.

We have continued with the development of the 26/27 Budget. Now that the books for the 25/26 financial year have been closed off we will be in a better position to predict the open/closing surplus.

On the 20th of July the President of WALGA – Mark Irwin AM and the CEO of WALGA – Mr Nick Sloan visited Gascoyne Junction for a brief tour of our Local Government. Jim and I had dinner with them and the following morning took them for quick tour of our road network. Both Mark and Nick are members of the State Road Advisory Committee.

The financial statements for June are still subject to yearend and audit adjustments so the final figures for 2026 will differ to this report.

Preparation of the draft budget is progressing but slightly behind where I wish it to be. The objective remains to present a substantially complete set of figures to the Council at this meeting. Following this presentation, management will conduct a final review and make necessary adjustments during August to ensure the budget is ready for formal adoption at the August meeting. The return of Andrea Pears will bring a fresh set of eyes and significant experience having previously prepared budgets for the Shire.

Tourism & Community Report

CRC

Our operational plan submitted to DPIRD has been approved so we look forward to delivering a wide range of events and services for our community in the 26/27 year. CRC Stakeholder organisations have been sending through their annual agreements and have worked with us to conduct audits on how we deliver our services which have all been successful.

After road closures at the beginning of June, visitor numbers have finally seen an uptick with a steady stream of visitors coming through daily. This is a promising sign after the slow start to the year across the state due to the fuel scarcity crisis and Cyclone Narelle.

Poor weather saw the June Music in the Park move to the Gascoyne Junction Pub & Tourist Park but an audience of locals and visitors enjoyed live music from Mick Mills. Geoff Udy will be performing at the July Music in the Park.

Community

A dedicated team of volunteers has been busy getting the garden beds at the Community Garden ready for planting. Our busy bees on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons have been well attended with some additional work outside of these times. It is wonderful to see the space coming back to life.

A GP Clinic and Nursing Clinic have been held in June. They were both well attended. The RFDS calls were also steady through June with five calls assisted with at the CRC by staff.

Work is underway on our Community Weekend to be held on Friday October 9 and Saturday October 10. On the night of October 9, Gascoyne Junction will host the West Coast Long Drive Car Rally raising awareness and funds for Farm Angels. On this night we will also welcome back the Bogan Bingo team to conduct an Aussie Icons Quiz Night. The Saturday will see live music, family movies, a community BBQ and the return of the Gascoyne Junction Tennis Championships. The weekend will coordinate activities for Mental Health and Children's Week.



Tourism

The petrol awning signage was installed at the Gascoyne Junction Pub & Tourist Park providing a lift to the façade of the building and making it easier for visitors to identify the facility in town. Thanks to Paul Kearney and his team for getting this job finalised.

Three submissions were made for the RFQ put out by the Gascoyne Development Commission on our behalf to deliver a Concept Design & Visualisation package for the Gascoyne Junction Hot Spring Project. Mala Landscape and Design have been appointed for this project which will be delivered in three stages over 10 weeks commencing in August. The first stage will involve an onsite visit from August 5 to 7 in Gascoyne Junction.

Meetings have been held with Fremantle Bienale – a company who creates drone shows to share stories in the Night Sky specifically built to our regions. Discussions are underway for a show specific to the Upper Gascoyne as part of a wider Gascoyne collaboration. An onsite visit across the Shire is planned for mid-September visiting Gascoyne Junction, Kennedy Range and Mt Augustus.

It is the time of the year where we continue our marketing for this season but also begin to plan ahead for 2027 working with our digital and print marketing partners to share our messages through a mix of distribution channels to communicate with our target audiences.

Executive Manager of Works and Services

As we kick start the new financial year, the past month has been about consolidating and tidying up a few projects. Dameon and the Road Construction Team have finished up the Landor-Meekatharra Road works and have started mobilising to the next job. The team did a fantastic job. Next, they will be resheeting 13km of road along the Cobra-Gifford Road. Whilst this section appears to be in good shape, there is no longer any material left to conduct maintenance grading on and holds no form for shedding water. The team will be concentrating on building this section back up, to allow for many years of maintenance grading.

The maintenance grader has been around the Mount Augustus area, he will be shifting his focus toward the top end of Cobra-Dairy Creek Road, then shifting onto Ullawarra Road. There are some minor washouts from previous rain events in these areas that need some much-needed attention, along with general maintenance grading. Jeff has been doing a fantastic job, as he has been conducting a one man show while we continue to look for another grader operator to fill the vacant grader maintenance role.

The Town Crew has some great news, as their new Town Maintenance Supervisor has started this week. We would like to welcome Adam Watkins to the team. Adam has previous experience in his current role, having performed a similar role for the Shire of Shark Bay. He has performed what can only be described as a reverse sea change with moving to the Upper Gascoyne. Please be sure to introduce yourself to Adam should you get the opportunity, he's very approachable, very knowledgeable, and will be a big addition to the team. We look forward to the new financial year and sinking our teeth into what is ahead.



LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXTRAORDINARY ELECTION CALL FOR NOMINATIONS Shire of Upper Gascoyne

An Extraordinary Postal Election will be held on Thursday, 24 September 2026 in the Shire of Upper Gascoyne to fill the following vacancy:

District

1 Councillor

Expiry of term: 16 October 2027

Nominations Open on Tuesday, 4 August 2026

Nominations Close at 4.00pm Tuesday, 11 August 2026

Nominations must be lodged with the Returning Officer:

- at any time during the above period by arrangement; or
- between 2.00pm and 4.00pm Tuesday, 11 August 2026 (close of nominations) at the Shire of Upper Gascoyne, 4 Scott Street, GASCOYNE JUNCTION.

Nominations Requirements

Candidates are required to lodge with the Returning Officer:

- The Commission's preferred method for candidates to nominate is through the Commissions Nomination Builder. This tool assists candidates in completing their nomination form, including their profile and additional information. The Nomination Builder can be accessed via www.lgportal.waec.wa.gov.au/noms. Candidates can complete their nomination details and profile, print the completed form with the allocated nomination ID, and lodge it with the Returning Officer. Alternatively, a copy of the prescribed nomination form is available from the Returning Officer or via www.elections.wa.gov.au/Candidate-Information
- a single A4 page profile of not more than 1,000 characters (including spaces) containing information about the candidate;
- a nomination deposit of \$100 (cash, EFT, bank cheque or postal order);
- a recent passport-sized photograph (optional);
- every candidate must complete the online course titled *Local Government Candidate Induction*, available at [Induction for Prospective candidates | LGIRS candidates](#), prior to nominating and provide the course code on the nomination form; and
- in addition to the candidates A4 profile, Candidate can provide additional information that they consider to be relevant to their candidature. This written statement cannot be more than 2,000 characters (including spaces), must be in the English language and is for publication on the local government's official website only. (optional)

Please Note:

Where an agent lodges a nomination on a candidate's behalf, it must be in the prescribed form with a written authorisation signed by the candidate. The documents may be hand delivered or posted to the Returning Officer and must be received by the close of nominations.

Information

Full details about eligibility and nomination procedures for prospective candidates can be obtained by contacting the Returning Officer, **James WILLIAMS** on **0417 576 132** or the Western Australian Electoral Commission on 13 63 06.

DENNIS O'REILLY
ELECTORAL COMMISSIONER
13 63 06



2026 EXTRAORDINARY COUNCIL ELECTIONS

24TH SEPTEMBER 2026

**1 COUNCILLOR
POSITIONS UP FOR
NOMINATION**



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

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

For those intending to nominate for
a Councillor position the first date
you can nominate on the
4th of August 2026.

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

**The nomination period is open for 8
days and closes
at 4.00pm on the 11th of August
2026.**

All candidates must complete an online
candidate induction prior to nominating for
election so they are fully aware of what to
expect as an elected member and the rules
related to campaigning. This will be available
on the Department of Local Government,
Sport and Cultural Industries web site.
Candidates must also make a deposit of
\$100 which is repaid if the candidate
receives more than 5% of the vote.

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

**SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE – CARNARVON MULLEWA RD UPGRADE 2026-27
MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – JULY 2026**

Earthworks Contractor	Dean Contracting	Start Date	13 July 2026
Sealing Contractor	Colas	Practical Completion Date (Dean)	31 December 2026
Project Overview			
The 2026-27 Carnarvon Mullewa Rd upgrade project involves upgrading approximately 15 km of the “Carnarvon to Meekatharra Route” from gravel to seal standard between Slk 121.80 - 137.03. The work scope includes: • Bulk earthworks, embankment construction & subgrade preparation • Pavement construction & roadside drainage works • Construction of ten sections of cement-stabilised floodways • Supply & installation of rock protection • Removal & reinstatement of the existing rock protection • Removal & disposal of the existing stock grid at SLK 133.20 • Adjustment of table drains to accommodate the new widened road formation • Renewal of existing offshoot drains and construction of new drainage • Reinstallation of existing road signage • Installation of additional signage & delineators • Maintenance of constructed pavement pending completion of spray sealing works • Provision of water cart to support spray sealing work The project is funded via the State Initiative Program. Dean Contracting is delivering the earthworks and pavement construction under RFT07 2025-26. Colas is responsible for the spray seal works under RFQ01 26-27.			
Works this period – July 2026		Works next period – August 2026	
• Mobilise camp to site • Commence subgrade preparation and basecourse import		• Continue subgrade preparation • Continue basecourse import • Commence rock removal to establish road formation	

Carnarvon Mullewa Rd Upgrade 2026-27	Clearing, Embankment & Subgrade	Basecourse and Stabilisation	Culverts & Drainage	Sealing	Signs and Delineators	Overall
	10%	0%	0%	0%	0%	5%



Loading Gravel



Gravel Stockpile



Turkey's Nest Slk 122



Tipping Out Basecourse



Tipping Out Basecourse

Two Rivers Memorial Park

Memorial Plaques

At the July Council Meeting, a policy was endorsed to introduce Memorial Plaques within the Two Rivers Memorial Park. With no cemetery in Gascoyne Junction, finding a suitable place for residents and those with close ties to the Upper Gascoyne community can be remembered, has been on council's agenda for sometime.

From August 27 applications for a memorial plaque can be submitted for approval. Once an application has been approved the applicant will then make payment of the Memorial Plaque Fee. This fee covers the cost of a concrete plinth, plaque with engraving and installation under a tree in the Memorial Park.



Music in the Park

Upper Gascoyne loves when Geoff Udy comes to town and he did not disappoint putting on a incredible performance for the July Music in the Park on Saturday July 25. The weather was kind with clear blue skies and no wind making for a lovely afternoon on the grass. It was great to see a mix of locals and visitors in the crowd. Thanks to Geoff for making the trek to Gascoyne Junction again. Our next Music in the Park is August 22.





Gascoyne Junction Community Garden

The first plants are in. Our team of volunteers have planted a test crop to see what works and what doesn't. With seedlings hard to source, a seed germination project will also get underway. Stay tuned to find out more about how you can access the garden. The Community Garden will have different levels of membership in 2028 for using the produce from the garden.

Over the coming weeks we shall be starting our composting program. We will gladly accept your scraps as a donation towards keeping our soils fertile.



GASCOYNE JUNCTION COMMUNITY GARDEN

● GUIDE TO COMPOSTING ●

Composting is a great way to recycle food scraps and garden waste into nutrient-rich compost. Instead of throwing away fruit and vegetable scraps, coffee grounds and eggshells, these everyday kitchen leftovers could be turned into nutrient-rich compost to help our garden grow. It's a simple and practical way to reduce household waste while giving something back to the community.

Entering the garden from Gregory Street, you will find two tall composting bins on either side of the entry gates. Please feel free to drop in and deposit your compost waste, and remember to close the door behind you.

What Can You Compost?

Green Materials (Nitrogen)

These provide nutrients and moisture.

Fruit and vegetable scraps
Coffee grounds and paper filters
Loose tea leaves or plastic-free tea bags
Fresh grass clippings
Fresh garden prunings
Soft weeds (before they go to seed)
Old cut flowers

Brown Materials (Carbon)

These provide structure and improve airflow.

Dry leaves
Straw or hay
Shredded newspaper
Plain cardboard
Paper towels and napkins
Small twigs and wood chips
Old dry lawn clippings
Sawdust (from untreated timber only)

Please Don't Add

To keep our compost healthy, please leave these items out. These items can attract pests, create odours and slow down the composting process.

- Meat, fish and bones
- Dairy products
- Cooking oils and fats
- Pet waste
- Plastic, glass and metal
- Glossy or coated paper
- Treated or painted timber
- Large branches



Why Compost?

- Reduce household waste going to landfill
- Create nutrient-rich compost for our Community Garden
- Improve soil health and help the garden retain moisture
- Grow healthier plants
- Build a more sustainable Gascoyne Junction

Composting Tips

- Chop It Up
- Cut larger scraps into smaller pieces so they break down more quickly.
- Remove stickers and packaging
- Keep It Moist - Compost should feel like a wrung-out sponge damp but not soggy.
- Balance Your Mix. Add a mixture of green and brown materials regularly to keep the compost healthy.
- Give It Air. Turn or mix the compost every week or two to introduce oxygen, speed up decomposition and reduce odours.



Gascoyne Junction Community School

NEWSLETTER

July 2026

Responsibility

Resilience

Respect



PRINCIPAL'S POST

Hello to parents, families, and the school community.

Welcome back to Term 3! I hope everyone had a wonderful and relaxing holiday break. It's hard to believe we're already in the second half of the school year. Time certainly does fly!

As we begin the new term, we say goodbye to Bridie, who has moved to her new school. Bridie has been a friendly, caring and dedicated member of our school community, and she will be greatly missed by both staff and students. We wish her every happiness and success as she begins this exciting new chapter.

On **Monday, 20 July**, staff participated in a Staff Development Day where we explored the Department of Education's new strategic document, *Our Plan for Public Education*. The day provided an opportunity to reflect on our school's priorities and ensure we continue to deliver the best possible outcomes for our students and community.

Our **10th Annual Pink Stumps Day** was a fantastic success, with an incredible **\$4,245** raised for the McGrath Foundation. We are so grateful for the generosity and support shown by our wonderful community, sponsors and volunteers. Events like these simply wouldn't have been possible without everyone coming together, and we sincerely thank each and every person who contributed.

A very special thank you goes to **Blanche Walker**, who returned to Gascoyne Junction during her long service leave to help organise and run the day. Blanche, your willingness to come back and support our school and community speaks volumes about your commitment and generosity. We are incredibly grateful, and as always, you did an amazing job.

During the last week of term, we also celebrated **NAIDOC Week**. Students participated in a range of engaging activities that helped build their understanding and appreciation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures, histories and achievements. We finished the celebrations with a wonderful staff and student morning tea.

We are excited about the term ahead, which will be filled with engaging learning opportunities and exciting school events. I look forward to sharing our students' achievements and celebrating their successes with you throughout the term.

Amanda Grayson - Principal

Staff Development Day



NAIDOC Morning Tea



Bridie Walker-always a part of GJRCs



Green Light Recipe of the Month

Rainbow Veggie Wraps

Ingredients

- 4 wholemeal wraps
- 200 g cooked chicken (or a can of tuna or chickpeas for a vegetarian option)
- 1 cup baby spinach
- 1 grated carrot
- ½ cucumber, sliced into thin strips
- ½ capsicum, thinly sliced
- ¼ avocado, mashed
- 2 tablespoons hummus or reduced-fat cream cheese

Method

1. Spread the hummus (or cream cheese) over each wrap.
2. Add the spinach, carrot, cucumber, capsicum and avocado.
3. Top with the chicken, tuna or chickpeas.
4. Roll the wrap tightly and slice in half.
5. Enjoy as a healthy lunch, picnic or after-school snack!

Why it's a Green Light recipe:

Packed with colourful vegetables, lean protein and wholegrains, these wraps are full of fibre, vitamins and energy to help children stay focused and active throughout the day. They align well with healthy eating recommendations for school lunches.

Healthy Tip: Encourage children to "eat the rainbow" by including different coloured fruits and vegetables each day.





This term we have been reading the story "Where is the Green Sheep?" and having lots of fun making our own version.



Harley has made an awesome poster for the CRC all about the tourist spots at Gascoyne Junction. Well done, Harley!



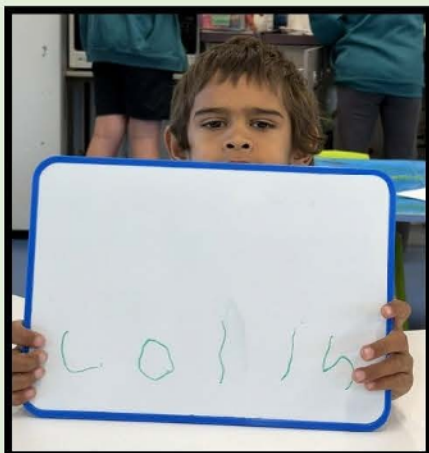
During fitness, we have started riding bikes around the Community. Sadly, I am not as fit as Harley is! 🙄



Making some clay art
and a yummy morning
tea to celebrate
NAIDOC week. 🇺🇸

Colin getting
very clever with
writing his
name!! 🏆

Rest and relax!
Story time with
Ainsley at the
Community
Library.



Pink Stumps Day





Coming Events

04/08/26	Stephen Michael Foundation visit (SMF)
18/08/26	SMF Visit
19/08/26	Student excursion - Burrowing Bees
26/08/26	Student excursion – C'von – Indigenous Literacy Day

GASCOYNE JUNCTION

Community Weekend

9-10 October 2026

A WEEKEND TO CONNECT, CELEBRATE
AND ENJOY OUR AMAZING COMMUNITY!



FRIDAY 9TH 2026

8AM - 5PM DIGITAL SMALL BUSINESS WORKSHOP
Hosted by The Business Social

ARRIVE MID AFTERNOON WEST COAST LONGDRIVE Farm Angels Car Rally

6.30PM ONWARDS GREAT AUSSIE ICON QUIZ & COMMUNITY DINNER
Hosted by Bogan Bingo

AFTER QUIZ LIVE MUSIC with Grant Hart

SATURDAY 10TH 2026

10AM - 12NOON CHILDREN'S WEEK - ART CLASS TO REFLECT CULTURE OF THE UPPER GASCOYNE

10AM - 4PM UPPER GASCOYNE TENNIS TOURNAMENT

12NOON - 3PM CATERED COMMUNITY LUNCH

10AM - 4PM LIVE MUSIC WITH GRANT HART throughout the day

MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW



THIS IS A FREE
EVENT FOR LOCAL
RESIDENTS WITH A
6705 POSTCODE.



Department of
Primary Industries and
Regional Development



Small Business Workshop

Hosted by *The Business Social*

What is included

- ✓ Two experienced facilitators delivering the full-day program.
- ✓ All workshop content, materials, and resources tailored to a regional small business audience
- ✓ A take-home workbook covering all workshop materials, plus follow-up exercises to help attendees stay on track
- ✓ Interactive delivery style with plenty of room for questions and group discussion

This event is for anyone interested in starting a small or micro business, as well as existing business owners looking to gain new skills, practical advice, useful tools, and support to help grow their business.

This is a FREE event for local residents with a 6705 postcode. \$250 per person for non-local attendees with lunch & dinner provided. Bookings can be made through Eventbrite.

For inquiries, please call the Gascoyne Junction Community Resource Centre on (08) 9943 0988



FRIDAY 9TH OCT 26 8am-5pm



Gascoyne Junction Community Resource Centre

Here's How The *Day* Looks

Morning Session: 8.00am-12.00pm

Business Fundamentals

8:00am – 9:30am | Starting Strong: Business Basics for Regional Entrepreneurs — the essentials every business owner needs, from structure to pricing, without the overwhelm.

9:45am – 11:15am | Cool Business Tools — our favourite tools, live and in action, to help you stay organised and run more efficiently.

11:30am – 12:00pm | AI for Small Business — a friendly, jargon-free intro to using AI for content, admin, and customer communication.

Lunch Break: 12.00pm-1.00pm

Afternoon Session: 1.00pm - 5pm

Wellbeing (Mental Health Week Theme)

1:00pm - 3:00pm | The Breakthrough Stop Burn Out, Start Thriving — our most requested session, tackling burnout, boundaries, and healthier work habits.

3:15pm – 5:00pm | Continued Discussion, Reflection & Wrap-Up — extra time built in, because these conversations always run long!



About The Business Social

We are deeply committed to supporting regional communities through continued growth, improved wellbeing, and professional development. We're here to provide ongoing support for attendees via our Business Social Membership Program.



Department of
Primary Industries and
Regional Development

ServiceWA app: Fuel Support Payment

About the offer

From **1 July 2026**, the Fuel Support Payment will be available via the ServiceWA app.

The Fuel Support Payment is a cost-of-living measure to help Western Australians with fuel costs.

The one-off \$100 payment will help with fuel costs and can be used however you choose, including donating it to a charity directly through the ServiceWA app.

Eligibility and who can claim the Fuel Support Payment?

The payment is available to motorists with a valid Western Australian driver's licence, including learner's permits, provisional and extraordinary driver's licences.

How to claim

- The fastest and most convenient way to claim the Fuel Support Payment is through the ServiceWA app.
- Log in with your Digital ID and fill in the form with your licence details.
- Alternatively you can fill out a hardcopy claim form which you can obtain from the Community Resource Centre.

Individual appointments are available through the Gascoyne Junction CRC to assist with setting up your ServiceWA App.

**Call 08 9943 0988 or
email crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au
to arrange a time.**



Hardcopy Forms
available at Upper
Gascoyne CRC

\$100 Fuel Support Payment

For all valid WA driver's licence holders



Claim on the
ServiceWA app



wa.gov.au/fuelpayment



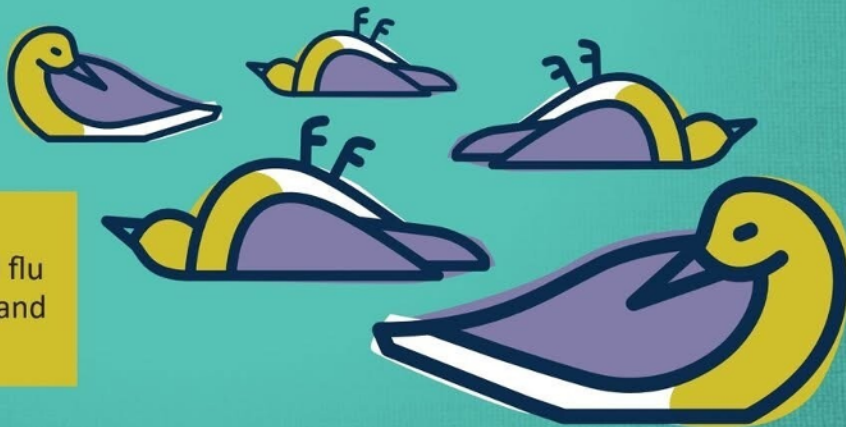


Australian Government

Help spot H5 bird flu

H5 bird flu

is the most serious type of bird flu and has killed millions of birds and mammals worldwide.



Avoid



Don't touch sick or dead animals



Keep pets away

Record



Photos or video



Date, time and location



What you've seen



Report



Call the 24-hour
Emergency Animal
Disease Hotline

1800 675 888



Find out more at
birdflu.gov.au or scan the QR code.

NEED A LITTLE DIGITAL HELP?



Is there something digital you'd like help with?

Whether it's using your phone, tablet or computer, setting up an email, accessing online services, staying safe online, using social media, or learning a new software or program we're here to help.

We're looking at future Digital Inclusion sessions based on what our community needs, so we'd love to hear from you. Drop into the CRC or give us a call and let one of our staff know what you'd like help with.

Keep an eye out each month for a new factsheet with practical tips to help you feel more confident using technology.

WHAT IS CRC CHAMPION'S PROGRAM?

The CRC Champion's Program gives CRC staff the skills and confidence to help the community with everyday technology. From using online services to staying safe online, the program helps us better support our community with all things digital.



WEB BROWSER SAFETY TIPS

Simple Tips for Browsing Safely Online



A **web browser** lets you access websites on the internet. It retrieves and displays web pages, including text, images, and videos.



Browsers can warn you about dangerous websites that may steal personal information, install viruses, trick you into downloading unwanted software, scam you into buying things, or show harmful content.



Popular web browsers include Microsoft Edge, Apple Safari, and Google Chrome, and they update automatically to improve security.



Cookies can save preferences and personalise content; private browsing hides activity from others on your device; use official extension stores, watch for ads marked "Ad", and keep your browser updated.

TIPS

Avoid clicking ads or suspicious download buttons.
Save passwords securely using your browser's password manager.
Only install extensions from official stores.

BROWSE SMART. STAY SAFE.



Think before you click.



Keep your information private.



Use trusted sites and sources.



Keep your browser updated.



What is Million Moves:

75% of Australians aren't moving enough, and that's our parents, friends, kids, and communities. Million Moves isn't just a exercise challenge, it's a movement to change that. From 1-21 September, we are asking Australia to complete to get moving for 21 days.

1 minute of movement = 1 move
Every minute counts. Every move matters

.Any movement counts, big or small, seated or standing, high or low impact. No cost. No catch. Just sign up and start moving for your health, your family, and the 75%.

Why is it called Million Moves?
It's a goal we can all move toward, together. Every squat, step, stretch and spin adds up. One person can make a difference, but millions of us can create a movement.

30 minutes of movement
Where consistency starts to build real health benefits and you make the time to prioritise movement in your routine.

Did you know?
30 minutes of moderate exercise most days can reduce the risk of heart disease, stroke and type 2 diabetes by up to 30-40%.



Sadly according to the Australian Institute of Health and Wellbeing (ABS 2022b)

"it is estimated that 75% of adults aged 18-64 do not meet both the physical activity component and the muscle-strengthening component of the Guidelines."



**SCAN THE QR CODE TO JOIN
TEAM UPPER GASCOYNE**



SAVE 10¢ CONTAINERS

From July 1 most plastic and glass bottles, drink cartons, that are 150ml to 3L and wine bottles are accepted.

RETURN YOUR CONTAINERS

Drop off your containers at our drop point is located on Scott Street in Gascoyne Junction. Bags are available at the Community Resource Centre. A reminder that recycle boxes are also located at the CRC.



WANT TO DONATE?

You can choose to donate your refund directly to one of these local causes when setting up your member account. **Every container makes a difference!**

GASCOYNE JUNCTION REMOTE COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Member Number: C10373506

GASCOYNE JUNCTION GENERAL COMMUNITY

Member Number: C11469012

ROYAL FLYING DOCTOR SERVICE

Member Number: C10336670



YOUR MEMBER NO. (SCHEME ID) HELPS US RECORD YOUR RETURNS & REFUNDS

YOUR MEMBER NUMBER LETS YOU:



GET DEPOSITS STRAIGHT INTO YOUR POCKET



TRACK YOUR CHANGE MAKING



DONATE TO A CAUSE



BOOST YOUR FUNDRAISING

GET THE CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE APP

The app features a visual tracker for your refunds, and a container scanner to check what's accepted for a 10¢ refund.

REFUNDS THROUGH YOUR MEMBER NUMBER

Before dropping off your containers, choose how you want to be refunded. In your member number account, set your preferred payment method to bank transfer, or set it to directly donate to a cause. Then attach your member number to your bags to ensure you receive your refund. To set up an account visit <https://member.containersforchange.com.au/>





THROW ON A FLANNO. SUPPORT A FARMER



Join us for Morning Tea on Friday August 14 at the CRC to raise funds for Flanno for a Farmer. Please bring along a gold coin donation and wear your favourite flanno.



DONATE NOW

flannoforafarmer.com.au

FARM ANGELS



MOUNT AUGUSTUS TOURIST PARK

Presents

THE BIG ROCK FEAST

29th AUG 2026

Featuring live music by: Grant Hart



TICKETS: \$135

Come and enjoy a 4-course meal sourced from the rich soils of the Gascoyne River to the pristine waters of the Indian Ocean. This menu celebrates the growers, fishermen, stockmen and producers who make this region of Western Australia's most remarkable food regions and also includes our very own Southern Rangeland beef.

Booking Essential:

mtaugustustouristpark@skymesh.com

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MITE Radio is a not-for-profit online radio station helping Australians stay connected, confident, and tech-safe - with great music and friendly presenters

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- Select favourites from the 90s through today's Smooth Hits
- Regular tech snippets for safe, confident digital use
- Positive programs with no commercial advertising

How to Listen

Computer or Mobile

- Go to **miteradio.com.au**
- Press Play



Smart Phone, Tablet and in the car

- Install TuneIn Radio (App Store / Google Play)
- Open and search "MITE Radio"
- Tap Play

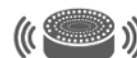


See our website for more options.



Hey Google

Alexa



Play M.I.T.E Radio

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miteradio.com.au/blog (checkout out past tips and tricks)



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A free community service from The Stairway Project Inc.
Helping Australians stay connected through technology and great music.



EVERY ANSWER MATTERS

Your guide to the Census



Census

SAVE THE DATE | TUESDAY 11 AUGUST 2026

What is the Census?

Every five years, the Census counts every person and household in Australia.

It helps us understand how Australia is changing, and what we need now and in the future. It asks questions about your age, ancestry, what languages you speak and what you do for work.

If you know where you'll be on Census night, you can fill out the Census as soon as you get your instructions.

Your answers are private and protected by law.

We need to hear from everyone, because every answer matters.

You can complete the Census:



Online

Most households will get instructions when it's time to complete the Census.

1. Visit census.abs.gov.au
2. Enter your Census number and password
3. Complete the Census and submit

If you don't get instructions, you can request a Census number at census.abs.gov.au



Paper form

If you would prefer a paper form, you can request one from us.

1. Visit census.abs.gov.au/help or call our 24-hour automated paper form request service on 1800 130 250
2. Complete your paper form
3. Return to the ABS in the Reply Paid envelope provided



Visit from Census staff

Some people in remote areas, and people experiencing homelessness, will be visited by Census staff.

You need to complete the Census wherever you are staying on Census night.

Information and support will be available to help you complete the Census in your preferred way.



In-person help

We'll be offering Pop-up Hubs in public places, fill in the form sessions and information sessions. Find out more at census.abs.gov.au/find-us

**WE'RE HERE
TO HELP**



For more information
Visit www.census.abs.gov.au/help



For help in your language
Call the Translating and Interpreting Service (TIS National) on **131 450**

Information for people who need extra support and people living with disability

Every five years, the Australian Bureau of Statistics counts every person and household in Australia. This is called the Census of Population and Housing.

Information from the Census helps planning for transport, schools, health care and infrastructure. It also helps plan local services for individuals, families and communities.

Census night is on **Tuesday 11 August 2026**.

We want to make sure everyone in Australia on Census night is included in the Census.

What to expect

From late July 2026, most households will get a letter in the mail with instructions to complete the Census online. Some households will get a Census paper form. If you are in a hospital or care facility on Census night, staff will give you a Census form.

If you know where you'll be on Census night, you can start completing your Census as soon as you get your instructions.

You can complete the Census online or by paper

If you are asked to complete online but want to complete a Census paper form, you can order one. Go to **www.census.abs.gov.au/paper-form** or call us.

If you are given a paper form but want to complete online, there are instructions on the form that explain how to do this.

You don't have to finish your Census form in one go. You can:

- save your online form and return later using your password
- store your paper form somewhere and finish it later.

You can get help to complete your Census



You can ask someone you trust for help – a family member, friend or carer.



Find where you can get in-person help at **www.census.abs.gov.au/find-us**



Call us on **1800 181 227** from 6 July 2026.



Find information to help you complete the Census at **www.census.abs.gov.au/help**

BLAST FROM THE PAST

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

THE JIMBA JIMBA GHOST



The events took place over several months starting in February 1934 around Gascoyne Junction, specifically targeting the Jimba Jimba station homestead. Initially treated as a joke, the situation grew serious as an elusive figure repeatedly raided eatables from a veranda safe and terrorized the women and children living at the isolated outpost. The figure was stealthy enough to slip past a cordon of watchers undetected and was reported to have assaulted station natives who got too close. The Junction police and trackers spent days pursuing his tracks across paddocks—a tactic the newspaper criticized as useless, since the "ghost" seemed to lay tracks intentionally to keep pursuers busy. Tracks were even found directly in front of the local post office before disappearing through a police paddock. At the time of the report, Constable Summers of Carnarvon had been brought in to assist, but the figure remained at large.

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Jimba Jimba Station is a vast pastoral lease in the Gascoyne region of Western Australia, operating as a cattle station at the junction of the Gascoyne and Lyons Rivers, approximately 30 km west of Gascoyne Junction along the Carnarvon-Mullewa Road. Established in 1878 on an initial 100,000 acres and later expanded to around 400,000 acres through adjoining leases, the property derives its name from an Aboriginal term meaning "very small," reflecting a historical irony given its scale. Today, it is owned and managed by Martin and Virginia Baston, who continue pastoral operations focused on cattle production amid the arid rangelands.

The station's history traces back to its initial leaseholders, G. Hamersley and S. Simms, before it passed to the Phillips brothers in 1885, who developed it into a key sheep station carrying up to 20,000 head by the 1930s. Subsequent managers, including Phil Ryan, Douglas Hugh Phillips, and later the Viveash and Bostock families, oversaw expansions such as upgrading the original mud cottage homestead into a stone-built residence with features like pressed metal ceilings and oregon verandah rafters.^[1] The property endured severe challenges, including the devastating 1935–1942 drought that decimated livestock, but was revitalized post-World War II before its sale to the Bastons in 1977.

Recognized for its exceptional cultural heritage significance, Jimba Jimba Station was classified as Category 1 in the Shire of Upper Gascoyne's Municipal Inventory in 1999 and remains under assessment by the Heritage Council of Western Australia.^[1] The site features well-preserved structures, including a stone homestead, kitchen-dining building, stone store (believed to be the oldest surviving building), office, meathouse, cottage, and men's quarters, alongside gravesites that underscore its long human occupancy.^[1] In contemporary times, the station participates in rangelands revitalization efforts, employing rotational grazing to manage cattle and regenerate soils in the face of extreme weather, such as record heatwaves exceeding 49°C.



MUSIC IN THE PARK SAT AUGUST 22 3PM-5PM

MUSICAL PERFORMANCE BY
ARLENE MAY
LIVE FROM
THE TWO RIVERS MEMORIAL PARK
GASCOYNE JUNCTION

GRAB A CHAIR OR BLANKET
AND YOUR FAVOURITE DRINK
FOR AN AFTERNOON OF
MUSIC.

THIS EVENT IS FREE THANKS
TO AN RAICP ARTS ACTIVITIES
IN REGIONAL COMMUNITIES
GRANT THROUGH THE
DEPARTMENT OF CREATIVE
INDUSTRIES, TOURISM AND
SPORT AND THE SHIRE OF
UPPER GASCOYNE



SAY G'DAY TO...

Full Name: Kieran John Munro

Nickname: Kluger

Place of Birth: Scottsdale, Tasmania



Footy Team: Carlton Blues

Movie: The Usual Suspects

Food: Lasagne

Animal: Ants



How long have you lived in the Upper Gascoyne? 4 Years

Why did you move to the Upper Gascoyne? Family & Lifestyle

What do I love most about the Upper Gascoyne? Scenery, weather conditions, community and the lifestyle.

What services/events would you like to see in the Upper Gascoyne? A continuation of medical services expansion into other health related. Maybe a personal trainer for the gym.

QUICK FIRE ROUND

Tea or coffee? Both

Books or movies? Movies

Early bird or night owl? Night Owl

Summer or winter? Winter

Mountains or ocean? Mountains

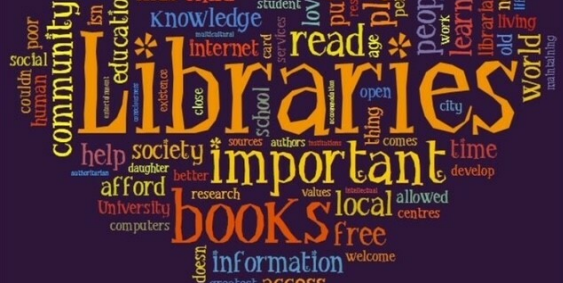
ABOUT ME

Where did I grow up? Telita, Tasmania

Hobbies? Cars, games, travel and food

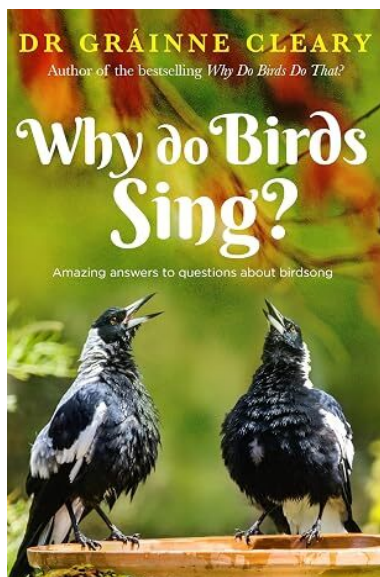
What's on your bucket list? Travel extensively throughout Asia and visit the Himalayas.

If you could have one superpower, what would it be?
Ability to tell if the truth is being conveyed or not.



BOOKS OF THE MONTH

Why Do Birds Sing? - Non - Fiction



Author: Dr Grainne Cleary

Throughout our history birdsong has influenced art, poetry and music. It can elevate our mood and bring our backyards to life. We often hear birds singing as we go about our lives, but have you ever wondered who they are singing to and what they are singing about?

The term 'bird brain' has led us to underestimate the brainpower it takes to hear a song, remember it and practise until it is reproduced correctly. In the same way human infants learn to talk, young birds learn their song by listening and remembering the sounds produced by their parents. Not only that, birds use different songs and calls, and different pitch, tone and volume, depending on who they're communicating with and what they want to say-much like the way we vary our speech.

Australia's Aviation Heroes - Non Fiction



Author: Colin Burgess

Based on personal interviews conducted by the author over many years, *Australia's Aviation Heroes* celebrates the achievements of extraordinary men in extraordinary times.

Meet Jack Treacy, the WWI fighter pilot who came perilously close to joining the Red Baron in his grave. Relive the story of Ernie Guest, a man determined to fly against all odds after storming into battle on the bloody shores of Anzac Cove, Gallipoli, on 25 April 1915. George Allan, the Scottish-born pilot who survived that same war, went on to become one of the great pioneers in Australian aviation history.

These are the captivating stories of men who answered the call during desperate times, willingly taking to the dangerous skies.



Apricot Chicken

Start by finding a large baking dish and pre-heating your oven to 200 degrees celsius / 390 degrees fahrenheit (fan-forced).

Next, coat the tenderloins in flour (with a little salt and pepper added)

Add the vegetable oil to a frypan and heat over high heat. Cook the chicken on both sides for about 1-2 minutes (or until browned a little) before adding to the baking dish.

TIP: You can skip this step, but it is a whole lot better when you take the little extra time required to brown the chicken a little before cooking in the oven. It adds *a powerful flavour boost* and *reduces the oven cooking time*.

Next, drain the apricot halves and place them in the baking dish.

Combine the apricot nectar, soy sauce, cornflour and soup mix and whisk to eliminate any lumps. Pour over the chicken and apricot halves.

Bake in the oven, uncovered, for 35 minutes.





AUGUST

- 1 Alys McKeough
- 18 Spags Burnett
- 18 Harry McKeough

SEPTEMBER

- 20 Jason Windie

OCTOBER

- 6 Andrea Pears
- 13 Jodie McTaggart
- 22 Richard Dowker
- 24 Ken Kempton



NOVEMBER

- 4 Laney McKeough
- 21 Dot Hammerquist

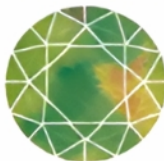


Do you live in the Upper Gascoyne? Is your birthday missing from the monthly Gassy Gossip?

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

The Month Of August

BIRTH STONE



PERIDOT

BIRTH FLOWER



GLADIOLUS / POPPY

STAR SIGNS



LEO & VIRGO

Personality

August babies are either Leos or Virgos, and there's a lot to like about people born under both of those signs. They tend to be strong, confident and organised. They make naturally strong leaders, because of their charisma and confidence.

Did you know...

- August was named in honor of **Augustus Caesar**. It has 31 days because he wanted as many days as Julius Caesar's month of July had.
- 1981 - MTV network debuted on cable television in the USA, actually playing music videos 24 hours a day.
- The **Great Train Robbery** was the robbery of £2.6 million from a Royal Mail train heading from Glasgow to London in the early hours of 8 August 1963.

Special Days



02 AUGUST

International
Beer Day



12 AUGUST

International
Youth Day



13 AUGUST

International
Lefthander's Day



25 AUGUST

Nottingham
Carnival

Famous August Birthdays

Michael Jackson, Whitney Houston, Barack Obama, Bill Clinton, Halle Berry, Steve Martin, Jack Black, Taika Waititi, James Gunn, Louis Armstrong, Mila Kunis, Jennifer Lawrence, Demi Lovato & Luis Guzmán.



Junction Craft Group Calendar

(*****Updated May 2026 – Changes Highlighted)

2026

1st February End of School Holidays

21st and 22nd February

Untutored

28th and 29th March

AGM/Creaty Junk Art

3rd April – 19th April School Holidays

2nd and 3rd May

Tutored Mystery Quilt

13th and 14th June

Finish Mystery Quilt

4th July – 19th July School Holidays

29th July – 2nd August

Retreat (Email for Info)

15th and 16th August

Woodwork

19th and 20th September

Jelly Rolls or BYO or UFO

25th September – 11th October School Holidays

17th and 18th October

Mosaic Table

28th and 29th 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



Cancer Council WA urges participation in life-saving National Bowel Cancer Screening Program

Don't put it off—Your free bowel cancer screening test could save your life. Cancer Council WA is urging more West Australians to take part in the **National Bowel Cancer Screening Program**, with only four in 10 eligible Australians currently completing the free test.

Bowel cancer is the **second leading cause of cancer death** in Australia—claiming more lives each year than breast, prostate or skin cancer. Yet, it's also one of the most treatable if detected early, with **over 90 per cent of cases successfully treated** when caught in the initial stages.



The screening kit is **free, quick, and easy to use** in the privacy of your own home. But too often, it's tucked away and forgotten, delaying action that could make all the difference – let's change that!

For more information about the program, or to order a **free replacement kit**, visit Cancer Council WA or call **1800 627 701**.

If you or your organisation would like to collaborate with Cancer Council WA to boost participation and support your community, reach out via RCPCMidwest@cancerwa.asn.au



EXPERIENCED SECOND-HAND SMOKE ENTERING YOUR HOME?

**We would like to hear about
your experiences and views.**

**Scan the QR code to register your interest
in participating in an online interview.**



**Eligible participants
will receive a \$30
physical gift card.**

**Gift cards will be posted to WA
residential addresses only.**

MAKE SMOKING
HISTORY



THE UNIVERSITY
OF QUEENSLAND
AUSTRALIA

THE HEALTH BENEFITS OF WALKING DAILY



**Helps in
Weight Loss**

**Increases
Lung Capacity**



**Improves
Heart Health**

**Lowers
Sugar Cravings**



**Reduces
Chronic Diseases**

**Improves
Mood**



**Prevents
Cancer**

**Prevents Disability
in Old Age**



**Delays
Aging**

**Improves
Varicose Veins**



**Lowers
Blood Pressure**

**Boosts
Immunity**



**Reduces Stroke
Risk in Women**

**Speeds Up
Digestion**



**Decreases
Diabetes Risk**

**Reduces
Dementia Risk**



JOIN THE GASCOYNE JUNCTION SPORTS CLUB GYM

Did you know that there is a gym
in Gascoyne Junction located in
the Pavilion Precinct.

Membership is available for all
Shire residents.

3 months: \$30.85

6 months: \$51.35

12 months: \$102.70

To join or find out more please
contact the Gascoyne

Junction Community Resource &
Visitor Information Centre

E: crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au

T: 08 9943 0988



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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



ADVERTISING RATES PER MONTH

A4 - \$45.80

A5 - \$28.35

A6 - \$22.90

Business Card Size - \$9.25

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

August Stargazing



Why Do We See More Stars in Winter?

Winter is simply the best time to be outside enjoying the view of our night sky. At night we look towards the centre of our home galaxy which is loaded with stars.

The Milky Way is a spiral galaxy with a central bulge and thin arms stretching over 100,000 light years. Rather like two fried eggs stuck back-to-back! The centre of our galaxy is dense with stars, dust and gas. The outer spiral arms contain fewer objects. This bulge can be seen with the naked eye on a dark, moonless night.

On early winter evenings from June until November, the Earth sits between the centre of the Milky Way and the Sun. At night, the sky is packed full of stars because we're looking towards the centre of the galaxy. By the time summer comes, Earth is on the other side of the Sun between it and the edge of the Milky Way. There are less stars, dust and gas towards the edge, so the impact of a starry night isn't as great. It's still beautiful though with the delightful "Summer Milky Way" that features Orion, Taurus and the beautiful Pleiades or Seven Sisters.

To find the direction of the centre of the Milky Way, look for the Teapot asterism in the constellation of Sagittarius. An asterism is a made-up pattern in the stars that is not a constellation. In the image below, there are two asterisms – the Teapot in Sagittarius and the Fishhook in Scorpius. The Zenith marks the sky's highest point.



Look towards the centre of our Milky Way Galaxy this winter. Image provided by SkySafari, a Simulation Curriculum Company, All rights reserved www.simulationcurriculum.com.

When and where to look:

The best time to see the Milky Way is on a moonless night. Try from 7pm between 6-16th August or from 7.30pm between 4-14th September 2026. Find out more about the Milky Way www.astrotourismwa.com.au/milky-way-galaxy. For more what's up in the night sky, visit www.astrotourismwa.com.au. Happy stargazing!



SMOKO TIME

**Grab a cuppa and
solve a puzzle....**

Did you know?

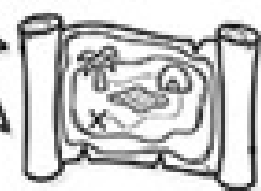
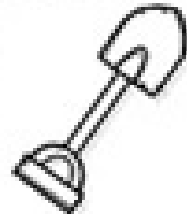
1. A hippopotamus can run faster than a man.
2. A crocodile cannot stick its tongue out.
3. Most insects hatch from eggs.
4. Pigs can't look up into the sky – it's physically impossible.
5. The shark is the only fish that can blink with both eyes.
6. An ostrich's eye is bigger than its whole brain.
7. Kangaroos can't walk backward.
8. Avocados are a fruit, not a vegetable. ...
9. The Eiffel Tower can be 15 cm taller during the summer, due to thermal expansion meaning the iron heats up, the particles gain kinetic energy and take up more space.
10. Trypophobia is the fear of closely-packed holes. ...
11. Australia is wider than the moon.
12. A cockroach can live for up to one week without its head.
13. It is impossible for most people to lick their own elbow.
14. A shrimp's heart is in its head.
15. The "sixth sick sheik's sixth sheep's sick" is believed to be the toughest tongue twister in the English language.
16. If you sneeze too hard, you could fracture a rib.

Around the House

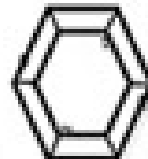
100 Hidden Words to Find

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basement	cabinet	counter	fork	microwave	pot	socks	toothpaste
bathroom	candle	cup	frame	mirror	purse	spatula	towel
bathtub	carpet	curtains	glass	mop	refrigerator	sponge	trash
bed	chair	cushion	hanger	ottoman	remote	spoon	vacuum
bedroom	clock	desk	hook	outlet	rug	stairs	vent
bench	closet	detergent	iron	oven	shampoo	table	washcloth
blanket	clothes	dishwasher	keys	pan	sheet	teapot	washer
blender	coaster	door	kitchen	pantry	shelf	television	window
book	coat	drawer	knife	paper	shoes	tile	
bookcase	comb	dresser	knob	pen	shower	tissues	
bowl	computer	dryer	lamp	photo	sink	toaster	
broom	conditioner	fan	light	pillow	slippers	toilet	



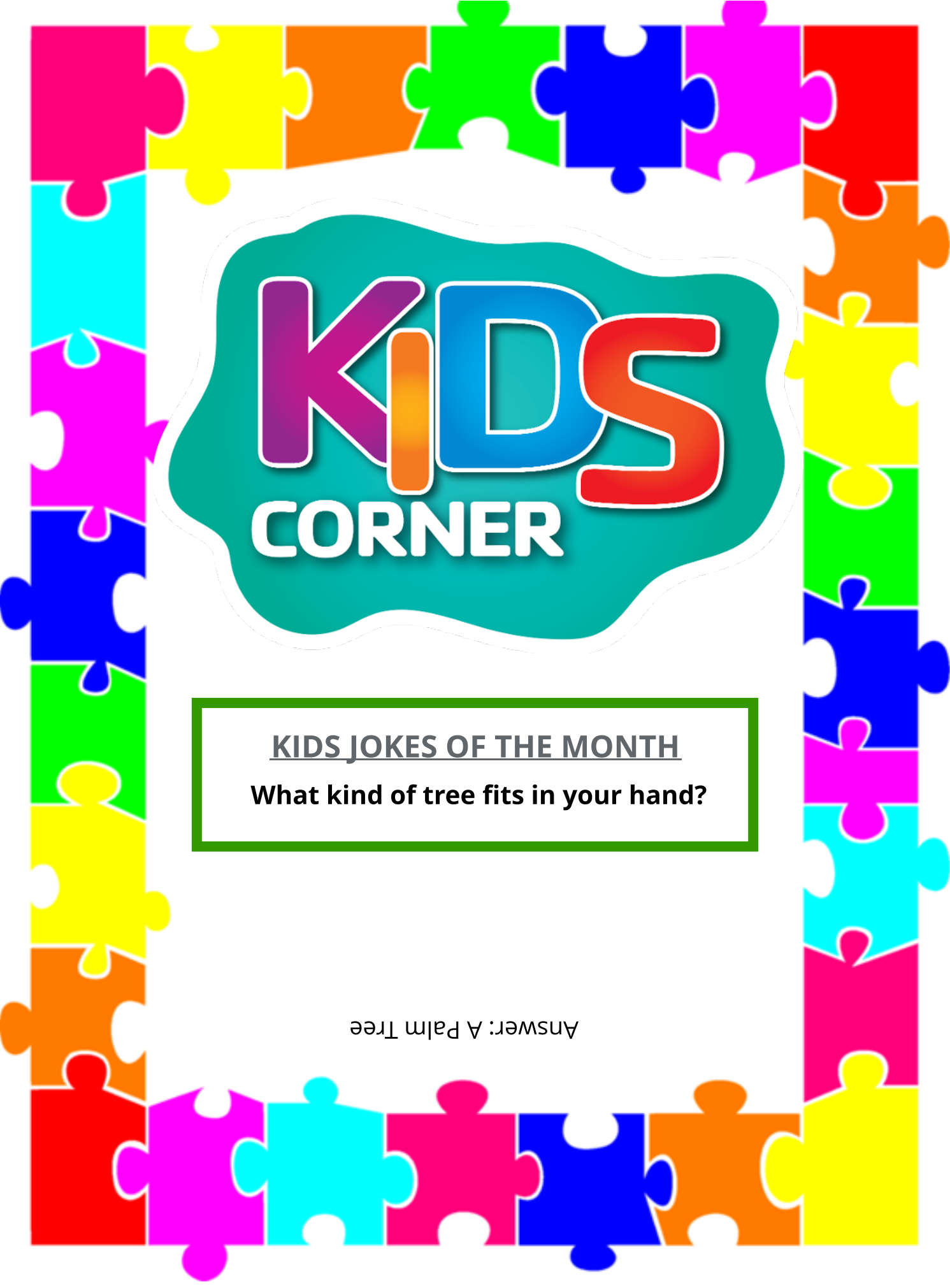
		clue item	disguise	hiding	encounter	cannons
person	Savannah	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Ruby	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Claire	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Caroline	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	Sadie	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
cannons	twenty	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	fourteen	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	thirteen	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	thirty	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	twenty	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
encounter	shark	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	crab	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	sea turtle	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	delphin	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	jellyfish	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
hiding	hollow log	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	tricorn hat	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	below deck	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	along the wall	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	weathered	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
disguise	fron hat	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	mask	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	fake beard	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	eyepatch	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	bandana	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐



INSTRUCTIONS: Five people each have a disguise, clue item, hiding, encounter, and cannons. Use the clues to figure out what belongs to each person. Put an X in each box that can't be right. The boxes without an X show the answers!

CLUES

- Ruby declined cannons numbering sixteen, preferring lighter artillery for faster maneuvers.
- Caroline researched various disguises extensively, but bandanas seemed too conspicuous.
- Ruby concealed her identity beneath an ornate mask during dangerous port visits.
- Ruby commanded her fleet wisely, but thirty cannons exceeded her ship's capacity.
- Sadie scouted multiple hiding spots, yet hilltop positions exposed her to enemy fire.
- Claire discovered an abandoned hollow log perfect for concealing valuable contraband.
- Savannah tested different disguises over years, but bandanas attracted unwanted attention.
- Ruby deciphered clues from a weathered torn journal salvaged from shipwrecks.
- Savannah examined mysterious artifacts carefully, but the engraved stone revealed nothing useful.
- Savannah secured her treasures below deck being concealed with a tricorn hat.
- Sadie armed her vessel with fourteen thundering cannons along both sides.
- Savannah navigated treacherous reefs, where a massive crab nearly capsized her dinghy.
- Caroline established her secret base behind the waterfall's mist and encountered a jellyfish.
- Claire unearthed a tarnished ancient coin while encountering a sea turtle.
- Savannah equipped her brigantine with exactly twelve powerful cannons.
- Whoever wears the bandana carefully carries the ancient coins and has 30 cannons.
- Sadie glued an impressive fake beard to complete her merchant disguise.
- Sadie confronted a ferocious shark while diving for pearls near jagged rocks.
- The pirate hiding behind the deck found the marked coins.
- Anyone who encountered a shark, discovered a coded message.



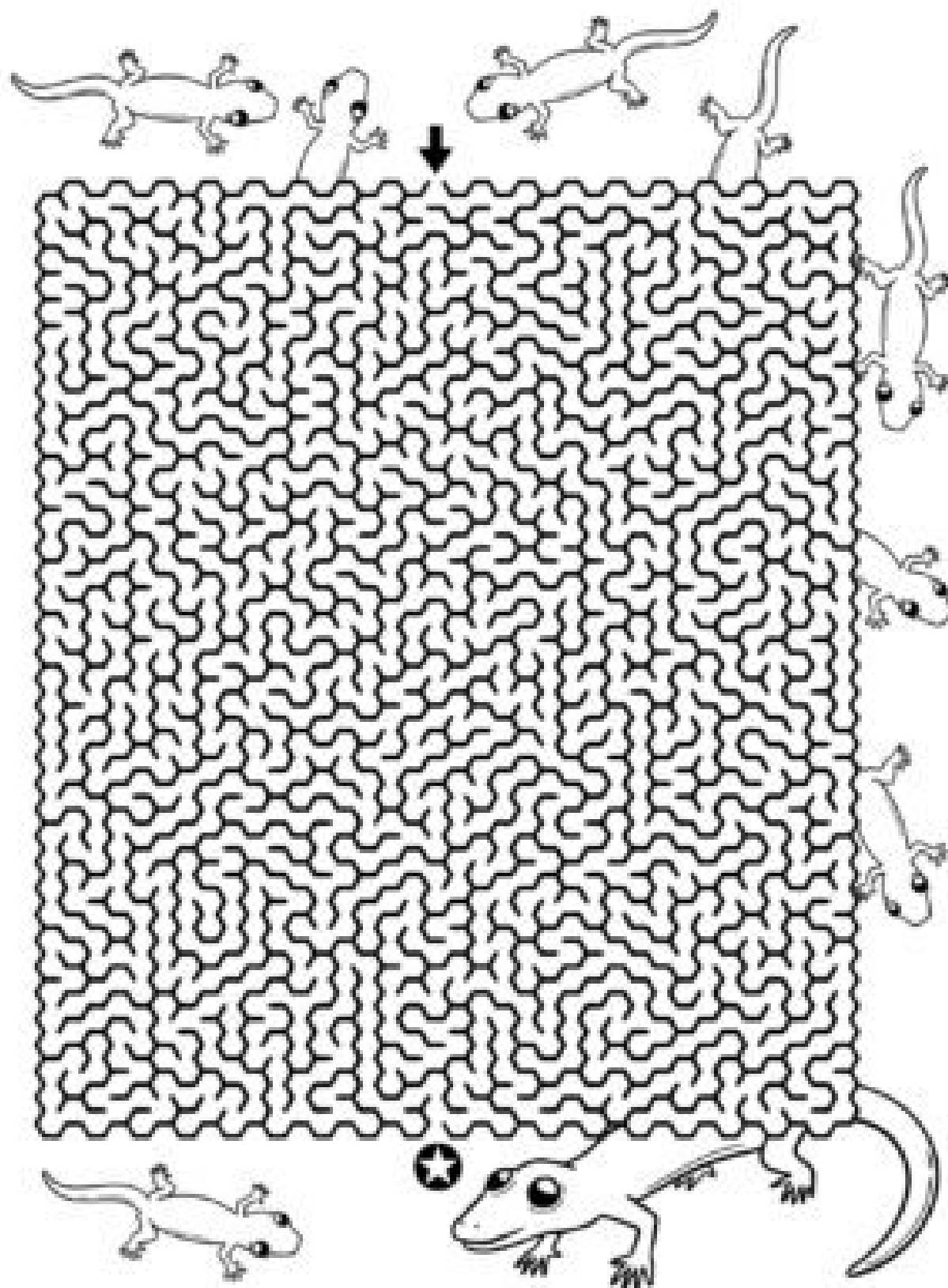
KIDS CORNER

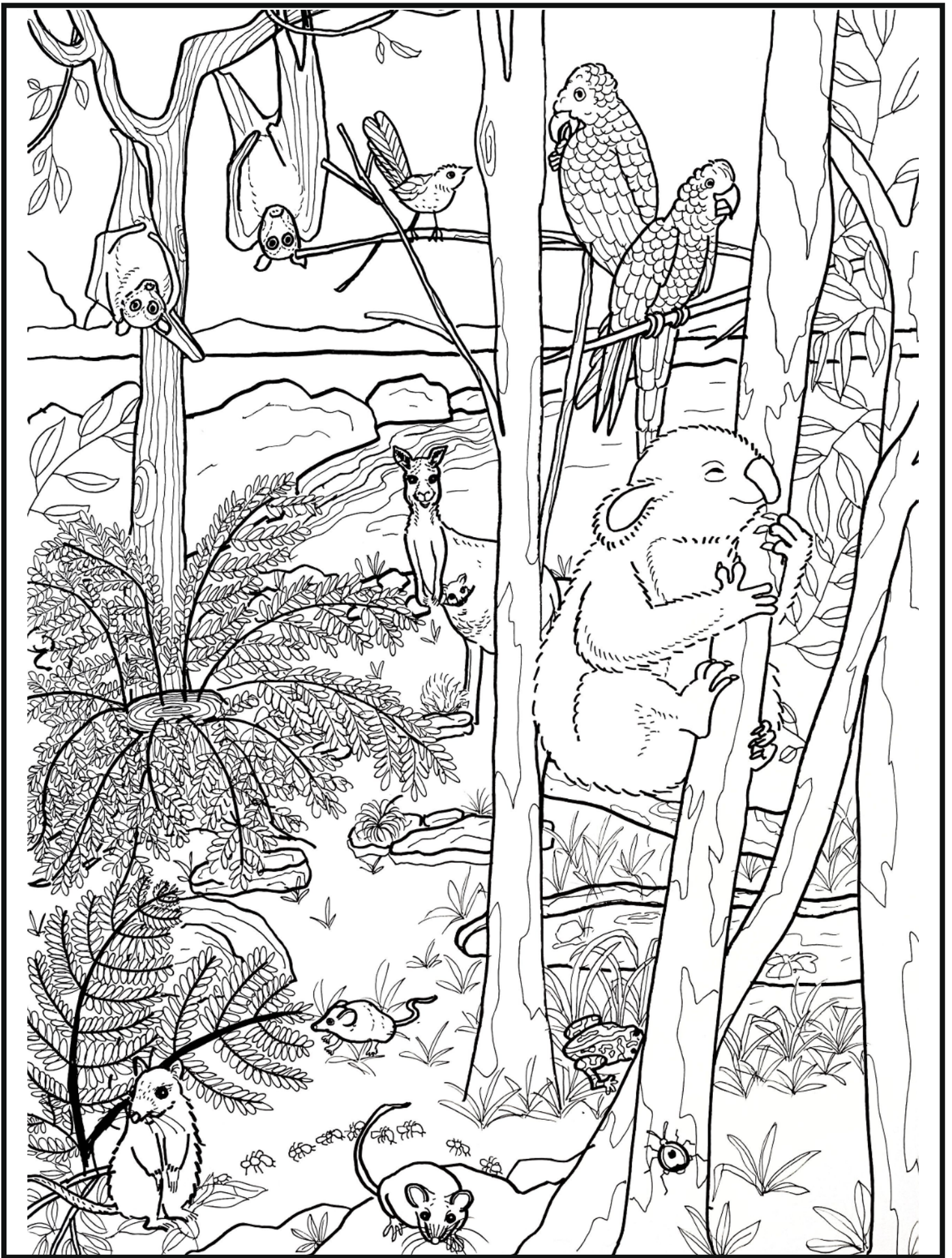
KIDS JOKES OF THE MONTH

What kind of tree fits in your hand?

Answer: A Palm Tree

HELP REUNITE THIS GECKO FAMILY!





Gascoyne Junction

2026 GP

CLINIC DATES



05 AUG 02 SEP 07 OCT 04 NOV
02 DEC

Gascoyne Junction

2026 NURSING

CLINIC DATES



19 AUG 16 SEP 21 OCT 18 NOV
16 DEC

- * Appointments will be 20 minutes long but longer consultations can be requested
- * Appointments are FREE for residents of the Upper Gascoyne
- * Video & Telephone Appointments are available
- * Appointment can be made by online via the QR Code below



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STARLIGHTS**

GASCOYNE
JUNCTION
PAVILION

14 AUGUST

**CRAFT
GROUP**

GASCOYNE
JUNCTION
PAVILION

15-16 AUGUST

**NURSING
CLINIC**

GASCOYNE
COMMUNITY
RESOURCE
CENTRE

19 AUGUST

**MUSIC IN
THE PARK**

TWO RIVERS
MEMORIAL
PARK

22 AUGUST

UPCOMING
2026
EVENTS



**BIG ROCK
FEAST**

MOUNT
AUGUSTUS

29 AUGUST

**MILLION
MOVES**

THROUGH OUT
OUR
COMMUNITY

1 SEPTEMBER

GP CLINIC

GASCOYNE
COMMUNITY
RESOURCE
CENTRE

2 SEPTEMBER

**JUNCTION
RACES**

JUNCTION
RACE
COURSE

4-6 SEPTEMBER

**FRIDAY
NIGHT
STARLIGHTS**

GASCOYNE
JUNCTION
PAVILION

11 SEPTEMBER

**CRAFT
GROUP**

GASCOYNE
JUNCTION
PAVILLION

19-20 SEPTEMBER

**MUSIC IN
THE PARK**

TWO RIVERS
MEMORIAL
PARK

26 SEPTEMBER

**KENNEDY
RANGE
CAMPDRAFT**

JUNCTION
RACE
COURSE

26-28 SEPTEMBER