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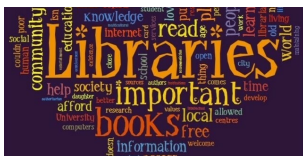
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UPCOMING EVENTS

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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

Council News

September Council Meeting

Both an Ordinary Council Meeting and Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting were held on Wednesday September 23.

Jim Caunt, John McCleary and Sean Walker travelled to Perth this month to meet with the Grants Commission, the Minister for Transport, Main Roads and to catch up with several of the mining companies currently working in the Upper Gascoyne. Shire President Caunt, Councillor Tubby and Councillor McKeough along with CEO John McCleary also attended the Western Australia Local Government Association (WALGA) conference.

Staff Happenings

On Thursday September 22, we also said farewell to Mark Willis who has been in an acting role in the Finance team for the past six months. His work as both the Senior Finance Officer and as Acting Manager of Corporate Services and Finance during Andrea's long service leave has been integral to the ongoing operations in the department and we thank him for his service.

John will be working throughout October out of the office whilst beginning his relocation to Victoria. He will continue to be available by phone and email throughout this time.

Works Team

A new garden tip truck has arrived in Gascoyne Junction to join the team. The contract for the provision of Bulldozer services was awarded. The latest road sealing project on Carnarvon Mullewa Road between the Cobra Dairy Creek & Glenburgh turnoffs has been completed. There is now 15km of this 30km stretch sealed. We have 140km of unsealed road left to the Meekatharra Shire boundary.

Finance Team

The 2025 Compliance Return was presented to Council and passed at the Risk and Improvement Committee Meeting. The team are now preparing for the arrival of the Auditors during the second week of October for their annual assessment.



**SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE – AGRN1062 FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT
 MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2026**

Contractor	THEM Earthmoving	Package Start Date:	15/04/2026
		Forecast Completion Date:	October 2026
Works this period (September 2026)		Works next period (October 2026)	
Works on the following roads have been completed this period: - Dooley Downs Rd - Mt Augustus Woodlands Rd - Pingandy Rd - Pingandy Homestead Access Rd - Waldburg Rd Works on the following roads have commenced this period: - Cobra Dairy Creek Rd - Wanna Rd		Works on the following roads are planned to be commence and be completed by the end of October. - Cobra Gifford Creek Rd - Edmund Gifford Creek Rd - Eudamullah Rd - Lyndon Minnie Creek Rd - Minnie Creek Rd - Ullawarra Rd - Weedarrah Rd Works on the following roads are planned to continue and be completed by the end of October. - Cobra Dairy Creek Rd - Dalgety Downs Landor Rd - Landor Meekatharra Rd - Wanna Rd	
Status of Roads			
	This Month	Last Period	
Overall Package	78%	58%	
Cobra Dairy Creek Rd	83%	59%	
Cobra Gifford Creek Rd	Works yet to commence		
Cobra Mt Augustus Rd	Works complete		
Dalgety Downs Landor Rd	66%	43%	
Dooley Downs Rd	100%	0%	
Edmund Gifford Creek Rd	Works yet to commence		
Erong Rd	Works complete		
Eudamullah Rd	Works yet to commence		
Landor Meekatharra Rd	57%	50%	

Landor Mt Clere Rd	Works complete	
Lyndon Minnie Creek Rd	Works yet to commence	
Landor Mt Augustus Rd	Works complete	
Meekatharra Mt Clere Rd	Works complete	
Minnie Creek Rd	Works yet to commence	
Mt Augustus Rd	Works complete	
Mt Augustus Woodlands Rd	100%	0%
Pingandy Homestead Access Rd	100%	0%
Pingandy Rd	100%	0%
Potts Rd	Works complete	
Ullawarra Rd	Works yet to commence	
Waldburg Rd	100%	82%
Wanna Rd	80%	0%
Weedarrah Rd	Works yet to commence	
Discussion Items		
Water / Materials	Refer attached resources report	
Camp	Cobra Mt Augustus Rd SIK 46.41	

Road: Waldburg Rd
ID: 8050023
RACAS Chainage: 50300m
Date/Time: 2023 Apr 09 09:43:51.946
Coordinates: Lat: -24.637258 Lng: 117.380118



Waldburg Rd Slk 50.300-50.322 - Defect



Waldburg Rd Slk 50.300-50.322 - Repair

Road: Mt Augustus Woodla...
ID: 8050012
RACAS Chainage: 36410m
Date/Time: 2023 Apr 09 15:48:38.629
Coordinates: Lat: -24.473896 Lng: 117.280267



Mt Augustus Woodlands Rd SIK 36.410-36.420 - Repair

Galaxy S24 Ultra
06 September 2026 11:27 am



Mt Augustus Woodlands Rd SIK 36.410-36.420 - Repair



Pingandy Rd SIK 73.147-73.162 - Defect



Pingandy Rd SIK 73.147-73.162 - Repair

SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE – CARNARVON MULLEWA RD UPGRADE 2026-27
MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – SEPTEMBER 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 – September 2026		Works next period – October 2026				
• Commenced rock removal to establish road formation and drainage. • Continued subgrade preparation and basecourse import. • Cement stabilised four floodways and install upstream and downstream rock protection. • Commence and complete sealing of final 5km of basecourse.		• Commence and complete site tidy up • Reinstall signage				
Carnarvon Mullewa Rd Upgrade 2026-27	Clearing, Embankment & Subgrade	Basecourse and Stabilisation	Drainage	Sealing	Signs and Delineators	Overall
	79%	70%	79%	60%	0%	68%



Basecourse mixing and compaction in progress



Basecourse material loading out



Basecourse ready for final trim



Rock removal to establish new drainage

COMMUNITY GRANT FUNDING



Round 3: Grants Available Up to \$5000

Opens: 02 October 2026

Closes: 30 October 2026

This is for events to be held by 30 June 2027

The Shire of Upper Gascoyne provides organisations with the opportunity to apply for funding to conduct events, community programs or for small projects that benefit the Upper Gascoyne community.

Round 3 of funding is for community focused projects and events conducted in the Shire between October 2 2026 and June 30 2027.

Another funding round will open in February 2027 for events and projects conducted in the Shire from 01 February to 31 December 2027.

Grants up to \$5000 can be applied for.

For further information and to submit an online application, visit the Shire website:

[www.uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au/community/our-community/
community-grant-funding.aspx](http://www.uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au/community/our-community/community-grant-funding.aspx)

Applications Close: 5pm on Friday October 30, 2026.

MEMORIAL PLAQUES AT TWO RIVERS MEMORIAL PARK



Applications Open for Installation of Memorial Plaques at Two Rivers Memorial Park

At the July 2026 Shire of Upper Gascoyne Council Meeting, a policy (11.34 Two Rivers Memorial Park - Memorial Park Policy) was endorsed to introduce memorial plaques within the Two Rivers Memorial Park in Gascoyne Junction. With no active cemetery in Gascoyne Junction, finding a suitable place for residents and those with close ties to the Upper Gascoyne community to be remembered has been on the council's agenda for some time.

Applications are now open for a memorial plaque to 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 at the Two Rivers Memorial Park.

Enquiries about Memorial Plaques can be addressed to:

E: tcdo@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au

T: 08 9943 0988

<https://www.uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au/memorial-plaques.aspx>



Two Rivers Memorial Park Memorial Plaque Application Form

Please complete this form to apply for a memorial plinth and plaque to be installed at the Two Rivers Memorial Park, Gascoyne Junction. Applications are assessed against Policy 11.34. Please read the guidance notes and Terms & Conditions before signing.

1. Applicant Details

The applicant is the person applying on behalf of themselves, their family, or the community. This person will be the Shire's main point of contact for this application.

Full name	Relationship to the deceased
Postal address	
Phone number	Email address

2. Details of the Person Being Commemorated

Full name of deceased	Date of birth
Date of death	Date(s) of residency in the Shire (if applicable)

Connection to the Shire of Upper Gascoyne

Under Policy 11.34, applicants must demonstrate the deceased person's connection to the Shire. Please tick at least one box and provide details below.

☐ Residency in the Shire of Upper Gascoyne ☐ Service to the local community

Please describe the connection (e.g. years of residency, role, community contribution)

3. Plaque Details

A memorial plinth and plaque supplied under this policy will consist of:

- 1 x Ash Block Double cement plinth (400mm x 235mm x 140mm)
- 1 x stainless steel plaque, deep etched with paint fill, no larger than 330mm x 220mm

The Shire arranges the manufacture, engraving, delivery and installation of the plinth and plaque. Materials and installation costs are the responsibility of the applicant (see Fees, Section 4).

Proposed plaque wording (please print clearly)

Note: wording must be deemed appropriate by the Shire and must meet the design parameters set by the plaque design team. The Shire may contact you to discuss or adjust wording before approval.



Example Plaque: Images can be used or text only is also possible. A proof of the plaque will be sent to the applicant once approved by the CEO for final approval before production is made.

4. Fees and Payment

The current Memorial Plaque fee (covering the cost of materials, engraving, delivery and installation) in 2026/2027 is \$705 inclusive of GST.

☐ I understand a fee applies and is payable to the Shire of Upper Gascoyne before installation.

5. Terms and Conditions

- This policy applies to members of the public and does not apply to the Gascoyne Junction Cemetery (Reserve 16910), which has been permanently closed since 10 May 1972.
- Applications that meet the policy criteria may be approved by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO). Where the policy criteria are not met, Council approval will be required, which may take additional time.
- Approval of an application is at the discretion of the Shire and is not guaranteed by the lodgement of this form.
- All materials for the memorial plinth and plaque are provided by the Shire of Upper Gascoyne, with the cost included in the Memorial Plaque fee charged to the applicant.
- The Shire will arrange manufacture, engraving, delivery and installation of the memorial plinth and plaque once the application is approved and the fee is paid.
- If a memorial plaque deteriorates to a point of being unsafe, the Shire reserves the right to remove the memorial or plaque without notice.
- The Shire reserves the right to remove memorials at any time for safety or operational requirements.
- Memorials may only be installed under existing trees in the Two Rivers Memorial Park, in locations determined by the Shire.
- The applicant confirms that the information provided in this application is true and correct.

6. Declaration

I confirm that:

- ☐ I have read and agree to the Terms and Conditions set out above.
- ☐ The information I have provided in this application is true and correct.
- ☐ I understand that approval is at the discretion of the Shire and/or Council.

Applicant signature _____	Date _____
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Burringurrah Police Station

Officer in Charge: Brevet S/SGT Chris FOX

Telephone 99187160 | Emergency 000

Successful Gascoyne Junction Races Weekend

The recent Gascoyne Junction Races proved to be another outstanding community event, attracting approximately 1,400 patrons from across the region. The weekend was a great success, with attendees enjoying the festivities in a safe and respectful manner. Pleasingly, the event was marked by excellent behaviour from patrons, contributing to a positive and family-friendly atmosphere throughout the race weekend.

Western Australia Police maintained a strong presence during the event to ensure the safety and security of all attendees. The Mobile Police Facility (MPF) was positioned at the main gate, providing a visible and accessible policing presence for patrons entering and leaving the grounds. Police officers also camped on site for the duration of the event, allowing for rapid response capability and ongoing engagement with racegoers. We thank organisers, volunteers and the community for helping make the event a safe and enjoyable occasion for everyone involved.



Preparations Underway for the Lander Races

Local police are now preparing for the upcoming Lander Races, one of the region's most anticipated annual events. As visitors begin travelling into the district, motorists can expect a significant increase in vehicle movements on local roads leading to and from the event.

OFFICIAL

To promote road safety and reduce the risk of crashes, police will conduct Random Breath Testing (RBT) and traffic enforcement activities on key arterial roads before, during and after the event. Drivers are reminded to plan ahead, drive to the conditions and ensure they are fit to be behind the wheel before commencing their journey.

Road Safety Focus: Fatigue and Inattention

Police continue to target fatigue and inattentive driving, which remain significant contributors to serious crashes on regional roads. Drivers are encouraged to take regular breaks, stay hydrated and avoid driving when tired.

Residents and visitors may notice an increased police presence on roads across the district. Patrols are being conducted throughout the region, including on roads and in areas where police are not usually seen. These operations are designed to improve road safety, encourage responsible driving behaviour and reduce the risk of serious injuries and fatalities on our roads.

Stay Vigilant

Burringurrah Police are asking residents, travellers and pastoralists to remain vigilant and report any suspicious activity they observe throughout the district. Community information often plays a vital role in assisting police investigations and locating persons of interest.

Police continue to seek information regarding **Kenneth GILES**, who remains outstanding in relation to a shooting incident in Mullewa. Members of the public should not approach him if sighted. Mr Giles is known to be familiar with remote and rugged environments, having previously worked within the Gascoyne region and possessing extensive bushcraft skills. Anyone with information regarding his whereabouts is encouraged to contact police immediately or provide information through Crime Stoppers.



Emergency Contacts

Emergency (Police, Fire or Ambulance): 000

Police Assistance Centre (non-urgent police matters): 131 444

Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000

Burringurrah Police Station

Working together with our community to keep the Gascoyne safe.

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE
GASCOYNE JUNCTION
COMMUNITY

Christmas PARTY

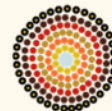
AT GJ PAVILION
FRI 20TH
NOVEMBER
FROM 6.00 PM

JOIN US FOR A FUN
FILLED EVENING
WITH DINNER,
MUSIC, GAMES AND
LOTS OF LAUGHS!
AND A VISIT FROM
SANTA HIMSELF!

ALL WELCOME
BYO DRINKS



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Regional Development



REAL FUTURES



KIDS CHRISTMAS GIFT REGISTER

REGISTER YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN FOR A
PRESENT FROM SANTA FOR THE 2026
COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY

FREE FOR UPPER GASCOYNE RESIDENTS
\$25 NON RESIDENTS

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 13TH
NOVEMBER 2026

PHONE (08) 9943 0988 OR
EMAIL CRC2@UPPERGASCOYNE.WA.GOV.AU



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REAL FUTURES

MEET OUR LOCALS



NICKNAME: TRISH

PLACE OF BIRTH: PERTH, WA

SAY G'DAY

*TRISH
ROCHFORD*

MY FAVOURITES

Footy Team: Anyone but Collingwood

Food: Anything chicken

Animal: Dog

Movie: Drama & Detective stories

How long have you lived in the Upper Gascoyne? 3 months

Why did you move to the Upper Gascoyne? Change of pace

What do I love most about the Upper Gascoyne? The people & the amazing sunsets & sunrises

QUICK FIRE ROUND

TEA OR COFFEE Tea

BOOKS OR MOVIES Movies

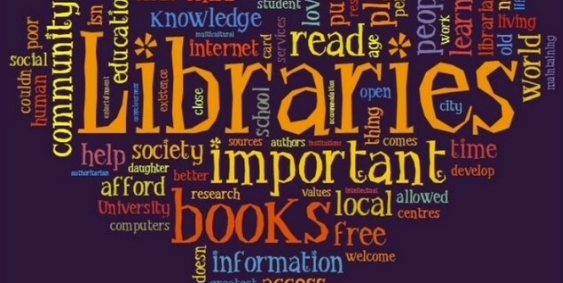
EARLY BIRD OR NIGHT OWL Both

SUMMER OR WINTER Summer

MOUNTAINS OR OCEANS Both

ALL ABOUT ME

- Where did I grow up? Perth, WA
- Hobbies? Restoring old furniture
- What's on your bucket list? To see more of WA



BOOKS OF THE MONTH

Perth-Then and Now - Non Fiction

Author: Richard Offen

Perth Then and Now pairs stunning photographs from the archives with specially commissioned contemporary shots, viewpoint for viewpoint, so you can see exactly how the city's most fascinating places have changed.

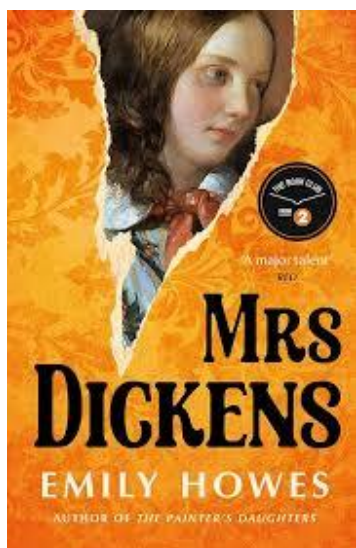


This book tells the fascinating story of Perth as a modern city, tracing the formation of the Swan River Colony in 1829, the gold-rush booms of the late 19th century, and today's contemporary skyline, shaped by layers of development and rich heritage.

This updated edition reflects recent changes in the city, from the riverfront around Elizabeth Quay and the Horseshoe Bridge to beloved cultural landmarks such as His Majesty's Theatre and The Melbourne Hotel.

Mrs Dickens - Fiction

Author: Emily Howes



The novel centres on his relationship with his wife Catherine (Kate) and her long term servant Anne. Twenty two years of marriage and ten surviving children with Charles, a man that Catherine obviously loved dearly. However Charles was a volatile man who treated his wife both in private and public with abusive and cruel behaviour.

An emotional read that made me angry and sad. I learnt about a side of the author Charles Dickens and his behaviour that I did not much like. Recommended to those readers that find fact weaved into a fictional story a worthwhile read.

JUNCTION RACES PRESIDENTS REPORT

What a fantastic race weekend, with 1,200 patrons officially through the gate. A big shout out to the Lions Club for managing the gate across the weekend. We truly appreciate your support.



The Shire of Upper Gascoyne Junction Cup was won by Candlelight Sheriff, trained by Ricky Evans and ridden by Casey Hunter. Ricky and Casey also took out leading trainer and leading jockey honors. Many thanks to Blue Lagoon Pearls, Denham, for sponsoring these awards, and to all our race sponsors—we couldn't do it without you.

Thank you to Elders auctioneer Graeme Curry for hosting the Calcutta, a true race-day highlight. Congratulations to everyone who entered Fashions on the Fields—you all looked fabulous.

Many thanks to all our wonderful sponsors, without them our weekend would not be possible.

It was a wonderful weekend, and we sincerely thank everyone who came along and helped make the event such a success.

A special thank you to our hardworking volunteers, who generously gave their time over the weekend to support the club. Your dedication and effort are deeply appreciated.

Finally, thank you to our hardworking committee for everything you do in the lead-up to the races. This event takes months to organise, and we are proud to bring it together each year. We hope everyone enjoyed the weekend, and we look forward to seeing you next year as we celebrate our 120th anniversary.

Phil Kearney,

President

Photo credit: Western Racepix Source: Junction Races Facebook Page



KENNEDY RANGE CAMPDRAFT 2026 — THANK YOU FROM THE COMMITTEE

The Kennedy Range Campdraft Committee would like to extend a huge and heartfelt thank you to each and every one of our sponsors, supporters, judges, volunteers and competitors who helped make our 2026 draft one to remember.

With our highest competitor numbers yet, it was fantastic to see so many familiar faces return, while also welcoming plenty of new ones to the Kennedy Range. Thank you to everyone who travelled from near and far to come along, compete, catch up with friends and enjoy the weekend with us. Our inaugural Challenge on Saturday was a fantastic way to kick off the weekend, with a great crowd and plenty of competitive riding. We hope everyone enjoyed being part of it as much as we did.

A special thank you to our Challenge judges Dawn Solomon, Chris Towne & Sally Towne, and our Campdraft judges Chris Towne, Aaron Land, Alistair Gordon & Scott Keiler. We truly appreciate the time, effort and dedication you gave to our event across the weekend.

A huge thank you to Bidgemia Cattle Co, who have donated cattle since our inaugural draft, and to Lyndon Station for joining forces with them this year to provide a beautiful line of cattle. To the hardworking crew at Redline Contracting, thank you for the huge effort you put in behind the scenes — you did a terrific job.

To the Junction Race Club, thank you as always for making the weekend that little bit easier by having your showers and toilets available for everyone to use. Your support is greatly appreciated. Mike from Complete Medical Solutions, thank you for once again putting your hand up to support our event and for looking after us over the weekend. We appreciate your continued support.

To Lance & Brooke Root from ABBL Contracting, thank you for providing the water truck, and to Kingsley, who kept the water moving and the wheels turning. We couldn't have done it without you. Thank you to Harvest Road for generously providing the meat for our Sunday night dinner.

To our event photographers, Genevieve Robinson & Heidi Smith, thank you for spending the weekend on the rail and capturing so many special moments. And a big welcome to Chute Photography for joining us for their first year — we hope to see you back at Kennedy Range again.

A massive thank you to everyone who supported our first ever Calcutta. What an atmosphere! It certainly added another level of excitement to the weekend and was a huge success. Claire van Dongen, our honorary "Event Secretary" — where would we be without you? Your help, organisation and willingness to jump in wherever needed is simply amazing. Thank you.

And finally, to our incredible volunteers — there are simply too many jobs to name them all.

From raising fences, hanging and swinging gates, installing hessian, fetching and carrying, setting up and packing down, pencilling scores and commentating, filling eskies, carting cattle, running the bar, selling merchandise and cooking steaks, to wishing competitors good luck at the side gate. To those who emptied bins, kept the amenities clean, kept everyone fed and watered, and those who simply chipped in wherever they were needed — thank you.

Every job, big or small, played an important part in bringing the 2026 Kennedy Range Campdraft together. It is the people behind the scenes who make these events what they are, and we are incredibly grateful for every one of you.

The weekend was a huge success, and we hope you all enjoyed being part of it as much as we did. Thank you for helping make Kennedy Range 2026 so memorable. We'll see you all again in 2027!

PHYSIO & CIRCUIT CLASSES RETURNING

October will see the return of our monthly Physiotherapy Clinic at the Community Resource Centre. Held in conjunction with the nursing clinics on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, the 20 min appointments are FREE for residents of the Upper Gascoyne.

A small group Circuit Class will also be held on the 3rd Wednesday from 12.15pm to 1pm at the Gascoyne Junction Gymnasium.

Bookings for both sessions can be made online on the Shire website under Community and Medical Clinics or by calling the CRC.



MUSIC IN THE PARK & AFL GRAND FINAL DAY

The final Music in the Park for 2026 was held at the Gascoyne Junction Pub & Tourist Park on September 26, perfectly aligned with Grand Final Day. A Gascoyne Junction favourite Grant Hart played once the final siren sounded in the AFL Grand Final for locals and visitors. The perfect way to celebrate or commiserate a great Grand Final. Thanks to the team at the Pub for hosting this event.

Music in the Park will be back in 2027. For those who missed Grant he is back in town for the Community Weekend on Friday October 9 and Saturday October 10.

MILLION MOVES

Members of the Shire of Upper Gascoyne community participated in a Million Moves walk on Thursday the 17th of September around the Gascoyne Junction Town Oval. Throughout the first three weeks of September residents were encouraged to join Team Upper Gascoyne to challenge themselves to encourage participants to make a few more moves each day to promote better physical and mental health.



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 Garden

September in the Community Garden

Whilst the first few weeks of September have been a little quieter than usual in the community garden, there is still plenty happening beneath the surface. Nature certainly hasn't slowed down! Our garden continues to grow, with new shoots appearing, plants putting on fresh growth and the promise of another season of produce ahead. It's a lovely reminder that a garden doesn't always need to be bustling with activity to be thriving. September is a time of change and new beginnings. The days are becoming brighter, the weather is warming, and the garden is responding with renewed energy. There is something special about seeing small seedlings develop and watching established plants flourish, knowing that they are growing day by day. Every plant, flower and vegetable represents a little bit of care and patience, and together they contribute to something we can all enjoy. By month's end Cherie, Cynthia, Di and Sophie were able to start the first harvest of our reinvigorated garden space. A rewarding activity, with the spoils shared amongst the team of volunteers. Watch this space next month for updates of how the produce has been used from straight to plate to preserving. This trial will be expanded to the wider community in 2027.





The First Harvest



From Little Things Big Thing Grow

Gascoyne Junction Remote Community School

NEWSLETTER

September 2026



Principal's Post!

Dear parents/carers

This month has been another busy month at Gascoyne Junction RCS, with plenty happening both at school and in our community.

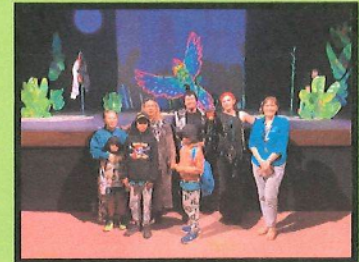
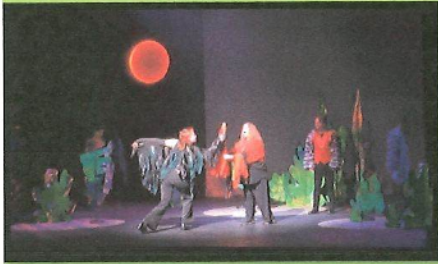
During Book Week, we took the boys into Carnarvon to enjoy a live theatre performance of *Aliwah Bardinar*, a Noongar Dreamtime story about how the Rosella got its colours. It was a wonderful opportunity for students to experience storytelling through live performance and learn more about Aboriginal culture and stories.

We also recognised R U OK? Day with a morning tea for our students, staff and community members. It was lovely to see everyone come together and provided an important opportunity to remind each other to check in, have a conversation and ask, "Are you OK?"

We also participated in Million Walks, with students, staff and community members coming together to get active and enjoy a walk around town. It was great to see everyone involved and enjoying time together.

As we come to the end of another busy term, I would like to thank our students, staff, families and community for their continued support. I wish everyone a safe and relaxing holiday break, and we look forward to seeing you all again in Term 4.

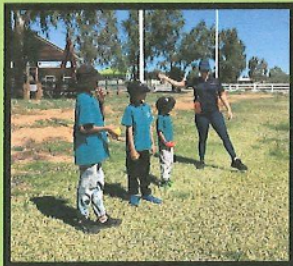




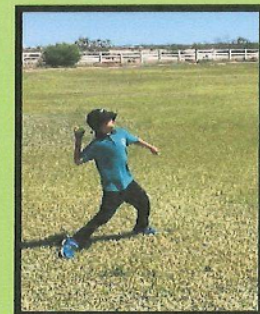
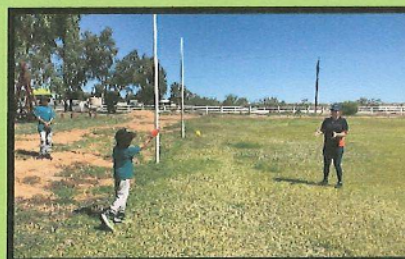
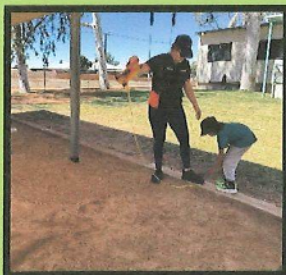
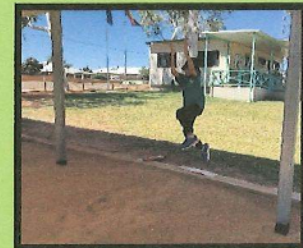
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Week 8 we had the **R U Ok Day** morning tea. We painted our own blue tree. We talked about what the blue tree means and what strategies we can use to help us feel better when we are sad.



Chloe from Stephen Michael Foundation came and helped us practice jumps and throws for the Interschool carnival in Carnarvon.



Colin loved the STEM kit we bought! He made the helicopter fly all by himself!



BLAST FROM THE PAST

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

NORTHERN GUARDIAN, Wednesday, October 21, 1998 — Page 9

getting out
in the **Gascoyne**

Bush meet brings racegoers together



A CASUALLY dressed outback crowd at the Landor racetrack.



ENTRANTS in the children's fashion parade await the judge's decision. WINNER of the Landor Cup Geraldine Ludgate.



THE EAST Gascoyne Race Club recently held its main event of the year, the Landor Cup.

Supporting races are held over two days at the 1800 metre red dirt racetrack at Landor Station, about 80km from Mount Augustus in the upper Gascoyne.

Both the Landor Cup and the Swan Gold Ladies' Bracelet was won by Rumbles, a 10-year-old grey, and its owner/trainer Geraldine Ludgate.

Brett Mainwaring was Rumbles' rider for both events.

A one day gymkhana for both children and adult riders was also held and attracted riders from the Gascoyne and Meekatharra.

The three-day weekend event has been held since 1920, barring the war years, and is one of the few successful outback race events on the calendar.

While no accommodation is provided, there are hot showers for the campers to wash off the red dirt.

A presentation ball with the theme of dinner, suits and diamonds capped off the unique weekend with live music provided by the Moresby Rangers.

A blue light disco for children and morning games of polo cross were also held to provide entertainment for the punters.

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GASCOYNE PHOTOGRAPHICS.



LEADING rider Andrew O'Dwyer.



A CASUALLY dressed Tom Van Dongen hopped over the fence to join the men's fashion line up.



LADIES and children fashion parade entrants.

HEALTH PROMOTION UNIT NEWS GOOD MENTAL HEALTH

Mental health is all about how you think, feel and act. In general having good mental health means having a positive attitude, acting responsibly and non-destructively in public and private lives, and feeling good about life and hopeful for the future. Good mental health doesn't just happen, although some people are naturally positive and happy all the time. Mental health can be developed and must be maintained.

Just like physical health, mental health can 'take a dive' now and then. Sometimes it's natural to be emotionally upset or depressed over life events. It's only when things don't bounce back that treatment needs to be considered. There are things you can do yourself to improve mental health.

- You can boost your own self esteem, and by doing so you boost your ability to sustain good relationships. To have

GASCOYNE JUNCTION

Community Weekend

9-10 October 2026

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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



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**FRIDAY
OCT 9TH, 2026
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-  Interactive delivery & group discussion
-  Useful tools & resources
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FAST FOUR - DOUBLES

TENNIS *Tournament*

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SATURDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2026

10AM - 4PM

JUNCTION TENNIS COURT
GREGORY STREET

FREE PAELLA LUNCH | LIVE MUSIC | ART ACTIVITIES



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FAST4 TENNIS

INFORMATION SHEET

FAST4 Tennis is a shortened format of tennis. FAST4 Tennis was globally launched in Sydney with Roger Federer and Lleyton Hewitt. It has since been showcased by a host of other champions including Rafael Nadal, Fernando Verdasco, Gael Monfils, Nick Kyrgios and many more!

RULES & REGULATIONS

SCORING

Scoring will be numerical (1, 2, 3, Game) rather than 15, 30, 40, Game

PLAY LETS:

If the ball hits the net cord on a serve and bounces in the correct service box, play will continue. In doubles, either of the receiving pair can play the let (eg. the receiver's partner can move across and return the serve).

NO-AD SCORING:

At 3 points all its "next point wins" the game. The receiver chooses which side the point is played.

TIEBREAKER AT 3 GAMES ALL:

FAST4 Tiebreaker:

- First to 5 points
- 2 points serving each (starting deuce side)
- Change ends once only after 4 points.
- If Tiebreaker reaches 4-4 it's "next point wins" the set. Players come to the net and umpire will toss a coin with winner(s) of toss deciding who serves (or spin racquet if no umpire); receiver chooses which side the point is played.

Example:

- Player A - 2 points serving
- Player B - 2 points serving
- Change ends
- Player A (or Player C in doubles) - 2 points serving
- Player B (or Player D in doubles) - 2 points serving
- If TB reaches 4-4 players come to net for coin toss or racquet spin - winner of toss decides to serve or receive. Receiver(s) chooses which side the point is played.

4 GAME SET:

First to 4 games wins the set.

POWER PLAY:

Each player has the ability to nominate a "Power Play" once per set when serving. Players must hold the ball up to their opponent and announce "Power Play". Umpire must call "Power Play".

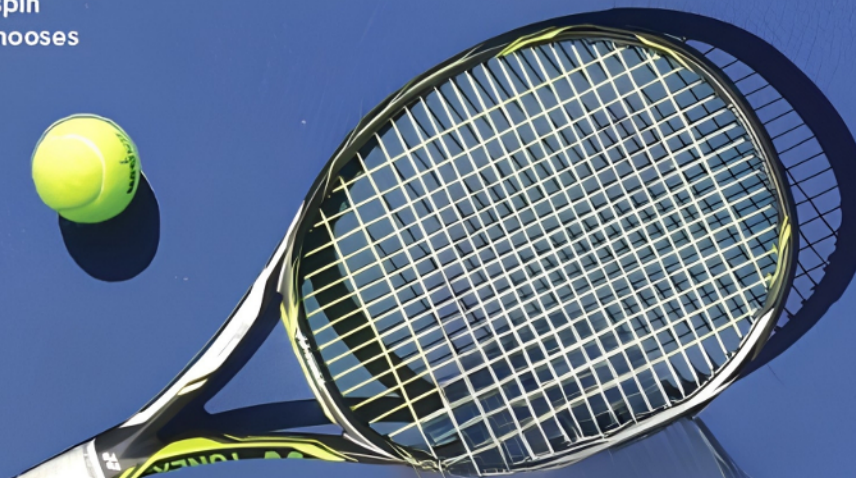
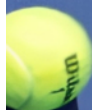
- The winner of the Power Play receives 2 points.
- See FAQ document re Power Play

MATCH FORMATS

One of the following FAST4 match formats can be used.

- One FAST4 set.
- Best of two FAST4 sets. If sets are split, a FAST4 tiebreaker is played to determine the outcome of the match.
- Best of three FAST4 sets.

**FAST4
TENNIS**
FAST4.COM



TENNIS TOURNAMENT TEAM REGISTRATION FORM SATURDAY 10th OCTOBER 2026

Get ready for a fun-filled day of tennis at the 2026 Fast Four Doubles Tennis Tournament. The event will be held on Saturday 10th October 2026 from 10am to 4pm, at the Junction Tennis Court on Gregory Street. The first team to four games in each match is deemed the winner. Grab your partner for your chance to win the title of Upper Gascoyne Tennis Champs 2026. **Entry is FREE.**

Catered lunch provided, BYO drinks, with cold drinks also available to purchase. As part of registering, teams will also be rostered to officiate on games with other entrants throughout the event.

Please return the completed form to the CRC by Wednesday, 30 September, either in person or via email to tcdo@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au. Alternatively, you can register online by scanning the QR code. The draw will be released on Monday 5th October.



**SCAN QR CODE TO
REGISTER ONLINE**

PLAYER ONE		
Full Name	Phone Number	Email

PLAYER TWO		
Full Name	Phone Number	Email



Hardcopy forms available at Gascoyne
Junction Community Resource Centre.
Individual appointments are also available
through CRC to assist with setting up the
ServiceWA App

\$100 Fuel Support Payment

For all valid WA driver's licence holders



Claim on the
ServiceWA app



wa.gov.au/fuelpayment



Find Cancer Early 'It is time to act'



If you've got lungs, you can get lung cancer. June thought the pain in her side was just a stitch. It turned out to be lung cancer. If you notice any symptoms, see a doctor or Aboriginal health worker straight away. Finding cancer early gives people the best chance of successful treatment and more time with family and friends.

Where to go for more information:

- Visit findcancerearly.com.au to learn about other lung cancer symptoms
- Contact your Midwest Regional Cancer Prevention Coordinator – RCPCMidwest@cancerwa.asn.au to arrange presentations or educational strategies most appropriate for you or your group.
- Phone 13 11 20 to speak with a qualified professional.



Come and meet the NDIA

**Need support to access NDIS or
want more information about
your plan?**

Take the opportunity to drop by and connect with
the NDIA team to discover how we can support you



Tuesday 13 October 2026: 10am to 12pm



Lot 4 Scott Street | Gascoyne Junction

**If you want to know more about the NDIS, the team will answer
your questions and speak about what we do:**



How the
NDIS works



Am I
eligible?



How do I apply?



Using your plan

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 Champions 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.



Aims to uplift digital literacy across WA.



Is focused on reaching communities that are digitally excluded or marginalised.

Want to be a Digital Mentor?



Do you love sharing useful information and helping friends, families and our community improve their digital skills?



Present a digital info session to our community, which includes leading a conversation on a specific topic.



You will receive a gift card for attending training and for running your digital information session.

Spotting text scams



Scammers are criminals who try to trick you into sharing your personal information or giving them money.

Here are some things you can look out for to help you spot a text or SMS scam and stay safer online.

Scammers tell you to act fast

Scammers can pretend to be a real business or organisation to try to trick and make you feel like you need to take action before you have time to think. Scammers could do this by:

- Making you feel like you will get in trouble.
- Telling you that you will get a fine, get locked out of your account or money has been taken.
- Saying you will miss out on a special offer.



Tip: Some scammers use current events like tax time or something that has happened in the news to make it look more real.



Scammers use tricks to get a reaction

A scam text might pretend to be a charity, tell you that you won the lottery, or pretend to be your friend.



Tip: Always visit the official website on your browser or official app to log in or get contact details.

Do not click on links, use contact info sent to you in messages or share personal information over text.



Tip: Check the name of the company who sent you an SMS text. If it says 'unverified' it may be a scam.

Think you have been scammed?

- Report the scam to Scamwatch and the police.
- Contact free support services like IDCARE or ID Support NSW to help you make a plan about what to do next.
- If you need someone to talk to, call Lifeline 13 11 14 or Beyond Blue 1300 22 4636.

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Are you more than 50 kms
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Are you travelling?

Then you are eligible to enrol at

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a Department of Education school providing quality, supportive, exciting and rewarding distance education.

What do we offer?

- ✓ A learning rich program that is supported by quality Teachers
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- ✓ A fantastic learning experience



Please call our Principal on **9947 2600**
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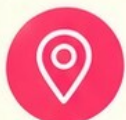
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Kindy Enrolments for 2022

Big learning adventures
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Do you have a child
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**1 July 2022 and
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Are you more than
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Classic Beef Stew Recipe



Ingredients

- 2 lbs beef chuck, cubed
- 3 tbsp olive oil
- 1 large onion, diced
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 4 cups beef broth
- 3 tbsp tomato paste
- 1 tsp Worcestershire sauce
- 4 carrots, sliced
- 3-4 potatoes, cubed
- 1 tsp dried thyme
- 1 tsp dried rosemary
- Salt & pepper to taste

Instructions

1. Brown the beef in olive oil, then set aside.
2. Sauté onion and garlic until softened.
3. Stir in tomato paste, Worcestershire sauce, and broth.
4. Add the beef, carrots, and potatoes. Simmer for 1.5-2 hours until beef is tender.
5. Stir in thyme and rosemary. Season with salt & pepper.
6. Serve hot and enjoy!

Tips

- For a thicker stew, add a flour slurry (2 tbsp flour + $\frac{1}{2}$ cup water) at the end.
- You can add peas or other veggies if desired.
- Great served with crusty bread!





happy BIRTHDAY

OCTOBER

- 6 ANDREA PEARS
- 13 JODIE McTAGGART
- 22 RICHARD DOWKER
- 24 KEN KEMPTON

NOVEMBER

- 4 LANEY McKEOUGH
- 21 DOT HAMMARQUIST

DECEMBER



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The Month Of October

BIRTH STONE



OPAL

BIRTH FLOWER



MARIGOLD

STAR SIGNS



LIBRA & SCORPIO

Personality

People born in October have the ability to maintain a great balance around them and know how to tackle things diplomatically. They are the ones who rarely get into heated arguments and are the ones who survive wild parties easily. Their calm nature and strong resolve make them great thinkers.

Did you know...?

- **Daylight Savings Time** ends every year at 2am on the last Sunday of October.
- The Beatles' first single, **Love Me Do** backed with P.S. I Love You, was released in October 1963.
- October was **originally the 8th month** in the Roman Calendar until it was switched to the Gregorian Calendar where it became the 10th month. While it is still named 'October' after the Latin numeral 'Octo', meaning eight, it is now known as the 10th month in the calendars we use every day.

Special Days



06 OCTOBER

National
Badger Day



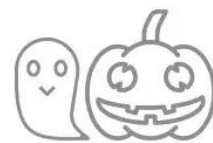
13 OCTOBER

National
No Bra Day



25 OCTOBER

World
Pasta Day



31 OCTOBER

Halloween

Famous October Birthdays

Simon Cowell, Bruno Mars, Eminem, Hilary Clinton, Bill Gates, Frank Ocean, Katy Perry, Christopher Columbus, John Lennon, Pablo Picasso, Teddy Roosevelt, Kate Winslet, Sadiq Khan, Samuel Taylor Coleridge, John Keats, Eleanor Roosevelt, Mahalia Jackson, Sylvia Plath, Buster Keaton, Zach Galifianakis, Sting, Gwen Stefani, Matt Damon, Emily Proctor, Hugh Jackman, Josh Hutcherson.



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



HEALTHY SLEEP HABITS



Improve your sleep with some positive lifestyle changes and consistent sleep habits

1 REGULAR SLEEP SCHEDULE

Try to maintain a consistent sleep pattern 7 days a week. Getting up at the same time every day can help.



2 RELAXING BEDTIME ROUTINE

Spend time before bed relaxing: read a book, meditate, stretch, do yoga, have a shower or bath. Avoid difficult conversations, activities or work.



3 AVOID STIMULANTS

Don't drink caffeine, sugary or energy drinks in the evening. Avoid nicotine before bed. Only drink alcohol in moderation at night, if at all.



4 GOOD SLEEP ENVIRONMENT

Keep your bedroom clean, tidy and comfortable. Use a quality mattress and bedding. Keep the bedroom aired, and a temperature between 60 -70 °F (17-21 °C)



5 BLOCK OUT NOISE AND LIGHT

Make sure the bedroom is dark and quiet. Use blackout curtains or a sleep mask. Use earplugs, white noise, a fan or music to mask external noise.



6 ONLY SLEEP AND INTIMACY

Only use the bed for sleep and intimacy with a partner. Avoid watching TV or using other devices in bed. That will help associate the bed with sleep.



7 EXERCISE AND DAYLIGHT

Try to do regular exercise, but not too intense before bedtime. Spend time outside in the daylight. Even a short walk during the day can improve sleep.



8 EAT WELL

Try to eat a balanced, healthy diet. Avoid heavy, fatty, fried or spicy food late in the evening if you get indigestion. Bananas, yogurt or healthy cereal are good bedtime snacks.



JOIN THE GASCOYNE JUNCTION SPORTS CLUB GYM

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

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6 months: \$60.00

12 months: \$110.00

To join or find out more please contact the Gascoyne

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A5 - \$30.00

A6 - \$24.00

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October Stargazing

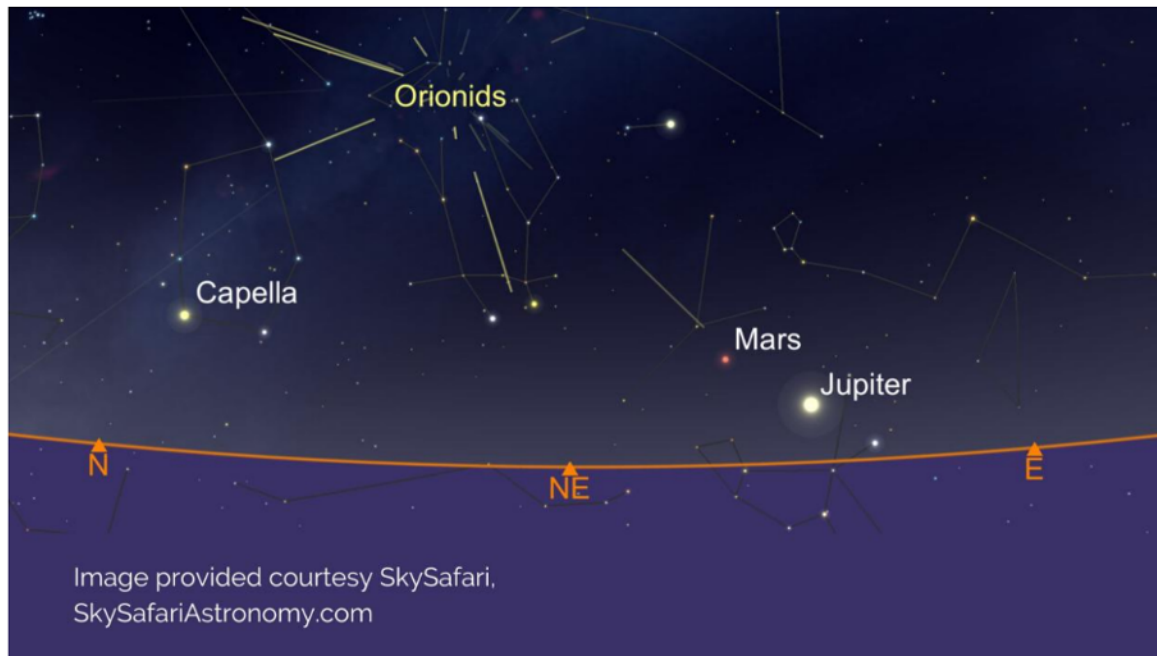
Meteor Shower Marvel

Are you old enough to remember seeing Halley's Comet in 1986? For those who are, it has a special connection to the wonderful meteor shower that occurs in October.

Stargazers will be treated to a special display when the Orionids Meteor Shower peaks this month. A meteor shower occurs when our planet Earth passes through the trail of debris left by a comet after it has completed its journey around our Sun. This shower is the result of Halley's Comet which orbits the sun once every 76 years. Halley's Comet isn't due to return to Earth until 2061, however the debris it left still treats us to two meteor showers per year with the second shower being the eta-Aquarids Meteor Shower in April.

The Orionids Meteor Shower is active from 2nd October to 7th November. At the shower's peak around 3am on 22nd October, you could see up to 20 meteors/hour. Look toward the northern eastern horizon. It's worth watching this meteor shower in the days either side of the peak as well. Meteors can be seen in off-peak times too.

When and where to look: From 3am on 22nd October. Look above the north east horizon for the radiant point.



While you're watching the Orionids Meteor Shower from 3am, 22nd October, try and find Jupiter and Mars below on the eastern horizon. Image provided by SkySafari, a Simulation Curriculum Company, All rights reserved www.simulationcurriculum.com.

Happy stargazing, Carol @ Astrotourism WA. www.astrotourismwa.com.au.



SMOKO TIME

Grab a cuppa and solve a puzzle....

Did you know?

1. NO ONE CAN RUIN YOUR DAY WITHOUT YOUR PERMISSION.
2. MOST PEOPLE WILL BE ABOUT AS HAPPY, AS THEY DECIDE TO BE.
3. OTHERS CAN STOP YOU TEMPORARILY, BUT ONLY YOU CAN DO IT PERMANENTLY.
4. WHATEVER YOU ARE WILLING TO PUT UP WITH, IS EXACTLY WHAT YOU WILL HAVE.
5. SUCCESS STOPS WHEN YOU DO.
6. WHEN YOUR SHIP COMES IN. ... MAKE SURE YOU ARE WILLING TO UNLOAD IT.
7. YOU WILL NEVER "HAVE IT ALL TOGETHER."
8. LIFE IS A JOURNEY... NOT A DESTINATION. ENJOY THE TRIP!
9. THE BIGGEST LIE ON THE PLANET: "WHEN I GET WHAT I WANT I WILL BE HAPPY."
10. THE BEST WAY TO ESCAPE YOUR PROBLEM IS TO SOLVE IT.
11. I'VE LEARNED THAT ULTIMATELY 'TAKERS' LOSE AND 'GIVERS' WIN.
12. LIFE'S PRECIOUS MOMENTS DON'T HAVE VALUE, UNLESS THEY ARE SHARED.
13. IF YOU DON'T START, IT'S CERTAIN YOU WON'T ARRIVE.
14. WE OFTEN FEAR THE THING WE WANT THE MOST.
15. YESTERDAY WAS THE DEADLINE FOR ALL COMPLAINTS.
16. LOOK FOR OPPORTUNITIES...NOT GUARANTEES.
17. LIFE IS WHAT'S COMING...NOT WHAT WAS.
18. SUCCESS IS GETTING UP ONE MORE TIME.
19. NOW IS THE MOST INTERESTING TIME OF ALL.
20. WHEN THINGS GO WRONG...DON'T GO WITH THEM.
21. SOMETIMES THE MAJORITY ONLY MEANS THAT ALL THE FOOLS ARE ON THE SAME SIDE.
22. A PERSON WHO ASKS A QUESTION MIGHT BE A FOOL FOR FIVE MINUTES, BUT A PERSON WHO DOESN'T ASK, IS A FOOL FOREVER.
23. A BEST FRIEND IS LIKE A FOUR LEAF CLOVER...HARD TO FIND, AND LUCKY TO HAVE.
24. I DON'T HAVE TO ATTEND EVERY ARGUMENT I'M INVITED TO.
25. OUR EYES ARE PLACED IN FRONT BECAUSE IT IS MORE IMPORTANT TO LOOK AHEAD THAN TO LOOK BEHIND.

Around the House

100 Hidden Words to Find

C P T E L E V I S I O N C J C C K X B R E F R I G E R A T O R J K P K
 Y M F S K H G B N N I M D R W U Y W R C X H F O T S K O O Z Z K U D P
 Z B K N R C F J T S T N M A T T R E S S Z Q X Q N A F O O U H F N I O
 G Y I A J S V Z B R U V O B U M N T P S I J D Y D B A F T J F L O O R
 X S T T I L E B A C B U C W N P N C A A B R R F S A N I H T T E T B W
 K D C I M V S J S O U F U S D G W U U I T M A D J T F L P H O C B F Q
 F D H O H S E O E M L P N A D U S S W T N T W R X H S B A J Q M K V D
 H Y E Y A S D A M P L N N H T Y L H C T U S E Y A R U F S V Y E A E F
 L Y N L R S O M E U I O F W W J R I O C W T R E F O O U T L E T R N I
 A L G U U Q T M N T G S Y V T I O O N W S G E R M O J S E X W J P T V
 M P P M L D P E T E H P H O A P B N W A E H D P C M I C R O W A V E X
 P Q P Z Z I F Z R R T O Y H Q N Q G O Q C R F H S G E O M C U K M S Y
 Z D O O R S R W O O A N C A R P E T W U H J T O W E L U I V P S C E D
 S M E V W H A U P J A G S Y Y V T P O H S K C T S R L N R L O M E B U
 D H O V C W M J N G M E J Z X W H C P K L T J O K G A T R R O F E S Y
 H K E N Z A E R H D S H I X N T C K L A I H U R N W F E O O Q H D D F
 Y Z E L J S Z T W J K W P W O R N F T U P T G J Y D D R R S A O B T C
 T B P F F H H P O A T W E L Y S E A G E P E A X J P I D M O P O L X C
 V Q X A J E P C M I Z H C Q L T E M V E E Q R B H E E T B S A K E P Q
 U Y S W N R I A T X L H K K X A B R O B R R N X L B M I I P W N N U B
 B O O K X L L B M P S E D D B I V A P T S A P M B E A S O O N U D Q O
 R U G Q W W L I L A U I T B E R T Q W V E M B O B V D S F O N U E C C
 R H N O H A O N W A B D J F H S T V O C P E N R C I V U R N G E R T Q
 X G B E D S W E V A N V P C A V K G T A D K D R E S S E R G E J R T Z
 K F O R K F B T I J S K E I C O M B K N I F E U N W C S E K G O Q Q N
 E I K E C X K A F A M H E P S O V E N D G C J A M D S H E E T B M D Q
 C W A V R L M E L M R C E T B E I Q P L C T O O T H B R U S H L P L C
 Y J F S R U O U Y X X V P R I O Q A T E L T Z A B T Z L F X B R I U L
 R E J N U G T S C S P S I K H R O S C M O I C P T A W F J U E C S F O
 K I G C L A Q M E S A U T Y X S O K H Q T N N V D E T E R G E N T C C
 S H A M P O O O T T N F Q G S L D N C O H L H W S N C H N E Z L Q Y K
 E V M S E N B M H A T T I C A H S U G A E V T R A S H A T B F B H Y D
 S F G D N N A S F P R W W N B R U S H I S S D R G Q H A N U U M B C C
 S O C K S T B B G P Y Y L C Q Z Q A Y R Q E T R M Z L H K S B E W I U
 Q D W I N D O W V I U Z J R H T E A P O T V P X Y P R Q W B R O O M N

attic	brush	couch	floor	mattress	plate	soap	toothbrush
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	



KIDS CORNER!

Q. What do you call a magic dog?

A. A labracadabrador.

HALLOWEEN

W H D R S U V H F L H H N D Q J U A P C H R I U
 C D X W P C T A K S F Q X B F L O W E R E W E K
 I W U N G G Q L Z U F C D S E L K Z P A S Q R Z
 Q X L R U Q F L V F N A V L V W N G G C O N I T
 J H C E N O T O S R J P J T I D B B O N E I P R
 C L B T K S X W C E U M J K L I W B H S T K M F
 N R B N K W K E R B V W C M Q W Q E S Y X P A L
 A W L A K K Q E E O M O Y S J A N C C B H M V R
 X R A L N P H N A T Z M Y P S P I R I T P U E A
 S T C O D Z U S M C P Q C B F B R C O P E P Z E
 S C K K M F W C T O E F Y S C A R E L S V S G F
 Q U C C N N S I Z C L U E M U T S O C R P P D E
 V C A A I S Z M R G H O S T Z X V H T U O O F W
 L J T J G E G R A V E P E R H M W A R P Y O K Q
 L A V A H I Z E Q Z Q P C H J Z I X I H Z K O U
 S N O P T B O V Z Z V I T J K K K Y C A C Y F A
 K D H X M M K P S Z C P U D E I G U K N Y G W Q
 E H U Y A O K M Q F J D R T B U B N O T K T V V
 L R I O R Z C A N D Y M U M M Y Q V R O Q L W P
 E O F V E E I I W Z B W E A X D Y O T M O Y L S
 T E W I T C H S H J K D E T N U A H R Q O X F I
 O K B T G A N E T H G I R F Z C P F E T B J J A
 N B V M I F T F N N W O L C G U L L A E G Z F R
 J Y O H C G T I R O R R O H P F F H T R S M R M

JACKOLANTERN	TRICKORTREAT	NIGHTMARE	HALLOWEEN	BLACKCAT
FRIGHTEN	SKELETON	WEREWOLF	COSTUME	HAUNTED
OCTOBER	PHANTOM	PUMPKIN	VAMPIRE	MUMMY
HORROR	SCREAM	SPIRIT	SPOOKY	ZOMBIE
CANDY	CLOWN	GHOST	GRAVE	SCARE
WITCH	BONE	EVIL	FEAR	BOO

HAPPY HALLOWEEN



Funny Jokes For The Whole Family!

WHY DID THE BIRD GET
IN TROUBLE AT SCHOOL?
FOR TWEETING ON A TEST!

WHAT'S THE SMARTEST INSECT?
A SPELLING BEE!

HOW DOES THE OCEAN SAY HI?
IT WAVES!

NAME THE KIND OF TREE
YOU CAN HOLD IN YOUR HAND?
A PALM TREE!

WHY DO BIRDS FLY SOUTH
IN THE WINTER?
IT'S FASTER THAN WALKING

WHERE DID THE MUSIC TEACHER
LEAVE HER KEYS?
IN THE PIANO!

WHICH SUPERHERO HITS
HOME RUNS?
BATMAN!

WHY IS A FOOTBALL STADIUM
ALWAYS COLD?
IT HAS LOTS OF FANS!

WHY DID THE CHICKEN CROSS
THE PLAYGROUND?
TO GET TO THE OTHER SLIDE.

WHAT KIND OF MATH
DO BIRDS LOVE?
OWL-GEBRA!

HOW DOES A BARBER
DRIVE TO WORK?
HE TAKES SHORTCUTS!

WHAT KIND OF SHOES
DO FROGS LOVE?
OPEN-TOAD!

WHY DO DUCKS ALWAYS PAY
WITH CASH?
**BECAUSE THEY ALWAYS
HAVE BILLS!**

WHERE DO MOST HORSES LIVE?
IN NEIGH-BORHOODS!

WHICH PLANET LOVES TO SING?
NEP-TUNE!

WHY ARE BASKETBALL COURTS
ALWAYS WET?
BECAUSE THE PLAYERS DRIBBLE!

WHAT KIND OF KEYS ARE SWEET?
COOKIES!

KNOCK, KNOCK!
WHO'S THERE?
WOO.
WOO-HOO!
**NO NEED TO GET SO EXCITED;
IT'S JUST A JOKE!**

WHAT DO YOU CALL CHEESE THAT
BELONGS TO SOMEONE ELSE?
NACHO CHEESE!

WHY DID THE PEANUT
GET INTO A ROCKET?
**HE WANTED TO BE AN
ASTRO-NUT!**

WHAT FRUIT DO TWINS LOVE?
PEARS!

HOW DO BEES BRUSH THEIR HAIR?
WITH HONEYCOMBS!

WHY WON'T PEANUT BUTTER
TELL YOU A SECRET?
HE'S AFRAID YOU'LL SPREAD IT!

WHO EATS SNAILS?
**PEOPLE WHO DON'T LIKE
FAST FOOD!**

WHY DID THE BANANA
VISIT THE DOCTOR?
HE WASN'T PEELING WELL!

WHY DID THE COMPUTER
GET SICK?
IT CAUGHT A VIRUS!

WHY DID THE TEACHER
HAVE BIRDSEED?
**FOR HER PARROT-TEACHER
CONFERENCE.**

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07 OCT 04 NOV 02 DEC

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TOURNAMENT**

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TENNIS
COURT

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