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SAY G'DAY TO..

Carmen Wilson from Gascoyne Junction

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\$410,000 facilities. "It is an exciting time for the Gascoyne Junction community, who have been united in their passionate desire for a school to meet the educational needs of their children from Kindergarten to Year 12." Mr Carpenter said the provision of better education infrastructure was part of the State Government's strategy to increase school retention rates in the State by improving the delivery of education in remote communities. The Minister said the original Gascoyne Junction school was closed in December, 1994 by the previous government. "Gascoyne Junction now has 16 school-aged children of Indigenous and non-Indigenous backgrounds in the community and improved school facilities are essential," he said. "The number of students is expected to rise further due to increased housing construction already under way in the area. Moreover, some families have not taken up the available Aboriginal housing due to the lack of a school and we believe some Aboriginal families will return to the area when the school reopens." Mr Carpenter said the current education program being accessed through distance education, while appreciated by the community, did not meet their expectations for the education of their children. "Students of primary age are currently educated at the Gascoyne Junction

BLAST FROM THE PAST

Explores the archives on past news and events.

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GJ CRAFT GROUP

Interested in joining the Gascoyne Junction Craft Group? Check out the details here.



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Learn what the local school children have been up to.



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Recipes chosen just for you at home



BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday to you all.



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Advertisements, new arrivals, birthdays and more.



GLENBURGH STATION STAY

.Natural Bushland Camping sites on the banks of the

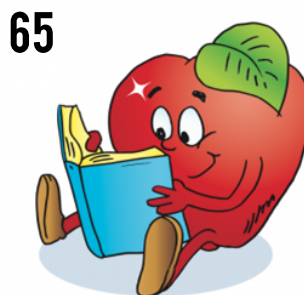


Camp on green shady sites or camp in our comfortable accommodation.



SMOKO TIME

Take a break and enjoy the puzzles and word games.



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Puzzles and Games to keep the kids entertained.

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UPCOMINGEVENTS

Here you will find all the important dates to jot down in your diary.

Ordinary Council Meeting Dates

Friday 5th February

Wednesday 24th March

Wednesday 21st April

Wednesday 19th May

Wednesday 24th June

Wednesday 21st July

Wednesday 18th August

Wednesday 22nd September

Wednesday 20th October

Wednesday 17th November

Thursday 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

CEO Update



Firstly, I would like to welcome everybody back for a new year which promises to be even busier than 2020 with a huge number of projects commencing. These projects will all bring their own individual challenges for all concerned but we must keep our eye on the end result. I will be taking a conservative approach with staff ensuring that they do not suffer burn out and will manage this closely and will not hesitate to get extra assistance if we find ourselves struggling. I would like to express my gratitude to both Cherie and Sean for keeping things ticking during the Christmas Holiday break with Cherie keeping the CRC open for mail and Sean doing the rubbish run.

STAFFING

We have had to farewell Amanda Leighton from our Admin Office who has left our Shire and relocated to the Shire of Carnarvon. We thank Amanda for her service and wish her all the best in her future endeavors. This recent departure has created an exciting opportunity for a new member to join our organisation, and we look forward to completing the recruitment process so we can welcome new staff to the team.

Our Tourism & Community Development Officer, Ainsley Hardie, has commenced her duties and has made good use of her time during her first week in the office by familiarising herself with the Shire's adopted integrated plans, reading up on policies and procedures, and reviewing the Shire's previously developed tourism plans and marketing strategies. Ainsley is excited about reconnecting with our neighbouring Shire's and advocating for more of a collaborative partnership in the hopes that we can develop a greater support network with shared resources to promote tourism in the Gascoyne region.

BUDGET

Sa, Jarrod and myself have undertaken the Budget Review, unfortunately due to the early February Meeting date we cannot present this to the February Meeting as RSM will not have time to carry out the necessary work. We will be able to present this to the March meeting for Council's consideration. One of the challenges was that our initial estimate of the opening balance was \$68,000 out, in negative, at this stage we have accounted for this and after adjustments we are still approximately \$200,000 to the good.

PROJECTS

On or about the 23rd of December 2020 the Federal Government released a \$50M National Flood Mitigation Infrastructure Program which closed on the 15th of January 2021. The Shire has submitted two projects; namely the Dalgety Brood Floodway and the Landor (Gascoyne River) Floodway both valued at around \$1.5M each. Both of these projects are shovel ready and have been accepted by the State to go to the next stage of the application process. I was advised that there were 23 enquiries with the majority of the projects not being shovel ready. I am quietly confident we will get at least one of the projects up and a very real possibility of both getting approved. We are also still pushing through the Building Better Regions Fund to seal our way to Meekatharra.

WORKS

The Solar Power project at the Junction Pub and Tourist Park is now complete with final commissioning being undertaken on the 20th of January 2021. Horizon Power are still doing some work on the system remotely. What should have been a relatively straight forward installation has been an elongated process due to Horizon Power changing the rules half way through the project, let's hope that we can now run the system at full capacity and reduce our carbon footprint as well as deliver some financial savings. The pavilion floor will be painted once materials arrive in Carnarvon. The reconstruction of the pub and caravan parks roads has begun. Dean contracting were awarded the contract and to date have proven to be extremely good to deal with and provide first class service. The new tourist stop project is set to begin on February the 8th which see a hive of activity in our little town.



The town crew have managed to get back on top of the gardening and town maintenance after the break. The typical summer temperatures have taken their toll on the parks and gardens however the latest river flows have boosted our water reserves and are bringing the lawns and plants back to life.

The relocation of the town retic bore is still awaiting native title approval, if received then we will conduct a RFQ to carry out works. The town alternative water supply design and scope has been put on hold until a fully costed proposal is presented to us from Global Ground Water.

Sean is working with Phil Swain on the RFT for the construction of the new 4x2 staff house which expects to go to the market in the next month or so. We are also scoping costs to rejuvenate the town oval fencing and bringing the main street appearance into the 21st century.

The crew returned to work on the 27th January and will begin prepping and mobilising equipment 25km east to start the Carnarvon Mullewa road bitumen works funded by RRG, HSVPP and DFES. Dean Contracting will commence the bitumen construction on the Dalgety Downs Landor road once the pub seal is completed in mid-February.



Our end/side tipper truck arrived in the safe hands of Councillor Caunt. The truck has been commissioned by Max and hooked up to the two side tippers. The team at Ausquip have done a great job upgrading it and fabricating the tipper body. Over the Christmas shutdown Max and Jox from Diesel and Dust along with Lance from Westrac carried out a heap of maintenance and repairs to our entire fleet. Other than a few minor defects to be completed over the next month the lads did a tremendous job in the heat. Thanks fellas.

CORPORATE SERVICES & CRC

In 2021 the Corporate Services team are looking forward to a year of consolidation in a variety of minor projects. A formal team meeting was held on the first week back in the office to establish our priorities for the year ahead and identified commitments that are planned to ensure we can deliver on objectives and achieve goals. These include developing a library of internal processes and procedures, building on our human resources services to create a training matrix for staff to encourage professional growth, and expanding our knowledge and skills in the areas of records management and OSH. In addition we are eager to embrace new ventures centred around opportunities on the continued development of our community and lifting our profile in the tourism space.

Shire of Upper Gascoyne



Public Notice

Annual General Meeting of Electors

2019/20 Year

(Local Government Act 995; Part 1 S1.7)

The Annual General Meeting of Electors is to be held on Wednesday the 24th of March 2021 commencing at 8.30am in the Council Chambers, Gascoyne Junction.

AGENDA

Confirmation of minutes of the General Meeting of Electors held on 19th December 2019.

Consideration and acceptance of the Shire of Upper Gascoyne 2019/2020 Annual Report, which includes:

Presidents Report

Chief Executive Officers Report

Annual Financial Report and

Auditors Report

General Business

A copy of the 2019/20 Annual Report may be obtained from the Shire Offices, Scott Street Gascoyne Junction.

In order that the relevant information may be readily available at the meeting, it would be appreciated if questions could be submitted in writing by Wednesday 17th of March 2021.

John McCleary
Chief Executive Officer
26 February 2021

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

Shire of Upper Gascoyne

Public Notice



The 2019/2020 Annual Report is now available

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1995, under Division 5 Section 5.55, it is hereby notified that the 2019/2020 Shire of Upper Gascoyne Annual Report has been accepted by Council on the 5th February 2021 and is now available to the public.

A copy of the 2019/2020 Annual Report can be viewed at the Shire Office and the CRC at 4 Scott Street, Gascoyne Junction, and a copy is also available on the Shire's website at www.uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au

John McCleary
Chief Executive Officer

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

Shire of Upper Gascoyne

Notice of Audit Committee Meeting



It is hereby notified that an Audit Committee Meeting will be held by the Shire of Upper Gascoyne on the following date:

Wednesday 24th March 2021 commencing at 8:45am.

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

Ratepayers and Residents are welcome to attend the meeting.

John McCleary
Chief Executive Officer

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



Public Notice

Auction By Tender

Tenders Close Thursday March 11, 2021

Item 1: Second Hand Grader Camp Accommodation Unit

This auction is for the accommodation unit and contents only. It does not include the trailer it is mounted on, bulk fuel or water tanks and associated pumps and hardware. The successful tenderer must have the capacity to remove the unit from the trailer and take it away before March 27th 2021. The shire will not supply any labour or plant.

Item 2: 2008 Toyota Hilux 4x4 Single Cab

Condition is fair.

Item 3: Masport Roller Mower

Running and in good condition.

The auction will be a confidential tender style with interested parties tendering via mail or email to the CEO of the Shire of Upper Gascoyne only. The final decision will be at the discretion of the CEO.

John McCleary
Chief Executive Officer

Tender Emails can be submitted to:
ceo@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au

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Auction Item 1
Second Hand
Grader Camp
Accommodation
Unit



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Auction Item 2
2008 Toyota Hilux
4x4 Single Cab
Condition is Fair



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2008 Toyota Hilux 4x4 Single Cab
Condition is Fair



Auction Item 3
Masport Roller Mower
Running, Good Condition



SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE – AGRN908 FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT
MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – February 2021 (PACKAGE 1)

Contractor	QEM Group	Package Start Date:	19 Sept 2020
		Forecast Completion Date:	Nov / Dec 2021
Works this period (Jan / Feb 2021)		Works next period (Feb / Mar 2021)	
Landor Mt Clere Rd Continued works on this road working from Waldburg Rd intersection west towards Landor / Mt Clere Rd boundary. Works have predominately comprised removal of silt, reforming and resheeting and drainline reshaping.		Landor Mt Clere Rd Complete the majority of the works remaining on this road from the Waldburg Rd intersection to the Landor homestead. Remaining works comprise additional reforming and resheeting and removal of silt from the pavement and drainlines.	
Waldburg Rd Completed all works on the southern 40km of this road up to the intersection with Landor Mt Clere Rd. Works have comprised a combination of reforming and resheeting, reconstruction of unsealed floodways, reinstatement of drainlines and removal of silt.			
Status of Roads			
		This Month	Last Period
Overall Package		35%	25%
Bingegaroo Rd		Not yet commenced	
Cobra Gifford Creek Rd		Not yet commenced	
Cobra Mt Augustus Rd		Not yet commenced	
Dooley Downs Rd		Not yet commenced	
Edmund Gifford Creek Rd		Not yet commenced	
Landor Mt Clere Rd		67%	58%
Dalgety Downs Landor Rd		Not yet commenced	
Landor Meekatharra Rd		99%	99%

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Landor Mt Augustus Rd	14%	14%
Lyndon Minnie Creek Rd	Not yet commenced	
Meekatharra Mt Clere Rd	100%	100%
Mount Augustus Rd	Not yet commenced	
Mount Augustus Woodlands Rd	Not yet commenced	
Mooloo Downs Access Rd	Not yet commenced	
Pingandy Rd	Not yet commenced	
Pingandy Homestead Access Rd	Not yet commenced	
Potts Rd	Not yet commenced	
Waldburg Rd	60%	8%
Wanna Rd	Not yet commenced	

Discussion Items	
Water / Materials	Refer attached resources report
Camp	<p>The camp is located at Landor station "Roo shooters camp". The camp comprises of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accommodation for 22 staff, • Kitchen and separate mess station, • Male and Female ablutions, • Contractor site office, • Laydown area, • Workshop and container storage, • All catering / cleaning etc is being undertaken by a dedicated camp attendant. <p>This camp will be in this location until approx. end Feb / early March 2021.</p>

Landor Mt Clare Rd





Waldburg Rd



SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE – AGRN908 FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT
MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – February 2021 (PACKAGE 2)

Contractor	THEM Earthmoving	Package Start Date:	08 Nov 2020
		Forecast Completion Date:	Early 2022
Works this period (Jan / Feb 2021)		Works next period (Feb /Mar 2021)	
Carnarvon Mullewa Rd All works from Cobra Dairy Creek Rd to Dalgety Downs Glenburgh Rd now complete. The works consisted of removal of silt, reinstatement of drainlines, medium and heavy reshaping and reinstatement of floodways. Due to some isolated thunderstorms, minor additional works to tidy-up some scours impacting the works were required.		Dalgety Downs Glenburgh Rd Commence works on this road working from the Glenburgh homestead end towards Dalgety Downs homestead. Works comprise reforming and resheeting, medium reshaping, removal of silt from drainlines and reinstatement of floodways.	
Dalgety Downs Landor Rd Commenced works approx. 15km from the Landor Mt Augustus / Landor Meekatharra Rd intersection and worked west towards Dalgety Downs homestead. All works on the eastern side of the Erong Rd intersection are now complete. Works have comprised reforming and resheeting, drainline reinstatement and heavy reshaping.		Carnarvon Mullewa Rd Restart works on this road working from the Upper Gascoyne / Murchison boundary towards Glenburgh homestead. Works involve mainly drainline reinstatement, removal of silt and medium / heavy reshaping.	
Erong Rd Commenced and completed all works on this road comprising reforming and resheeting and medium reshaping.			
Status of Roads			
	This Month	Last Period	
Overall Package	12%	5%	
Carey Downs Road	Not yet commenced		
Carnarvon Mullewa Road	31%	22%	
Cobra Dairy Creek Road	Not yet commenced		

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Dalgaty Downs Glenburgh Road	0%	-%
Dalgaty Downs Landor Road	97%	-%
Erong Road	100%	-%
Eudamullah Road	Not yet commenced	
Gilroyd Road	Not yet commenced	
Gregory Street	Not yet commenced	
Hatch Street	Not yet commenced	
Killili Road	Not yet commenced	
Lyons River Road	Not yet commenced	
Minnie Creek Road	Not yet commenced	
Mooloo Downs Access Road	Not yet commenced	
Newton Drive	Not yet commenced	
Pimbee Road	Not yet commenced	
Riverside Drive	Not yet commenced	
Rubbish Tip Road	Not yet commenced	
Scott Street	Not yet commenced	
Ullawarra Road	Not yet commenced	
Viveash Way	Not yet commenced	
Weedanrah Road	Not yet commenced	

Discussion Items	
Water / Materials	Refer attached resources report
Camp	<p>The camp has been established on Dalgety Downs Station. The camp is the same camp as used on the last package and will comprise:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accommodation for 20 staff, • Kitchen and separate mess station, • Male and Female ablutions, • Contractor site office, • Laydown area, • Workshop and container storage, • The catering / cleaning out by Dalgety Downs Station. <p>The camp will be in this location until Feb / Mar 2021.</p> <p>Camp is likely to be shifted during the next break (end February 2021) from Dalgety Downs homestead to Pimbee Rd.</p>

Dalgaty Lander Rd



Dalgety Brook



Gravel Stockpile - planned for use on Dalgety Downs Landor Rd upgrade works





COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2021

In accordance with the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996, under regulation 12 (2), it is hereby notified that as from January 2021 to December 2021, Ordinary Council meetings of the Shire of Upper Gascoyne will be held as follows:

3 rd Wednesday of Each Month*	
February 2021*	Friday 5 th
March 2021	Wednesday 24 th
April 2021	Wednesday 21 st
May 2021	Wednesday 19 th
June 2021	Wednesday 23 rd
July 2021	Wednesday 21 st
August 2021	Wednesday 18 th
September 2021	Wednesday 22 nd
October 2021	Wednesday 20 th
November 2021	Wednesday 17 th
December 2021*	Thursday 16 th
*Exception being February (brought forward due to long break between meetings) and December (moved to last day of school).	

Ordinary Council Meetings commence at 8:30am in the Shire Council Chambers located at 4 Scott Street, Gascoyne Junction, except for the May meeting – this will be held at the Mount Augustus Tourist Park in conjunction with the Eastern Road inspections.

Road inspections are scheduled for:

April 2021 - Western Road inspections

May 2021 - Eastern Road Inspections

Rate payers 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.

John McCleary JP
Chief Executive Officer

Vince CATANIA MLA

Vote



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To continue advocating for you & your community
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I need your support at this State election on March 13th
- Vote 1 Vince Catania -



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THE NATIONALS *for Regional WA*

SAY G'DAY TO...

Full name:

Carmen Wilson

Nickname:

CJ

Place of birth:

Bunbury, WA

Favourite food?

Anything made from potatoes

Favourite animal?

Sloth

Footy team:

West Coast Eagles

Where did you grow up?

Southern Cross, Exmouth, Karratha and Bunbury (my father was a police officer so we moved around)

Why did you move to the Upper Gascoyne?

To teach! I've always wanted to teach in a remote school so this is an awesome opportunity to fulfil that dream.

How long have you lived in the Upper Gascoyne?

Four, very interesting, weeks.

What do I love most about the Upper Gascoyne?

The peacefulness and the red earth.

What services or events would you like to see in the Upper Gascoyne?

A monthly market offering fresh produce, local art, multicultural events/foods and activities for kids would be great to have in town.

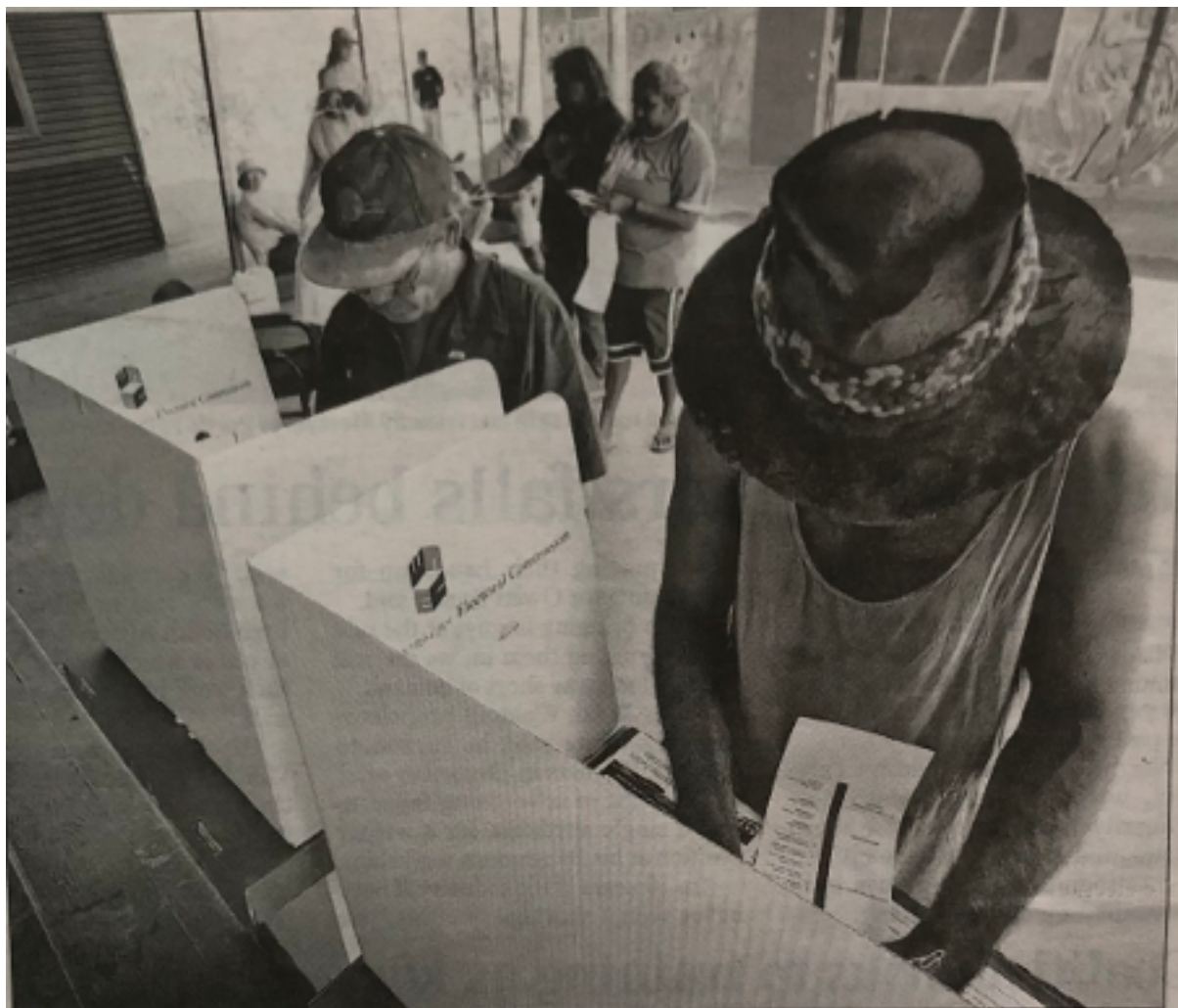
Would you like to star in the next edition of Say G'Day To....

Email crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au with the answers to the questions and dont forget to include a snapshot or drop in and chat with Billie at the CRC and she can interview you in person.



BLAST FROM THE PAST

THIS SEGMENT OF THE GOSSIP EXPLORES PAST ARTICLES ON NEWS AND EVENTS. THIS ARTICLE WAS ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED IN THE WEST AUSTRALIAN NEWS ON FEBRUARY 15 2005



Polling starts: Jock Shay, left, and Patrick Shay cast their votes at Burringurrah. Picture: Lee Griffith

Shopping hours last on the list for remote voters

ELOISE DORTCH

Health, education and the provision of services after the break-up of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Commission were the top concerns of electors voting yesterday by remote polling in WA's biggest electorate, Murchison-Eyre.

At Burringurrah Aboriginal Community — 450km north-east of Carnarvon where 30 people braved 43C heat to vote — most were aware of Colin Barnett's

Kimberley canal but bemused when asked to vote on extended shopping hours in Perth.

In a drive to catch 800-1000 voters, the WA Electoral Commission will travel 5000km in the next week as far inland as the South Australian and Northern Territory border.

Commission remote polling manager Brian Moore said it was the commission's statutory responsibility to reach as many voters as possible. By travelling to

the communities, the commission hoped to educate voters about postal voting.

Burringurrah chairman Bill Merritt admitted he did not know before yesterday about the referendum on trading hours.

He doubted the canal proposal would get off the ground because it would cut through many sacred sites. Community assistant manager Lindsay Councillor said most Aboriginal people in the Labor-held electorate voted Labor.



GASCOYNE JUNCTION CRAFT GROUP 2021 CALENDAR

13th & 14th February Untutored & AGM

27th & 28th March Untutored

18th & 19th April Dongara Autumn Craft Round Up

22nd & 23rd May Outback Wife Overnight Bag Workshop

19th & 20th June Copper Foiling Workshop

24th & 25th July Resin Dipping Outside Tutored Workshop
(provided we can get a tutor)

TBC August Dressmaking Tutorial
(14th & 15th or 28th & 29th depending on Junction races)

18th & 19th September Untutored

30th & 31st October Mosaic Workshop

November 27th & 28th Christmas Craft

For any queries, please contact the Secretary Tina Matthews
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BOOKS OF THE MONTH



WHO DO YOU GO FOR?

Returning to live in an AFL State has reminded me of the question everyone asks "Who Do You Go For?".

This children's story by Heath McKenzie arrived in our latest book delivery and I just had to read it. I laughed as I turned each page to find another reason behind how you could possibly choose which team to barrack for, which colours to wear with pride, which theme song to learn to sing loudly after a victory. It really can be a hard decision. A great story for bedtime or to get into the footy season spirit. I wonder how you all chose your footy team! Ainsley



A SONG FOR DARK TIMES

When his daughter Samantha calls in the dead of night, John Rebus knows it's not good news. Her husband has been missing for two days.

Rebus fears the worst – and knows from his lifetime in the police that his daughter will be the prime suspect.

He wasn't the best father – the job always came first – but now his daughter needs him more than ever. But is he going as a father or a detective?

As he leaves at dawn to drive to the windswept coast – and a small town with big secrets – he wonders whether this might be the first time in his life where the truth is the one thing he doesn't want to find.



We've received a bunch of new library books, dvd's and auto books this month. Make sure you pop in and check them out!

Can't make it into the CRC, send us an email at crc@uppergasocyne.wa.gov.au or call on 9943 0988 and we will hand select a pile of books to be delivered on the mail truck out to you.



Newsletter

05/02/2021

PRINCIPAL'S POST

Welcome back to Gascoyne Junction School for the 2021 school year.

It is with great pleasure we welcome all staff, Ms Gibson, Mrs Walker, Mr Polakiewicz and Ms Aroyewun back to our school.

In particular, we warmly welcome our new teacher Ms Carmen Wilson.

Ms Wilson was merit selected from a group of fourteen applicants by a panel comprised of staff and school council members. She comes from Treendale Primary School in Bunbury and is looking forward to working at Gascoyne Junction School.



Whilst the first week back at school for students at Gascoyne was business as usual, it was not the case for other parts of the state.

Who would've thought schools everywhere would be instructed to bring out the Pandemic Plans and update them in case there is a return to external lessons.

Or that the rain would fall continuously for three days and flood warnings would be necessary, where elsewhere fires ravage people's homes.

John Lennon's line, "Life is what happens to you whilst you're busy making other plans," seems to capture exactly what these events are as our routine selves fall by the wayside.

These unexpected events highlight the importance of developing resilience in our students and ourselves. There are some excellent students' texts that can assist with children's worries such as

'The Huge Bag of Worries' by Virginia Ironside. An excellent App is Smiling Mind and this link is to a site to assist with children managing anxiety. [Help to manage anxiety](#)

All community members are welcome to access resources from the school library.

Taking care of our own mental health and well-being through these challenging times is important.

Try these apps for help with relaxation and mindfulness.

[Headspace](#), [Calm](#) [The Resilience Project](#)

Students began 2021 as a single cohort of five children. The school census is scheduled for February 12th and five will be submitted as requiring funding.

We are expecting younger students to join playgroup, however they do not attract funding until they enter kindergarten.

This means that staffing will be impacted by budget constraints. Strategic planning has enabled the school to commence with two teachers to ensure a comprehensive handover to Ms Wilson. She will work with Mr Polakiewicz through February and into mid-March.

Following this, Mr Polakiewicz and myself will take leave.

Until that time, it's full steam ahead as we work to develop respectful, resilient, responsible students who, wherever their path may lead, will do Gascoyne Junction Remote School proud.

Warm regards,
Chris Polakiewicz

THE FIRST MEETING OF THE
SCHOOL COUNCIL FOR 2021 WILL
BE HELD ON

MONDAY 15th FEBRUARY

AT 5:00pm

IN THE SCHOOL LIBRARY

This meeting is open to the public and
involves discussion
about the roles and responsibilities of
council members and
the opportunity to reflect on the 2020
achievements.

All welcome.

5:00pm Monday in the school library

If you are interested in joining our school
council, please fill in the nomination form
which is attached to the end of this newsletter.

Ms Amanda Leighton has left the School
Council which means a position is available
for any interested parent.

Amanda was a very proactive, supportive
member of the school council and the school.
Her work and dedication is acknowledged and
highly appreciated.

Containers for Change

**Our school is joining
the
War on Waste.
Please help us to make
a difference by
dropping off eligible
containers at the
school.**

CAST your VOTE

**A mobile polling booth will be set
up by the
mobile electoral team in the
school administration block
from 3:00 to 5:00pm
on Friday 5th March 2021!**



Make your
vote count.

FROM THE CLASSROOM

This week students have been busy completing Maths and English assessments for the 2021 school year baseline data collection.

This data informs us of each child's misconceptions (if any) and the evidence to show where they are. From here teachers develop individualised programmes and plans to further each child's specific developmental needs in these areas.

As well as this, students began further learning about Australian authors, with May Gibbs being the first author in focus. As a follow up art activity, students used natural bush materials to create an art piece.



Teachers and students worked together to develop a common understanding of the school values respect, responsibility and resilience. Here is the progress which indicates where clarification is required for shared understanding.



Coming Events

Date	Event
12/2/2021	Student Census
TBA	On Entry Assessment programme for K,PP,Yr1 and Yr 2 students
TBA	Parent/Community information evening
15/2/2021	Occupational Therapist (Sophie Shenton), School Psychologist (Laura Edgeworth)
15/2/2021	School Council Meeting
16/2/2021	Tennis coaching at the tennis courts
25/2/2021	Chris to Geraldton Mid-West meeting
1/3/2021	Labour Day Public Holiday
5/3/2021	Mobile polling available between 3:00pm and 5:00pm at the school.
6/3/2021	Open mic night
8/3/2021 through to 12/3/2021	Swimming in Carnarvon
19/3/2021	Mr and Mrs Polakiewicz go on leave
01/4/2021	Last day of Term 1
02/4/2021	Good Friday - School Holidays
19/4/2021	Staff return for Professional Development
20/4/2021	Students return Term 2

Gascoyne Junction Remote Community
School are hosting an

OPEN-MIC NIGHT

\$25 Buffet



to raise money for Beyond Blue
\$1000 cash prize for Adult winner

\$200 cash prize for Child winner

\$10 DOOR FEE

Examples of what you
can perform include
comedy, songs, poetry
or skits. There will be a
\$10 competitor entrance
fee per person per act.

If more than one person is in
your act it costs \$10.00 for
each to perform.

\$5 RAFFLE

WHEN: Saturday 6th March

WHERE: Junction Pub and Tourist
Park

TIME: 7pm Start (must be signed in
before 6.30pm sharp!)

IF YOU PLAN TO SING A SONG, YOU
NEED TO HAVE YOUR MUSIC
ORGANISED BEFORE HAND.

If you need help with this, please
contact the School on 99430515 or
email:

gascoynejunction.rcs@education.wa.edu.au



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HARMONY WEEK



March 15 to 21

What is Harmony Week?

Harmony Week is a time to celebrate Australian multiculturalism, and the successful integration of migrants into our community. Australia is one of the most successful multicultural countries in the world and we should celebrate this and work to maintain it. The message of Harmony Week is everyone belongs. It is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background, united by a set of core Australian values.

Did you know?

- Nearly half (49 per cent) of Australians were born overseas or have at least one parent who was.
 - We identify with over 300 ancestries.
 - Since 1945, more than 7.5 million people have migrated to Australia.
 - 85 per cent of Australians agree multiculturalism has been good for Australia.
- Apart from English, the most common languages spoken in Australia are Mandarin, Arabic, Cantonese, Vietnamese, Italian, Greek, Tagalog/Filipino, Hindi, Spanish and Punjabi.
 - More than 70 Indigenous languages are spoken in Australia.

These facts are taken from ABS 2016 Census Data. Check out the Australian Bureau of Statistics website.

**HARMONY WEEK KIDS ACTIVITIES AT THE CRC
AFTER SCHOOL ON TUE MAR 16 & THU MAR 18
FROM 3PM to 4PM.**

EVERYONE BELONGS
www.harmony.gov.au



Kids Afternoon Activities

HARMONY WEEK TUE 16 MAR & THU 18 MAR

Join Billie and Ainsley at the CRC from 3 to 4pm on March 16 and March 18 for a fun hour of stories, activities and food to celebrate Harmony Week. Harmony Week is a celebration of the diverse backgrounds of Australians.

To register phone the CRC on 9943 0988 or email crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au. Please let us know of any dietary requirements.

HARMONY WEEK



EASTER FUN MON MAR 29 & WED MAR 31



Hop on down to the CRC on Monday and Wednesday afternoon from 3pm to 4pm.

On Monday Billie will have you participating in a fun range of craft activities, so that on Wednesday you can enjoy an early Easter Egg Hunt.

To register phone the CRC on 9943 0988 or email crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au.

Again please let us know of any dietary requirements.

HAPPY EASTER

Spreading the Word

Sharing our Backyard

I am having so much fun discovering my new backyard. To see the river flowing, and the change in the landscape so soon after arriving in Gascoyne Junction is amazing. I had the chance to fly out to the Kennedy Ranges in the past week and it has just made me want to get out on the road to discover more of my new backyard. One of the things that I am working on in my new role is building the Instagram page of the Shire using it as a way to communicate with potential visitors to the region. For this I would love your help. It's easy. I am creating a collection of my own photos of our backyard but I would love for you to share with me images of your backyard. The photos that make you glad to call Upper Gascoyne your home. I will then share them on Instagram. This can be anonymous or I can tag you in the photo if you would like. As the roads reopen I am looking forward to getting out to all corners of the Shire to meet as many of you as possible. Email your photos to tcdo@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au. Each month I will announce a winner and your image will be on the front of the Gassy Gossip.



Keeping Up To Date

Over the past few weeks there has been a lot happening in the Shire with road closures, water restrictions and communication outages. At the Shire we recommend that your first port of call for information should be the Shire website. As soon as the Works team has road updates these are immediately updated on the road conditions page. It is possible to subscribe to this report, and you will get an email as soon as a change is made. Please make sure you take note of any additional remarks that are made. The latest news is also posted here, with editions of the Gassy Gossip, and information on council meetings.

If the webpage is not available, then make sure you are following our Facebook page: Shire of Upper Gascoyne New and Events. Both the Shire and CRC will post updates here of the latest happenings. If you cannot find the information that you need there then call the administration team at the Shire Office on 08 9943 0988.

Finally we have our Shire of Upper Gascoyne Instagram page where we will be promoting our region as a destination highlighting our beautiful natural surroundings and our lifestyle.



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UPPER GASCOYNE FOOTY TIPPING

Joining Fee: \$25.00 per person annual fee

Weekly Prize: To be Announced March 19 **End of Year Prize Pool:** To be Announced March 19

Rules:

1. A correct tip is 1 point. An incorrect tip is 0 points. A draw will be awarded 0.5 points.
2. The cut off time for each round is the Thursday prior to the round commencing at 12 Noon. Entries forms can be completed at the CRC, sent by email to crc@uppergascoyne.gov.au or texted to 0455 773 318. If tips are not received by this time, you will have the away team entered as your tip by default.
3. On the first game of each round a winning margin must also be selected. If there is a tie for the weekly winner the tipper closest to the winning margin on this first game will be awarded the weekly prize. The same premise will be used to determine the overall winner. In the case of a tie for first place, tallying up winning margin differences will be used to declare a winner. Winner takes all.
4. If you join after the competition commences you will receive all away teams up until the time of joining.
5. Weekly Winners will be announced at 12 Noon the day following the last match in the current round.
6. Entry forms will be emailed out each Thursday afternoon. Hard copies will also be available from the CRC.

UPPER GASCOYNE FOOTY TIPPING REGISTRATION FORM

Return to the CRC by email crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au or in person.

Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Entry Fee Paid: Yes/No

I agree to play by the rules. I acknowledge the judges decision is final.

Signed: _____ Date: _____



DINE IN HARMONY FRI 19 MAR

3 Course
Menu
\$50 per head

**HARMONY
WEEK**

To Start

Bread Board with a selection of canapes by Chef Omo

Main

Farmer Brown:

Chicken Breast Roulade, pomegranate and onion stuffing, Chicken Thigh Confit with Aubergine Puree, Black Rice and Chicken Skin Crumble

St John:

Coconut Seared Salmon, Salmon Bisque, Lemongrass, Spaghetti Tom Yum

Dessert

After 9.30:

Milk Terrine, Sorbet, Honeycomb with Dark Chocolate Sauce

Black Forest:

Chocolate Sponge Cake, Mixed Berry Jelly, Candied Walnut and Vanilla Ice Cream

To Book:

E: info@junctiontouristpark.com.au

T: Meggan on 0488 367 168



Financial and support services for farmers and their partners



Help is available for rural families who may need a hand during tough times.

Farm Household Allowance

Farm Household Allowance (FHA) is for farmers and their partners in financial hardship.

This payment is the same rate as the maximum rate of Jobseeker Payment or Youth Allowance. It's paid fortnightly.

You can get the allowance for up to 4 years in specific 10-year periods. We count 4 years as 1,460 days. You don't have to use these 4 years all at once. You can save it for when you need it. If you've already received 1,460 days of payment you can apply for FHA again from 1 July 2024.

You'll need to meet income and assets tests to get FHA. Your combined personal and farm assets must be below \$5.5 million.

It's important to make a claim to check if you're eligible, instead of making your own assessment.

You'll need to undertake activities to help improve your financial position.

You can also claim activity supplements up to a total of \$10,000 over your lifetime if you get FHA.

This will help pay for activities in your Financial Improvement Agreement. This includes reasonable travel and accommodation costs related to activities.

You may also be eligible for:

- Pharmaceutical Allowance
- Remote Area Allowance
- Rent Assistance.

"FHA has allowed us to upgrade our skills and knowledge to boost our production. Our future is looking a lot brighter. It's changed our lives!"

How to claim

The easiest way to claim FHA is online at servicesaustralia.gov.au/farmhouseholdallowance

To claim online you need a myGov account linked to Centrelink.

If you and your partner are both claiming FHA, you may be able to submit a combined claim.

If you can't claim online you can print and complete the Claim for Farm Household Allowance form.

If you need help to complete a claim form, you can:

- call us on the Farmer Assistance Hotline, **132 316**, Monday to Friday, 8 am to 8 pm
- go to a service centre, Mobile Service Centre or Agent.

You can also get help from the Rural Financial Counselling Service. You can call them on **1800 686 175**.

Hardship Advance Payment

If you're eligible for FHA and in severe financial hardship, you can get up to 1 week of FHA as an advance. Some waiting periods may still apply, based on your circumstances.



An overview of Farm Household Allowance



Your Farm Household Case Officer (FHCO) will contact you when you start getting Farm Household Allowance (FHA). They'll guide and support you through your time on payment.

<p>YEAR 1</p> <p>Starting on FHA</p>	<p>You'll need to complete a Farm Financial Assessment (FFA). This is due 1 month from the date we request it. If you don't complete it, your FHA payment may stop. Talk to your FHCO as soon as possible if you need more time.</p>	<p>After completing your FFA you need to meet with your FHCO. They'll help you to work out your Financial Improvement Agreement (FIA). This agreement sets out your goals and activities over the next 4 years. You have 28 days to enter into an agreement or your FHA payment may stop. Talk to your FHCO as soon as possible if you need more time.</p>	<p>Your FHCO can refer you to a Rural Financial Counsellor. These counsellors can help you work out your financial and business options. They can prepare you for meetings with your lenders and go along for support. You can work with a Rural Financial Counsellor at any stage before, during or after getting FHA.</p>
<p>YEAR 2</p> <p>Making the most of FHA</p>	<p>The activities in your FIA will help you to improve your financial situation. You might get activity supplements worth up to \$10,000 over your lifetime. Check with your FHCO before you start an activity.</p> <p>You need to tell us about all your farm and non-farm income. People with regular income need to report every 2 weeks. Everybody else needs to report every 6 weeks. We'll tell you how often you need to report when we approve your claim. The easiest way to report your income is online or by calling 133 276.</p>	<p>Your FHCO will contact you every 3 months to check how you're going with your activities.</p> <p>Talk to your FHCO if your circumstances change or if you want to change your agreed activities.</p> <p>Let us know as soon as possible if your financial situation improves. That way, you won't get overpaid and have to pay us back.</p>	
<p>YEAR 4</p> <p>Preparing to come off FHA</p>	<p>When you're close to the end of 4 years on FHA your FHCO will help you to exit the program.</p>	<p>If you stop getting FHA before 4 years are up, you can always claim again later if you need to.</p>	<p>FHA is available for 4 years in specified 10-year periods. If you have already received 4 years of FHA you'll be able to claim again from 1 July 2024.</p>



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Checklist for claiming Farm Household Allowance



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Farm Household Allowance helps farmers and their partners who are in financial hardship.

The easiest way to claim FHA is online at servicesaustralia.gov.au/farmhouseholdallowance

To claim online you need a myGov account linked to Centrelink.

You can establish your identity and get a Centrelink Customer Reference Number (CRN) online, using myGov. You don't need to visit a service centre. You'll get a Centrelink online account.

We'll need to confirm your identity in person at a later date. We'll contact you in the future to let you know what we need.

If you and your partner are both claiming FHA, you may be able to submit a combined claim.

If you can't claim online, you can use a paper claim form.

You can get help to complete a claim form at our service centres, Agents or Mobile Service Centres.

You can also get help from the Rural Financial Counselling Service. You can call them on **1800 686 175**.

For more information, you can:

- go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/farmhouseholdallowance
- call the Farmer Assistance Hotline on **132 316**, Monday to Friday, 8 am to 8 pm
- go to one of our service centres.

Supporting documents

Every claim needs supporting information and documents. Use this checklist to help you gather the documents you need to submit.

To help get your payment faster, submit all your paperwork when you claim. You can upload your documents as a photo or pdf with your online claim.

Identity

- ☐ birth certificate, visa or citizenship certificate
- ☐ a primary document such as an Australian driver licence

- ☐ a secondary document such as a bank ATM card
- ☐ your Centrelink Reference Number (CRN).

For a list of other documents you can use, go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/identity You must provide an income and assets form* with your claim.

Property and real estate

- ☐ shire or council rates notice of each property you own
- ☐ title details of each property you own
- ☐ copy of your signed lease or tenancy agreement if you rent
- ☐ real estate details form* if your home has more than one title, is on a block of land larger than 2 hectares or you use it to produce an income.

Assets and liabilities

- ☐ details of all bank accounts including the balance of each account at the date of claim
- ☐ list of assets, such as land, major plant and equipment, livestock, shares and cash in the bank
- ☐ water rights documents, including the value, for all water assets held
- ☐ statements for all your shares and investments, including shares required to be held by your farm enterprise
- ☐ list of liabilities, such as all loans, hire purchase and money owed
- ☐ loan statements.

Income and financials

- ☐ your and your partner's latest business and personal tax returns
- ☐ latest balance sheets for all businesses
- ☐ evidence of non-farm income, such as payslips from the date of claim
- ☐ current financial year profit and loss statements
- ☐ private trust form* and trust tax return for each trust you're involved in
- ☐ private company form* and company tax return for each company you're involved in
- ☐ confirmation of your leave and redundancy payments you received over the past 12 months
- ☐ details of any compensation received.

*To find these forms go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/forms

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Activity Supplements

Farm Household Allowance (FHA) activity supplements help pay for activities to improve your financial position. They're worth up to \$10,000 over your lifetime.

How this helps your Financial Improvement Agreement

Your Farm Household Case Officer (FHCO) works with you to develop a Financial Improvement Agreement (FIA). This is a plan for you to improve your financial situation.

The agreement lists the activities you agree to do while you get FHA. We provide activity supplements worth up to \$10,000 in total to help pay for the activities. It can also help pay for reasonable travel and accommodation costs related to the activities.

A farming couple in Victoria both applied for FHA when their farm was in drought. "Sharon" was the partner with full-time carer responsibilities for their children. She decided to go back to uni and improve her qualifications. She used activity supplements to help pay her uni fees.

"Christine," a dairy farmer in New South Wales, used activity supplements to pay for training courses to learn about organic farming practices. Then she could get organic certification and sell organic milk at a higher price. She used an activity supplement to pay for advice on how to set up her own organic milk processing plant.

For some people, their goal is to remain working on the farm. The FIA may include work to improve the farm's productivity.

"Ian" in Victoria wanted to improve the production of his stone fruit orchard. He needed to learn more about disease management practices. He was able to use an activity supplement to pay for a course about this.

For others, their goal may be to find work away from the farm. The agreement can include study or training related to work on or off the farm.

When "David" in Queensland saw the results of his Farm Financial Assessment, it showed his farm wasn't financially viable. He decided he needed to work off the farm. He found a TAFE course that would give him a qualification to help him find suitable work. David's FHCO told him the activity supplement could pay for the training costs of \$2,800. It could also pay for his travel and accommodation while he studied. He finished the course and found a full-time job soon after.



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Country Women's
Association of WA

MEDIA STATEMENT

CWA of WA Rapid Response cash grants extended to Carnarvon Flood Victims

On 3rd February the Country Women's Association's Community Fund launched a quick grants programme, offering to \$500 for individuals/families who have had losses as a result of the Wooreloo bushfire. Today the Fund is pleased to announce that the grants have been extended to Carnarvon flood victims as well.

The CWA of WA State President and Chair of the Community Fund Elaine Johnson acknowledged that donations already received from the community allowed them to pivot quickly to offer this support. She also thanked the many people who have donated to the fund since the Rapid Response Grant program was announced.

The Fund has been processing bushfire applications non-stop since the grants were announced, aiming for a quick turnaround of qualifying applications.

State President Elaine Johnson said that the grants were intended to give people a quick helping hand after suffering from these natural disasters. "You can think of them as a hug and a kiss from CWA."

To apply for assistance, please download an application form on CWA's website
<http://www.cwaofwa.asn.au/projects/education-and-welfare/>

Alternatively you can email ceo@cwaofwa.asn.au or call CWA on (08) 9321 6041.

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CWA OF WA DGR FUNDS PTY LTD - COMMUNITY FUND RAPID RESPONSE DISASTER RELIEF APPLICATION FORM

APPLICANT DETAILS

Title	<input type="checkbox"/> Mr <input type="checkbox"/> Mrs <input type="checkbox"/> Miss <input type="checkbox"/> Ms <input type="checkbox"/> Other	DATE	
Given Name/s			
Surname			
Date of Birth		Proof of Identity attached?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
Occupation			
Number and Age of Dependant/s			
Residential Address			
Postal Address (if different)			
Email			
Contact Phone		Mobile	
Bank Account Details for payment of assistance	Account Name:	BSB:	Account Number:

APPLICATION DETAILS

(Please refer to the Eligibility Criteria in the Guidelines on page 2)

Have you received financial assistance from CWA of WA within the past 12 months or do you have any current/pending applications for assistance from other organisations or government? (your answer will not impact your application)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
If yes, please provide details:	
Reasons for Assistance Please provide your reasons for applying for funding, including the circumstances that have led to the need for relief.	
Evidence attached? (Refer Guideline #4)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes

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DECLARATION

By signing this application you declare that you are over 18 years of age, and all information provided in the application is accurate and complete.	
Name of Applicant	
Signature of Applicant	

ADDITIONAL NOTES CAN BE ATTACHED TO APPLICATION FORM.

Please return your application marked **PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL** to the Country Women's Association of Western Australia (Inc), PO Box 97, West Perth WA 6872 or ceo@cwaofwa.asn.au

DGR COMMUNITY FUND RAPID RESPONSE DISASTER RELIEF APPLICATION GUIDELINES

1. Strict confidentiality regarding applications is to be maintained at all times.
2. Payments made to applicants from the Community Fund are determined in accordance with the Deed of Trust for The Country Women's Association of Western Australia (Inc) Community Fund, by the trustee, being CWA of WA DGR Funds Pty Ltd Board (the Board).
3. The amount to be paid per applicant/household is no more than \$500 per applicant/household per annum, except in circumstances identified by the Chairperson of the Board. The Chairperson has the authority to make a determination in extraordinary circumstances.
4. To be eligible applicants must
 - a. be over 18 years of age and reside in Australia. Proof of identity (such as a copy of a driver's licence, passport or birth certificate must be attached to the application); and
 - b. provide evidence that demonstrates they have experienced losses as a result of a natural disaster. Evidence could include proof that their primary residence is located in a disaster zone, or a letter of support from a recognised authority (eg Shire, Church, Member of Parliament, JP, Government Agency).
5. Payments are aimed to assist with household and personal expenses.
6. Payments to provide relief to a business enterprise or for business purposes will not be made e.g. damage to commercial assets.
7. Funds will be granted subject to Board discretion and funding availability and may be subject to conditions as determined by the Board.
8. These conditions may be subject to variation, upon approval of the Board.

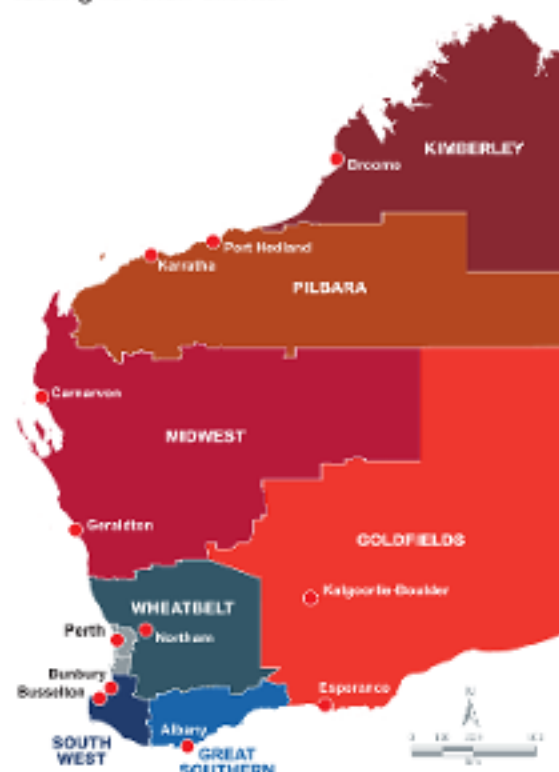
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Where to get tested for COVID-19 throughout WA in regional and remote areas

If you or a family member starts to feel COVID-19 symptoms you can go to your nearest **Public Emergency Department** (listed here) for testing.

Most Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations also provide testing for their clients.



Goldfields

Esperance Health Campus (08) 9079 8000
Hicks Street, Esperance

Kalgoorlie Health Campus (08) 9080 5888
15 Piccadilly Street, Kalgoorlie

Laverton Hospital (08) 9088 2600
2 Beria Road, Laverton

Leonora Hospital (08) 9080 4300
Sadie Canning Drive, Leonora

Norseman Hospital (08) 9039 9200
1 Talbot Street, Norseman

Great Southern

Albany Hospital (08) 9892 2222
Cnr Hardie Rd and Warden Ave, Spencer Park

Denmark Health Service (08) 9848 0600
50 Scotsdale Road, Denmark

Gnowangerup Hospital (08) 9827 2222
3493 Broomehill-Gnowangerup Rd,
Gnowangerup

Katanning Health Service (08) 9821 6222
11-31 Kobeelya Avenue, Katanning

Kojonup Hospital (08) 9831 2222
Spring Street, Kojonup

Plantagenet Health Service (08) 9892 1222
59 Langton Road, Mount Barker

Ravensthorpe Health Service (08) 9838 2211
74 Martin Street, Ravensthorpe



During the month of March we celebrate Peanut Butter Lovers Day on March 1, Popcorn Lovers Day on March 11, National Spinach Day on March 25 so what better way to help you celebrate than to share recipes with you to mark the occasion.

EASY CARAMEL POPCORN

Serves 20

Ingredients:

250g Butter	450g Dark Brown Sugar
8tb golden syrup	1 tsp salt
1/2 tsp bicarb soda	1 tsp vanilla popcorn
250g popped popcorn	



1. Preheat oven to 120 degrees celsius and place popcorn in a very large bowl.
2. In a medium saucepan over medium heat, melt butter.
3. Stir in brown, sugar, golden syrup and salt.
4. Bring to boil, stirring constantly.
5. Boil without stirring 4 minutes.
6. Remove from heat and stir in bicarb and vanilla.
7. Pour in a thin stream over popcorn, stirring to coat.

SPINACH, PUMPKIN AND FETTA ROLLS

Servings 6

INGREDIENTS

500g pumpkin deseeded peeled cut into cubes	40ml olive oil
1 brown onion finely diced	1 garlic clove finely diced
250g frozen spinach	200g Greek Fetta Crumbled
3 sheets puff pastry thawed	1 egg beaten
1tbs sesame seeds	



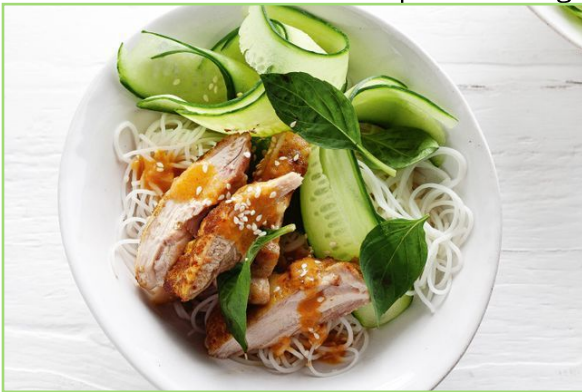
1. Preheat oven to 200C (180C fan forced). Peel pumpkin and remove seeds, then cut into 1.5cm cubes. Toss in 20ml olive oil. Spread in a single layer in a baking dish and bake for 20 minutes.

2. Heat remaining oil in a fry pan. Saute onion and garlic over low heat for five minutes. Add frozen spinach and cook for 10 minutes, stirring often, until completely thawed and well combined. Stir through the baked pumpkin and crumbled feta. Season well with salt and pepper.

3. Increase oven to 220C (200C fan forced)

4. Cut each pastry sheet in half to create six strips. Place 1/6 of the pumpkin mixture along the length of each strip. Brush one long edge with beaten egg. Starting with the unbrushed side, roll and seal. Repeat with all the pastry. Transfer the rolls, seam side down to a tray lined with baking paper. Slash each into quarters. Brush with egg and sprinkle with sesame seeds.

5. Bake for 20 to 25 minutes until puffed and golden.



Preheat oven to 190C. Heat a large frypan over medium to high heat. Drizzle chicken with oil & sprinkle with curry powder, then cook, skin side down for 2 mins or until skin is crisp. Transfer chicken, skin side up to baking tray, then bake for 12 mins or until cooked through. Meanwhile return the frypan to heat. Add curry paste and cook stirring for 30 secs until

CRISPY SATAY CHICKEN Serves 4

6 Chicken Thigh Fillets (Skin On)
2tbs sunflower oil
2tsp mild curry powder
2tbs yellow or red Thai Curry Paste
270ml can of coconut milk
1/2 cup Massel chicken style liquid stock
2tbs peanut butter
2tbs brown sugar
125g vermicelli rice noodles
1 Lebanese cucumber, thinly sliced into ribbons
2tbs fish sauce
1tbs lime juice
Basil & 1tbs toasted sesame seeds to serve

fragrant. Add coconut milk, stock, peanut butter & sugar. Stir to combine, then simmer for 5 mins or until slightly thickened. Soak noodles, in a bowl of boiling water, drain and refresh in cold water. Put into 4 serving bowls. Thickly slice chicken and divide among bowls with cucumber. Stir fish sauce & lime juice into satay sauce, then drizzle over chicken. Serve scattered with basil leaves & sesame seeds.



BIRTHDAY ANNOUNCEMENTS

MARCH

- 2 Karen Coffin
- 6 Genevieve Robinson
- 9 Thomas Fletcher
- 16 Ainsley Hardie
- 20 Georgie Hammarquist
- 23 David Hammarquist

APRIL

- 3 Mitchell Hoseason-Smith
- 8 Bridie Walker
- 11 Riley McKeough
- 15 Katelyn Wright



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We would like to give a shout out to all of our sponsors who helped to support our annual community Christmas party held on the 17th of December 2020. We received many kind donations in the form of cash and gift contributions used for our raffle prizes. The Shire received \$10,468 in cash donations which is almost \$1,500 more than the year before. Without the generosity of our sponsors, community events like this one would not be possible.

In addition, I would also like to thank all of our wonderful staff who helped to organise the event and ensure it ran smoothly on the night, and then came back early the next morning to clean it all up! Thank you team for your amazing efforts, you did a great job.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE 2021 COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY

16 December

We are already starting to plan this year's event. It doesn't happen overnight after all. We would love to get your feedback on the event to make sure that it continues to be a highlight of year in the Upper Gascoyne. If you could take a moment to jot down your responses below and send back to the CRC by mail, email or in person it would be appreciated greatly. There will be a box on the desk..

COMMUNITY FEEDBACK ON THE 2020 COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS PARTY

Overall, how would you rate the event on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 Low - 5 High) 1 2 3 4 5

Using the same scale how would you rate:

The Venue 1 2 3 4 5

The Jukebox 1 2 3 4 5

Santa & His Gifts 1 2 3 4 5

The Bucking Bull 1 2 3 4 5

The Food 1 2 3 4 5

How did you hear about the event?: _____

Was there anything missing from the 2020 event that you would like to see in 2021? _____



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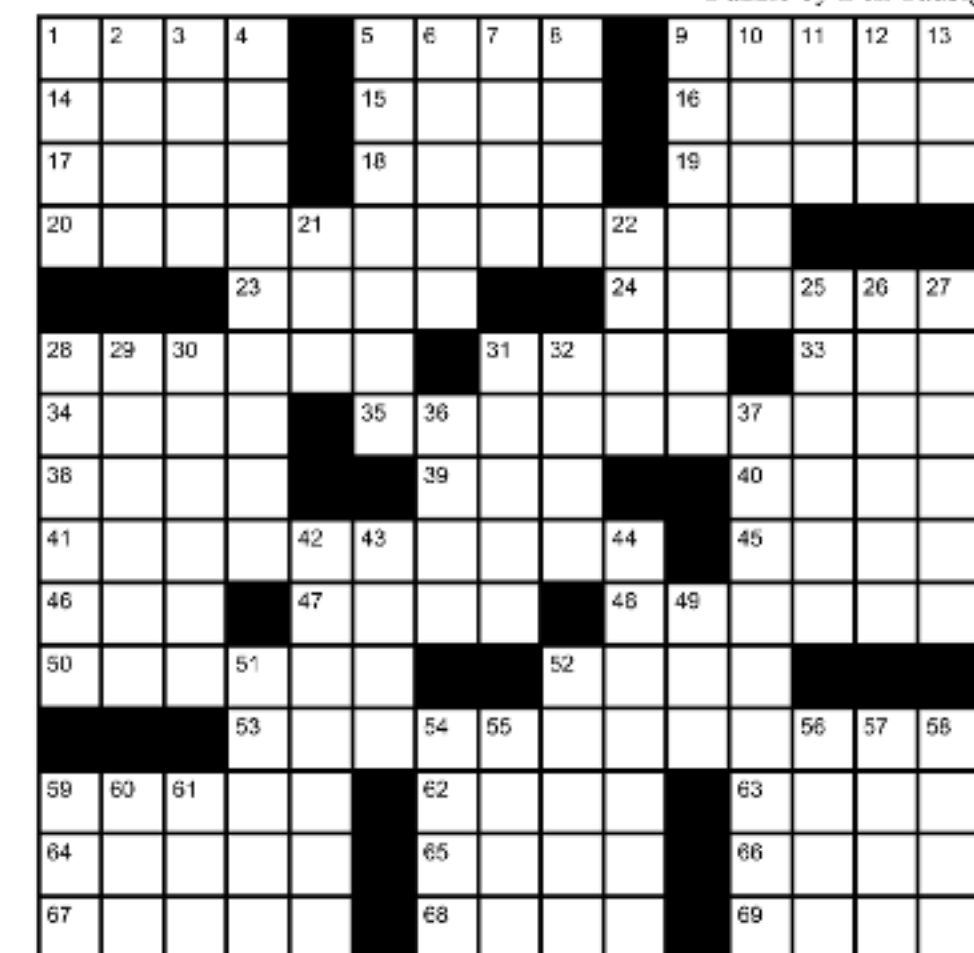


"Snacks of Awe"

Puzzle by Ben Tausig

Across

1. Radar image
5. Kid's claim of possession
9. City to which a great many retired Jews have taken their talents
14. Puerto ____
15. Dog kicked around by Garfield
16. Biology lab stain
17. Crazy
18. Prefix with byte
19. Shows age, as a car body
20. People in their first couple weeks of marriage, perhaps
23. Printer paper purchase amount
24. Something that might keep you up in bed?
28. Influence, as it were
31. Humane org.
33. "A Theory of Semiotics" author
34. Active Italian volcano
35. Streaming service since June 2015
38. Apothecary's measure
39. ____-tzu
40. Cutlet?
41. Markers that show when a document was approved, say
45. Big name in fruit
46. Yeshiva e-mail address ender
47. Charged particles
48. 1995 Bullock cyber thriller
50. Very LOL. GOP event
52. Dino's tail?
53. Autumn observance during which the foods at the start of this puzzle's theme entries are eaten
59. Sarah, Bristol, Track, Troops, or Trucker (j/k about the last two)
62. Hand-on-the-Bible utterance
63. Showing a lot of skin



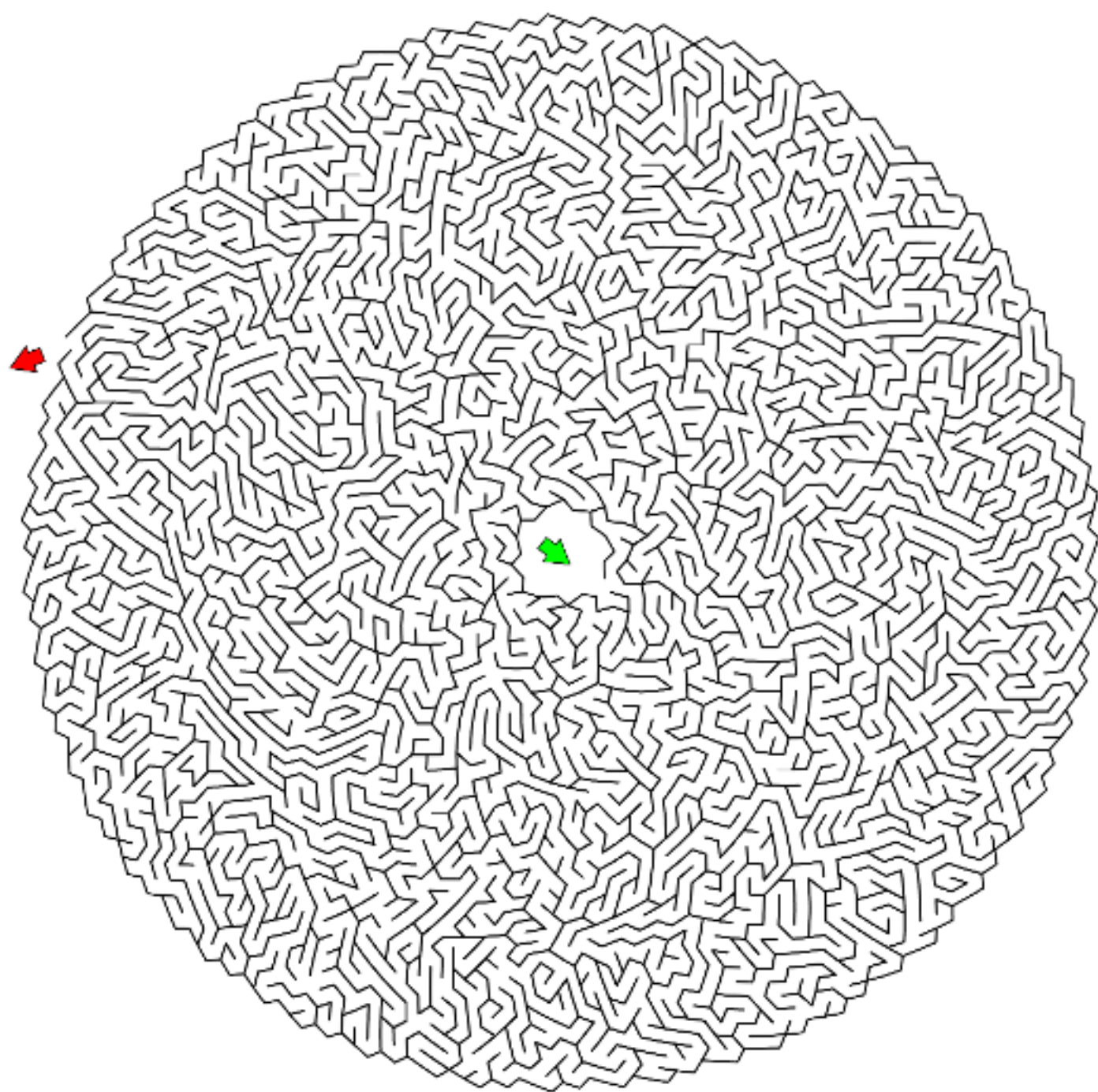
64. Luca in "The Godfather"
65. Ashtabula's lake
66. "Tasty!"
67. NES button
68. Animal shelters
69. Spotted

Down

1. Male friend, in dude slang
2. Airport pickup
3. Jewish star, e.g.
4. Texas hold 'em, e.g.
5. Beliefs
6. Blue collar, red tape, or purple prose
7. Female climax, casually
8. Astin of "Lord of the Rings"
9. Either of two brothers who purchased Webster's Dictionary

10. 2008 documentary about debt
11. Doofus
12. Benjamin Netanyahu's sch.
13. ____ and outs
21. "Uh-huh"
22. "____ homo" (painting that became a meme after it was "restored")
25. Wound
26. Cold spike?
27. Eye place
28. United under a chuppah, say
29. Charles Schwab alternative
30. Place for a nursery rhyme trio
31. Barrages with email supposedly from a Nigerian prince, say
32. Alka-Seltzer sound
36. Agenda

37. Pits
42. Insult from the Fonz
43. "Little piggies"
44. Weed collections
49. "Come again?"
51. Come to mind
52. Soft, low-brow sheet material
54. Worked the soil
55. Aesop's also-ran
56. Identify
57. Fictional mail order weapons company
58. "Adon Olam," e.g.
59. Hipster beer brand, briefly
60. "____ we having fun yet?"
61. ____ Cruces, NM



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TRIVIA

- 1) What is Charlie's nephew's first name on the TV show "Two and a Half Men"?
- 2) What is the three-letter IATA code for London Heathrow airport?
- 3) What layer of the Earth's atmosphere sits between the troposphere and mesosphere?
- 4) Muammar Gaddafi is the former disgraced Prime Minister of which country?
- 5) What is the capital of New Zealand?
- 6) Who assassinated John Lennon?
- 7) The martini is a cocktail made with gin and what other main ingredient.
- 8) The biblical figures Melchior, Caspar and Balthasar are more often referred to as what?
- 9) What is an uncastrated, adult male horse called?
- 10) "The Drama in Bahama" on Dec. 11, 1981, proved to be the final match for what famous boxer?
- 11) Which kind of bulbs were once exchanged as a form of currency in the Dutch republic around the 17thC?
- 12) Which two US states begin with the letter "V"?

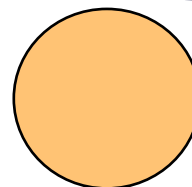
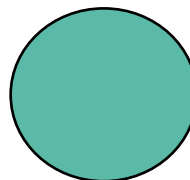
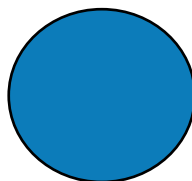
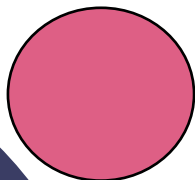
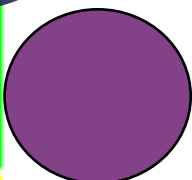
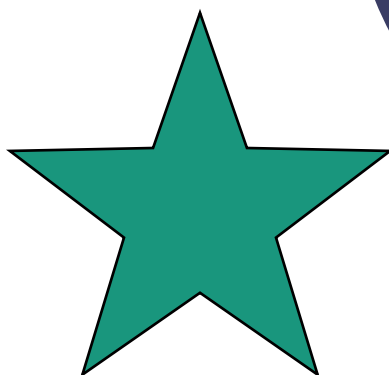
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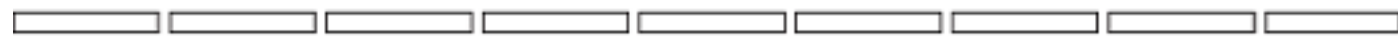
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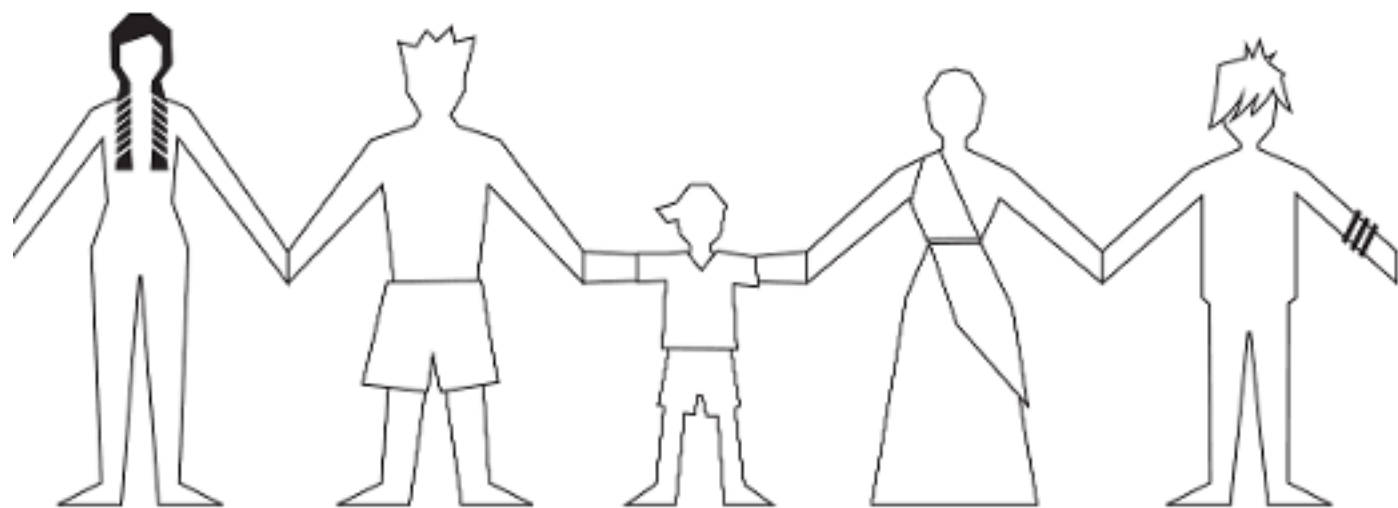
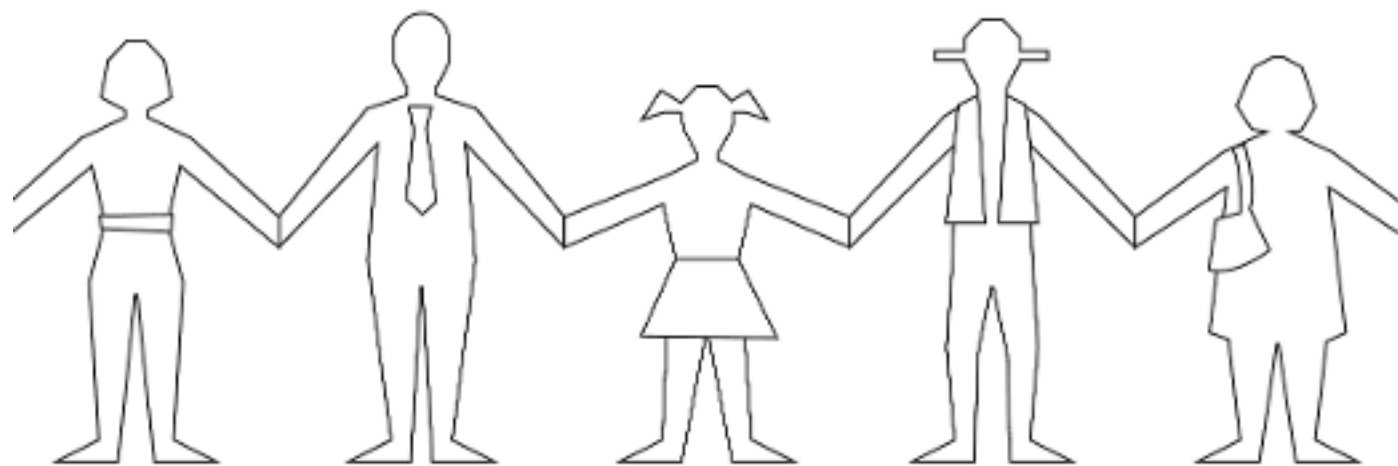


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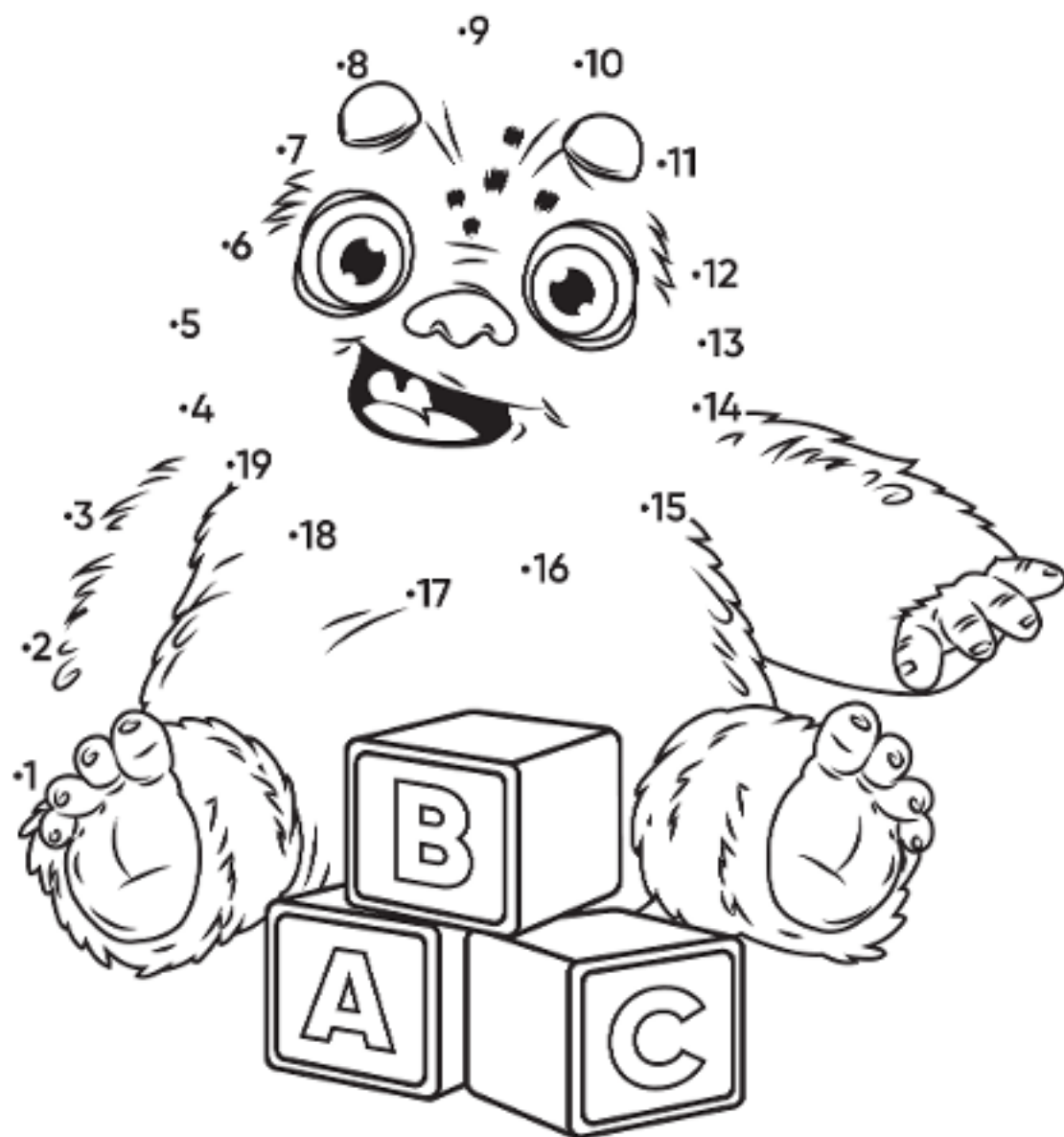


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