

GASSY GOSSIP

OCTOBER 2020



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LOVE YOUR LIBRARY

Library Lowdown

14 340,000 facilities. "It is an exciting time for the Gascoyne Junction community who have been united in my passion about the growing need for a school the open to meet the educational needs of their lives 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 enrolment 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. "However, 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

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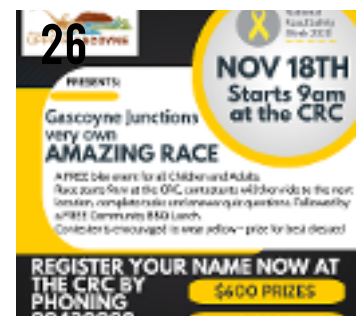
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Wednesday 29th April

Wednesday 27th May

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Wednesday 29th July

Wednesday 26th August

Wednesday 30th September

Wednesday 28th October

Wednesday 25th November

Thursday 17th December

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

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



COUNCIL NEWS

CEO Update

Each month I seem to say the same thing “what a busy month”. Well so as not to disappoint, the month of October has been very busy for all concerned at both a work and personal point of view. I took a week off commencing on the 5th of October returning on the 12th of October. Whilst down South I attended various medical appointments to keep an eye on how I am tracking, all appears to be going okay at the moment, I have a PET scan in early November and this will provide a clearer picture of where I am. Unfortunately Amanda’s grandfather Jim Collins passed away, all staff and Councillors offer our condolences to Amanda and her family during this sad time.

I have been kept quite busy with the recent tragedies at Mounty Augustus, I have attended two briefing sessions with the WA Police and DBCA as well as undertake a formal interview with the Police in Gascoyne Junction. It appears that these deaths will be subject to full coronial enquiry where they will be examined in detail. I have provided the police with a formal statement. Since the last Council meeting we have had both the Federal and State Governments deliver their respective budgets. There is not a lot in these for Local Government specifically but we may get some benefit from some smaller grant opportunities. I am currently developing up grant applications under the BBRF for the Mongers Water Project and sealing from the Meekatharra Boundary towards the Landor / Dalgety turnoff.

Projects continue to be moved along at a rate of knots, with the majority of the works either being commenced, waiting for tender decisions and planning. Work is also continuing with developing up additional projects in order to take advantage of any other grant opportunities that may present.

We have received confirmation from the HVSSP that we are allowed to use their \$2.5M for betterment works with the WANDRRA works being considered as our contribution. This is truly a “win win” situation.

I am pleased to advise that all Councillors Hammarquist, Caunt and Watters have completed their training, they are all to be congratulated on their application and persistence.

At the end of September Billie and Sa attended a Community Resource Networking Conference that was held in Northam. The ethos for the day was focused on CRC's being the "Agents of Change" and gave way to a full day of presentations and speeches given by notable members of the CRC community, representatives of DPIRD and some influential business people.

This was a great opportunity for both Billie and Sa to learn more about the fundamentals of a CRC and how this community of people have adapted to change and evolved over the years to become more than a just a place that offers a photocopying service, but rather now a genuine hub for their community.

These are hubs that offer a diverse range of services for their community and due to the constant change in technology, there has been a growing demand for CRC's to stay modern, current and relative. This has not been without challenges, most typical CRC's are governed by a board or committee, they are heavily dependent on volunteers and external funding to remain sustainable and because the needs of their communities fluctuate, they work tirelessly to keep up with the demand.

As a result of this, staff that manage CRC's are continuously having to find ways to reinvent their centres, brainstorming ideas in how they can meet the needs of their community, identify and bridge the gaps in services that are essential to their people and source funding to keep their CRC's operating.

Attending the conference was a great experience and definitely an education for me, I did not realise just how vital a CRC could be for a small community and how important it is that we continue to support these initiatives. Listening to the CRC representatives delivering their presentations, gave me inspiration about the potential we have for our CRC and the takeaway message was loud and clear – CRCs keep communities connected!

On the business front, we have seen the flow of visitors to the area slowly decrease in numbers. Whilst we are still eager to encourage visitors to our neck of the woods, the lull in people traffic has allowed staff the time to catch up on other pending works. These are things like upgrading our IT equipment (computers and workstations etc.) to increase our system productivity and efficiencies, preparing audit reports to close out the 19/20 financial year and actively searching for grant funding to offset potential projects and upcoming events we have planned for the year.

The ABC foundation kindly donated a pallet of foodbank boxes to be delivered to members of our community that were in need. The boxes included non-perishable items such as canned foods and long life milk, and some small sweet treats like chocolate eggs (kinder surprise). The Shire was asked by the foundation if we could assist in delivering the food boxes to the elderly and members of the indigenous communities at Woodgemia and Burringurrah. Shire staff were happy to lend a helping hand to get the boxes distributed among members of our community and in doing so engaged the services of Peter Windie (Snr) to aid in the delivery of boxes to Woodgemia.



New Equipment:

The tipper truck build is due to be completed by the end of November, this will be a welcome addition to the fleet as we have had further issues with the CAT prime mover doing a clutch. The Shire have requested quotes for a replacement grader camp and expect to have quotes in by the end of October. The new drop deck is finally here and will be put to work once the prime mover is back in action. Works crew new Ranger Space cab arrived albeit with the wrong tray-Midway Ford are sending the correct one up next month.

General:

The disabled toilets in the main office are almost complete. Paul Kearney has replaced the doors on the public toilets in preparation for a complete repaint, replaced water damaged skirting and patched walls throughout the office buildings and completed the shed at Lot 52 Hatch.

The new wash down pad in the depot is well underway and should be completed by the end of October. The new pad includes a sump to collect waste and debris and will prevent the yard from turning into a swamp.

The Shire has sought quotes for the pavilion upgrades and we have secured finance to build the new 4x2 staff house and will begin the procurement process in the coming weeks.

Greenfields have been awarded project management of the tourist park seal reconstruction and HSVP seal works. Tenders for both were advertised and tenders are to be opened on the 27th of October. Gascoyne Group have erected the bypass around Mt Sandiman on the Kennedy Loop road and installed the 5000L diesel storage tank at Minnie Creek.

Gascoyne Earthmover spent a few days in a dozer cleaning up the town rubbish tip area and the local dumping grounds. This has greatly improved the appearance and raised the standard for others to follow. We will erect "No Dumping" signs to prevent waste being dumped in the wrong locations.

We have been working in with DBCA and DBNGP to put in a bypass on the northern end of the Kennedy Loop around the Mt Sandiman homestead. The owners have expressed their concerns regarding traffic passing through the homestead and station infrastructure. The Shire have organised signage and sourced quotes for their installation to redirect traffic to the south west of the homestead along an existing track used by DBNGP.



FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT REPORT CONTINUED...



SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE – AGRN908 FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – October 2020 (PACKAGE 1)

Contractor	QEM Group	Package Start Date:	19 Sept 2020
		Forecast Completion Date:	Sept 2021
Works this period (Oct 2020)		Works next period (Nov 2020)	
<p>Landor Meekatharra Rd All works on this road are complete apart from 1 defect which is located near Errabiddy Homestead (Slk 38.43). The completed works comprised removal of silt, reinstatement of unsealed floodways, reforming and resheeting of pavement, medium and heavy grade.</p> <p>Meekatharra Mt Clere Rd Commenced work on this road working from east to west towards Mt Clere homestead. The works comprise resheeting, forming and shaping and removal of silt.</p> <p>Landor Mount Clere Rd Commenced work on this road. The works comprise the removal of silt, reinstatement of unsealed floodways, reforming and resheeting of pavement, medium and heavy grade.</p>		<p>Meekatharra Mt Clere Rd Complete the remainder of the works on this road.</p> <p>Landor Mount Clere Rd Continue work on this road. The works will continue towards Landor Homestead comprising the removal of silt, reinstatement of unsealed floodways, reforming and resheeting of pavement, medium and heavy grade.</p>	
Status of Roads			
		This Month	Last Period
Overall Package		10%	0%
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		Not yet commenced	
Dalgety Downs Landor Rd		Not yet commenced	
Landor Meekatharra Rd		99%	29%
Landor Mt Augustus Rd		13%	13%
Lyndon Minnie Creek Rd		Not yet commenced	
Meekatharra Mt Clere Rd		~50%	0%
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	Not yet commenced
Wanna Rd	Not yet commenced

Discussion Items	
Water / Materials	Refer attached resources report
Camp	<p>The camp is located to 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 approximately February 2021.</p>

COUNCIL UPDATE....



FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT REPORT

SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE – AGRN908 FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – October 2020 (PACKAGE 2)

Contractor	THEM Earthmoving	Package Start Date:	ETA 5 Nov 2020
		Forecast Completion Date:	End 2021 / early 2022
Works this period (Oct 2020)		Works next period (Nov 2020)	
<p>Prestart meeting held between Greenfield & Contractor in preparation for works to commence in early November 2020.</p> <p>Works will begin on Carnarvon Mullewa Rd in the vicinity of the Shire's planned works under the HVSP program.</p> <p>Depending on the outcome of the Dalgety Downs Landor Rd upgrade tender, works will either move to the Dalgety Downs Landor Rd or continue on the Carnarvon Mullewa Rd.</p>		<p>Carnarvon Mullewa Rd Works scheduled to commence from Dalgety Downs Glenburgh Rd intersection working south towards Murchison Shire boundary. The works comprise predominately removal of silt and reforming.</p> <p>Dalgety Downs Glenburgh Rd Works expected to commence on this road following completion of the Carnarvon Mullewa Rd works south of Glenburgh. The works are scheduled to take approx. 1 week and involve reforming, reshaping, resheeting and drainage repairs.</p> <p>Erong Rd and Dalgety Downs Landor Rd Works may or may not commence on these roads depending on the outcome of the Dalgety Downs Landor Rd tender.</p>	
Status of Roads			
	This Month	Last Period	
Overall Package	0%	0%	
Carey Downs Road	Not yet commenced		
Carnarvon Mullewa Road	Not yet commenced		
Cobra Dairy Creek Road	Not yet commenced		
Dalgety Downs Glenburgh Road	Not yet commenced		
Dalgety Downs Landor Road	Not yet commenced		
Erong Road	Not yet commenced		
Eudamullah Road	Not yet commenced		
Gilroyd Road	Not yet commenced		
Gregory Street	Not yet commenced		
Hatch Street	Not yet commenced		
Kilili 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
Weedarrah Road	Not yet commenced

Discussion Items	
Water / Materials	Refer attached resources report
Camp	<p>The camp is currently being 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, • All catering / cleaning etc is being undertaken by a dedicated camp attendant. <p>The camp will be in this location until Feb / Mar 2021.</p>





Goodbye and Goodluck Shiney!

*Wishing you all the best on
your new adventure*



BLAST FROM THE PAST



THIS SEGMENT OF THE GOSSIP EXPLORES PAST ARTICLES ON NEWS AND EVENTS. THIS ARTICLE WAS ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED IN THE NORTHERN GUARDIAN NEWS ON OCTOBER 13 2004

Another ambulance needed in Gascoyne

by Leith Paganoni

BEHIND the scenes at the Gascoyne Junction Races there was a big effort to keep an ambulance trackside.

After the first ambulance broke down taking a patient from the races to Carnarvon on Saturday, St John Ambulance volunteers drove 200km to the Overlander Roadhouse to pick up another vehicle.

Carnarvon volunteer Barbara Copeland said she and David Sutton drove the Overlander ambulance 200km to Gascoyne Junction arriving at midnight Saturday.

There are two ambulances in Carnarvon and local volunteers are lobbying for another so they can adequately cover the town, events in the region and highway accidents.

The Shark Bay St John Ambulance group has

one ambulance in Denham and another at the Overlander.

The postponed races and gymkhana went on Sunday after which the ambulance was dropped off back at the Overlander by Carnarvon volunteers.

"It was a great example of everyone putting their shoulder to the wheel and getting something achieved," Ms Copeland said.

There were no injuries when the racing resumed on Sunday but they treated several people for hangovers in the morning, she said.

They also treated Geraldton resident Kim Stove for an infected dog bite.

Mr Stove was bitten in his camp by a dog tethered to a caravan while going for a short walk outside during the night.

His joking request to be taken by ambulance to his doctor in Geraldton was denied.



St John volunteers Barbara Copeland and David Sutton treat Kim Stove for a dog bite at the Gascoyne Junction Races

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GASCOYNE JUNCTION CRAFT GROUP CALENDAR 2020

8th and 9th Feb	Untutored workshop -Outback wives projects (Fabric basket, table runner, cushions)
7th and 8th March	Jelly Roll rugs
4th – 5th April	Dongara Autumn Craft Round Up Road Trip
10th Apr – 27th Apr	School Holidays and Easter
23rd and 24th May	Basket weaving (TBC)
20th and 21st June	Untutored Workshop
4th July – 19th July	School Holidays
25th and 26th July	Copper Foiling- Stain glass suncatchers (TBC)
29th and 30th August	Powertex projects with Tina & Alys (TBC)
26th Sept – 11th Oct	School Holidays
31st Oct & 1st Nov	Mosaic Workshop (TBC)
28th and 29th Nov	Christmas Craft Workshop (TBC)

For any queries please contact the Secretary
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9943 0531

GASCOYNE JUNCTION PLEASE KEEP IN TOUCH

We're here to help you

It's important to share any concerns, issues or ideas you may have to allow us to work together to find solutions as we all travel through difficult times

CONTACT US & STAY in TOUCH



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Regular updates will be available via facebook & email

**Let's Stay Safe, Stay Well
& Keep our Distance...**



THE NATIONALS *for Regional WA*

Merry Christmas



Dear Customers

The Shire and the CRC will be closed from 12pm
Friday 18th December 2020 and re-opening on
Monday 4th January 2021.

During the Christmas Shut Down period,
residents can collect their mail from the CRC on
the following days:

TUESDAY 22ND DECEMBER 8AM - 12PM

THURSDAY 24TH DECEMBER 7:30am - 10AM





2020

HORIZON
POWER

*Community
Christmas
Party*

THU 17TH DEC FROM 5PM

JOIN US FOR A FUN NIGHT OF FUN & FESTIVITIES AT THE GJ PAVILION. EOY SCHOOL PRESENTATIONS KICK OFF AT 5PM, SANTA VISITS AT 6:30PM FOLLOWED BY A SCRUMPTIOUS FREE CHRISTMAS DINNER PREPARED WITH LOVE BY VALERIA

BYO DRINKS

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU AND YOUR FAMILY ARE ATTENDING FOR CATERING PURPOSES



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YOUR
CHILD/CHILDREN
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NON RESIDENTS \$25

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER

BOOKS OF THE MONTH



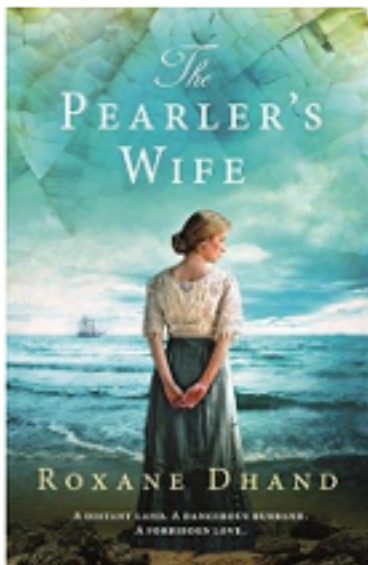
BABY DRAGON BABY DRAGON



A dauntless lass and a hyperactive dragon learn to keep pace with each other as they forge a friendship.

Baby Dragon loves to swoop and soar through the kingdom, which can cause quite a stir. But one little girl is up for the challenge of spending the day with Baby Dragon, and the two embark upon an exciting journey through the kingdom, where they run and race and climb and explore—and eventually even take the time to relish a quiet moment. New York Times bestselling author Melissa Marr has crafted a rollicking story about how the best friendships expand our horizons in all kinds of ways!

THE PEARLER'S WIFE



From the high seas to the deep seabed, from the latticed verandas of Buccaneer Bay to the gambling dens in AsiaPlace, *The Pearler's Wife* is a stunning debut, inspired by a small yet pivotal moment in Australian history.

A distant land. A dangerous husband. A forbidden love.

It's 1912 and Maisie Porter stands on the deck of the SS *Oceanic* as England fades from her view. Her destination is Buccaneer Bay in Australia. Her purpose: marriage to her cousin Maitland, a wealthy pearling magnate, and a man she's never met.

Also aboard is William Cooper, the Royal Navy's top man. Following a directive from the Australian Government, he and eleven other 'white' divers had been hired to replace the predominantly Asian pearling crews. However Maitland and his fellow merchants have no intention of employing the costly Englishman for long...

Maisie arrives in her new country to a surprisingly cool reception. Already confused by her hastily arranged marriage, she is shocked at Maitland's callous behaviour towards her. While finding herself increasingly drawn to Mr Cooper. But Maisie's new husband is harbouring secrets and when Cooper and the divers sail out to harvest, they are in great danger and not just the unpredictable and perilous ocean.

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Newsletter

10/10/2020

PRINCIPAL'S POST



Hello there,
Welcome back to the final term for this crazy year that is 2020.

Before I head in to what's in store for this term I want to reflect on the fabulous way we finished Term 3.

The idea of hosting a Fun Day was topic of discussion at our last school council meeting and a very energetic group of staff lead, by the tireless Ms Marika Stefaniw, took the challenge and planned an exceptional day of activities for students!!

Children from Bidgemia and Mt Phillip Station visited the school for the day.

The banners were flying, children were excited, music was playing and Ms Marika was competently managing the programme. What a sight to see on that early Thursday morning.

This photo shows students carefully making their way through the spider web maze. In the background, you can see Ms Stefaniw admiring her web structure which was part of a timed commando course.



Thank you for the time and effort put in Ms Stefaniw and to Mrs Walker, Ms Kenny and Mr Polakiewicz for their support in ensuring a successful day for all.

This leads me in to announce, the now confirmed news, that Ms Stefaniw left the Junction at the end of term 3. She will be leaving to work at Pia Wajarri Remote Community School in Term 4

When I reflect upon the time Ms Stefaniw has been at Junction I immediately think of the multi-cultural day which was another example of her organisational skills and her energy levels. We all thank you Marika and hope you enjoy your days at Pia.

The process for a replacement teacher is underway and I will advise of the outcome as soon as possible.



We have exciting times ahead of us as we look towards a brand new term, a new staff member and the lead up to Christmas.

Of course, we have two big events prior to Christmas one of which is BOOK WEEK.



The date for this event is between 17 and 23rd October 2020 and the theme is Curious Creatures, Wild Minds.

The school is having a dress in favourite character day during or after the designated week and invite any station families who would like to participate. The school will touch base with you to come to a consensus on a preferred day for ease of attendance.



The other exciting event for everyone is PINK STUMPS DAY.

This is scheduled for Saturday 31st October. Stay tuned for updates through our face book page.

Here is a blast from the past and a look at the students who were involved in the very first pink stumps event way back in 2015.



TOGETHER WE SUCCEED

Newsletter

10/10/2020



Janice, Dustin, Damian and Bridie competed in jumps, throws, sprints and combined team games. Bridie was runner up Champion Girl in year 4 and Dustin runner up Champion Boy in year 5.

Janice won second place in the year 6 girl's throw. Damian participated in team events scoring a variety of placements.

Perhaps just as important is the courage shown by students to participate in events at which they were not confident and completing races regardless of placement. This is a true measure of courage and resilience.

From a pool of four eligible students our school can be very proud of the resilience and sportsmanship demonstrated by each of these students. Not to mention the excellent results Well done!!

Thanks to Mr Peter Polakiewicz and the training regime and to Mrs Blanche Walker for her assistance.



On the subject of sport, four students from Gascoyne Junction Remote Community School attended the interschool sports carnival in Carnarvon on 17th and 18th of September. It was unbelievable just how amazingly athletic four students can be.



Special thanks to Ilda Williams for her consistent support and involvement with the school.

Many activities would have been less achievable without your involvement.

Thank you from all staff and students at Gascoyne Junction Remote Community School.





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Have a look at the fab pics from our fun day on Thursday in the last week of term 3.





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National
Road Safety
Week 2020

NOV 18TH
Starts 9am
at the CRC

PRESENTS:

**Gascoyne Junctions
very own
AMAZING RACE**

A FREE bike event for all Children and Adults.

Race starts 9am at the CRC, contestants will then ride to the next location, complete tasks and answer quiz questions. Followed by a FREE Community BBQ Lunch.

Contestents encouraged to wear yellow - prize for best dressed

**REGISTER YOUR NAME NOW AT
THE CRC BY
PHONING
99430988**

\$600 PRIZES

BIKES/SCOOTERS

HELMETS ARE A MUST



**ROAD
SAFETY
COMMISSION**

Body image concerns are a serious problem for young people of any gender

But, I am Media Smart is here to help.

Do you feel unhappy with your body?
Do you worry about your weight?
Do you feel guilty about food or exercise?
Does social media impact your body image?

Take a positive step forward to a happier you

I am Media Smart is a research trial of two versions of Media Smart, a fully online and confidential program found to help both those with body image concerns and those already showing signs of an eating disorder. The trial is **open to 13-25 year olds of any gender from Australia.**

You are worthwhile and worth taking care of

mediasmart.flinders.edu.au

We know time is precious

As an appreciation of your time, a \$30 voucher will be emailed to participants who complete all surveys.

GUST THE GARDEN GURU



Help what are these funny looking bees??

Over the last couple of weeks residents may have noticed what appeared to be a large influx of "Bees", swarms of them in the garden the moment watering occurred and when the weather was warm and windy. Small looking yellow and black "Bees", making a very loud buzzing sound, the children around the Gascoyne Junction town site couldn't decide if they were bees or wasps. After coming and having a chat with old Gus, I was able to shed some light on the matter for them. Whilst they look and sound very similar to bees, these are actually Hoverflies. From the FLY family.

"Wait what?" I hear you cry out. "Flies that look like bees? Quick get the Mortein!"

Rest assured my friends. On the list of good bugs for your garden, Hoverflies are right up there with the Bees. These little beauties rival Bees as top rate pollinators for your garden, they lay their eggs around aphid colonies so when the larvae hatch they have access to an immediate food source. They are nearly as effective as ladybugs when it comes to controlling aphids.

<https://australian.museum/learn/animals/insects/hover-flies/>

https://www.pestnet.org/fact_sheets/biocontrols_hoverflies_084.htm



Hoverfly larva with aphid in its mouth that is about to be sucked dry. Note the short spines on the body



An adult Hoverfly

COOK'S CORNER

Do you have family recipe that you would love to share with us? Send it through to us at crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au

ROASTED TOMATO BASIL SOUP

Ingredients

3 tbsp. olive oil	9 roma tomatoes (sliced lengthwise)
2 tbsp. unsalted butter	1 brown onion (diced)
4 garlic cloves (minced)	1 tbsp. fresh thyme
1 tsp. salt	1/2 tsp. black pepper
2 400g tins crushed tomatoes	
1 cup fresh basil (roughly chopped)	
1 tbsp. sugar	2 cups chicken stock
2/3 cup heavy cream	



Method

1. Preheat oven to 180° C Fan-forced.
2. Spread tomato halves on a baking sheet. Drizzle with olive oil, and then sprinkle with salt and black pepper.
3. Roast tomatoes for 1 hour. Remove from oven and set aside.
4. Heat 2 tbsp. oil, or butter, in a large pot over medium-high heat.
5. Add onion, and sauté for about 5 minutes.
6. Stir in the garlic, thyme, salt, and pepper. Sauté for another minute.
7. Add crushed tomatoes, basil, and sugar to the pot. Lower the heat and simmer for about 10 minutes.
8. Add the stock and the roasted tomatoes into the pot. Simmer for 30 minutes, stirring every now and then.
9. Use a blender to purée the soup, very carefully transfer to a blender or food processor to purée. This will need to be done in a couple batches. Return the soup to the pot.
10. Stir in the cream.
11. Ready to serve!

Easy Ciabatta Bread

Ingredients

Starter

1 cup organic bread flour

1/3 cups water (room temperature)

1/8 tsp. active dry yeast

2 tbsp. warm water



Method

Starter (Make the starter the night before you plan to bake the bread. This can be made up 24 hours in advance).

1. Mix together the yeast with 2 tbsp. warm water, and allow it to stand for a few minutes.
2. In a medium mixing bowl add the yeast and mix with the flour and water until combined.
3. Cover with plastic wrap and allow to sit at room temperature overnight. (If preparing in the morning allow it to sit until the evening).

Ingredients

For the Bread

2 cups organic bread flour

2 tbsp. warm milk or water

1/2 tsp. active dry yeast

1 tbsp. olive oil

1/2 tsp. sea salt

11 tbsp. water

Method

1. Use a stand mixer and combine the yeast and the warm milk. Let it sit for a few minutes until creamy. Add the starter, olive oil, flour, sea salt and water and mix together for about 10 minutes until everything is combined.
2. Prepare a large bowl lightly oiled with olive oil. Transfer the bread dough to it and cover with plastic wrap. Allow it to sit until doubled in size, up to 2 hours.
3. Turn the bread dough onto a well floured surface and with floured hands cut it in half. Form 2 long loaves shaping carefully from the sides, do your best not to press the dough from the top so it doesn't deflate. This is crucial to get a light and airy loaf with lots of irregular holes.
4. Transfer the loaves to a parchment lined baking tray. Lightly dampen a tea towel and cover the loaves. Allow them to rise again until doubled in size, up to 2 hours.
5. Meanwhile preheat your oven to 210° C Fan-forced with a pizza stone in the center for one hour before planning to bake the bread.
6. Transfer one of the loaves (with the parchment paper) to the preheated pizza stone and spray lightly with water. Bake for about 25 minutes until golden brown to your liking. Transfer to a wire rack and allow to cool completely before slicing it with a serrated knife.



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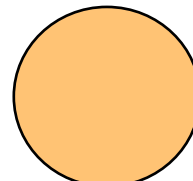
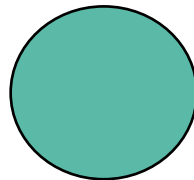
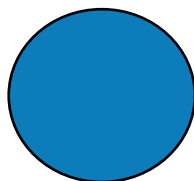
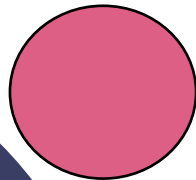
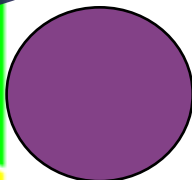
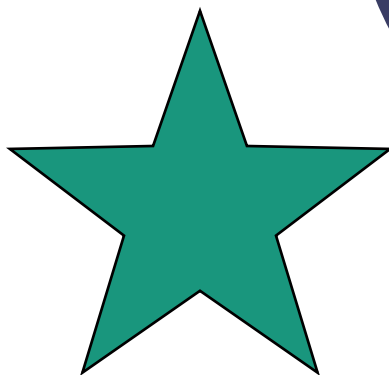
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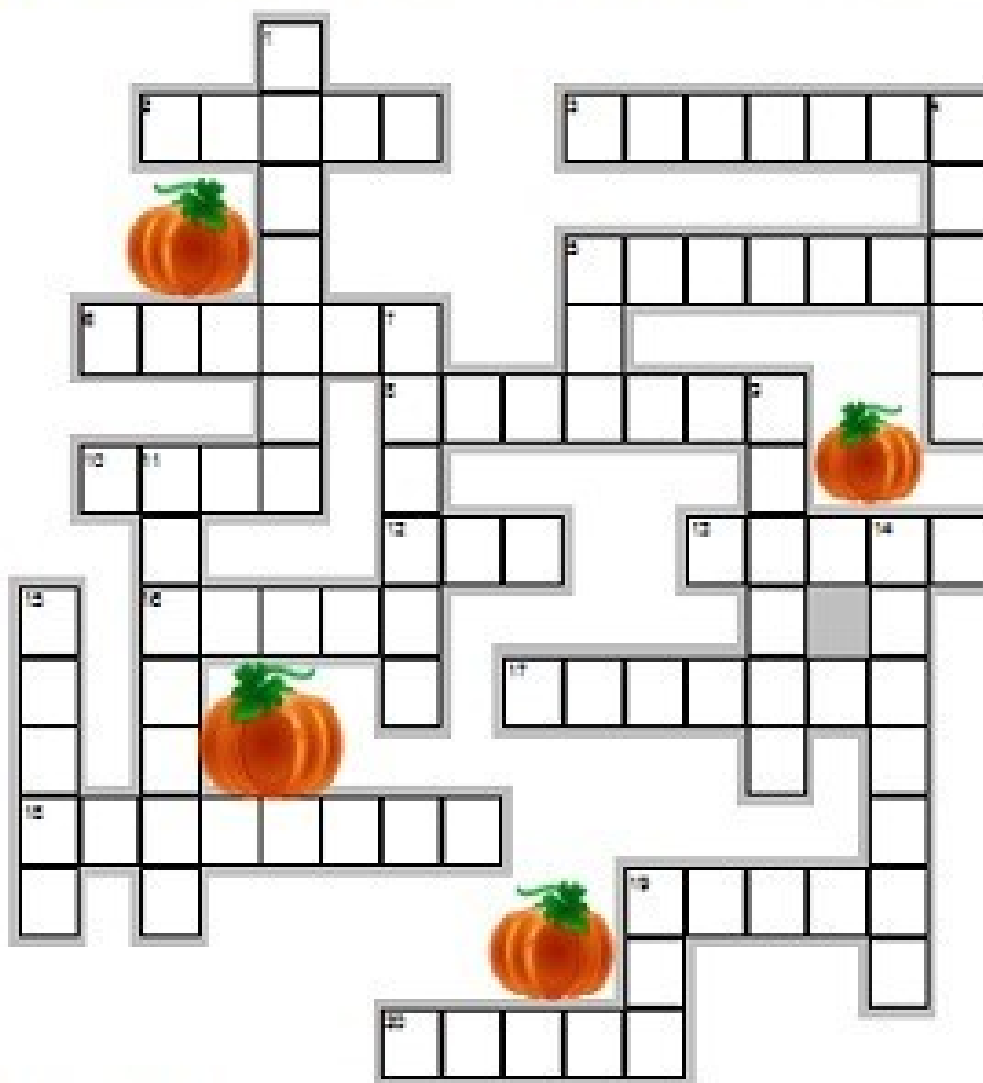


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