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19 800 families. "It is an exciting time for the Gascoyne Junction community, who have been united in their passionate desire to see the growing need for a school in the town 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. "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

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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

The month of April has been probably one of the most disjointed months that I can remember with staff on holidays, Easter and the cyclone all conspiring to make it difficult to get a consistent flow of work on the ground.

The month has largely consisted of following up on works already in the pipeline, compliance issues, provision of reports for the Regional Road Group.

Corporate Services Report

Budget preparations for the following financial year will take priority over the next few months. The Management team along with other key staff will be part of the overall budget process and work closely with our Accountants at RSM to deliver a balanced budget before the end of August 2021. A budget timeline will be created to assist the management team and RSM with meeting critical dates including holding budget information sessions with Council to keep them informed of the progress and provide draft budget reports.

In the first week of March, the Tourism and Community Development Officer spent two days in Carnarvon meeting with the Department of Local Government Sport and Culture and also the Gascoyne District Health Advisory Council. Developing a strategic plan for sport and recreation in the Upper Gascoyne was the priority of the meeting with DLGSC and at the GDHAC meeting where the priority was to advocate for the need of a regular health service for Gascoyne Junction. The new "Visit Upper Gascoyne" brochure hit the stands at the Perth Caravan and Camping Show and was well received by industry and the public. Our first Visit Upper Gascoyne Tourism Working Group met to begin the process of developing a Tourism Action Plan for the Shire.

Utilising social media and the Shire web page is a work in progress with consistency being the key. Our website and facebook page will be used to communicate with residents of the Shire with a mix of general news, upcoming events and important updates from the Shire. An efficient way of sending this information via email is also being investigated. For our visitors to the region, our webpage and Instagram are the main focus of our efforts to entice them to wander outback and experience the real outback.

Works Manager

The town crew did an amazing job preparing for the Gascoyne Dash. The pavilion and oval hosted approximately 500 competitors and crew members. The shire also provided traffic management, rubbish collection and accommodation in what was the biggest and most successful Gascoyne Dash since 2009. Sean has been busy organising the new depot staff parking structure and work shop upgrades. The parking structure will be erected by mid-May and we are in the process of securing architectural designs for the work shop.

I attended some advanced training in the application of bitumen and shoulder widening thanks to MRWA in Carnarvon at the start of April. The training was extremely beneficial and worthwhile. Although intense it has given me a good understanding of the correct process from start to finish to ensuring successful sealed surfacing in our shire.

Staff house:

Tenders have been received and evaluated for the supply and construction of the new 4x2 staff house. We have elected to engage Modular WA to supply and install a transportable building on Lot 50 Hatch Street. Modular WA will supply, deliver and install the dwelling and complete all landscaping and fencing.

Tourist Stop:

The new tourist stop is coming along nicely. The civil works have been completed including earthworks, initial plumbing and electrical works and sealing of the carpark and access road. We have had some delays due to rain and Easter break but are still on track to complete works by the end of June.

Junction Pub seal reconstruction:

At last the reconstruction of the pub and caravan park seal is complete. Dean Contracting had several delays due to rain however have managed to complete the works and restored access to the park. I would like to thank Dean Contracting for maintaining their sense of humour during one of the wettest summers on record.

Junction Pub Solar:

We have finally been given approval from Horizon Power to fire up the new solar system feed back into the grid. While this has been a lengthy process it will make the running of the tourist park more viable.

AGRN951:

Emergency and Immediate works have been completed with the exception of Pingandy Road. Pingandy will be completed in the next week or two - the contractor has experienced a delay in parts needed to repair their grader. THEM Earthmoving were awarded the immediate works package on the C'von Mullewa Road which has restored the safety of that road. I will work with Greenfields in the coming weeks to provide detailed costing and evidence to DFES so we can recoup expenses relating to all of these works.

Town Reticulation Water Supply: As per our last meeting, we have been declined approval by the Yingarrda PBC to proceed with installing a new bore on the east side of the bridge. We have since been provided evidence to suggest that there is a more reliable spot to the east of the bridge. However, it is considerably further away from town which will impact the overall cost and design requirements of the system.

We will still need to obtain clearing, bed and banks disturbance and heritage permission before proceeding.

DFRWA/HSVPP Upgrades:

Carnarvon Mullewa Rd-we have finished reconstructing the sub grade and carting in the base coarse material to 6km of road.The crew has also boxed out and backfilled twelve floodways ready for stabilisation and bitumen sealing.We will stabilise these floodwaysbefore the end of April and hoped to be ready for sealing by the end of May.

Dalgety Landor Rd-Dean Contracting are progressing well with the 12km section.All subgrade has been imported and constructed.They are well on their way to completing the basecourse and stabilisation.Dean Contracting are on track to finish on time.

Equipment:

We have engaged Pridham Mechanical to be our primary supplier of mechanical services for our fleet.Owner and operator Shane Pridham has agreed to make the Shire of Upper Gascoyne his priority client and will service us from Geraldton.I look forward to working with Shane and his team.I would like to take this opportunity to thank Scott Maxwell from Diesel and Dust Mechanical for his services as our previous mechanic, local paramedic and valued community member.Max will be missed and I wish him all the best.

COUNCIL UPDATE....



FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT REPORT

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

Contractor	QEM Group	Package Start Date:	19 Sept 2020
		Forecast Completion Date:	Nov / Dec 2021
Works this period (Apr 2021)		Works next period (May 2021)	
Landor Mt Augustus Rd Continued and almost completed the remaining works on this road comprising removal of silt, reinstatement of drain lines, reforming and resheeting and reinstatement of floodways. Mt Augustus Rd Commenced works on this road comprising mainly removal of silt, reforming of the road formation and reinstatement of floodways. Landor Meekatharra Rd The damage to the sealed floodway near Errabiddy homestead was originally scheduled to be completed in April 2021. However, the severity of the damage to this defect increased as a result of the rain in February 2021 and therefore this defect has been removed from AGRN908 and will be repaired under AGRN951. The progress reported below reflects this change and the works on this road are now complete.		Mt Augustus Rd Complete the remaining works on this road comprising mainly removal of silt, reforming of the road formation and reinstatement of floodways. Mt Augustus Woodlands Rd Commence works on this road working from the Shire eastern boundary towards Waldburg Rd intersection. Works on the eastern end comprise mainly reinstatement of unsealed floodways and reforming of the road formation.	
Status of Roads			
		This Month	Last Period
Overall Package		52%	45%
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	100%	100%
Dalgety Downs Landor Rd	Not yet commenced	
Landor Meekatharra Rd	100%	99%
Landor Mt Augustus Rd	90%	28%
Lyndon Minnie Creek Rd	Not yet commenced	
Meekatharra Mt Clere Rd	100%	100%
Mount Augustus Rd	23%	-
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	61%	60%
Wanna Rd	Not yet commenced	

Discussion Items

Water / Materials	Refer attached resources report
Camp	<p>The camp was shifted from the Landor "Roo shooters camp" to the Dooley Downs Rd camp near Mt Augustus homestead. 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 is undertaken by a dedicated camp attendant. <p>This camp will be in this location until approx. Jul / Aug 2021.</p>

Lander Mt Augustus Rd / Mt Augustus Rd



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

Contractor	THEM Earthmoving	Package Start Date:	8 Nov 2020
		Forecast Completion Date:	Early 2022
Works this period (Apr 2021)		Works next period (May 2021)	
Carnarvon Mullewa Rd (AGRN908) Continued works on the shoulders and drains of this road west of the Gascoyne Junction townsite. Carnarvon Mullewa Rd (AGRN951) Completed all emergency works comprising the temporary reinstatement of the worst of the shoulder drop-offs. Permanent repairs will be completed under the next flood damage contract. Prepared sealed pavement ready for sealing at three floodway locations east of the Gascoyne Junction townsite.		Carnarvon Mullewa Rd Complete the remaining works on this road comprising the outstanding shoulder and drain works west of Gascoyne Junction townsite and the two remaining cement stabilised floodways. Floodways will be stabilised by Dean Contracting in late April 2021. Town Streets Works Commence and complete the minor backfill works on various town streets. Some defects have been further damaged as a result of the recent flood damage event (AGRN951). These have been removed from this package and will be included in the next package.	
Status of Roads			
	This Month	Last Period	
Overall Package	25%	17%	
Carey Downs Road	Not yet commenced		
Carnarvon Mullewa Road	74%	43%	
Cobra Dairy Creek Road	Not yet commenced		
Dalgety Downs Glenburgh Road	100%	100%	
Dalgety Downs Landor Road	100%	100%	
Erong Road	100%	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
Weedarrah Road	Not yet commenced
Discussion Items	
Water / Materials	Refer attached resources report
Camp	<p>Camp 2 is established at Gascoyne Junction racetrack. Camp configuration is the same as what was at Dalgety Downs Homestead being:</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 June / July 2021.</p>



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

Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Information sheet – What you need to know

Take care of yourself, your family and community.

By being kind and staying calm you can help our mob stay strong.

This is an information sheet for Aboriginal people on what they need to know about the Coronavirus (COVID-19) – what it is, how it spreads, how it makes them feel and what they can do to help it stop spreading.

What is a Coronavirus?

Coronaviruses are a large family of viruses that can make people sick ranging from a mild cold to severe respiratory illness.

It is a new virus spreading across the world.

How does it make you feel?

Most people who get COVID-19 feel like they have a cold or flu.

Some people have mild symptoms and others can get very ill very quickly and need medical help.

What are the symptoms?

- Fever (sweats)
- Cough
- Shortness of breath
- Sore throat
- Fatigue (tiredness)

How does the virus spread?

It can spread from person to person through:

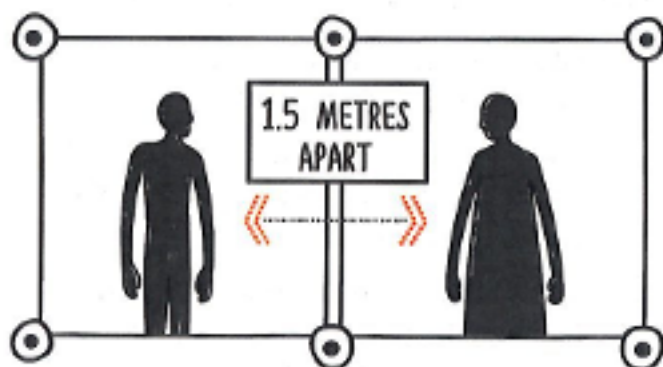
- Close contact with a person who is infectious with COVID-19.
- Touching or being in close contact with a person with confirmed COVID-19 who coughs or sneezes.
- Touching objects or surfaces like door handles, tables or phones that have cough or sneeze droplets from a sick person, and then touching your mouth or face.



Stop the spread

We need to take care of each other and keep our community safe by doing what we can to stop the virus bugs spreading to each other. This means practising good personal hygiene and physical distancing.

- Stay away from people who are sick with cold or flu symptoms.
- Stay home if you are sick and rest to stay strong.
- Stay 2 arms lengths away from everyone (at least 1.5 metres apart).



- Wash your hands a lot with soap and water (for 20 to 30 seconds) or use hand sanitiser especially before and after eating, after going to the toilet, and after coughing or sneezing.

- Cough and sneeze into a tissue or bent elbow, **NOT** into your hands.
- Throw used tissues in the bin.
- Avoid touching your face, especially your eyes, mouth and nose.
- Keep your distance – don't shake hands, kiss, hug or do high fives*
- Practise physical distancing when around big mobs of people like family and community gatherings.

AND

- If you are unwell with COVID-19 symptoms go to your nearest COVID clinic or GP respiratory clinic.

For more information

Go to the **Healthy WA** website for up to date information on COVID-19.

www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/coronavirus

or call the Western Australian enquiry line on **13COVID (13 268 43)**





COVID-19 Vaccines

Mythbusters and frequently asked questions

Myths

Aboriginal people are being told to get the vaccine before everyone else

Australia's COVID-19 vaccines will become available in phases.

Priority groups have been identified for the first phases, including people that would be at a higher risk of serious illness if they contracted COVID-19, and those most likely to be exposed to it.

Phase 1a started in February and is well underway for our quarantine and border workers, frontline health care workers and aged care and disability care staff and residents.

Phase 1b is expected to start in March and not only includes Aboriginal people who are aged 55 and older, it also includes those who are at a higher risk of serious illness if they contract COVID-19. This includes older adults, health care workers, those with existing medical conditions, and critical and high-risk.

All people who live in remote communities will have the opportunity to receive the vaccine at the same time, regardless of which phase they may be in.

The COVID-19 vaccine is killing Aboriginal people or making them sick

The COVID-19 vaccine has not caused increased death rates in other communities where it has been widely used and there is no evidence that Aboriginal people react worse to the vaccine than others.

Some people may experience mild side effects after getting vaccination such as tiredness, muscle soreness and redness around the injection site and mild fever. This is normal for any vaccine.

Serious reactions from the vaccine are extremely rare and may occur within 15 minutes therefore you must stay with the nurse for 15 minutes (or longer if needed) after receiving the vaccine.

Aboriginal people are being used as guinea pigs for the vaccine

Aboriginal people are not the first people to receive the COVID-19 vaccines. Tens of millions of people across the world have already received the vaccine safely.

COVID-19 vaccination is voluntary. The COVID-19 vaccination is recommended to protect yourself, Elders and community.



The vaccine implants a microchip in me that will track our movements

The COVID-19 vaccines do not contain a tracking microchip and there is no evidence or data to support this. Microchips are too large to be administered through needle injection.

This conspiracy theory/rumour has been circulated across social media platforms, to create a fear of technology and a mistrust of Governments.

Rumours like these can cause mass scepticism of vaccines. It is best to receive your information from trusted sources including [health.wa.gov.au](https://www.health.wa.gov.au).

Frequently asked questions

The vaccines have been made so quickly, how can we be sure they are safe?

Safe and effective COVID-19 vaccines have been able to be developed faster than any other vaccine because of several reasons:

- A level of funding and commitment not seen before;
- The availability of new technologies; and
- Researchers and developer around the world working together.

Some steps of the clinical trials and approval processes have been done at the same time instead of one after the other. As soon as the preliminary data was available, the trials were able to progress. This has given us access to the vaccine as quickly as possible.

Only old people get or die from COVID so why should I get the vaccine?

Anyone can get COVID-19. The elderly and people with chronic conditions such as heart disease and diabetes are most at risk of serious COVID-19 infections.

Luckily, thanks to the hard work in our communities, numbers have been very low for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people with no deaths. However, there have still been approximately 150 cases so far and a vaccine is a safe and effective way to protect people against serious illness from COVID-19.

Just like the flu, it is important to get vaccinated to protect yourself, family, our vulnerable and our community.

Even if you are not an older person, you should still get vaccinated against COVID-19. The vaccine will strengthen your immune system by training it to recognise and fight the COVID-19 virus before it makes you very sick and pass it onto others.

Is there a difference to the vaccine that is being rolled out in our community to the ones that are rolled out across Australia and internationally?

Everyone in Australia will have access to more than one vaccine. Every vaccine that is available in Australia must firstly be approved by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA) and must meet strict standards for safety, quality and efficacy.

At this stage, there will be no difference in which vaccine is given in a remote Aboriginal community and the wider Australian community.



Can I choose which vaccine I get?

No. You cannot choose which vaccine you get. It will depend on vaccine availability and any determination made by the TGA. Those who are at greatest risk will be vaccinated first.

All registered and approved vaccines are effective in protecting against COVID-19 and serious illness caused by the virus.

Where can Aboriginal people get the vaccine?

The Australian government is working closely with States and Territory Governments and National Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Organisations (NACCHO) to ensure the vaccine is made available to all Aboriginal people.

There will be many sites across Australia where the vaccine will be made available. Many of them will be in rural and remote locations. This includes Western Australian state-run clinics, country hospitals, Aboriginal Community Controlled Health Services (ACHHS), GP-led Respiratory clinics, GP clinics and community pharmacies.

For more information about the COVID-19 vaccine, eligibility criteria and more FAQ's please visit [HealthyWA.wa.gov.au](https://healthywa.wa.gov.au)

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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 ON MAY 28 1997



CULTURAL PLANNING: Steering Committee members John Newton, Shirley Slatter, Christine Armstrong, Liz Bullard and Noelene Lewis.

Cultural plan funded

THE four Gascoyne shires, the Gascoyne Development Commission and Arts WA have combined resources to fund a cultural plan for the area.

The Gascoyne Cultural Plan, for 1997-2002, is to assist local government to efficiently develop and manage cultural resources.

Plan Steering Committee chairman John Newton, who is also the Upper Gascoyne Shire's chief executive, said it was important a cultural policy be set.

"It makes it easier for councils to make decisions with confidence on what are the most important facilities and services for the community," Mr Newton said.

"Cultural planning is based on extensive community consultation to identify what communities believe is their unique local identity as well as how that unique culture or lifestyle contributes to the economy of the town.

The six person steering committee will monitor and guide the chosen study consultants Brian Peddie and

Di Shaw on behalf of the shire councils of the region.

The community will be asked to attend workshops, complete surveys and make themselves available for interviews as a part of the vital process of local data collection for the plan.

Mr Newton said an important feature of the community survey was to ask age, industry and ethnic groups about their expectations for the future cultural development of the region.

Anyone interested in participating in the cultural planning process should contact a steering committee member. They are: Chairman John Newton ph 9943 0509, fax: 9943 0507, Shark Bay representative Noelene Lewis, ph: 9941 1015, fax 9941 1420, Shirley Slatter of the Carnarvon Shire library ph: 9941 1680, fax: 9941 2766, Carnarvon representative Debbie Avery ph: 9941 2579, fax 9941 1343, Exmouth representative Liz Bullard ph: 9949 2499, fax 9949 2499 and Chris Armstrong of the Gascoyne Development Commission as executive officer for the project.



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

E: junctioncraft@gmail.com

P: 9943 0531

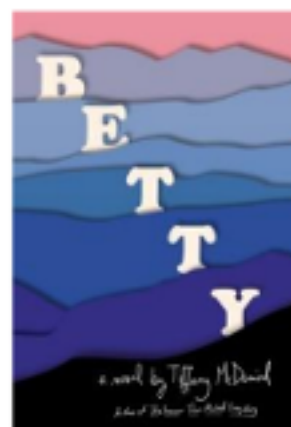
YEARLY MEMBERSHIP \$20 UNTUTORED WEEKENDS \$10
WORKSHOPS \$50 with craft supplied materials
OUTSIDE TUTORED WORKSHOPS \$50 + materials if required

BOOKS OF THE MONTH



CLOUDS?

As she walks along a quiet beach, a mother looks to the sky and sees memories of her young daughter's life forming in the clouds—from first steps to riding a bike to finding her own voice and path. Each remembrance brought to life is sweet and tender, and as the mother looks back fondly, she embraces and celebrates the passage of time.



BETTY

So begins the story of Betty Carpenter. Born in a bathtub in 1954 to a Cherokee father and white mother, Betty is the sixth of eight siblings. The world they inhabit is one of poverty and violence—both from outside the family, and also, devastatingly, from within. The lush landscape, rich with birdsong, wild fruit, and blazing stars, becomes a kind of refuge for Betty, but when her family's darkest secrets are brought to light, she has no choice but to reckon with the brutal history hiding in the hills, as well as the heart-wrenching cruelties and incredible characters she encounters in her rural town of Breathed, Ohio.

But despite the hardship she faces, Betty is resilient. Her curiosity about the natural world, her fierce love for her sisters, and her father's brilliant stories are kindling for the fire of her own imagination, and in the face of all she bears witness to, Betty discovers an escape: she begins to write. She recounts the horrors of her family's past and present with pen and paper and buries them deep in the dirt—moments that has stung her so deeply, she could not tell them, until now.

Inspired by the life of her own mother, Tiffany McDaniel sets out to free the past by telling this heartbreaking yet magical story—a remarkable novel that establishes her as one of the freshest and most important voices in American fiction.



A new round of library books, dvd's and auto books have hit the CRC this month. Make sure you pop in and check them out. Lots of new stuff from 2020/2021!

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

20/04/2021

PRINCIPAL'S POST



Hello to parents, families, and the school community.

My name is Jackie Miller, and I am the incoming Principal at Gascoyne Junction Remote Community School. We have lived in Jurien Bay for the past seven years and are looking forward to taking some time to explore this unique part of WA. My husband David and I are especially looking forward to meeting community members over the upcoming months. We farewell Max Gronwald back to the School of The Air and thank him for his time at Gascoyne Junction School. My husband and I hope to catch up with you soon.



ANZAC DAY
Left We Forget

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ANZAC CEREMONY

We have an ANZAC ceremony this Friday, 23rd April, at 10:15 am. If you can join us, please sign in at the front office and join staff and students as we pay our respects on behalf of the school.

Containers for Change

Our school is joining the War on Waste.

Please help us to make a difference by dropping off eligible containers in the four bins at the front of the school entrance.

???????????? QUIZ NIGHT ??????????

We have a Quiz night coming up soon, on Saturday 1st May as a fundraiser for our school. We would love to see as many people as possible come along and join a team to battle it out for top honours on the night. The School will distribute more details next week.



I have met the great staff at your school who are committed to helping students become great learners and thinkers. There will be many opportunities over time for parents, families, and community members to see and hear what is happening at our school.

Term 2, 2021 Planner

WK	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
1	19 APR Staff Return	20 Students Return	21	22	23 ANZAC DAY CEREMONY AT SCHOOL 10.15	24	25
2	26 ANZAC DAY	27	28	29	30	1 MAY QUIZ NIGHT	2
3	3 Speech, OT & Psych visit	4	5	6	7	8	9
4	10 School Council Meeting 5pm	11	12	13	14	15	16
5	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
6	24	25	26	27 Reconciliation Week	28	29	30
7	31	1 JUN	2	3 Variety Bash Visit	4	5	6
8	7 WA DAY	8	9	10	11	12	13
9	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
10	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
11	28	29	30	1 JUL	2 Last day Term	3	4
	5 School Holidays	6	7	8	9	10	11
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18



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JOIN THE NETWORK

FIND OUT HOW THE NETWORK CAN BENEFIT **YOU**

The Midwest-Gascoyne Health Professionals Network aims to:

- Connect health professionals in a supportive collegiate environment
- Provide opportunities for shared training, ongoing upskilling and mentoring
- Encourage collaboration to improve patient care
- Assist health professionals to work together to build stronger, healthier communities in the Midwest-Gascoyne



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JRC BUSY BEE DATES

The Junction Race Club is asking the Gascoyne public to volunteer their time in helping prepare the JRC for our iconic 2021 race meeting on the following dates;

10-11th April - General Meeting and Busy Bee at JRC.

15/16 May - Busy Bee

26/27 June - Busy Bee

24/25 July - Busy Bee

14/15 August - Busy Bee

20-22 August - JRC meeting

**Any help would be appreciated, for more info call Hamish on
0401282562**

Changing Futures



Changing Futures 2021

How You Can Help

1. Participate

If you have not already done so, register to attend one of the Changing Futures webinars or workshops within your state listed on the Changing Futures web portal.

2. Promote

- Make sure you are following Daniel Morcombe Foundation across socials and share our posts about upcoming webinars and workshops.
- Using our suggested text below promote our program to your networks via social channels, newsletters, industry forums, staff directories and corporate calendars.
- Help us spread awareness of Changing Futures by using the hashtags #HarmfulSexualBehaviours and sharing our posts about Changing Futures

Summary

Presented by the Daniel Morcombe Foundation's Education team, **we are excited to announce our ACWA endorsed** professional development **FREE workshop**, providing frontline professionals' with a critical introduction to the topic of **harmful sexual behaviours (HSB)**, including defining and contextualising harmful sexual behaviour and extend their current skills and competency to prevent, identify and respond in a holistic, strengths-based manner.

Participants attending will have the opportunity to engage in activities and discussions, to access resources and to network with others. Register to attend a workshop in your state <https://bit.ly/2NQpByu>

The Daniel Morcombe Foundation is **Changing Futures** and providing **FREE webinars** discussing harmful sexual behaviours in pre-teens for educators and frontline staff. Delivered by leading academic and therapeutic specialists in the field, you can join other industry professionals across the country, build confidence, develop skills and enhance your knowledge in effectively identifying and responding to harmful and problematic behaviours. Register your interest here <https://bit.ly/31a7Ddn>

All recordings and resources from past and future webinars are stored in the Changing Futures web portal <https://changing-futures.danielmorcombe.com.au/>

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-  [Daniel Morcombe Foundation Inc.](https://www.youtube.com/DanielMorcombeFoundationInc)

Hashtags

We have created some hashtags you could use:
#HarmfulSexualBehaviours



See next page for calendar of events



EVENT MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP

Gwoonwardu Mia Gascoyne Aboriginal Heritage & Cultural Centre

Thursday 20th May 2021 | 10.00am - 4.00pm

No matter the scale, a mismanaged event can put staff, local government, event patrons and the general public at risk. You are invited to register for this free one day workshop to assist community & sporting event organisers, and local government event officers to plan and deliver successful, well managed events in the Gascoyne Region. Based on the Parks and Leisure Australia WA *Event Application Guide* this training will focus on:

- **The Event Context and Planning Process** - stakeholder group; simple definitions; good planning; project management, responsibilities, business planning
- **Identifying Knowledge & Skills Required by Event Organisers** - motivation and benefits; roles and impacts of events; who is producing events, and why; understanding the lingo; financial planning – making it add up
- **A Changing World: This is Serious Business** - legislation; all that paperwork; legal issues and insurance; risk & security management.
- **The Marketing Process: Build it and they will come** - Story telling - how to engage and satisfying community needs; Understanding the consumer - what for and why; Stakeholders - sponsors, community, government, media and suppliers of public services; Events as 'service experiences'

Registration is free and limited seats are available.

To register for this workshop [CLICK HERE](#) or email plawa@parksleisure.com.au

COOK'S CORNER

Lavender Honey Cake

Ingredients

Cake

175g butter
1/2 cup natural yogurt
1/4 cup cream
1/2 cup honey
2 tbsp. lavender buds
2 large eggs
1/4 cup sugar
1 3/4 cups self raising flour
1/2 tsp. baking powder

Icing

1/2 cup powdered sugar

Method

Step 1: Grease tin, and preheat your oven to 320F/160C.

Step 2: Cube your butter and let it soften at room temperature.

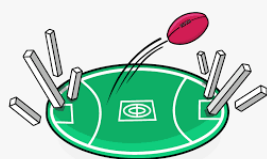
Step 3: Combine butter, yogurt, cream, honey and the lavender buds. Beat with a hand or electric mixer until it all comes together. This is a messy batter, so it may not look like it is coming together at this stage, but it will by the end.

Step 4: Beat the eggs & sugar into mixture.

Step 5: Sift the flour and baking powder into the bowl and mix together. It should look like cake batter now. Pour into the baking pan. Bake for an hour. Check it at 45 minutes with a skewer.

Step 6: Wait until the cake has cooled slightly and remove it from the tin. Make the icing, combine the powdered sugar and lemon juice. Spoon it onto the cake so it runs down the edge. Serve with whipped cream.





Gascoyne Junction Community Footy Tipping



Round Seven Results		
Name	Winning Tips	Margin
Ian	7	29
Thomas	6	37
Sa	6	47
Sean	5	1
Max	5	38
Jox	5	41
Blanche	4	49
Ainsley	4	59
Cherie	3	44
Billie	3	48
Jason	3	55
Clint	2	24
Jarrold	2	27
Jeremy	2	43
Anna	2	48
Frank	2	64

Overall Footy Tipping Ladder		
Name	Total Winning Tips	Total Margin
Ian	45	175
Sa	43	215
Cherie	41	211
Max	40	162
Jox	40	184
Ainsley	40	162
Sean	39	169
Jeremy	37	185
Billie	37	186
Frank	36	200
Blanche	35	221
Anna	32	233
Jason	32	375
Jarrold	31	184
Clint	30	188
Thomas	29	278

Junction Netball Team

That's right Gascoyne Junction have their very own netball team! Current and past Upper Gascoyne residents are travelling into Carnarvon every Tuesday to play in the Carnarvon Netball Association 2021 season. The girls are sitting pretty on top of the ladder after 3 rounds.





MAY

- 3 Dylan Hoseason-Smith
- 9 Kevan 'Pronto' Brand
- 18 Betty Fletcher
- 27 Barney McTaggart



JUNE

- 13 Sa Toomalatai
- 19 Cherie Walker
- 20 Sean Walker

JULY

- 4 Blanche Walker
- 7 Hamish McTaggart
- 13 Darcy McKeough
- 15 Danny Smith
- 24 Jarrod Walker
- 30 Beth Burnett



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AUSTRTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

HOST: Community Resource Centre, 5 Scott Street Gascoyne Junction.

DATE: Wednesday 23rd June 2021

TIME: 10.00 am

COST: \$5.00 per person

DETAILS: Bring along a plate of food to share and some spare change to support a great cause — raffle prizes to be won on the day. All money raised goes to the Cancer Council.

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



SMOKO TIME



Fruit Fly Word Search

Find the words above in the box full of letters:

Attract	Application	Pupal	Scientist	Education	Effectiveness
Emerge	Researcher	Med	Economist	Cultivate	Chemical
Male	Kilometer	Agriculturalist	Area Wide	Larvae	Teacher
Population	Adult	Pathologist	Promote	Egg	Protein
Innovation	Ec osystem	Identification	Female	Grid	Biology
Blemish	Disease	Cooperators	Deposited	Statewide	Hatch
Farmer	Damage	Economically	Fly	Sprays	Species
Host	Infestation	Augmentation	Prevention	Mapping	USDA
Trapping	Grower	Sanitation	Target	Melon	Management
Lifecycle	Baits	Monitoring	Lures	Pest	Biologically
Researcher	Population	Suppression	Annihilation	Oriental	Ecologically

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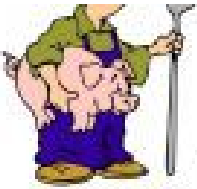
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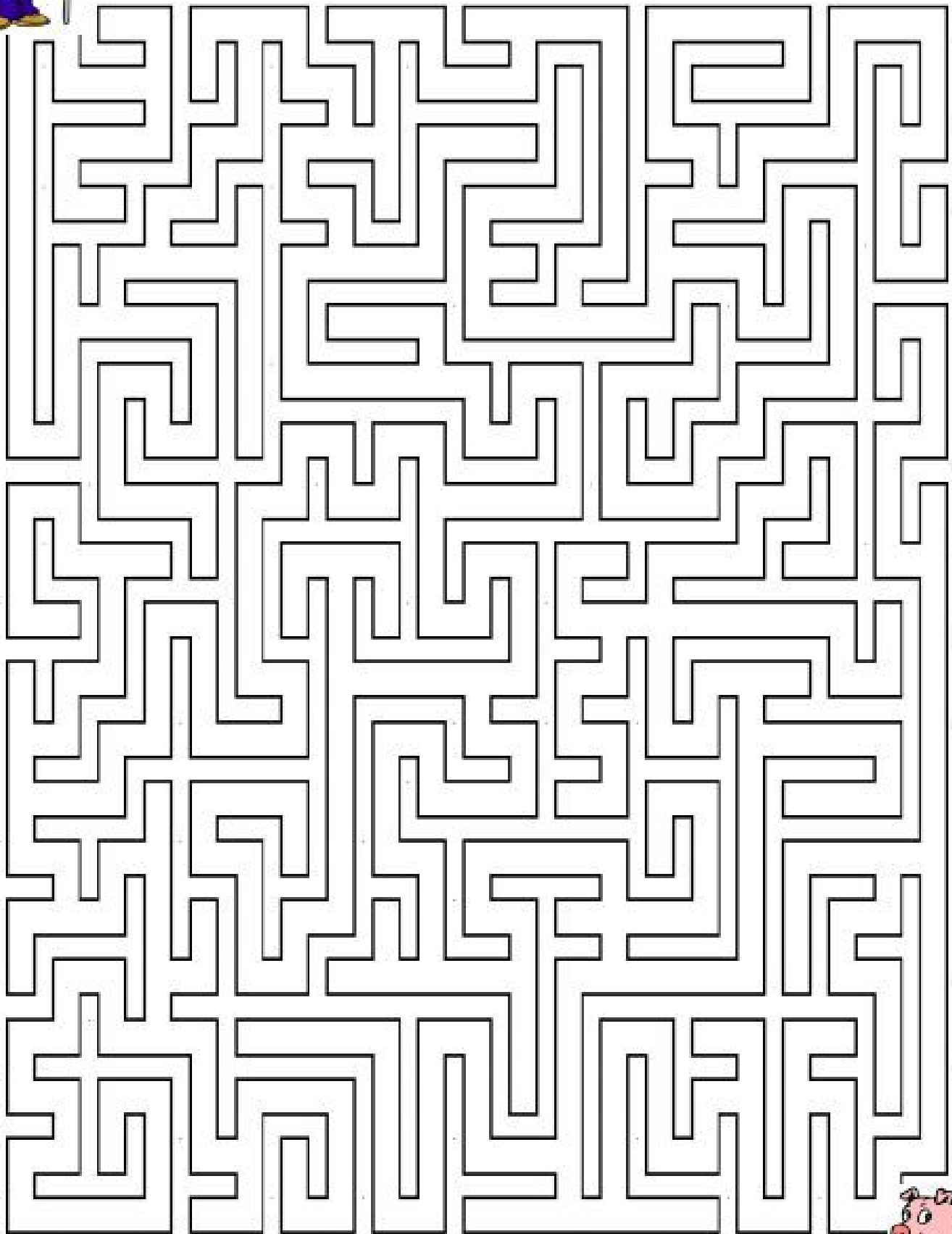


KID'S CORNER





Help the Farmer find his pig



May Word Search Puzzle

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A T I Y U L N I O T S N D A H
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17 MAY

**CRAFT
GROUP**

PAVILION

22 & 23 MAY

**VARIETY
BASH**

PAVILION &
KENNEDY
RANGES

1 - 3 JUNE



UPCOMING **20**
EVENTS **21**

**CARNARVON
HORSEMANS
CLUB**

MOOKA TO
JUNCTION

19 & 20 JUNE

**CRAFT
GROUP**

PAVILION

19 & 20 JUNE

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MORNING
TEA**

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23 JUNE

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