

# The Gate Post

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## NEWDEGATE CRC'S CHRISTMAS SHOPPING DAY



On Wednesday 13th November Newdegate CRC held their annual Christmas Shopping Day at the Country Club.

With harvest starting a little early this year a few of our stall holders had to pull out last minute however, the Country Club was still packed and in fact a little less squished than previous years which made it easier to walk around.

Although the door numbers were not as high as we have seen in previous years stall holders all left happy with the amount of purchases they had made and shoppers all seemed happy to tick a few

Christmas presents off the shopping list and enjoy some lunch and a catch up.

We are always aiming for our Christmas Shopping Day to get better each year so if you have any suggestions for us please get in touch.

All in all the day was a success and something a little different on a Wednesday for everyone.

Thanks to the CRC committee for all your help and catering! Thanks to Mel for sticking around to help clean up and to everyone who came along to support the day and our local businesses.

Produced at the Newdegate Community Resource Centre Inc.

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**Monday 2nd December @ 12 Noon**

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## CWA Melbourne Cup

The Newdegate CWA would like to thank everyone that joined us this year for a day of fun & races at our Melbourne cup event. It was great to have so many of you come along to watch the race and enjoy a few hours of great company, yummy food and a glass of sparkling or two.

Everyone got dressed up for the occasion which made it pretty hard to pick a winner for fashion on the fields, so this year we got our 3 finalists - Emily Gilmour, Kaye Walker and Sandy Knill to dance it out on the catwalk, man can those 3 put on a show and get a crowd cheering. Sandy Knill was the lucky winner that got to go home with a \$50 voucher towards a shopping spree at Sand & Salt in Lake Grace. A special thanks Sand & Salt for donating the voucher to one of our lucky guests.

The door prize, a bunch of flowers and a bottle of sparkling went to Dani Giles.

We would also like to thank Mel Humphries for her help setting up and working behind the bar on the day. You are a champ.

Also thanks to all our CWA members that contributed towards making the day a great success.

**Skadi McDonald**  
CWA President



## Soda Stream now at Newdegate Post Office

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## NOTICE BOARD

### Tip Opening Times

**Wednesday 9am - 1pm**

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### Please Slow Down, Consider Our Kids Stickers

We still have plenty of these stickers available at the Newdegate CRC.

The stickers were funded by the Lake Grace Roadwise committee and Wheatbelt South Road Safety Officer Rodney Thornton.

Pop in and get yours!



### Visiting on Wednesdays



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3pm - 4pm**

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# NOTICE BOARD



## LAKE BIDDY XMAS TREE

**Sunday 15th December**

It's that time of year again folks. Bring along your drinks and tea (no bbq facilities) with a salad or nibbles to share and join in the festivities at the Lake Biddy Reserve.

Santa will be arriving at 6pm so please be at the reserve by 5:30pm.

Secret Santa is available for any year's 7 - 12 (High School). A gender neutral gift to the value of \$15 to participate.

For those attending on the night a hamper raffle will be run. Please bring an item and place in the basket provided. Tickets will be available on the night at \$2 per ticket.

Our \$250 Coles/Myer voucher raffle is on again and raffle tickets are available to purchase for \$2 per ticket from the Newdegate Grocer and Café. 1st Prize \$250 Coles/Myer Voucher and drawn 15th December 2019.

If you could please register any children who will be attending by Tuesday 26th November it would be appreciated along with any interests or suggestions.

**Queries:**

**Natalie Dunkels: 0428 712 097 or [gandn@dunkeld.net.au](mailto:gandn@dunkeld.net.au)**

## SAVE THE DATE - NEWDEGATE CHRISTMAS TREE

**SATURDAY 14TH DECEMBER @ the Skate Park**



# MERRY CHRISTMAS!

### Pool News:

Pool opening Wednesday 13th November 2019



### Pool Inductions:

Tuesday 12th November 12.30 and 1.30pm (finish by Early Close)

More inductions will be happening - please keep an eye on the Community Page for dates and times.

Book in with Roz at the School on 98711600.

**Reminder: You must have your first aid certificate to get a pool key.**

### Payments for Pool Fees:

Family with up to two dependents \$158

Family with up to three or more dependents \$188

Single (18 years and over) \$78

Seniors/Pensioner \$61

10% discount on season tickets 15km out and over.

Any new keys issued incur a \$10 deposit fee.

All payments made to the Shire of Lake Grace

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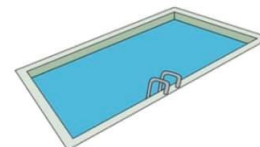
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### To ALL pool users

**Can you please put all furniture etc back where you got it from, bench seats are being left on top of sprinklers and are being placed on top of sprinklers which now need replacing.**

## NOTICE BOARD

### How things have changed...



This week we have been sent some pictures of a truck line to the old bins in Newdegate during a harvest around the year 1981 when there was only a dirt track leading in.



### Morton-Maher Scholarship

Inaugural meeting December 1987.  
First scholarship December 1988

## 2019



The Morton-Maher Scholarship is a memorial to two of our past students, Rodney Morton and Jason Maher, who were tragically killed in 1986. This Award is presented to an ex-Newdegate student who is showing outstanding skills, achievement and dedication to their chosen sport/s. Sportsmanship and leadership are also considered as integral qualities in great sportspersons.

The 2019 Morton-Maher Scholarship is open to 16-19 year olds, who attended Newdegate Primary School and whose family is/are still residing in Newdegate. The Scholarship Application Form is available from the Newdegate CRC [Newdegatecrc@westnet.com.au](mailto:Newdegatecrc@westnet.com.au) or by emailing Roz Lloyd [rozlloyd@westnet.com.au](mailto:rozlloyd@westnet.com.au)

**Completed applications to be posted to The Secretary, PO Box 33, Newdegate  
OR emailed to [rozlloyd@westnet.com.au](mailto:rozlloyd@westnet.com.au) by the 30th November, 2019.**

Further information is available from the President, Dennis Knill or Secretary, Roz Lloyd.



## 50 Degree Temperature Difference across Australia

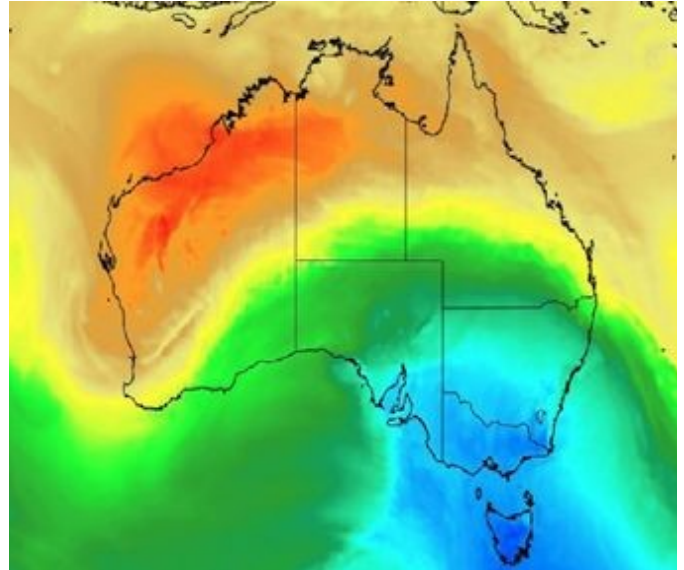
On Saturday 9th November cold air masses moved up from the Southern ocean and lingered over South Eastern Australia behind a series of cold fronts causing temperatures in the New South Wales alps to drop as low as  $-6^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

Meanwhile, clear skies over North Western Australia caused a build up of heat in Western Australia's Pilbara and Kimberley districts and sent temperatures soaring to tops of  $44^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

The tale of two extremes meant that whilst there were catastrophic danger ratings in the North, snow was expected at the same time in the South.

This wasn't be the first time temperatures have ranged by  $50^{\circ}\text{C}$  in Australia. Last spring, Thredbo Top Station in NSW registered a low of  $-10^{\circ}\text{C}$  on the same day WA's Kununurra reached a hot  $40^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

Big temperature ranges are common in Australia during spring, as wintry air masses moving up from the Southern Ocean interact with heat building over this huge continent.



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## Newdegate Summer Sports 2019/20



### Tennis

**Wagin Junior Tournament -  
Sunday 10th November**

Rescheduled from Saturday to Sunday which altered some of our kids being able to attend. Isabelle and Ebony represented in the doubles and singles today finishing 3rd in the doubles and both being knocked out in the second round of singles.  
Wickepin





### Hyden Junior Tennis Tournament

**Saturday 7th December 2019**  
8:45am registration for a 9am Start  
\$20 per Child (\$15 for HTC Members) —includes lunch & a drink









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## WA Farm Dog of the year sash finalist

Congratulations to Whiskey, owned by Chaz Hall and Aleisha McCagh for coming 9th in the search for WA's Farm dog of the Year.

Whiskey is a photogenic 2 and a half year old Border Collie x Kelpie who even features in this years Best of Newdegate Calendar. Well done Whiskey!



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**0417991684**  
**9865 1129**

## Eulogy - Ron Gillett

Ronald (Ron) Stanley Gillett was the eldest son of Stanley & Frances Gillett. He was born on January 15th 1925 in Williams, returning to farm in Newdegate after his arrival.

Ron attended the South Newdegate Primary School until the year he turned 13. The school was built on a Government Reserve along the Old Ravensthorpe road about 2 1/2 miles from the farm. His uncle, Scotty Selkirk built the school from a wooden frame & galvanised iron & walls. The last year of his schooling was by correspondence lessons sent from Perth. The subjects he studied were English, Maths, History, Geography & Book keeping.

After finishing school Ron helped on the farm starting with harvesting the crop using a horse drawn harvester. He continued working with his father until 1942 when the family returned to Marjidin, Williams after the death of Ned Gillett. Ron caught rabbits to earn pocket money, selling the skins & keeping the meat for the family.

In September 1942 while at Newdegate shearing, Ron's ankles & knees swelled up & the Dr. in Lake

Grace diagnosed Rheumatic Fever. Stan took him to Williams where he spent 6 weeks in hospital. When he turned 18 in January of 1943 he failed the medical to enlist for WW2. The doctor told him he would be lucky live beyond his 40's due to the effect of the fever on his heart.

In 1952 after marrying Daphne Nichols, Ron & uncle Scotty Selkirk built a kit home in Richmond Street, Williams. Susanne & John were born during this time.

In 1958 Stan & Frances purchased a house from Mrs Cecil Major in town and Ron, Daphne & the children moved out to the farmhouse at Marjidin.

Like most farmers Ron was involved in all aspects of district life. Football being a great love, I will let Glen Ford enlighten you about Ron's involvement with the Williams Football Club.

Ron was an active member of the Williams P&C, working with a group of parents to get a Junior High School in Williams as well as other fundraising efforts, crutching, hay carting etc. He was also a member of the local Druids Lodge.

I first met Ron in 1962, & as I remember him, tall, faded blue overalls, cloth hat, the very picture of a working farmer. From that day he always said "G'day McCarthy", moved the hat around and scratched parts of his anatomy.

Ron was Captain of the South West Fire Brigade, now Glenfield, & was instrumental in the purchase of two way radios, his call sign being Echo Uncle. He received a Long Service Medal from the WA Fire Brigade for 35 years of volunteer service.

One must remember this was a period of clearing & developing country, summer fires were the norm, equipment basic at best. I well remember, being on the back of Ron's Bedford truck at a fire in the Williams River, dry wild oats about 5 foot high, wind gusts as well. Ron unintentionally backed the truck into the flames & stalled, I let out an oath, turned hose onto myself, truck started we were out of trouble. 'Bloody close' said Ron. He was the master of understatement.





Though Ron was not a big drinker, the odd beer & very occasionally something stronger. In the early 1960's after having a clearing fire at 'Windermere' when I was batching we went back to the cottage & as it was a hot afternoon I suggested a beer would not go astray, big bottles in those days, freezing cold out of the kero fridge, the first one went down very well & even Stan had a glass, the second followed easily, then all went home. The following morning I saw Daphne in town, her opening words were 'what did you do to Ron yesterday?' I was surprised by the question. Apparently he had spent some hours out the back in the lucerne patch growling & grumbling.

Ron smoked rollies until he was 65 & used to buy his tobacco & papers at the BP Service Station & would always come home with bags of lollies, coconut quivers, minties, aurora or marella Jubes were favourites. In his later years his drink of choice was Port & Lemonade & occasionally a red wine. He had a sweet tooth, three sugars in black tea, loved Daphne's homemade biscuits & went through bags of Werthers cream candies.


As I was batching I would often visit Ron

midmorning, he & Stan would be in or around the workshop, when we would discuss the weather, prices etc. In those early days of my farming career listening to the thoughts & experiences of Ron & Stan were of huge value to me, followed by one of Daphne's wonderful morning smokes.


Ron always said there were three F's that were important in his life, Family, Farm & Footy, not sure of the order. Can add another Friends. Ron & Daphne had many friends in the district. In the early years dinner & card (Canasta) nights were regular social outings at their friends' homes as were dances at the Tarwonga Hall.

Ron lived to see many changes in farming practices. Seven generations of Gilletts have lived on Marjidin. Ron's great grandfather Samuel lived on the farm for a short time, then Ned, Stan, Ron, John, Matthew & now Elyse & Esme (Matt's children). Ron got great enjoyment out of his grandchildren & great grandchildren ..

The end of an era. Rest In Peace Ron, you've earned it.



**Australian Government**



## Energy Efficient Communities Program—Community organisations stream

The Energy Efficient Communities Program will deliver \$50 million of grants to assist businesses and community organisations to improve energy efficiency practices and technologies and better manage energy consumption to reduce their power bills. This measure will deliver up to 3 million tonnes of abatement to 2030.

Funding will support activities to help community organisations save energy through:

- equipment upgrades that reduce energy consumption, including energy generation and storage projects (for example solar photovoltaic panels, batteries and solar hot water)
- completion of energy systems assessments according to Australian Standard AS/NZS 3598 2014 to investigate energy savings opportunities.

**When do applications open?**

Grant applications to fund energy generation and storage projects for eligible community organisations will open in October 2019. Grant applications for other equipment upgrades and energy audits will open by early 2020.

Grants will be made available to eligible applicants on a first come, first served basis.


### What community organisations are eligible?

Community organisations that are incorporated not-for-profits will be eligible, including Men's Sheds, community owned kindergartens, welfare centres, community centres, women's associations, community owned childcare centres, community football and netball clubs, Scout and Guide groups, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander community groups and surf lifesaving clubs.

Country Fire Authorities and Rural Fire Services will also be eligible.

### How can I apply?

Details about how community organisations can apply will be made available from September 2019. If your organisation lodged an expression of interest with your local Member of Parliament, you will still need to submit a grant application when the program opens.



### Will there be a cap per applicant?

Community organisations can apply for up to \$12 500, in accordance with the program guidelines that should be available in September 2019.

### Will I have to make a co-contribution?

Community organisations will not be required to make a co-contribution.

### Contact us

If you'd like to know more about the Energy Efficient Communities Program, please contact us at [EECProgram@environment.gov.au](mailto:EECProgram@environment.gov.au).

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## NEWDEGATE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Secretary: Po Box 169, Newdegate, WA 6355 Phone: 9871 1569 M: 0428 711 569

### GENERAL MEETING

9<sup>th</sup> September 2019

**Meeting Opened:** 7.35pm

**Present:** Sandy Knill, Len Armstrong, Roz Lloyd, Susan Hall, Warren Shalders, Helen Steicke Lynne Ellard, Anne Rintoul, , Denise Gobbart CEO Lake Grace Shire, Cr Ross Chappell, Wally Newman, Ian Chamberlain,

**Apologies:** Cathy Kelly, Cr Deb Clarke, Alison Spencer`

**Minutes of previous meeting:** Moved Warren Shalders that the Minutes of previous meeting held 10<sup>th</sup> June 2019, as read, were a true and correct record. 2<sup>nd</sup> Susan Hall **CARRIED**

**Business Arising:** None

#### **Financial Report:**

Moved Roz Lloyd 2<sup>nd</sup> Warren Shalders that the Financial Reports for the NCD A BankWest Cheque Account & Term Deposit and the Historical Society Westpac Cheque Account & Term Deposit be accepted as presented. **CARRIED**

#### **Correspondence Inward:**

Locals S C Grant

#### **Outward :** **None**

Moved Susan Hall 2<sup>nd</sup> Warren Shalders

#### **REPORTS**

CEO

- Allan George DCEO has been Appointed
- Community Fund Grants have been Approved
- Audit 2<sup>nd</sup> week October by Auditor General
- Budget 2019/20 adopted 21<sup>st</sup> August 2019

Cr Ross Chappell; No Report Tabled

Cr Roz Lloyd: No report Tabled

Susan Hall; No report Tabled

General Business:

- Advertising of Council Minutes
- Special Meetings i.e. Budgets etc
- Budget Repercussions with removal of Options through Rates i.e. SAR, to be allocated through meetings
- Sandy Knill moved a motion to correspond with Water Corporations to beautify the Water Tank Opposite the Hotel. 2<sup>nd</sup> Roz Lloyd **CARRIED**
- War Memorial (Obelisk) Designs in progress through Daniel Watkins at Brookton.

**MEETING CLOSED: 8.35pm**

**NEXT MEETING: MONDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> November 2019**





## Farm Water Supply Planning Scheme (agricultural and pastoral regions)

Rebates of up to \$1000 for commercial broadacre and pastoral region farmers experiencing water shortages to fund an audit of farm water supply and potential improvements

- 1800 780 300
- [water.wa.gov.au/planning-for-the-future/rural-water-support/farm-water-supply-planning-scheme](http://water.wa.gov.au/planning-for-the-future/rural-water-support/farm-water-supply-planning-scheme)
- [ruralwater@dwer.wa.gov.au](mailto:ruralwater@dwer.wa.gov.au)

## Wellbeing

### Lifeline

24-hour crisis support, suicide prevention and mental health support services

- 13 11 14
- [lifeline.org.au](http://lifeline.org.au)

### Regional Counselling

Counselling for individuals, couples and families experiencing challenges to help them cope, improve wellbeing and identify options

- [agric.wa.gov.au/regional-counselling](http://agric.wa.gov.au/regional-counselling)

### Regional Men's Health Initiative

Provides support and education services to regional men, communities and health services

- 9690 2277 (office hours)
- [regionalmenshealth.org.au](http://regionalmenshealth.org.au)
- [menhealth@4blokes.com.au](mailto:menhealth@4blokes.com.au)

## Women's Information Service

Provides information and referrals regarding health, finances, legal matters, counselling and domestic crisis

- 1800 199 174
- [dlgc.communities.wa.gov.au/AdviceSupport/Pages/Womens-Information-Service.aspx](http://dlgc.communities.wa.gov.au/AdviceSupport/Pages/Womens-Information-Service.aspx)
- [wis@dlgc.wa.gov.au](mailto:wis@dlgc.wa.gov.au)

## Other information

### Western Australia's rural health, financial & information services support directory

Contacts for a range of 24-hour support, financial and family counselling, health, emergency and ancillary services

- [agric.wa.gov.au/climate-land-water/western-australia%E2%80%99s-rural-health-financial-information-services-support-directory](http://agric.wa.gov.au/climate-land-water/western-australia%E2%80%99s-rural-health-financial-information-services-support-directory)

If you cannot find the assistance or support you require, please contact your local DPIRD office or call (08) 9368 3334 or email [enquiries@dpiird.wa.gov.au](mailto:enquiries@dpiird.wa.gov.au)

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# Managing dry conditions

Support services  
directory 2019

- Financial
- Water
- Wellbeing

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## Financial support

### Farm Hub

A website that harnesses information about Commonwealth and State/Territory assistance (includes Drought Loans, Farm Investment Loans, Farm Household Allowance)

- [farmhub.org.au/](http://farmhub.org.au/)

### Farm Household Allowance

Assists farming families experiencing financial hardship with income to maintain their household

- 13 23 16 or 1800 612 004
- [agriculture.gov.au/ag-farm-food/drought/assistance/farm-household-allowance](http://agriculture.gov.au/ag-farm-food/drought/assistance/farm-household-allowance)

### Drought Loans & Farm Investment Loans

Low-interest loans for businesses to improve the strength, resilience and profitability of their businesses (provided by the Regional Investment Corporation)

- 1800 875 675
- [farmhub.org.au/listing/drought-loan/](http://farmhub.org.au/listing/drought-loan/)
- [loans@service.ric.gov.au](mailto:loans@service.ric.gov.au)

### Rural Financial Counselling Service WA

Free financial counselling service to assist primary producers

- 1800 612 044
- [rfcswa.com.au/](http://rfcswa.com.au/)
- [admin@rfcswa.com.au](mailto:admin@rfcswa.com.au)

### Farm Debt Mediation Scheme

Assists farm and pastoral businesses and financial institutions to resolve disputes about business financial arrangements, through a low-cost and non-legal form of mediation

- 1800 198 231
- [agric.wa.gov.au/grains/farm-debt-mediation-wa-scheme](http://agric.wa.gov.au/grains/farm-debt-mediation-wa-scheme)
- [rbdu.loans@agric.wa.gov.au](mailto:rbdu.loans@agric.wa.gov.au)

### Farmer Assistance Hotline

Income support programs for farmers and rural small businesses

- 13 23 16
- [humanservices.gov.au/individuals/contact-us/phone-us#farmers](https://humanservices.gov.au/individuals/contact-us/phone-us#farmers)

### CWA of WA Drought Assistance

Funds for household expenses

- 9321 6041
- [cwaofwa.asn.au/projects/education-and-welfare/](http://cwaofwa.asn.au/projects/education-and-welfare/)
- [info@cwaofwa.asn.au](mailto:info@cwaofwa.asn.au)

## Water support

### National On-farm Emergency Water Infrastructure Rebate Scheme

Rebates of 25% up to a maximum of \$25,000 for the purchase and installation of new water infrastructure and equipment to eligible commercial livestock farmers and pastoralists

- 1800 780 300
- [water.wa.gov.au/planning-for-the-future/rural-water-support/on-farm-emergency-water-infrastructure-rebate](http://water.wa.gov.au/planning-for-the-future/rural-water-support/on-farm-emergency-water-infrastructure-rebate)
- [ruralwater@dwer.wa.gov.au](mailto:ruralwater@dwer.wa.gov.au)

### Community Water Supply Program

(agricultural regions)

Grants of up to \$100,000 available for community water supply development and improvements in dryland agricultural areas receiving <600mm average annual rainfall

- 1800 780 300
- [water.wa.gov.au/planning-for-the-future/rural-water-support/community-water-supply-program](http://water.wa.gov.au/planning-for-the-future/rural-water-support/community-water-supply-program)
- [ruralwater@dwer.wa.gov.au](mailto:ruralwater@dwer.wa.gov.au)

### Management of Strategic

### Community Water Supplies

(agricultural regions)

Network of strategic community water supplies in WA dryland agricultural areas to provide emergency stock water

- 1800 780 300
- [water.wa.gov.au/planning-for-the-future/rural-water-support/management-of-strategic-community-water-supplies](http://water.wa.gov.au/planning-for-the-future/rural-water-support/management-of-strategic-community-water-supplies)
- [ruralwater@dwer.wa.gov.au](mailto:ruralwater@dwer.wa.gov.au)

### Water Deficiency Declarations

(agricultural regions)

Emergency water for livestock provided by the State government carted to a central point, coordinated via local shires

- 1800 780 300
- [water.wa.gov.au/wateringWA/emergency-farm-water-arrangements](http://water.wa.gov.au/wateringWA/emergency-farm-water-arrangements)
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# What's happening at the



It was a special CRC meeting on Monday 11th November as we said farewell to long standing committee member Anne Bishop.

We thank Anne for her all her enthusiasm and help over the years and wish Anne and Russell all the best with their future plans.

Anne has been involved in the CRC from the initial building committee with Newdegate Primary school, to the present day. With an interest in journalism and writing it was Anne who suggested that the CRC should produce our own local paper. Previously residents read the Wagin Argus and Lakes Link. The Gate Post was started in 1999 and named by Juliet Butcher after a nameless "Name the paper" first edition asked the community for their ideas. Coordinators of the CRC produced the Gate Post and in 2010 Anne took on the editor role for a number of years. Writing and typing was always of interest to Anne especially family history having helped her Father, Mr Neville Dunham write his memoirs.



Newdegate CRC's  
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## Stubble retention essential to protect paddocks from erosion

Landholders across the Grainbelt have been warned to take action to protect paddocks from the risk of wind and water erosion, with forecasts for a long, dry summer. There have already been reports of wind erosion, as a result of below average winter rainfall in many areas.

The Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development's Season 2019 webpages has information and several useful articles to assist growers with managing wind erosion. The department recommends landholders aim to have at least 50 per cent stubble or pasture groundcover, of which about 30 per cent should be anchored, by the beginning of autumn to prevent soil particles from being picked up by the wind.

Department senior research scientist Paul Findlater said stubble management would be crucial for landholders to avoid losing valuable topsoil from their paddocks. "Stubble retention will be an important strategy, with the aim to leave enough stubble after harvest to protect paddocks through until seeding," he said. "There are several other benefits to be gained from retaining stubble, including improved rainfall infiltration, reduced soil water loss, improved soil organic matter and soil structure and protecting seedlings from sand blasting in the new season."

Grazing stubbles and dry pasture could be a challenge this summer, as livestock producers balance the needs of their livestock and the land. "While grazing stubbles is a common practice, with more effective harvesting practices reducing grain spillage there may be more effective feed options available," Mr Findlater said. "The Grazing Stubbles and Dry Pasture article on the Season 2019 webpages provides a good overview of the nutritional value of stubbles and pastures and the value of feed budgeting through the summer and autumn months. "Sheep producers will need to be particularly mindful of stocking rates and feed regimes to manage grazing pressures and ensure there is at least 600 kilograms per hectare of dry matter on pasture paddocks, which will also help pasture to get away quickly at the break of the season."

The managing wind erosion article on the Season 2019 webpages has further information about ground cover targets for grazed stubbles and ungrazed stubbles to ensure paddocks are adequately protected. Mr Findlater said there are several strategies to assist landholders to meet the ground cover targets. "It is important to keep stock off paddocks with low ground cover by confinement feeding or feed lotting or producers may need to consider the cost-benefit of agisting or selling stock before both paddocks and stock lose condition," he said. "We also advise limiting all vehicle movement in the paddock."

If it does rain during summer, Mr Findlater warned growers not to be tempted to graze paddocks or cultivate for weed control and elevate the erosion risk. "It may be better to spray the weeds and maintain some groundcover to minimise soil disturbance," he said. "It would be best for landholders to discuss options with their local agronomist."

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# POLICE NEWS

## LAKE GRACE POLICE STATION

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Email: [Lake.Grace.Police.Station@police.wa.gov.au](mailto:Lake.Grace.Police.Station@police.wa.gov.au)

Personnel: Sgt. Travis Taylor, SC Fiona Main

The last two weeks have been steady, with not much to report in the way of crime, and things have been under control. As a result, Scotty has been selected to fight crime for a week up in Geraldton along with three other Great Southern Police staff. Geraldton is currently having issues with a spike in burglaries and stealing's. He should be really busy and hopefully comes back.

**INVESTIGATION** - We recently had a local truck driver attend the Lake Grace station and submit some in-truck CCTV footage that he'd caught of a reckless driving incident that occurred in Perth. A driver in a black Ford Territory nearly had a head on collision with an oncoming car after overtaking the truck on double white lines just before a blind corner. The oncoming driver had to brake heavily and leave the road to avoid the collision.

After some extensive enquiries made by Lake Grace Police, it was established the vehicle had false plates. Those false plates were identified as belonging to a 40 year old male who was still living with his mother. His mother just happened to have the same type and colour vehicle as that in the footage. After speaking with the number plate owner's mother, it was established Police needed to speak with her son's new girlfriend. She also had the same coloured vehicle, except it turned up recently without number plates on it.

The enquiry was packaged up and sent off to a specialist in the Traffic Investigation Unit. The person responsible for the vehicle had been stopped by Police months earlier for drink driving and the vehicle's number plates had been removed by Police because it was unlicensed by more than three months. So, the vehicle had now been identified. Its registered owner was currently in jail for blowing up and stealing ATM machines earlier in the year. He had left it in the care of his

girlfriend (the drink driver) who Police were now seeking.

She was later located and arrested for interview over the reckless driving matter. As it turns out she was wanted on a Victorian extradition warrant for drug trafficking. During the interview it was established she was the passenger in the vehicle at the time of the reckless driving and it was her friend driving. She was identified, located and arrested.

It turns out that this person was involved in no less than four reckless driving offences to evade Police (that's bad... each offence is a mandatory minimum 6 months in jail) and was later identified to be involved in an outrageous number of credit and bank card frauds (Pay Pass offences).

These awesome results all came from the footage being handed in and acted upon, so please, if you have any footage that may be of interest to Police, get in touch. It will be acted upon, and hopefully we can get more of these dishonest people off the streets.

**STOPPING** - Policing isn't always about crime - a lot of our job is about keeping the roads safe for you all to use. We have been approached by a number of locals who have reiterated their annoyance at people failing to abide by the 'STOP' signs in our towns. Due to this, we have been targeting the STOP signs, and this has resulted in a fair few drivers being caught out, and given an infringement.

We're happy to say that a majority of the drivers stopped are in fact not from town, and believe it or not, the main reason for failing to stop was "what stop sign?"

Here's a quick reminder of what a stop sign looks like, in case any of you need a refresher.



But well done to our locals of Lake Grace and Newdegate at not getting caught out, and sticking to the rules, which believe it or not, saves lives.

**PARKING** - We had our local Road Wise meeting this week, and on leaving the meeting, we observed some Lake Grace Shire workers painting a random blue line on the road outside the school. Just before we could give them a fine for graffiti, we were quickly told that this means that no parking is allowed on this section of road.



The sign shown in the photograph also reiterates this, so when dropping off or picking up your kids at school, make sure there is no parking on this section of road please. Also, if you're with your kiddiwinkles, please make sure both you and they stick to the road rules i.e. use the crossings, check both ways, don't cross between cars or buses without looking etc. This will teach the kids road safety from a young age which will stick with them

for years to come and into their adult life, and potentially save lives.

**OUR GRAVEL ROADS** - Our gravel roads are pretty good to be fair and even better than some of the State's bitumen roads. However, our gravel roads are getting churned up at this time of year with harvest in full swing. The Lake Grace Shire are trying their best to keep the roads level and safe for everyone to use in the area.



This has become particularly important of late where we had two separate incidents of car roll overs on gravel tracks in Hyden and Varley last week - believe it or not, both within an hour of each other on Sunday. One was classed as serious and the other one not serious.

With this in mind, we would like to remind users of the gravel roads - in particular truck drivers and companies who employ the truck drivers - to drive safely on these roads. It's really busy out there and road maintenance is also in full swing to keep up with the seasonal use of the roads. If you see maintenance crews out grading or repairing roads, be courteous and slow down. Speed signs will be out and so will we.

It's all about common decency toward the road workers so they don't get a face full of dust, and foremost, for their safety.

Have a good fortnight.

**Sgt Travis Taylor**



## Gearing up for skeleton weed summer search

Paddock searches for skeleton weed this summer are set to begin, with landholders reminded to keep watch for the weed, which can tie up nitrogen and soil moisture, and cut crop yields. The search program is a combined effort between farmers, the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development and six Local Action Groups (LAGs). While traditional vehicle surveillance accounts for the majority of the program, Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs – or drones) are also covering more ground.

The summer searching program focuses on infested properties, and is complemented by targeted surveillance aimed at finding new infestations that landholders may not be aware of. Department project manager Martin Atwell said skeleton weed was a declared plant which reduces crop yields by competing for moisture and nutrients. The weed can often be found in paddocks at harvest time and is most recognisable when flowering during summer and autumn - it has bright yellow daisy flowers," Mr Atwell said. "Skeleton weed has upright and usually leafless stems which gives the appearance of the skeleton of a plant."

While Department and LAG officers will be contacting landholders to participate in targeted

surveillance, all farmers are reminded to be on the lookout. "Skeleton weed can be more readily eradicated from a farm when it is found in the first year after establishment, therefore early detection is vital and every year we have a number of properties where skeleton weed is eradicated," Mr Atwell said.

Skeleton weed program activities are funded by industry through the Grains, Seeds and Hay Industry Funding Scheme (IFS). Grains, Seeds and Hay IFS management committee chair Rohan Day said the skeleton weed program encompassed summer searching of infested paddocks, surveillance to locate new infestations before they establish, treatments, on-on-one support for growers, along with research, development and extension. "The committee has approved a number of changes to the program to support growers with skeleton weed infestations and therefore try to better control the spread," Mr Day said. "These include additional chemical control options for growers. Research trialling differing chemical applications and application timings is underway and will be assessed for inclusion in 2020. "We will also be incorporating lessons learned to improve the use of UAVs, which are a relatively new inclusion and are delivering promising outcomes."

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**THE SEARCH CONTRACTORS WILL HAVE CONTACTED YOU IN REGARDS TO YOUR  
SEARCHING PLEASE REPLY TO THEM ASAP.  
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***THE 2018-2019 Report to Grain Growers for the Skeleton Weed Program is now  
available to view on the webpage below***  
<https://www.agric.wa.gov.au/skeletonweed>



## Shire of Lake Grace

## Community News

*CEO's Corner*

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**Citizenship Ceremony**

On Tuesday 5 November 2019, the Shire of Lake Grace hosted a special Australian Citizenship Ceremony for two local community members Sandhya Dwarakanath and her daughter, Neha.

Shire President Cr Jeanette De Landgraft was the Presiding Officer and conducted the ceremony as prescribed in the Australian Citizenship Act 1997 and the Australian Citizenship Regulations 2016, under the authority of the Minister for Immigration, Citizenship, Migrant Services and Multicultural Affairs, the Hon David Coleman MP.

As Presiding Officer, Cr De Landgraft received Sandhya and Neha's pledge as citizens of the Commonwealth of Australia. Making the pledge is the final step for Sandhya and Neha to become Australian Citizens and is a public declaration of their commitment to Australia.

The ceremony was well attended with Councillors and number of Sandhya and Neha's family and friends present, who were all delighted to witness this special event.

On behalf of the Shire of Lake Grace, I would like to congratulate Sandhya and Neha on becoming two of Australia's newest citizens and wish them health, happiness and luck for their future in Australia.



***Our new Australian Citizens Sandhya and Neha Dwarakanath stand proudly with their Citizenship Certificates, surrounded by family, friends and Councillors***

**LG Professionals Annual State Conference**

On 6 – 8 November 2019, LG Professionals hosted their Annual State Conference at the Crown Perth. I attended the conference with our Finance Officer – Payroll & Rates, Rebecca Clark. You may remember from previous editions of CEO's Corner that Rebecca was the recipient of the LG Professionals Wheatbelt South Branch Scholarship to attend the conference.

This conference is the key professional development event in the calendar of CEOs, Directors and Senior Managers in Local Government.

The theme for this year's conference was 'Be unstoppable: Join forces now!' and focused on the idea that we may be good at our own individual jobs but to maximise our success, we often need to collaborate, or partner with others.

This year's program was filled with exciting and inspiring speakers, covering a variety of different topics including: Our Resources are in our Relationships, The Future of Local Government, Actual Emergencies Look More Like People Coming Together Not Cities Falling Apart, Maintaining a Clear Line of Sight in Planning for Optimal Impact, Connecting Communities, and Collaboration Proves Instrumental in Achieving Strategic Community Outcomes.

Overall the Annual Conference was an excellent opportunity to network, share ideas and become inspired.

Our Finance Officer, Rebecca, who attended the Conference for the first time commented:

"I feel so privileged to have been in attendance at the Local Government Professionals Annual State Conference. The conference was attended by Local Government Professionals from far and wide who came together to celebrate the diversity, challenges and importance of the sector.

I was able to listen and learn from some amazing keynote speakers, who not only inspired me in many areas, but also made me think of the impact of Local Government on a broader spectrum. I was also able to network with a number of other Local Government Professionals, sharing experiences and knowledge. I am feeling very inspired after my trip and feel like I have taken away invaluable information that I am sure is going to help me continue on my Local Government Career path.

I would like to extend my sincere thanks and appreciation to the Local Government Professionals Wheatbelt South Committee for selecting myself to attend and to my wonderful colleagues at the Shire of Lake Grace, past and present, for supporting me and inspiring me daily."

**Rebranding Workshops**

The Shire's rebranding project got its kick-start last week with two workshops being held in Lake Grace and

*Continued over ...*



## Shire of Lake Grace Community News *Cont.*

### CEO Corner Cont.

Newdegate. There were a total of 18 community members from around the Shire who were able to take time out of their busy schedules to participate. Facilitators for the workshops were Brad Haseldine and Jez Reilly from branding agency Marketforce, who did an excellent job of getting everyone engaged and thinking creatively.

This process will now assist in the development of a number of different concepts for a new logo, which will eventually be narrowed down to one. We will keep you posted as this exciting project continues.



**Getting Creative: Re-branding Workshops taking place at Newdegate and Lake Grace**

### Dry Season for Livestock Water Supply - SURVEY EXTENDED

Livestock farmers are encouraged to complete a short survey about your livestock water supplies ASAP. This will help the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER) to manage emergency livestock water and community water supplies during the dry summer/autumn season. The survey will remain open over the summer period, however DWER are keen to hear from as many farmers as soon as possible.

To complete the survey, please visit: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/stock\\_water\\_dry\\_season\\_survey](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/stock_water_dry_season_survey)

If you would like more information, please contact DWER, Rural Planning on 08 9841 0100 or email: [dryseasonsurvey@dwer.wa.gov.au](mailto:dryseasonsurvey@dwer.wa.gov.au)

We would encourage you also to speak to your neighbours and check they're aware of this survey.

### Seniors Day Trip to Kojonup

Wednesday 13 November 2019, saw our seniors hop on-board the community bus to be whisked away for a lovely daytrip to Kodja Place in Kojonup. With 18 seniors, along with our Shire Community Services Officer Cheryl Chappell and her husband Cr Ross Chappell, it was a beautiful day to take in some sights.

Kodja Place offers its visitors the opportunity to explore the inside story of Australian Country life, through a variety of different mediums including; the Australian Rose Maze, the Kodja Gallery and Story Place.

From what I hear, it was a fantastic day out with lots of interesting things to see and interact with. I would like to extend a huge thank you to Cheryl Chappell for all of

her hard work and effort in organising this event alongside Kristel Thomson, Acting Visitor Services Officer at the Shire of Kojonup, to Cr Ross Chappell for being the designated bus driver and to Rosemary Bywater for taking her car for those unable to ride the bus.

These events are loved by our seniors, as well as being a great way for us to show our appreciation for them and all that they bring to our community.

### Lake Grace and Newdegate Swimming Pools are Now Open!

The Lake Grace Swimming Pool opened its doors for the 2019/20 Season on Saturday 9 November 2019.

The pool is open 7 days a week 12.00pm – 6.00pm (excluding Christmas Day)

Early morning swims Tuesday – Friday, 5.30am – 7.30am (excluding Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day and Australia Day).

The Newdegate Pool opened its doors on Wednesday 13 November 2019. Please remember that access to the pool is via an electronic key system. Keys are available upon successful completion of an endorsed qualification and payment of fees.

The pool is open 7 days a week, 6.00am – 7.00pm. A full list for 2019/20 pool fees can be found on the Shire website.

<https://www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au/facilities/swimming-pools/newdegate-swimming-pool/>

It's great to have these facilities open and ready for what is set to be another long, hot and dry summer, so make sure you stop by for a refreshing dip!

### Gravel Roads During Harvest Period – 80KPH Limit Request

Owing to the extended dry conditions and harvest season in full swing, there are sections of gravel roads in the Shire that are already struggling under the weight and volume of frequent, fast moving heavy haulage vehicles.

These roads are deteriorating very quickly, despite the best efforts of our Roads Crew to keep them graded and up to scratch.

We've also been advised of a few near misses and have concerns for motorist safety.

We are requesting anyone using our gravel roads to please slow down to 80kph until 31 December.

In the meantime we will continue to do our best to keep them graded and in smooth, safe working order.

We would like to thank the community for your road reports so far and ask that you keep them coming.

Any road standard issues please contact Vanessa Cripse, Manager Infrastructure Services, on 0448 089 092 or 9890 2500, or [shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au](mailto:shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au).



## Shire of Lake Grace Community News *Cont.*

*CEO Corner Cont.*

### Roadworks

Our staff have carried out the following works:

- Pothole maintenance on Buniche North Road and Magenta Road
- Potholes in the laneway at Carruthers and McMahon Street and at the end of Clark Avenue
- Mowing/ and slashing of verges at North Lake Grace Karlgarin Road from Pingaring heading to Lake Grace
- Re-sheeting on Cook Road and West Kuender Road

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Cook Road
- Wyatt Road
- Garard Road
- North Burngup Road
- Mordetta Road
- Burns Road
- White Dam Road
- Mallee Hill Road
- Fourteen Mile Road
- Pelham Road
- Greg Road
- West Kuender Road

The Newdegate Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Dragon Rock Road
- McCracken Road
- Chamberlain Road
- Mission Road
- Whurr Road
- Buniche Road

The Lake King and Varley Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Pickernell Road

### Parks & Gardens

The Parks and Gardens Crew have carried out the following work:

#### Lake Grace

- Cleaning of BBQ areas
- Weeding, reticulation maintenance and replacing all the risers for the sprinklers on the hockey oval, mowing of ovals and spraying for black beetle
- Mowing lawns at Lake Grace Hall
- Trimmed back garden and tidied footpath to back of the Lake Grace Medical Centre
- 10A Gumtree Drive - gardening, mowing, pruning and reticulation maintenance
- 54 Bennett Street – mowing of lawns and full check of reticulation
- Swimming Pool - mowing, spraying for ants, pruning of gardens and removal of overgrown bushes in preparation for opening
- Main Street - trimming, weeding and watering in preparation for Remembrance Day

- Clean up and trimming around RSL, Visitor Centre and adjacent car park
- Watering of all street trees
- Checking and spraying of airstrip
- Standpipe on Dewar St - mowing and slashing
- Gumtree Drive playground – general garden maintenance
- General maintenance and cleaning of drains around the town site

#### Newdegate

- Sub-contractor undertaking Parks and Gardens maintenance

#### Lake King

- Pruning of bushes and shrubs around townsite
- General garden maintenance around the playground back of tavern

### Building

The Building Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work:

- Lake Grace Medical Centre - lights and fly screen maintenance
- 10A Gumtree Drive - removal of bathroom and bath, re-cementing of floor and preparation for new plumbing and shower screens. Ceilings have also been completed and the old patio removed
- Lake Grace Village Hall – gutters cleaned and a privacy screen to allow air flow to the patio has been installed
- Lake Grace Visitors Centre – gutters cleaned
- RSL building – painting of pillar and seal
- Varley Hall - repairs to leaks in the ceiling, door handle and minor maintenance
- Newdegate Recreation Centre - floor inspection for white ants, measuring up for fly screens and changes to door locks

*Denise Gobbart*  
Chief Executive Officer

## Prohibited Burning Period

### Prohibited Burning Period is in Effect

As of 1 November 2019 the Shire of Lake Grace entered its Prohibited Burning Period which will be in effect until 31 January 2020.

Please note that firebreaks must also be maintained from 1 November 2019 until 30 April 2020.

For more information please refer to the Shire's Fire Management Notice 2019-20, on the Shire Website. <https://www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au/our-services/bushfire-and-emergency-management-services/fire-ban-and-zones/>

## Shire of Lake Grace Community News *Cont.*

### *Office Open Hours*

Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday - Friday

8.30am - 4.30pm

Thursday 8.30am - 4.00pm

Staff can be contacted by phone between 8am - 5pm.

### *Transport & Licensing*

All licensing payments are to be made in person at the Shire of Lake Grace Administration office, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace.

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 8.30am - 4.15pm

Thursday and Friday 8.30am - 4.00pm

As an agency we process the majority of transactions, including: renewals, transfers, number plate orders, boat registration renewals and new licence applications.

### *Driving Assessor*

The Practical Driving Assessor (PDA) will be at the Shire of Lake Grace Office on:

Friday - 6 December

Friday - 3 January 2020 - to be confirmed

Bookings are essential for all Practical Driver's Licence Assessments and we advise booking in advance as there is often a waiting list.

Lake Grace has one assessment day each month held on the first Friday of the month.

For more information visit [www.transport.wa.gov.au](http://www.transport.wa.gov.au).

### *Building Surveyor*

Shire Building Surveyor, Elena Bull will be available at the Shire Office on the following dates:

Tuesday 26 November 2019

Tuesday 10 December 2019

### *Ordinary Council Meeting*

The next Ordinary Council Meeting will be held:

**Date:** Wednesday 20 November 2019

**Time:** 1:30 pm

**Location:** Council Chambers  
1 Bishop St Lake Grace

*Members of the public welcome*

A minimum of 15 minutes is set aside for public question time, giving members of the public an opportunity to ask questions relating to Shire activities.

### *Environmental Health Officer*

For an appointment with the Shire's Environmental Health Officer, Brendon Gerrard. Contact the Shire on 9890 2500 or email [shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au](mailto:shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au).

### *Tip Hours*

#### **Lake Grace**

Monday & Wednesday 9am - 2pm

Saturday & Sunday 9am - 4pm

#### **Newdegate**

Wednesday 9am - 1pm

Saturday 9am - 1pm

#### **Lake King & Varley**

Open every day

### *Waste & Recycle Pickup*

Household Waste Collection is a weekly service and collected each Monday for Lake Grace, Newdegate, Lake King & Varley.

**Recycling** is a fortnightly service and alternates between Lake Grace & Newdegate. See below for the upcoming recycling collection dates.

<b>Lake Grace</b>	<b>Newdegate</b>
25 November 2019	2 November 2019
9 December 2019	16 December 2019

**Please Note:** There is no kerbside recycling collection service in Lake King or Varley.

For more information on Waste Management visit the Shire's website.

### *Libraries*

#### **Lake Grace Public Library** School Place Absolon St

Monday - Thursday 9am - 5pm

Closed for lunch 12.30 - 1pm

#### **School Holidays**

Tuesday & Thursday 9am - 5pm Lunch 12.30 - 1pm

#### **Newdegate Public Library** Collier St

Monday - Thursday 8.30am - 4.30pm

Closed for lunch 12noon - 1pm

Friday 9am - 2pm

#### **Lake King Library** Newdegate/Ravensthorpe Rd

Tuesday and Thursday 8.30am - 3.30pm

*Everyone welcome*



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## Last chance to sight a whale in 2019

In WA, twice a year, we get to enjoy our own whale show as different whale species travel on their annual migration to and from Antarctica feasting on all types of fish, krill, and plankton. At the tail-end of summer, they begin the long journey north to warmer waters for their breeding and birthing season, as young calves don't yet have enough blubber on them to withstand the winter temperatures.

The south coast is the best place for spotting whales. You'll find Humpback whales and southern right whales frolic in Augusta's Flinders Bay from early June, and rare blue whales and their calves join bottlenose dolphins in Geographe Bay in Dunsborough in September. Further south, Albany's coastline makes another scenic grandstand as southern right whales take shelter in Albany's bays to mate and calve before returning south.

Did you know Bremer Bay is home to one of the

largest congregations of killer whales in the Southern Hemisphere?

From June to November, humpback whales can also be spotted travelling north-west to Broome. And while Ningaloo Reef in Exmouth is famous for whale sharks it also sees the highest number of humpback whales in the Southern Hemisphere. Around 30,000 pass through Exmouth between June and November on their way to their birthing grounds off the Kimberley coast.



So if you haven't had your whale fix just yet make sure you get out and about to catch the last glimpse of them on their travels up north!

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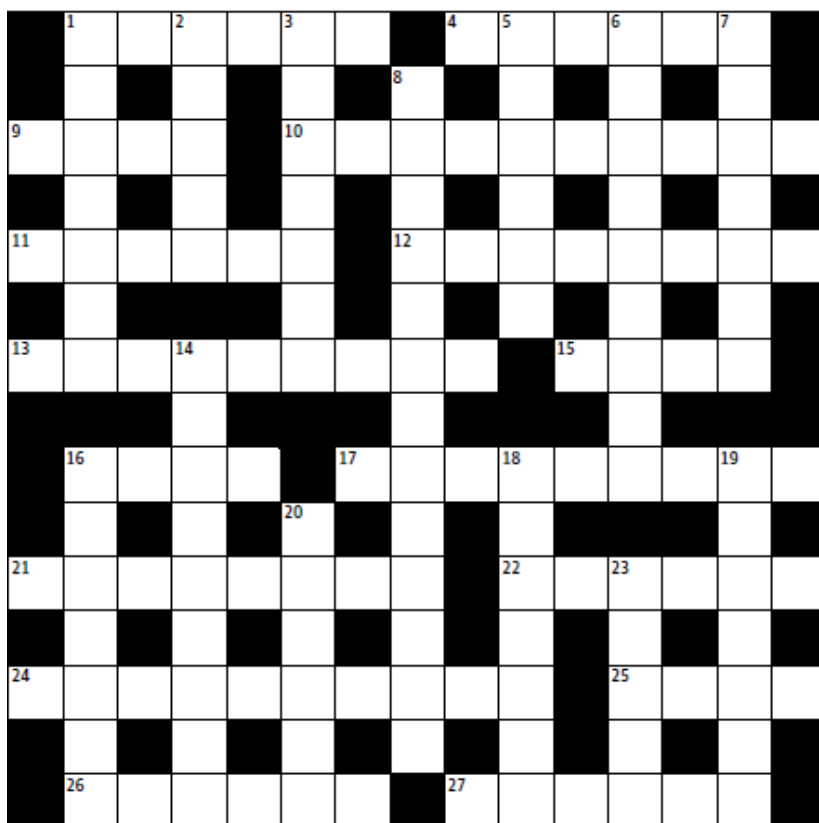
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# Puzzle Page



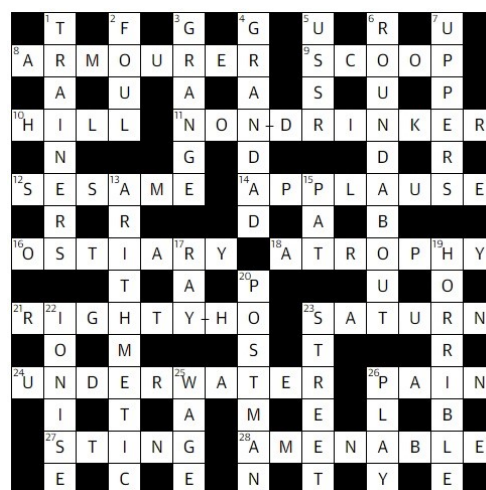
## Across

- 1 Tides swirling round end of bus stop (6)  
 4,23 Try to get friend into new art and old Marian hymn music (6,5)  
 9 Couple stealing gold from home helper (4)  
 10 Money given to fourth in line, say, for property (4,6)  
 11 Round clubs for the old man (6)  
 12 Let down by legal document about apartment (8)  
 13 Cruel and pointed remark by one born in late March? (9)  
 15 Accommodation for archaeologists? (4)  
 16 Part of the Koran found in ancient city in Saudi Arabia (4)  
 17 One travelling out to north Germany (9)  
 21 Itinerant magician's prop turned King Edward into Queen Elizabeth! (8)  
 22 Drink, one way and another, leads to disturbance (6)  
 24 Craftsman means to groom his boy (10)  
 25 Ass featured in ancient witchcraft (4)  
 26 River bird may be a record holder (6)  
 27 Soldiers leaving train for another kind of transport (6)

## Down

- 1 Excitement about Switzerland's old silver coin (7)  
 2 Cancel subscription to protect creditor (5)  
 3 Streetwise leader's entreaty to graffiti artist? (7)  
 5 Upper-class chap snorting drugs to get things going (3,3)  
 6 Taliban to become an army unit (9)  
 7 Pre-rest, naughty child moves unsteadily (7)  
 8 Vehicles, one after another, carrying assistance, turned up to support a major medical emergency (7,6)  
 14 Damaged car banned in social event (4,5)  
 16 Set up celebrity with young man from the fifties (7)  
 18 Sergeant abroad missing English rum (7)  
 19 European charged outside America is difficult to catch (7)  
 20 Atrocity committed on a field of battle? (6)  
 23 See 4

## Last Editions Solution...



## Easy

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## Medium

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## Recipe Page

### Steak Diane Stir-fry

#### Ingredients


- 1 tbsp Worcestershire sauce
- 1 beef stock cube, crumbled
- 2 tbsp brandy
- 1/2 tsp cracked black pepper
- 1 tsp cornflour
- 2 tbsp vegetable oil
- 500g beef rump steak, thinly sliced
- 1 bunch asparagus, trimmed, halved diagonally
- 100g snow peas, trimmed, halved diagonally
- 100g green beans, trimmed, halved diagonally
- 2 garlic cloves, crushed
- Fresh parsley, to serve
- Steamed rice, to serve



#### Method

1. Combine Worcestershire sauce, stock cube, brandy and pepper in a small bowl. Blend cornflour with 1/3 cup water in a small jug. Set aside.
2. Heat a wok over high heat. Add 2 teaspoons of the oil to the wok. Swirl to coat. Add 1/2 the sliced beef. Stir-fry for 2 to 3 minutes or until browned. Transfer to a bowl. Add 1/2 the remaining oil to wok. Add the remaining beef. Stir-fry for 2 to 3 minutes or until browned. Transfer to a bowl.
3. Add remaining oil to the wok. Add the asparagus, snow peas and beans. Stir-fry for 2 minutes. Add garlic. Stir-fry for 1 minute or until fragrant.
4. Add the Worcestershire mixture to the wok. Stir-fry for 1 to 2 minutes. Add beef and cornflour mixture to the wok. Stir-fry for 2 to 3 minutes or until heated through and sauce thickens slightly. Sprinkle 'stir-fry' with parsley. Serve with rice.

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<b>Newdegate Medical Centre</b>	<b>9871 1528</b>
Wednesday, 9:30am - 3:30pm	
<b>Dentist (Dr Bryan Flemming)</b>	<b>9865 1028</b>
Tuesdays weekly during summer. Tuesdays/Wednesdays fortnightly during winter	
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# Community Calendar

## November

Thu 21st	Pool Induction @ 2:00pm
Thu 21st	Pilates - 9am @ the NCRC
Thu 21st	Senior Basketball - 7:30pm & 8:30pm
Sat 23rd	Bowls - Ladies - ILLR Pairs @ Brookton, Men - Pennant Bye
Sun 24th	Bowls - Ladies - ILLR Pairs @ Brookton, Men - Club Championship Triples
Sun 24th	Bowls - Social Bowls
Sun 24th	Social Tennis
Wed 27th	Seafood Van - 3-4pm @ Landmark
Thu 28th	Pilates - 9am @ the NCRC
Thu 28th	Senior Basketball - 7:30pm & 8:30pm
Sat 30th	Newdegate Cricket - T20 as fixture Lake Grace v Newdegate
Sat 30th	Bowls - Pennants Rnd 5 - Ladies - Kul v NGT, Men - NGT v Karl

## December

Sun 1st	Bowls - Social Bowls
Sun 1st	Tennis - Social Tennis
Thu 5th	Senior Basketball - 7:30pm & 8:30pm
Sat 7th	Bowls - Pennants Round 6 - Ladies & Men vs Kon
Sat 7th	Tennis - Hyden Junior Tournament
Sat 7th	Cricket - Newdy vs Hyden
Sun 8th	Bowls - Social Bowls
Sun 8th	Tennis - Social Tennis
Mon 9th	NCDA Meeting, 7:30pm @ the NCRC
Thu 12th	Senior Basketball - 7:30pm & 8:30pm
Thu 12th	CWA open House, 10am-12pm @ the NCRC
Sat 14th	Bowls - League Pairs @ Kalgarin, Ladies & Men vs Kon
Sat 14th	Tennis - Dumbleyung Junior Tournament
Sat 14th	Cricket - Kalgarin vs Newdy
Sat 14th	Newdegate Christmas Tree @ the Skate Park
Sun 15th	Bowls - League Pairs @ Kalgarin, Ladies & men vs Kul
Sun 15th	Tennis - Social Tennis
Sun 15th	Lake Biddy Christmas Tree @ the Biddy Reserve
Mon 16th	Rec Council Meeting, 7:00pm @ the Rec Centre



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