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**With the Printers being closed over the Holiday period the
Next Issue will be - Friday March 3rd 2017**

Deadline - Thursday February 23rd 2017

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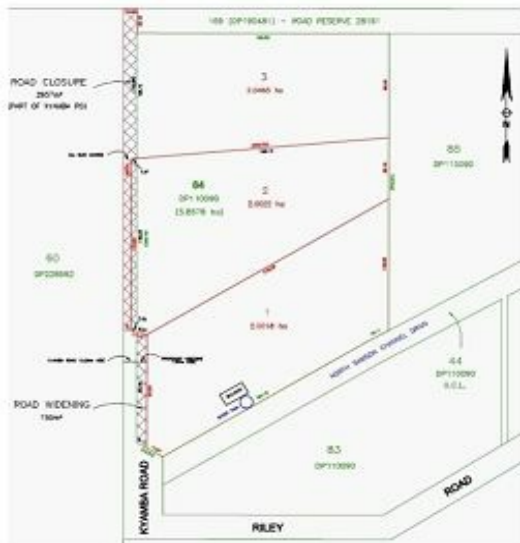
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44 McDOWELL ST WAROONA Offers from \$475,000

This lovely 4 bedroom, 1 bathroom brick & tile home is situated on 2.3 acres of rural land and close to all amenities in the town. The home has been newly painted throughout and has new quality Timber Laminate flooring to the kitchen, dining and hallway and new carpets to the bedrooms. Dam: approximately 20mt x 3.2mt. x 10 mt. deep with new pump for reticulating lawns and gardens. Patio: New 8.5mt x 4mt with gabled colourbond roof and paved floor - a great entertainment area.


Community Calendar for Meetings, Church Services & Events




Agricultural Society
3rd Thurs—Alison Birch 9733 1092




Central Districts Axemen's Association.
Linda Miller 9733 2098




Community Car
Waroona Resource Centre -
9733 2545



Coolup Craft Group
Wednesdays CWA Room,
Coolup 9530 3258




Coolup CWA
2nd Monday each month




Coolup LCDC (Landcare)
1st Monday of the month
Kim Wilson 9733 2628


Coolup Progress Association
1st Thurs of month 9 am Coolup Hall
Bev Alexander 0407 381 281




Dam Spinners
Fortnightly Craft Centre, Waroona
Joy Jackson 9733 1810



First Waroona Girl Guides
Tuesdays 4pm Scout Guide Hall,
Fouracre St. (Excluding public holidays.)




FRAGYLE
Preston Beach Hall 3rd Sat.
Bi- Monthly Laurie Snell 9733 1219



Lake Clifton Landcare
Contact: Nancy Fardin 9739 1154


Lake Clifton/Herron Progress & Sporting Association
Meetings every 2nd month on the 3rd Monday
Contact: Jenny Rose 0428 343 028



WAROONA BUS to Mandurah Forum then Halls Head-
Thurs. Feb. 9th & 23rd
8:30 from Birch St. then
9:00am from the Waroona
Hotel, South West Highway
Mandurah Bus Charters
9581 6555

Nulsen Haven
2nd Wednesday - Seniors Hall
- Jan Wood 9733 3701


Preston Beach Progress Assoc.
Quarterly Meeting,
phone 9739 2090 for details




Really Really Free Markets
Every 3rd Saturday
Memorial Hall - 1 to 3pm



Shop
9733 3057
Ring or call at the
ST VINNIES SHOP
To make an appointment for
Welfare



Senior Citizens Welfare
Last Wednesday - Jan Wood 9733 3701.
Hall Hire: Shire Office 9733 7800




South Mandurah Al-Anon Group
Every Monday at 10am Uniting Church,
2 Rees Place, Wannanup



ST MARK'S ANGLICAN CHURCH WAROONA
Services are held on the 1st,
2nd & 3rd Sunday of each
month at 9:00am and on the 4th
Sun. at 10:30am.
Enquiries at Parish Office
9531 1248



Seniors Recreation Council of WA Inc -Peel Branch
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Waroona Senior Citizens Hall
Mondays 1 - 2pm -Cost \$2
For Further Information
please contact:
Jan McGlinn
Ph: 9535 4749
Mob: 0427 088 615




Tai Chi
Pisconeri Hts Park
Thursday, 10 am - Del Leahy



THE SALVATION ARMY
Family Worship With
The Salvos. Services
every second Sun,
Jan 29th, Feb 12th & 26th @ 10am
Meeting at Waroona Community
Resource Centre
10 Henning Street, Waroona
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Contact: Shirley - 9733 1842


UNITING CHURCH
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Waroona
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Jennifer Turner
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Minister: Rev. Robert Jetta



Wagerup Community Consultative Network
For information contact
Tom Busher at Alcoa on 9733 8768




Waroona Arts and Crafts Centre
Opening Times: Mon. 9:30 - Noon,
then 1 - 3pm. Tues. 9am - 3pm.
Wed (fortnightly) 10am - 2pm
Fri. 9.30 - Noon.
New Members Welcome.



WAROONA CATHOLIC CHURCH
Mass Times:
Sundays at 8.30am
and 2nd & 4th Sunday at 5.30pm
Parish Priest: Father Jay Johnson
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Waroona Hamel R&SL
2nd Mon in Feb, Apr, June, Aug (AGM),
Oct, Dec. 5pm Memorial Hall - all
welcome Tracey Fickling 0408 937 577



Warroona Historical Society

3rd Thurs 4:00pm
Debra Tyler 041 7 70 5 966



Warroona Lions

2nd & 4th Monday—
Grant Hewett 0417 919 777



Warroona Lions Farmers Market

**The next market is on:
Dec. 4th 2016
Then Jan. 2nd
8am till Noon**

**Buy prices are \$10 and sellers
can set up from 6.30am**

**For more information about
the markets, or to book a stall,
please contact:**

Lisa Fry 0415 954 993

**This is a non-profit event by the
Lions Club of Warroona and all
proceeds go back into the
Community.**

**Please Support ALL
Lions activities**



Warroona Pensioner's Social Club

1st Wed—Dot Hansen 9733 1892



Warroona Playgroup

Playgroup is open Mon,
Tues and Thurs 9-11am,
PH: 9733 1979



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Sub Centre Opening Times
Tues & Thurs

9:00am - 1:30pm

Phone: 9733 2122

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WELL OF LIVING WATER

Meetings at 7 Butler Retreat
Warroona

7 pm every 2nd Friday

Needed, prayer Warriors for our
Nation from 2 Chronicles 7v14

All welcome supper after.



Congratulations to the following people with Birthdays in February

Bob Taylor
Dean Shore
Glad Lane
Joanna Van Geelen
Kevin Grover
Nicole Lane

Andrew Bavaro
Carmel Lindley
Ella Murdoch
Jerry Pollinelli
Joy Clancy
Maverick Dodds



ST VINCENT de PAUL

Fabulous summer fashions are now on display in the St Vinnies shop, make sure you come in and look around to get a bargain. Lots of books. crockery, bric a brac and other goodies can be found. Our Christmas Hamper Raffle held just before Christmas was a huge success. Thank you to all of our generous donors and to our many supporters. Welfare Interviews will begin on 30th January ring 9733 3057 if you need an appointment. If you have an emergency ring and one of our members will make an appointment to see you earlier. Our Shop is looking for new volunteers. If you have to do community work to justify your New Start payments then consider volunteering at the St Vinnie's Shop? We hope everyone had a Happy Christmas and that 2017 is a prosperous and happy year for us all.

THANK YOU

**I would like to thank
everyone for their
condolences, kind
thoughts and
support over the
past few months
and for attending
Angus's funeral. It
was very much
appreciated by the
family.
Anne Gardner**

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Child Carer Needed

Our family are seeking a caring,
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through Wednesday including
occasional baby sitting for our 5
year old child.

Please contact Jo on
0411050199

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0466 907 280

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few others, \$5 each
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Seeker 76 - \$100 ono
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Pensioners News

What a night to have our cruise to see the Xmas lights, it was the same night as the Mandurah Christmas Parade. People were everywhere!. Streets were closed, but our great bus driver Don managed to get us close to where we had our fish and chips, then he had to park the bus. Everyone enjoyed their meal, then it was onto the boat. The lights were lovely, then we stayed for the fireworks afterwards. Great night. On a sad note we farewelled one of our members Angus Gardner who passed away on the 1st. January, our condolences go to Ann and family. Welcome back to all our members who have been on cruises, and holidays. I hope everyone had a lovely Xmas and New Year.

NULSEN

Thanks everyone for supporting our Christmas Raffle. It was very successful - \$800. Without your support we would never have raised that amount. The winners are as follows: 1st Lisa, 2nd Iris, 3rd Sherrie, 4th Joy and 5th Hazel. If anyone is interested in helping out with fundraising for Nulsen, our next meeting is on the 2nd Tuesday in February, 8/2/2017 at 12.30pm. We hold the meetings in the Seniors Hall in Millar Street and everyone is welcome. Thanks Jan

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**Opening Hours: Monday to Thursday 9am till 4pm
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Dr Chad O'Connor will be at the Waroona Community Resource Centre each week.

For appointment days and times please phone Chad on

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Family Support Service

Our Service is to support families and individuals within the community. We work to empower families and individuals to enhance their own abilities, so they can acquire the skills, knowledge and self-confidence to manage their own day to day lives. We are committed to providing a quality service to those living in the areas of Waroona, Harvey and Yarloop and operates out of the Resource Centres. Call 9733 2902 to make an appointment or email: waroonaafss@zoho.com
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Mandurah Podiatry

Visit the Waroona Community Resource Centre once a month

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Community Kitchen

We are seeking Volunteers to assist in the kitchen at the CRC on Tuesdays from 11am to 1pm

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9733 3011
for more information**

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SHIRE OF WAROONA NOTICE OF MEETINGS 2016

The Council of the Shire of Waroona will hold its Ordinary Council meetings on the 4th Tuesday of each month, (Unless advertised otherwise).

Meetings will be held at the Waroona Shire Council Chambers, rear of 52 Hesse Street, Waroona commencing at 4.00pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

IAN CURLEY
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Author Linda J Bettenay is coming to Waroona. Many readers first discovered this brilliant story teller when they read her first book 'Secrets Mothers Keep'. This masterfully crafted tale, based on a murder and brutal attack which happened in the wheatbelt in 1928, arose after her husband discovered a shocking family secret not spoken about for over 85 years. Bettenay followed this up with 'Wishes For Starlight', another amazing yarn from WA's past, which traced the life of a young, deaf-mute Aboriginal boy who was discovered in a chook pen fighting dogs for scraps. Now Bettenay has released her third novel, 'The Apple Core Wars', based on a true story of the enormous sacrifice made by the Parkin family of Roleystone. As children, Jacky

Bellamy is Charlie Parkin's sworn enemy. Their rivalry develops over the attentions of the beautiful, enigmatic Stella Cerini. Life throws them together at apple core fights, social events and a cricket match where Don Bradman appears. World War 2 arrives and they find themselves in the same unit until they are captured in Java. As POWs, they face adversity and privation. The ship they are traveling on is torpedoed by an American submarine; most of the shipwrecked POWs do not survive. Charlie and Jacky are rescued by the Japanese and are taken to Nagasaki where they are forced to work under diabolical conditions. On 9th August 1945 they are amongst 24 Australian POWs in Nagasaki when the Atomic Bomb is dropped, annihilating much of the city and hastening the end of the war. 'The Apple Core Wars' contrasts the boys' early lives, when petty rivalries seem so important, against the inhumane atrocities inflicted on them as POWs - where life could be spared or taken at any time. Over their horrendous ordeal a mateship arises - Jackie and Charlie find they have more in common than divides them. In times of real adversity, it is only friendship which gets you through. The author is a descendent of hills pioneers - the Bettenay family have lived in the area since the 1890s. Thus it is understandable her novels tell stories of the early days of Western Australia. Linda J Bettenay will present her books and she will also explain how she uses historical fact to weave historical fiction. She is not only a

gifted storyteller but she is an inspirational and entertaining speaker. So why not come along? This free event will be held at the Waroona Public Library on Tuesday 7th March from 1:30pm - 3:00pm. For any inquiries and to book, please ring 9733 7822 or library@waroona.wa.gov.au. Light snacks will be supplied. For further details go to www.lindasbooks.com.au or visit Linda's Facebook page www.facebook.com/lindasbookswa

TAI CHI IN THE PARK

Best wishes for a happy, healthy and peaceful new year. Tai Chi in Pisoneri Park (top of Iseppi St) has resumed at 9.00am on Thursdays. Please note that the starting time is earlier during these hot months - 9.00am. Everyone is welcome to come along and join in this gentle exercise. Please bring a mug for a cuppa afterwards. See you at Tai Chi, 9.00am Thursdays. Del Leahy.



WAROONA LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

Book Club for 2017 will begin on 15th February at 12 noon at the Waroona Library bring your lunch and join in. If you are new to town come along and you will be most welcome. Beforehand you can speak to a Librarian and they will give you details. As we are a small library it is difficult to get enough of the same book for our members so we read an author and this gives our members a varied range to read wherein you are able to discuss the author's strengths and weakness. Hope you have had plenty to read over the holidays and that everyone is eager to begin. Until then: **HAPPY READING.**

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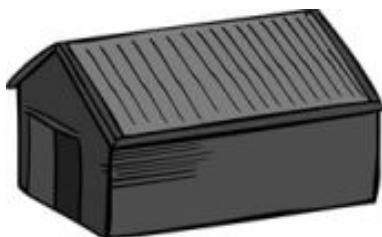
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Good Results for Austin Cove Baptist College

Austin Cove Baptist College tops Peel Region in Year 12 results

Austin Cove Baptist College is a newcomer to the schools in the Peel region. Only established in 2011, it has managed to gain outstanding ATAR results for the first two groups of year 12 students to pass through the College. The School Curriculum and Standards Authority maintain careful records of graduation, ATAR and VET statistics for all schools. These are published on their website as well as in the West Australian newspaper each year. Unfortunately, these statistics are only recorded for groups of 20 and

above students. This means that Austin Cove Baptist College does not appear on these tables for 2016. However, their results were outstanding. In 2016, the College gained 100% graduation. The College was only one of two schools in the Peel region to gain 100% graduation. All students enrolled in VET courses achieved Certificate II or higher. Only six of the nine schools in the region can boast 100% VET qualifications for students completing less than four ATAR subjects. The ATAR achievements of the College were the highest in the region based on median scores. The State median for ATAR was 80.85. Austin Cove was the only school in the region to achieve a

median ATAR above the State median. The College median ATAR score was 85.15. The College is situated in the Shire of Murray and as such, students gain bonus points for University entrance because of the rural location. With the bonus points, the median ATAR Selection Rank (i.e. ATAR score for University entrance) was 90. Of the nine students eligible for an ATAR score at Austin Cove Baptist College, five of them scored an ATAR above 85.

These results are supported by the Year 12 Student Achievement Data 2016 published by the Government of Western Australia - School Curriculum and Standards Authority

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Frederick Irwin Anglican College	100%	119	76.30
Mandurah Catholic College	95.00%	82	74.95
Mandurah Baptist College	94.50%	62	74.60
Halls Head Community College	82.60%	33	62.30
Pinjarra Senior High School	86.70%	20	60.60
John Tonkin College	88.20%	30	59.65
Foundation Christian College	82.40%	26	50.65
Coodanup College	71.70%		

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Check for grass seeds

This time of year it is very common for us to be removing grass seeds from all kinds of weird and wonderful places on your pets. They are a problem for all dogs (and cats) but especially longer haired breeds. If your pet is routinely accessing areas with long grass it is a good idea to **check your pet over at least once per day** (or straight after their walk) for seeds. And it is a real problem. Every day for the past few weeks we have had at least one patient with a grass seed embedded somewhere. We had one patient who had multiple grass seeds in both ears and they had been there a while. Unfortunately our pets can't tell us they have something stuck somewhere, and most of the time owners won't know unless you know what to look for. Look out for headshaking, licking of paws, limping or a lump or sore that does not heal or is continually weeping. If your pet is routinely accessing areas with long grass it is a good idea to check your pet over at least once per day (or straight after their walk) for seeds. Areas to check for seeds are ears, between toes, armpits, groin and eyes. It is a good idea in summer to clip your long haired pets, even if it is just the feet and belly to reduce the chances of your pet picking up a seed

Heat stroke in pets

Heat stroke is a **common** and **life threatening** condition seen in our hot summers. When the temperature or humidity is high your pets may be at risk of developing heat stroke. The signs of heat stroke can include:

- Excessive panting and or salivation
 - Vomiting and or diarrhoea
 - Bright red or bluish gums.
 - Altered behaviour or failure to respond
 - Rapid heartbeat
 - Seizures
 - Lethargy, muscular weakness, collapse and coma
- Heat stroke can kill quickly. If your pet exhibits any of these signs you need to seek veterinary attention immediately. If you think your pet is suffering from the serious effects of heat stress cool your pet with tepid (never cold) water and contact your vet as soon as possible.

What to avoid, what to do:

- Avoid exercising or walking your dog in hot weather. Generally if it is too hot for you, it is too hot for your pet.
- Never leave your pet in a car. An animal left inside a closed car on a hot day can die in less than 6 minutes. Leaving the window down will not prevent the car from reaching extreme temperatures. Leave your pet at home rather than taking them in the car if you can avoid it.
- Dogs on the back of utes can get very hot and uncomfortable quickly. Dogs travelling on the back of utes must be secured and have access to shade (a canopy) and water. If parked up make sure your pet is in the shade.
- Always have water available to your pet and take it with you when you take your pet out.

Don't forget outdoor pets - ensure outdoor pets have access to shade and water at all times. You may need to wet dogs down or provide a pool filled with water for them to lie in during the hottest parts of the day. Some breeds are more susceptible to heat stress. Any breed with a short nose (brachycephalic) is especially at risk (e.g. Boxers, Pugs, Bulldogs, Pekinese). Also take more care with longhaired, overweight, very young or old animals or any animal with health issues (e.g. heart conditions). Any pet that really struggles with the hot weather would benefit from being kept in an air conditioned environment during the worst of the heat. Some longhaired pets may benefit from a clipped coat. This is not suitable for all breeds as for some the coat acts just like insulation – heating the dog in winter and cooling the dog in summer. **Rabbits, chickens** and other small pets such as **guinea pigs** are not immune to heat stroke either. If your small pet lives in an outdoor hutch or coop ensure it is out of direct sunlight and water is always available. Large blocks of ice can help keep your pets cool on hot days. Freeze water in plastic bottles and place them inside the hutches or coops. They will act like a mini evaporative air conditioner and can be changed as needed. If your small pet has an indoor cage consider bringing them inside to escape the worst of the heat. Any questions? Feel free to email me directly frosina@waroonavet.com.au.



Waroona Veterinary Clinic

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Waroona Play Group



WAROONA
PLAYGROUP
WILL BE
COMMENCING
Monday 6th of
FEB 2017 9am-

11am

We would like to announce our New Committee for 2017

President – Sharleen Rutherford

Vice President – Kylie Honor

Secretary – Erin Backshall

Treasurer – Lana Hall

Safety & Maintenance – Wayne Cowell

Purchasing – Nathan Anderson

We are excited to welcome new and existing members to Playgroup this year. What a fantastic and entertaining new year this is going to be with incredible activities and amazing visitors we have planned for 2017. First Term is going to be fun filled with Meanda Park Miniature Animal Farm visiting on the 16th of Feb from 9am to 11am & Disco Day on the 13th of March from 9am- 11am. In between these fantastic events we will also be doing crazy craft this term, water play days, bubbles & sensory fun! New fees for 2017 - Annual

Playgroup WA Membership/Insurance \$35 per family/\$15 concession Term Fee -\$25 or Casual Fee \$4 per visit For more information please contact us via email

waroonaplaygroup@gmail.com or find us on facebook at Waroona Playgroup 2017. Waroona Playgroup is open to families of 0-5 year olds on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays 9am-11am. Bring the kids for a play, have a cuppa and make some new friends. Don't forget your hats, sunscreen, and a piece of fruit to share. We look forward to seeing you all soon.

Community Car

Lucky number winners .chart one 1st Deb 2nd Annette Chart two 1st Phil 2nd Maureen. Xmas Community Party chart one. 1st Lindy 2nd Pam .Lovely basket of succulants donated by Lisa won by Eileen. Thank you Mary for beautiful painting to raffle. Thank you Keith for. washing community car and thanks to everyone for your support. God Bless .Betty Derrick.

Creative Arts

What's happening at the Waroona Creative Arts Centre in 2017? There is usually something happening each day at the Creative Arts Centre. Our regular weekly or fortnightly sessions of various crafts includes sewing, embroidery, patchwork, knitting, spinning, card making, and mixed media art. This year we also hope to offer some specialised workshops - A Teddy Bear workshop is one possibility! Stay tuned for further information in later Despatch items. The Creative Arts Centre has an inviting atmosphere and there are many talented ladies who will willingly offer assistance with any project. There is plenty of table space for the various crafts and always time for a welcome cuppa & chat. We sometime even have cake for morning tea !! New members are always welcome and we would love to see you there.

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Coral's Charity Knitters



Our get together at the end of November was busy and exciting. Judy sent her good wishes and was busy planning a house move.

Completed

items added to our stored collection for later distribution included a crochet scarf in variegated yarn (Joy) a pink/yellow knitted scarf (Coral), two small crochet knee rugs (Barbara), one pair banana slippers (Brenda) and a knitted skirt & pantaloons for a doll. Aline displayed her latest brightly coloured knitted chook and this charming bird is staying in the home hen-house. Coral introduced our guest visitors Lyn Russell and Meryl from Radio Lollipop. Founded in the United Kingdom in 1978 Radio Lollipop is an international children's charity organisation. Initially a cable wired radio station, over time the emphasis shifted to providing care, comfort, play and entertainment to children of all ages in hospital. In 1985 the first Radio Lollipop outside the U K was started in Perth at

Princess Margaret Hospital for Children. Meryl gave a historical background of how this began and paid tribute to Coral and the Girl Guides Association who raised \$30,000 in support of the organisation. Meryl also explained how the volunteers are trained to work within the hospital system and the difficult issues sometimes faced by both patients & families. In addition to caring for sick children support is also given to any siblings. Meryl displayed a variety of suitable knitted & crochet toys and cuddle items made in a variety of different yarns. The hedgehogs were very cute!. Also of use are small crochet blankets approx.. 70cms square, and small sewn cuddle blankets in brushed cotton type fabric approx.. 46cms X 66cms. The main Radio Lollipop group is based at PMH and will go into the new Perth Childrens' Hospital. Satellite groups are at Fiona Stanley, Joondalup, Midland and Rockingham hospitals. Following the talk, our knitting group contributed a treasure trove ' of items to Radio Lollipop including a total of 40 fabric bags, 40 tiny doll bags/purses, 7 crochet necklaces and an assortment of

books, coloured pencils, erasers & small games. In addition a special thanks to Waroona Newsagency for donating an assortment of items for 'bag fillers'. These were accepted with much appreciation by Meryl & conversations continued over a delicious morning tea.

The 8th December get together had a few ladies missing as pre-Christmas items needed to be done. We return to knitting 10am Thursday 19th January at the library, and then every alternate Thursday. Following dates are 2nd and 16th February and 2nd March. Donations of any ply wool and toy filling will be appreciated. Everything we make is donated to various sections of our community. New members are most welcome and will enjoy a friendly atmosphere with morning tea !. Do call in and see us. Jane



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The Power of Blessing



There is power in 'the way of blessing.' With each New Year we hope that things will get better and not worse.

We long for 'good news!' Well - here is some good news! 'The way of blessing' is good news to those who believe but also to those who don't yet believe, because God loves each one of us regardless and wants to bless us all. In Numbers, one of the oldest books of the Bible, in chapter 6:22-27, God told Moses to instruct Aaron the High Priest to teach his sons in the priesthood to bless the people in His Name, promising that He would then release blessings to them. It might surprise readers to learn that many Christians in our community are by faith, applying this Biblical principle and praying blessings over Waroona and surrounding areas on a regular basis. We are seeing many answers to prayer as God blesses us. So what better way to start the New Year than by speaking blessings over everyone in our community and blessing Waroona and surrounding areas, in the Name of Jesus? **We bless every**

marriage and family in the Name of Jesus that there may be happy and strong unions with relationships that are loving, kind, generous and forgiving. **We bless every household** that there may be love, peace, joy, understanding, wisdom and ample provision. **We bless every child** that they may grow up loved, protected, nurtured and affirmed in preparation for their adult lives. **We bless every school in the Name of Jesus** to be a safe and secure place for teachers and students, providing an environment where children can learn and play and develop healthy relationships. **We bless each teacher's ability** to impart knowledge and each child's capacity to learn, growing in wisdom, knowledge and understanding to reach their full potential. **We bless every wholesome business and enterprise in the Name of Jesus** to prosper and be successful in order to provide continuing service to the region and employment for those needing work. **We bless each business and enterprise** to operate with integrity and to be protected from fraud or theft. **We bless every**

service organisation in the Name of Jesus with strong leadership, dedicated workers and ample provision. **We bless every facility** in our region with protection from damage or vandalism. **We bless every worker and volunteer** with protection and provision as they serve our community. **We bless the frail, infirm and vulnerable in the Name of Jesus** to prosper in spirit, soul and body that they may be in good health, protected from every sickness and disease. **We bless the sick** with a speedy recovery and the frail and vulnerable to receive the help, care, understanding and protection that they need. **We bless the highways and roads leading to and from Waroona in the Name of Jesus** that travellers will have safe passage, being vigilant, attentive and respectful toward fellow travellers. Expect to see good things happening in Waroona! God always keeps His promises! There is power in 'the way of blessing!' Be blessed to be a blessing, Cheryl



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New Year. I hope 2017 will be a year of good health and many blessings for everyone. The 'Strong on Your Feet' programme is an excellent way of learning how to stay strong, active and therefore happy, for as long as possible to enjoy those retirement years. One of the enemies of ageing is 'the dreaded fall' and this programme is specifically designed to eliminate this risk of falls by improving balance and strengthening our bodies. It's good to remember that the greatest benefits will be achieved as we learn the exercises and repeat them in the comfort of our own homes as often as we possibly can! We meet in the Senior Citizens hall in Millar

Staying Strong on Your Feet

Although it's now February, this is the first opportunity I've had to wish everyone a happy and blessed

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WAROONA COMMUNITY GALA CHRISTMAS PARTY

On Friday 16th December, the second Lions Waroona Community Christmas Gala Event took place at Drakesbrook Place, Waroona Memorial Hall and Town Oval. We moved it from a Thursday night last year to a Friday when a lot of people would have finished work for the week. This year we added new attractions, mainly for the kids (because Christmas is all about the kids, isn't it?), Captain Max Walker with The Army Cadets Giant Inflatable Assault Course, Monster Ball's Slippery Slide and Super Heroes Gladiators and the new Waroona Lions Train plus a band simply called Paul's 70s Rock Band featuring ex Cardiac Arrest bass player Tommo who are a REALLY GREAT BAND! (More about them later). Thanks to our regulars, The Mandurah Concert Band, Meanda Park Animal Petting Zoo, Craig Ackerly's Bounce-A-Lot Bouncy Castles, the Junior Footy Club canteen, Waroona Vintage Cars, Julie "Santa's Chauffeur" Rowles and Darren "Santa" Conroy (Probably the BEST SANTA EVER!!). This year, we had 37 stalls, which was down on the previous year but included more traders from town this year (Post Office, Stationers etc.) and 4 of Neville Barker's side alley attractions. I personally thought that the number of people attending this year was lower than last year but people generally disagreed with me, by saying that because the event was

more spread out than last year, so were the people. This year, Lions Project Leader for food, Lynley Young decided to open Jim's Kitchen rather than just use the BBQ trailer and cook hot chips for the first time ever, which were not only a huge success but absolutely delicious. Lynley also supplied Paul's 70s Rock Band and I must say, being a rock music aficionado myself that if anybody wants to book a really good band and you love stuff like "Sweet Home Alabama", "Keep On Rockin' In The Free World" and "Rocky Mountain Way", I can highly recommend them. Paul Stewart and Garry Horran (guitars and vocals), Steve "Thommo" Thompson (bass), Sean "Irish" McNamara (harmonica and vocals (I think), Jarred Atkinson (drums) and Jervis Atkinson who I think must be the slide guitar player who was unfortunately absent on the night (because I LOVE slide guitar players). You can book them via Lion Lynley Young on 0439 687722 If any of you have any suggestions on how to make the event bigger and better next year, please don't hesitate to contact me, John Clare on 0407 080671 or :

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THANK YOU WAROONA FOR MAKING THIS SUCH A GREAT SUCCESS!!! And special "Thank you's" to Brad Vitale (Shire of Waroona, our partners and without whom etc. etc.) Craig Ackerly (for 3 bouncy castles free of charge, Tom Busher and ALCOA (who also

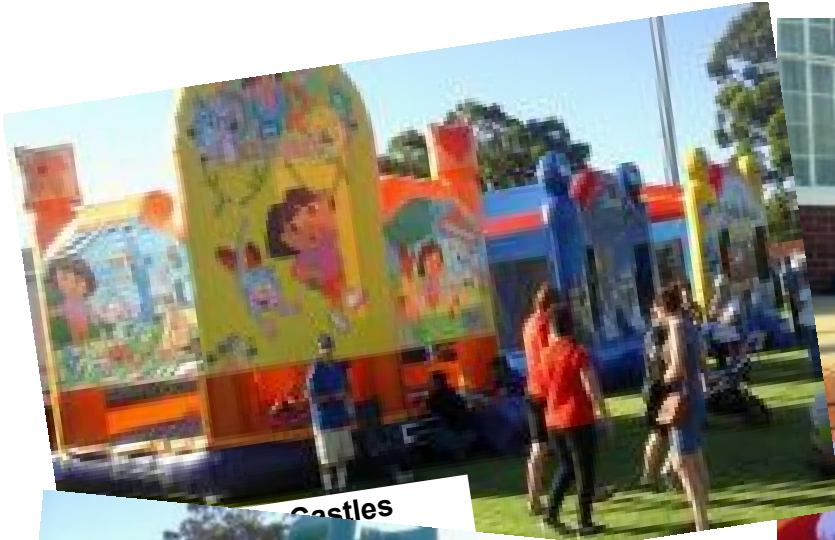
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.....AND YES WE WILL BE DOING IT AGAIN NEXT YEAR AND EVERY OTHER YEAR!!

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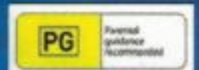
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The Leos also had a quiet month and in fact decided not to meet

again until February. They did have a couple of events in December. First of all the Induction of 26th member Remy Deleo which was carried out by Vice President Jalen Anzellino in Membership Secretary Zach Faulkner's absence. Unfortunately, they also had their first resignations in the form of founding members Vice President Jalen Anzellino and Treasurer Jack Dwyer, who have both left school and got jobs and will be

spending a lot of time commuting. Unfortunately, that is always going to be the challenge going forward in trying to sustain a young people's club when they leave school and often town as well. WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK JALEN AND JACK FOR ALL THAT THEY HAVE DONE FOR THE CLUB AND ALSO WARMLY WELCOME REMY TO THE TEAM. Jack's last role in the Leos was as one of the Committee members on the Christmas Lights Project and on Sunday 27th December at the grand "Light Up The Lights" night, Leos Ben McWilliams, Jayden Coates, Harri Hull, Jy Butcher, Sam Goldsworthy, Liam Hannah and Xaviar Deleo did a great job cooking sausage sizzles for the large crowd and Santa was there as well. On December 15th, the ever

reliable Ben McWilliams and Jayden Coates assisted by new member Lincoln Hawke cooked bacon and sausages on the Lions BBQ trailer for the Shire's "Thank A Volunteer" breakfast at the Football Club. Unfortunately, due to fires at Preston Beach, a lot of the volunteers from the Fire Services and SES weren't there and it was quite a quiet affair, which was just as well, as the other 3 Leos who said that they'd be there, failed to get out of bed at such an early hour on a Saturday!! The Leos will be quiet for a little while now until they come up with some new projects but if you are aged between 12 and 18 and would like to join, contact the Leos Secretary, Asha at: leos.waroona@gmail.com

IN THE LIONS DEN



January being a rest time for the Lions, I'll report belatedly on our busy December

this year (normally, also a quiet month for the Club but not so this year). First of all, we catered for, the Shire of Waroona's White Ribbon Day for raising awareness about Violence Against Women on Friday 25th at the Waroona Oval from 6pm to 8pm. We opened Jim's Kitchen and Project Leader Pat Deleo and Lions Louie Chiera, Lisa Fry, Lynley Young, Frank Pisconeri and Gary Witney cooked sausage sizzles and catered for about 60 to 70 people. Then on the same weekend on the Sunday, we had 200 motorbike riders hit the Oval as part of

the Black Dog Ride who were raising funds for folks still emotionally and mentally affected by the fires at the beginning of the year. It was a pretty awesome sight to see that many riders roaring into town and there were some pretty amazing looking bikes among them. Project Leader Phil Turner and Lions Gary Witney and wife Trish, Lynley Young, Dave Miller, Pete Reynolds, Ray Strachan, Dom Della-Franca and President Larry Scott and wife, Rhonda cooked lunch for all and sundry. On December 15th, myself and Lion Lisa Fry and Leos President were invited to the Alcoa Peel Volunteers Awards Breakfast at Mandurah Offshore Fishing and Sailing Club. Both Lisa and Reagan had been nominated but beaten by some very good and deserving winners, although Waroona's own Annette Mason took out the Sporting and Recreation Award and it was also fantastic to see

Wheeler Airfield's Ra Wheeler honoured with a special award. Then it was on to the BIG event of the month, the second Lions Waroona Community Gala Event but you can read about that in a separate article in this publication.

Well, we are back into it now as of February and look out for our next events, the Markets on Sunday February 5th, Australia's Biggest BBQ for Kids With Cancer, which we plan to do earlier this year in March and the All Australian Car Day on Sunday 9th April. AND LET'S HOPE THAT WE DO NOT GET ANY FIRES FOR THE THIRD YEAR RUNNING, TO DEAL WITH IN 2017. FINALLY, DON'T FORGET, WE ARE ALWAYS LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS FOR THE LIONS. Contact me – John Clare on 0407 080671 or waroonalionsclub@gmail.com



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Only use popular air-filled loungers on dry

Air-filled loungers were one of the must-have Christmas presents for 2016 and had been heavily promoted via social media and at pop-up stalls in shopping centres. Photos or videos indicate the products are able to be used in water BUT two near-misses in Australian home swimming pools during the festive period prompted drowning risk warnings from a number of agencies including Consumer



Protection WA. The inflatable loungers are lightweight fabric tubes (sometimes plastic-lined), which you fill with air using a fast side-to-side motion, to make a temporary chair or bed. They have been around since 2014 and although users can become frustrated learning how to inflate them as quickly and easily as seen on YouTube or during live demonstrations by salespeople, there had been no reported safety issues. That was until two separate viral Facebook posts about deflation of the loungers around people lying on them in swimming pools. A New South

Wales woman posted an image of her father, said to be taken moments before he was nearly suffocated in the water and a Melbourne paramedic said her 12-year-old daughter had almost drowned when she became entangled in one. Consumer agencies across Australia are now investigating the dangers associated with these products and strongly recommending they are NOT used in water. The marketing of these loungers, under a range of different brand names, often shows them being used for camping, picnics or sunbathing poolside or at the beach and we know people take them to outdoor cinemas. To our knowledge, use of the products on dry-land has not resulted in any accidents and presents minimal risk. They just need to be reinflated every two to six hours depending on the quality. Prices are often below \$40 but there are some that retail for as much as \$100. Our concerns relate to retailers selling this product as a flotation device for use in a pool, river or even on the ocean. We believe there may be a risk of unexpected deflation and the potential for the clingy material to envelop a person's face and body, preventing them from swimming to the surface and even causing suffocation. While there have been no incidents reported in WA and we have received no complaints about the safety of these products, the recent near drowning incidents in the

eastern states are enough to make us issue this warning. There have been far too many drowning deaths in Australia already this summer and if asking the community to stop using these loungers on water saves even one life, it's worth it. Australia's product safety regulators are making enquiries with relevant suppliers, international product safety regulators and others to help inform and implement an appropriate response. However, until further investigations are carried out and as a precautionary measure, we urge owners of these inflatable air loungers not to use them in water. Adults are advised to take steps to remove inflatable air loungers from locations in or around water including pools and to ensure they are not used by children as flotation devices.

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Fire and Water: investigating the effects of fire on water-quality

Saturday the 7th of January marked the first anniversary of the fire that impacted the communities of Waroona and Harvey Shires. Approximately 700 km² of forested and agricultural land was impacted by the January 2016 fire that caused significant damage to property, infrastructure, and natural resources and loss of life. The burn zone included approximately 30 % of the catchment of the Harvey River system which serves as an important water resource for the Perth, Peel, and South West regions. The catchment contains a number of dams and waterways that provide drinking water (Samson Brook Dam and Stirling Dam), irrigation (Logues Brook Dam, Waroona Dam, Harvey Dam), industrial (Yalup Brook, Harvey Main Drain), and recreational use (Drakesbrook Dam, Harvey Dam, Waroona Dam and Logue Brook Dam). Based on research elsewhere in Australia and overseas, short-term impacts for these catchments and waterways from bushfire could occur for a period of up to four years. These impacts include: increased overland flow of water due to loss of vegetation; increased sediment and debris flowing into streams and dams; loss of top soil potentially leading to lower agricultural yields and higher production costs; increased water erosion; algal blooms leading to reduced visual amenity, fish kills and closure of areas to recreation; damage to irrigation infrastructure (clogging); and siltation of watercourses and water storages resulting in reduced habitat for fish and marron and increased water treatment costs associated with

drinking water. In an attempt to assess the implications for water quality in the short term and to address these in a timely and coordinated manner a research team lead by Professor Pierre Horwitz from Edith Cowan University and including scientists from the Peel-Harvey Catchment Council, Harvey River Restoration Taskforce, State Government (Department of Water),



Kelli O'Neill and Helen Nice of the Department of Water collecting water samples from the Harvey River catchment

The University of Melbourne and Edith Cowan University has started a research project to look at the effects of fire on water quality. To date the research has been focussed on modelling the catchment to estimate where in the burn area there might be significant or more severe post-fire soil erosion events and implementing a water sampling program to determine whether any contaminants are produced by wildfires, including increased release of contaminants previously bound to soils. Water Corporation, Alcoa, Department of Parks and Wildlife, Harvey Shire and Waroona Shire, and Harvey Water have all assisted in the project. "This

project is a great example of universities, government agencies, industry, and catchment groups working together. Contributing organisations have funded the project themselves and members of the research team have donated a considerable amount of expertise and time to the project" said team leader Professor Horwitz. "We started this project because we realised that there was a big gap in our understanding of the effects of bushfire on waterways. In terms of water we didn't know how to respond to manage and decrease the environmental impacts of the Yarloop and Waroona fires. Building this understanding is vital - we need to know what are the effects of the fire on local water, how we should respond both immediately and over time, and how we can help the land and water recover." The initial phase of the research project will be completed in September 2017.

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18 landholders attended a Fire Recovery and Resilience workshop on 10th December in Harvey. Attendees learnt how to create safer properties by balancing fuel loads, reducing weed burdens and planting "Fire Wise" Plants. Participants were given information on the importance of property planning and awareness of wind direction and bushfire behaviour. This workshop was presented by "The Forever Project" Chris Ferreira and Rohan Carboon and was sponsored by the Australian Red Cross, Bendigo Bank, Shire of Harvey, Lions Club of Harvey and Peel-Harvey Catchment Council. The

Peel-Harvey Catchment Council are offering a follow up "After the Fire" property planning workshop on 8th and 9th February which will provide assistance in planning for bushfire risk and steps to take after fire to ensure a sustainable and productive farming landscape. The workshop is suitable for those of you that live on farming properties or own acreage impacted by the 2016 January fires. To register for the event see the advert in this edition of Drakesbrook Despatch. The Natural Environment Fire Recovery Working Group has been successful in obtaining funding from the State NRM program for landowner support

for fire recovery. Grants for landholders will be made available for on-ground activities relating to fire recovery in early 2017 such as weed and pest control, revegetation and fencing. Megan LeRoy, the newly appointed Natural Resource Management Officer for Fire Recovery, will administer the grants. Watch this space for more information. For any land or river care assistance please call the Landcare Centre on 9733 2628 or 9733 2588 (Rivercare) or come and see us at 93 Southwest Hwy, Waroona (opposite memorial hall).



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Three hundred volunteers received a personal invitation to a "high tea" from the City of Gosnells, signed by the Mayor, Olwen Searle. There were 8 people to a table and I sat with 7 others who volunteer their time at Kenwick Wetlands. The tables were beautifully set including a 3 tier plate of goodies and tea from a teapot (made with teabags). We had entertainment at the "high tea" – a young chap by the name of Josh, from W.A.S.A. who sang four songs. There was also a magician I helped with, for one of his tricks. It was a great afternoon at Mills Park Community Centre, Beckenham, which is a new building. Some certificates were handed out for 5, 10 and 15 years of volunteering. One elderly lady has been volunteering since 1980. I am a newcomer to "Adopt a Spot" for Gosnells, only being a volunteer since September 2016 – you guessed it, for picking up rubbish. I started doing just a few streets around where I live. I generally pick up a bag or two each time I go down town (shopping bag size). I have extended my few streets to a 3km perimeter with 12 streets altogether, plus 2 parks. It takes me 3 hours. My next challenge is getting about 12 men from the Gosnells Men's Shed involved in helping me clean up under the bridge on Albany Highway on each side of the river. Paths run from the markets, Hotel and Men's Shed to the Shire grounds on

the other side. Shopping trolleys get left around in streets, parks and waterways. They have agreed to help me. I don't know how people can just walk past rubbish and not pick it up! I was in Waroona for only a week before I became a volunteer with the Playgroup and Brownies who were also involved in picking up rubbish for 38 ½ years. I kept the highway and half of Waroona town site clean, when out on my walks. I couldn't bear to walk past rubbish. If everyone did their bit, what a cleaner world it would be. You only need to carry 1 or 2 shopping bags with you. Clean Up Australia Day is coming up in March. If you are able to help, visit www.kabc.wa.gov.au or phone 6467 5339 or email adoptaspot@kabc.wa.gov.au. They supply the orange rubbish bags, gloves, tongs and vest. I enjoy living in Waroona. I started our 4 Patches patchwork group with 4 ladies, 21 years ago this May and it is still going strong. Our Coral's Charity Knitters has been going for 7 years and is going from strength to strength. We meet at the town library every second Thursday from 10am until midday. We resumed for 2017 on 19 January. Thank you. Coral Culling

An invitation from St Patrick's Catholic Parish is extended to Parents and Children living in the Waroona / Yarloop Parish to attend the Information and Enrolment Meeting on Tuesday, February 21st at 6.00pm in St Joseph's School Library.

This meeting is for Parents of baptized children who are seeking to receive the sacrament of First Reconciliation – Yr 3 or older, First Holy Communion (Eucharist) – Yr 4 or older, or Confirmation – Yr 6 or older.

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- Look at the property plans and approach taken by the participants of the previous workshop as case studies.

WHEN 8th & 9th February 2017

VENUE Waroona Community Resource Centre
Henning Street

DURATION 2 day workshop (9 am to 4 pm)

COST: No cost to landowners

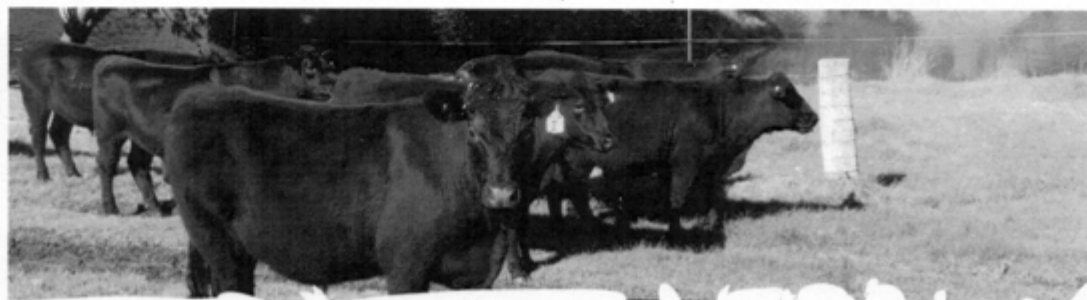
Places are limited, please register before the 3rd February by calling the PHCC on 6369 8800, or emailing admin@peel-harvey.org.au

Presenter

Darren J. Doherty from Regrarians Ltd will be the key deliverer for the sessions. Since 1993 Darren has worked as a farm planner in close to 50 countries, with much of this work being in the fire-prone Mediterranean landscapes of the planet. He has nearly 2000 commercial clients and has helped many of these recover from fire and other catastrophes. Darren has also worked with a number of landholders in the coastal plain region of South West WA and understands the unique attributes of this landscape.

Please bring

- Your farm map (contour plan & aerial photo)
- Recent photos of your farm





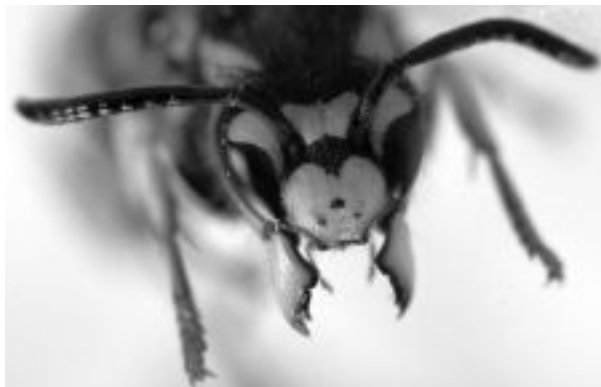
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Call to Arms to Fight The European Wasp

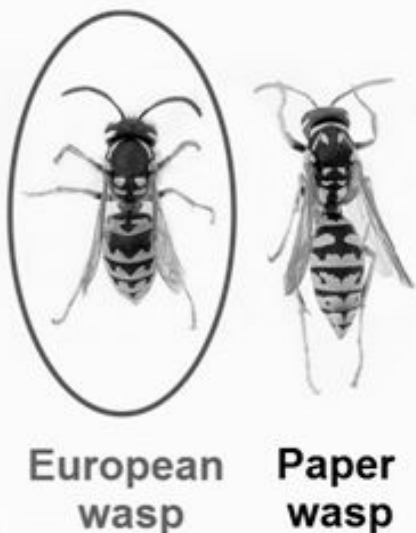


nesting nearby. We have a six month window each year where we can selectively trap for these wasps and destroy their nests to ensure they don't get a foothold in WA. European wasps are similar in appearance to the common and widely established yellow paper wasp (*Polistes dominulus*). However, they can be

distinguished from paper wasps by their solid black antennae or 'feelers'

No West Australian would like to see European wasps (*Vespula germanica*) set up home in their backyard. Problematic and attracted to your food like flies, but packing more sting than a bee, European wasps are a social menace and are regarded as the world's worst social wasp pest. If that's not bad enough they threaten our natural insect biodiversity through predation and competition, have been recorded attacking bee hives and can impact on horticulture industries due to their ability to damage fruit when feeding. Established in South Australia, Victoria, New South Wales and Tasmania, European wasp queens hitchhike to WA in freight and cargo. The queen sets up shop and quickly establishes a nest containing thousands of wasps. By the end of summer new queens are produced and disperse to start new nests. December marks the start of the European wasp field season where the Department of Agriculture and Food, WA (DAFWA) works with the community, local government and industry in deploying surveillance traps to detect if these wasps are

Report



European wasp

Paper wasp

and their attraction to meat and food products. When in flight, they hold their legs close to their body, unlike paper wasps which have long dangly rear legs.

How to help? Please take photos if you can and report any suspect

European wasps via the options below: 1. Use our free MyPestGuide™ Reporter App or MyPestGuide website mypestguide.agric.wa.gov.au 2. Email photos and location details to info@agric.wa.gov.au or 3. Call 1800 084 881. 4. Adopt-a-trap Want to participate by adopting a surveillance trap? If you're happy to bait your trap with a small cube of fish fortnightly from Christmas to Easter and report any suspect wasp catches, please call us or email your name, postal address and contact details. We are looking for participants willing to commit to a few seasons of trapping. You can see the location of our surveillance traps going up on our MyPestGuide website. Select the 'European wasp trap' project to see the trap locations and help us fill in the gaps! More information For more information visit our webpage agric.wa.gov.au/wasps. No internet? Please call us on 1800 084 881. Reporting unfamiliar pests DAFWA's Pest and Disease Information Service (PaDIS) screens enquiries for new weeds, pests and plant diseases, which could negatively impact the success of WA's



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Borers Are Back

With the onset of hotter weather, adult borers are coming out of the woodwork. The larvae, having munched their way through wood for months, even years, have pupated in their wooden nurseries and, as adults, are emerging to enter the mating stage of their lifecycle. Most borers are the larvae (immature stages) of certain moths and beetles, and in Western Australia (WA) we have a mixture of native and non-native species. While the emphasis is often on European house borer (EHB), you are more likely to see native longicorn beetles, auger beetles and weevils in your garden or trees. These are the most commonly reported borers to our Pest and Disease Information Service (PaDIS) at present. EHB is a destructive pest that can cause major structural damage to homes built with untreated pinewood. Damage is caused by the larvae making tunnels through pinewood, weakening its structural integrity. In WA, EHB can live undetected as larvae for 2 to 5 years before emerging from the timber as an adult beetle. These beetles then lay eggs in the same piece of timber from which they have emerged to begin the life cycle again. EHB is only found in dry pinewood such as dead branches on living pine trees, furniture, structural and non-structural timber, crates and pallets. EHB does not damage living (green) timber. If the tree is not pine, it is not EHB. For more information visit agric.wa.gov.au and search 'EHB'.

The native eucalyptus longicorn beetle, *Phoracantha semipunctata*, lays eggs under bark or in cracks of the host tree. They target native trees such as *Eucalyptus* species. Eggs are laid singly or in small batches by the adult beetles, and the larvae hatch and bore into the tree. The life cycle from egg to adult is approximately two to three years.



Common Auger Beetle

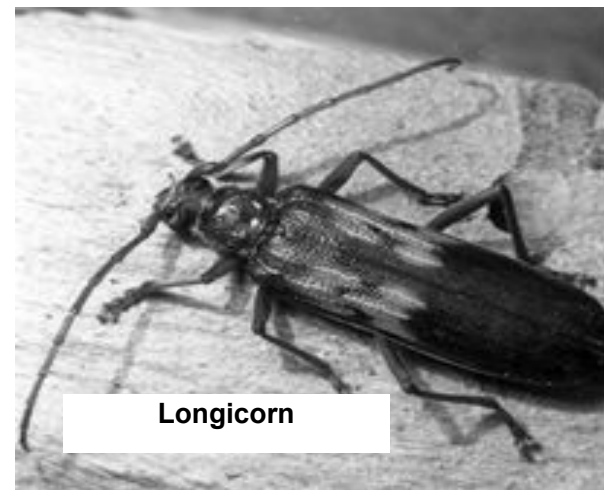
The common auger beetle, *Xylopsocus gibbicollis*, is a native borer that attacks mostly grapevines, while the native larger auger beetle, *Bostrychopsis jesuita* is often reported emerging from backyard fruit trees.

The elephant weevil, *Orthorhinus cylindrirostris*, is a brown grey weevil



Elephant Weevil

with a long slender snout and long forelegs. Adults and larvae feed on



Longicorn

eucalypts and a variety of other native and ornamental plants. They are also a pest of cultivated vine crops. Other insect borers include fig longicorn beetle, *Acalolepta vastator*, vine weevil, *Orthorhinus klugi*, fruit-tree borer moth, *Maroga melanostigma*, and vine borer moth, *Echiomima* species. Borers rarely infest healthy plants growing in their preferred environments. However, when trees or shrubs are transplanted, or stressed from drought, soil compaction, sun scald, or injuries, this can weaken them and make them more susceptible to attack. For this reason borers are generally considered a secondary problem and effort should be made to keep the plant as healthy as possible so it can resist borer attack.

Early signs of borer infestation can include wilting terminal shoots and branch or crown dieback, while more obvious signs include exit holes with sawdust-like frass in the trunk or limb of the plant.

Treatment

Take the best care of the plant you can, as healthy plants can often withstand some borer attack. Correct identification of the type of borer will also help guide any treatment options. Sadly, in most cases systemic insecticides, whether applied as injections or as soil treatments, will have little effect, and while pushing a piece of wire into borer exit holes may sometimes kill an adult beetle or larva intersecting that tunnel, it will not provide effective control. Look after your plants as best you can and report unfamiliar insects to help guide your treatment options.

Please report

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The Bowling Club Bulletin

"A" green was officially opened by Mr. Colin Holt, Federal Minister for Recreation and Sports. President Ted Russell

welcomed official guests, dignitaries, and members to the club. He then went on to say how everything started 2 years ago, with a meeting with Mia Davies and Colin Holt. That led to meetings with the Shire and lots of paper work, for applications for grants. After lots of headaches everything finally came together. The CEO of Bowls W.A. Mr. Ken Pride, spoke congratulating the Committee and members on achieving the green. Mr. Ian Curley CEO represented the Shire and also Alcoa Sustainability Fund, both men spoke about how the green looked at the start of the project - with photo's in the background

showing how each stage progressed, to the end result. After Mr. Colin Holt declared it opened everybody went outside, while John Hiller and Hazel McCall put down a bowl each, then it was back into the club again to enjoy drinks and a lovely afternoon tea provided by the ladies. Ladies and Men are having a break from Pennants restarting January 17th. For the ladies and 24th. midweek, and 28th. Saturday for the men. In the Club Championships, several events have already been played. The Men's championship fours were won by Mark, John, & Michael Hiller and Bob Clark and the R/Up's were Chris & Bob Waide, Adrian Trelfo and John Hill. In the Men's Pairs Championship, the winners were Mark and John Hiller and the R/Up's were Daryl Robinson and Malcolm Hayes. For the Ladies the Veteran champion was Hazel McCall and the R/Up Carol Tomlinson.

Thanks Sandra Twaddle

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9:00 AM		BOOY PUMP TRACY		BOOY PUMP TRACY	Spin Fit KATE
9:30 AM	FBS JILL		FBS JILL		
10:15 AM		SPRINT 30 TRACY		SPRINT 30 TRACY	
5:00 PM	meta fit KATE	YOGA TRACY		YOGA TRACY	
5:30 PM	Spin Fit KATE	SPRINT 30 TRACY		SPRINT 30 TRACY	
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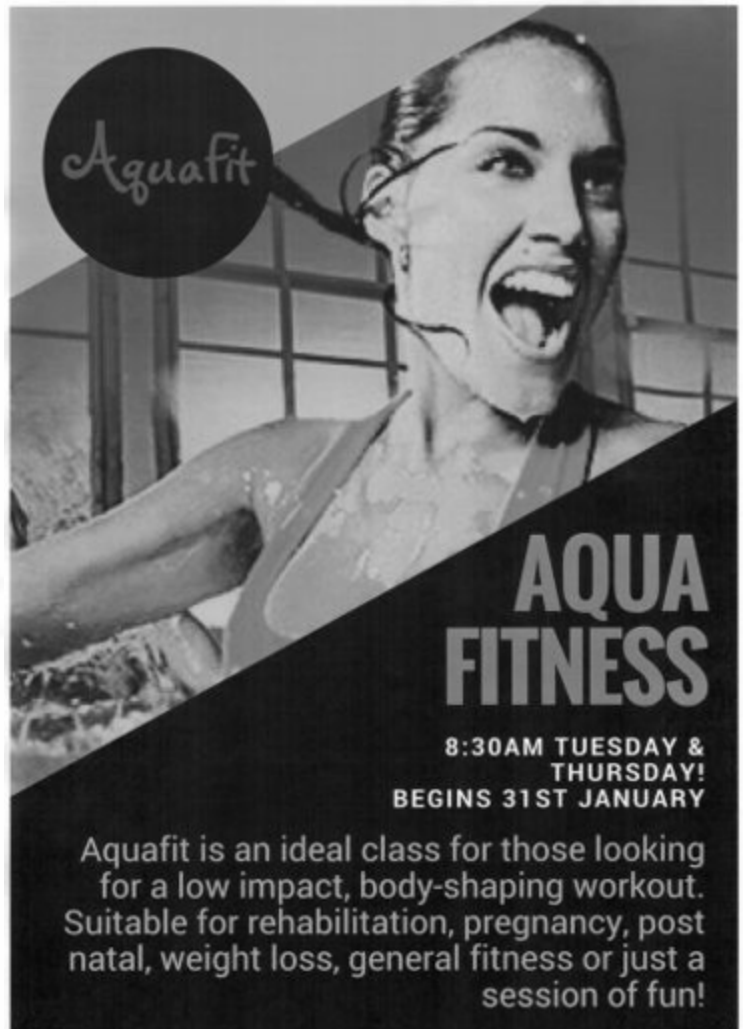
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