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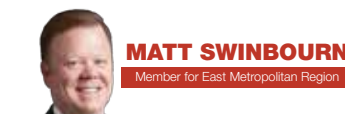
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EDITORIAL

By Tom Hoyer, Editor

Are our decision makers failing us? Should we be better informed, more aware and having higher expectations of our institutions.

Recent images of the 1 million fish kill in the Murray Darling basin rivers is an example of a failure to implement recommendations from many previous reviews and reports, a failure to properly regulate and a failure of departmental oversight.

Some commentators are blaming the drought, but they conveniently ignore the representative agency histories that are the basis of this calamity.

Royal commissions seem to be the only way of getting to the real truth of matters. The banking royal commission is a case in point. But are there other representative failings in our own back yard?

The State instruments and authorities such as the Environment Protection Authority(EPA), the Department of Environmental Regulation(DER), the Department of Environment and Conservation(DEC) and the State Administrative Tribunal(SAT) plus related others seem to make decisions in favour of those who would satisfy a profit motive, harm the environment and are against the public interest. Decisions come with conditions that are supposed to mitigate future harms and damage.

What happened to the principles of precaution and sustainability? Principles that are there to guide decision makers so that harms and damage are avoided. Precaution that looks at the evidence and experiences elsewhere and delaying local decisions while these similar activities are proved to be safe and offer no harms.

Are the policies that reflect our wishes, robust enough to protect us? Should there be a local public review of all local policies? Our elected members could offer a public participation workshop to ensure that our policies reflect the needs and

protections these policies should demonstrate.

Serpentine Jarrahdale as well as other outer local government jurisdictions, are now considered to be the dumping ground for waste and other obnoxious industries. Decisions are being proposed and made that would contribute to the harm of the natural environment, injure the land and potentially contaminate the ground water.

This author believes that a royal commission into the workings of our representative departments and the links to responsible ministers and councils is now urgent. Something is wrong and a strong review of past and existing decisions and processes is warranted.

As a local population, we should be informed about all decisions that have a broad capacity to harm us and the environment, not merely confined to immediate neighbours and related others, but the whole community. Buffers should be contained within the lands that applicant is proposing to operate on and not on the neighbour's land. Being open and transparent means disclosing these issues and the implications and ramifications to a wider public, as applications are presented and before final decisions are made.

Along with all members of our community, I want to continue to enjoy a safe and protected natural environment, clean water and to **"Experience the Beauty"** that is Serpentine Jarrahdale.

Please consider.



Tell us your thoughts!

Let us know what's happening in your part of the SJ area and what changes you think should happen.

We'd really like to hear your views and thoughts on this subject, both good and bad.

Please email your letter to The Editor at

serpentinejarrahdale@crc.net.au

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CORRECTION

In the February edition of the SJ Crier an error was printed in the article on page 40.

The email address for the Byford Basketball Association should read byfordbasketballassociation@gmail.com

Have a suggestion?

We are taking suggestions on what courses, workshops or info sessions the community are interested in having.

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LIGHTNING STRIKE CAUSES FIRE

By Lari McDonald, Seadragonz Swim School

A lightning strike that hit a tree two days earlier is being named as the cause of the recent fire in the Forrestdale. At its peak, more than 200 firefighters from across the Perth metropolitan area and the South West were fighting the blaze, including support from the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) helicopters.

Local business owner, Lari McDonald of Seadragonz Swim School said the fire came within 5 metres of the property. "The strong smell of smoke was really noticeable early on, so we kept a close eye on the situation. With the weather being really hot and with strong winds blowing our way, we knew it had the capacity to be catastrophic"

"Living in this fire prone area for 43 years we have experienced many fires, and have prepared for this situation. We watched and then swung our emergency plan into action. Staff assisted parents in getting their children out of the pool, into their vehicles and away to safety without panic and rush."

"We can't thank DFES enough" says Lari. "We were prepared, we had a Bushfire Survival Plan, we kept up to date with the situation and made the appropriate action when necessary. DFES will forever remain our heroes as they saved our business, saved the jobs of 20 local people, and ensured that 1000 local kids can keep coming here and learning to swim."

Below: An aerial image shows just how close the blaze came to Seadragonz Swim School





Shire President's message

With 2019 now in full swing, the Shire has enjoyed a busy and productive month.

February saw the start of construction on two key projects in the Shire; the Briggs Park upgrade and the first road construction work on Abernethy Road. Both of these projects will be of huge benefit to the community.

The Briggs Park upgrade will allow sport to be played year-round on both ovals with the drainage issues fixed. Lighting will also be installed on both ovals. Abernethy Road is a key project for Byford, creating a road that will be able to cope with the continued population growth in the area.

Turning to this month, we are excited to present Opera at the Mill under the stars at the historical Jarrahdale Heritage Mill. Further information about the event is available in this newsletter. Don't forget you can stay up-to-date with all the latest news and events on our Facebook page.



World-class Opera at the Mill

Travel through the historic timber town of Jarrahdale and be serenaded by exclusive international artists Greta Bradman, Rosario La Spina, José Carbó and Milijana Nikolic for Opera at the Mill.

The quartet will perform some of the biggest opera numbers in the world under the stars surrounded by forest.

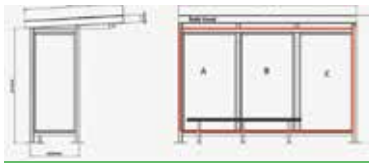
Opera at the Mill will be held at the Jarrahdale Heritage Mill on March 23 with the concert starting at 7.30pm.

The evening offers two ticket options, a VIP package for \$190 and general admission seating for \$60. Gates open at 6.30pm for general admission and earlier for VIP. Please see your ticket for details.

VIP ticket holders can sip sparkling wine and experience three course silver-service dining featuring locally sourced produce prior to the show.

It truly is an experience like no other, and we want to share it with you.

Go to Ticketek to secure your tickets or search for Opera at the Mill on Facebook.



New bus shelters for Byford

Two new bus shelters will be installed at Byford this month, that will also be home to two new artworks.

The bus shelters will be installed at existing bus stops, on Plaistowe Boulevard, between Caraway Avenue and Portwine Avenue, and on Kardan Boulevard, between Abernethy Road and Viewed Green.

The Shire put the call out for artists to submit their designs for the bus shelters with submissions closing on March 1. We are currently reviewing the submissions with the objective that the selected artworks will accurately represent the Byford community as well as improving the visual amenity in the area.

The proposed shelters are expected to be completed by the end of March with works commencing at 7am and completed each day by approximately 5pm.

Residents are asked to please be aware of the traffic control affecting the related street. If traffic control is not present as you enter the works zone, please enter with the traffic flow and with care.



5 March Macrame Workshop



11 March Seniors Morning Tea



21 March Be Outgoing Seniors



23 March Opera at the Mill

Find out more on our Events Calendar www.sjshire.wa.gov.au/eventscalendar

Works and projects

Abernethy Road Upgrade Project, Byford

Briggs Park upgrade

Traffic calming devices installed on Malarkey Road

Footpath extension Tinspar Ave (along Keiman St)

For more information go to www.sjshire.wa.gov.au/



BUSINESS SJ



END OF FINANCIAL YEAR PREPARATION

[Single Touch Payroll is here - do you need help?](#)

If you have 20+ employees then you should now be Single Touch Payroll (STP) compliant.

If you have less than 20 employees, then you must be prepared from July 1st, 2019.

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Upcoming Council Meetings

18 March
Ordinary Council Meeting

25 March
Arts, Culture and Heritage Advisory Committee Meeting

For full details and further dates, please see our Council Meetings page at sjshire.wa.gov.au



Nightfields returns to Mundijong

Nightfields has returned to Mundijong with the first of four free football and netball sessions held on February 28.

Boys and girls aged 8-17 can still come down for the final three sessions and take part in both AFL and netball games and skill competitions.

The session are held at Mundijong Oval, Cockram Street, Mundijong from 4.30pm-6pm on Thursday, March 7, 14 and 21.

Children can come to one or all sessions.

For more information, contact Recreation Development Officer, Blake on 9526 1313 or bwarners@sjshire.wa.gov.au.



Abernethy Road FAQs

The first road construction works on Abernethy Road commenced in February with the project expected to be completed in the final quarter of the year.

The project involves widening a 3.1km section of Abernethy Road between Kardan Blvd and South Western Hwy.

To alleviate residents' concerns and address any possible questions the Shire has established a FAQ page on our website which also includes current updates and maps of where work is currently being completed.

The page also features a downloadable copy of the overall complete construction work. Go to www.sjshire.wa.gov.au/what-we-do/works-and-projects/abernethy-road/ to find out more.



Andrew **HASTIE** MP

Fighting for YOU

The Morrison Government is serious about ensuring Australians have access to affordable, life-saving medicines.

Since 2013 the Liberals have invested \$10.5 billion to list over 2000 new medicines on the Pharmaceutical Benefits Scheme (PBS).

These medicines will assist people suffering from cancer, heart disease, epilepsy, spinal muscular atrophy and severe asthma – just to name a few.

Pharmaceutical medicines cost thousands of dollars. But thanks to the PBS, they're now available for \$6.50 (concessional) or \$40.30 (general patients) per script.

For example, we are helping:

- 3,150 women with breast cancer by subsidising Kisquali®. Without PBS subsidy, this would cost around \$72,000 per year.
- 850 Australians with lung cancer by subsidising Keytruda®. Without subsidy, this would cost around \$188,000 a year.
- 4,000 Australians with chronic pain from spinal arthritis by subsidising Simponi®. Without subsidy, this would cost over \$15,000 a year.
- 6,000 Australians with an inherited high cholesterol condition by subsidising Repatha®. Without subsidy, this would cost around \$8,000 per year.

Discounting new medicines through the PBS is only possible when you have a responsible government managing a strong economy. Labor failed at this when they were last in government. In 2011, Labor announced the unprecedented deferral of seven medicines, saying: "the listing of some medicines would be deferred until fiscal circumstances permit". (2011-12 Portfolio Budget Statement)

The Morrison Government's strong economy means we can invest in a greater number of affordable medicines for you and your family. A strong economy to guarantee essential services – that's our commitment to you.





Authorised by Andrew Hastie MP, Liberal Party of Australia, 2/61 Sutton St, Mandurah, WA.

PAINT THE TOWN TEAL

The SJ Community Resource Centre and the Mundijong Public Library, supported by generous members of the community, raised over \$250 at the paint The Town Teal event, 27 February 2019. Every day four Australian women are diagnosed and three women will die from ovarian cancer. It is the most underfunded and the deadliest female cancer in Australia.

February was Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month and people from all over Australia hosted fundraising events.




**Bahá'í Faith**
"The earth is but one country,
and mankind its citizens."
—Bahá'u'lláh

The Shrine of the Báb Facing the Mediterranean Sea

Bahá'ís consider the Báb to be a messenger of God. His divinely ordained mission was to prepare humanity for the coming of Bahá'u'lláh. Because of this claim and the rapid spread of His teachings throughout Persia, the Báb was executed in 1850, at the age of 31. The Shrine of the Báb forms the centrepiece of the gardens in Haifa. For Bahá'ís it is one of the holiest places on earth. The Shrine was built under the supervision of 'Abdu'l-Bahá, the eldest son of Bahá'u'lláh. Here, sixty years after the Báb's execution, the holy remains of the Báb were finally laid to rest. When 'Abdu'l-Bahá passed away in 1921, he also was interred in this Shrine. In 1949, 'Abdu'l-Bahá's grandson, Shoghi Effendi, had the Shrine of the Báb embellished with a magnificent golden dome.

Bahá'u'lláh



If you would like to learn more, please feel free to contact the members of the friendly local Serpentine Jarrahdale Bahai Community

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KEEP TALKING



Talking and listening is something that occurs organically at Men's Sheds, and many, many people have been helped because a Shedder recognised the signs that someone was in need of some support.

So we were thrilled to see the WA Government's Think Mental Health campaign, 'Talking and Listening are Powerful' as it provides education, resources and awareness of the significant benefit the simple act of talking and listening can have.

The key messages of the Campaign are:

- Check in on a mate, or someone you care about if they're not going so well;
- Talking and listening are powerful; and
- Mental health issues can affect anyone. It may be difficult at first but talking can help.

For information and resources to help provide support, including posters and infographics you can order at no cost, to display and distribute in your centre, visit the Think Mental Health website.

Come down to your local Shed and join up. Have a cuppa and see what we do and how you fit in. The SJ Mens Shed is located on Baskerville Road, Mundijong, Tuesdays and Thursdays 8am to 2pm, just follow the signs.

MUNDIJONG ARTS & CRAFT GROUP CELEBRATES 30 YEARS

The Mundijong Arts & Craft Group will be 30 years old in June of this year. It started life at a private residence and then when the railway station was no longer in use the group took over the premises. A lot of people might not be aware that the station was situated on the other side of the line and a few years later was moved to the present position.

Over the years there has been highs and lows in membership numbers with a variety of groups and weekend workshops, some of which include pottery, painting, drawing, china painting, spinning, felting, quilting, and silk dying among others.

Although some of the classes have diminished over the years as people's lifestyles change the station is still a place where things are happening.

We have a very lively book club that meets the first Monday of the month. There is a busy quilting group who get together every Friday. Thursdays are always a lot of fun with a busy hands group who do just about anything. Once a month on a Wednesday there is a

sewing group who to date have made over 100 quilts, boxes of children's pyjamas and knitted toys etc. for the local crisis centre. The photos are just an example of some of the work.

This year two of our members were recognized for all their efforts. Maxine Martin won the Australian Seniors award and Joan Gardner won the Clem Kentish Award for all the hours these two ladies have put in working tirelessly for various charity groups. Hearty congratulations to the both of you.

We are planning on a Birthday morning tea and inviting all previous members (and present ones of course) to come back and join in to reminisce about the early beginnings of this great club. If you are one of these people we would like to hear from you so we can plan a really great get together. This will probably take place at the same time as the Community Fair in August.

We are always looking for new faces to join our various groups or someone to teach us something new so please look for our details in the "When local clubs meet" section in the SJ Crier.



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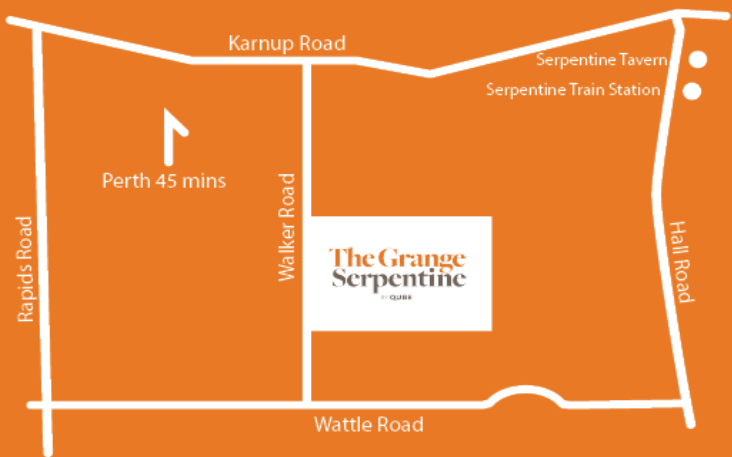
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NEW DEDICATED MEDICARE ITEM FOR HEART HEALTH CHECKS IN CANNING

MEDIA RELEASE - Andrew Hastie MP

The Morrison Government will ensure that residents in Serpentine Jarrahdale at risk of heart disease receive timely and appropriate medical advice with the creation of a new Medicare item for heart health checks.

Member for Andrew Hastie said from April 1 this year a new dedicated Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) item for heart health checks will support General Practitioners and patients in assessing cardiovascular risk.

“Our Government is committed to tackling Australia’s biggest killer – heart disease. One Australian dies of cardiovascular disease every 12 minutes, with one Australian experiencing a heart attack or stroke every five minutes,” Mr Hastie said.
“This comes in addition to over \$10.5 billion the Liberals have invested to make over 2000 medications more affordable under the PBS. We are delivering better, more affordable health care in the Peel region.”

Health Minister Greg Hunt said this dedicated Medicare item for heart health checks will save and protect lives.

“The independent medical experts at the Medical Benefits Schedule Review Taskforce will also conduct a review with the potential for further development of this new Medicare item,” Minister Hunt said.

Anyone who is concerned about their heart health should always ask their GP for a check-up. Currently there are a range of Medicare items that cover services and tests where people may have heart disease or are at risk of heart disease, including:

- Specialist consultations with a cardiologist
- Electrocardiogram tests (ECG)
- Exercise ECG
- Stress (exercise) ECG
- Cardiac ECG
- Coronary angiography
- Computed tomography coronary arteries
- Chest x-ray
- Electrophysiology studies
- Cholesterol tests
- Lipid tests
- Glucose test

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sponsorships and donations. Since opening its doors in 2005 the Byford & Districts Community Bank® branch has committed more than \$1.5million back to the Serpentine Jarrahdale community. That's a lot of sausage sizzles and chocolate drives.

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CRC'S NEED RECOGNITION

By Jazmyn Schou

Realistically, Community Resource Centres should be, and in a lot of rural areas – are the base of the town.

From accredited leisure and cultural training opportunities, to health and family support, CRC's are exactly that, a resource for the community. In some remote towns, CRC's are the only community establishment there is.

So, with all of this said, we need to recognise the huge part the SJ CRC has in our community.

Why are you reading this SJ Crier magazine article off the internet, or a slip of paper - instead of holding a glossy community magazine? The problem is our CRC's aren't getting enough attention from us – the community.

The Serpentine Jarrahdale CRC (formerly the Telecentre) has been running for more than 18 years, and through that time it has started projects like Business SJ, Seniors Group, the SJ Crier Magazine and even our treasured, annual, Serpentine Jarrahdale Community Fair.

Our Resource Centre is a beautiful venue, perfect for anything from children's parties to educational workshops and courses.

These are just some of the services your CRC can provide:

TOURISM:

- Stocks brochures, maps, advertisements for locations to visit
- National Park entry passes

- SJ Tourism number plates
- Entertainment books
- Giftware etc. available in front foyer
- Local art, photography and Olive Oil for sale

BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY:

- Secretarial work
- Printing/scanning/faxing/binding - available for a small fee
- Government information point;
- Free access to government sites on CRC's computers.
- TRANSWA ticketing agent – buses and trains.
- 'Hot Office' meeting room for hire
- The SJ Crier magazine
- Bridging the Gap Career van set up at the CRC front entrance to help with employment questions - next in Mundijong on Thursday 14th March and the 2nd Thursday of each month (*enqs 9419 2553*)

EVENTS AND COURSES:

- Serpentine Jarrahdale Community Fair
- SJ Seniors group meeting
- Car boot sales (intermittently)
- Venue hire – Office meeting room, training room and a large room, kitchen – modern facilities, disabled parking and entry parking.

RURAL SUPPORT:

- NLIS Cattle Wand for hire
- Firewood permits
- **AND EVEN** – The Carnaby Bill Cockatoo suit for hire!

Personal membership of the Serpentine Jarrahdale Community Resource Centre costs only \$5 which is just the price of a cup of coffee. Being a member means you gain access to lots of special discounts on printing, scanning, faxing, binding and certain events and workshops.

Help take our local CRC into the future, by hosting your next event, group meeting or business function in beautiful Mundijong. Contact the friendly staff during office hours on 08 – 9525 5917 or email serpentinejarrahdale@crc.net.au



MARCH 2019 IS ROTARY'S "WATER AND SANITATION MONTH"



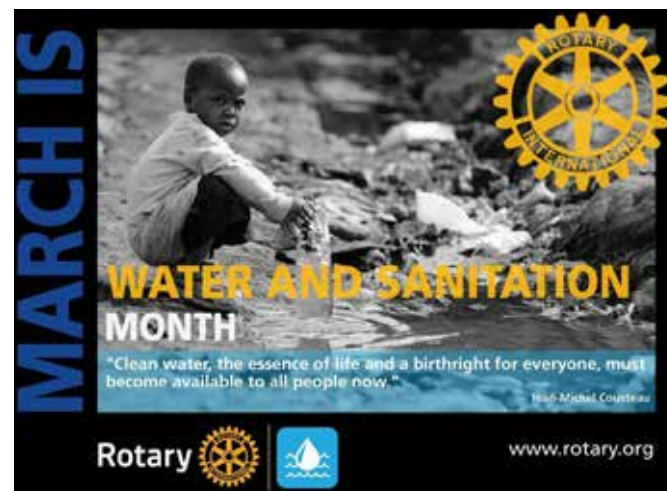
ROTARY CLUB OF BYFORD & DISTRICTS
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Clean Water and Sanitation is foundational to good health. Moreover, clean water and sanitation is a right. When individuals have access to clean water, sanitation and hygiene, they lead healthier and more productive lives.

Clean water and sanitation provision is one of Rotary's service and project priorities. It's one of the six areas of focus for Rotary. ROTARY'S TARGET CHALLENGE - to develop sustainable water, sanitation, hygiene (WASH), and education projects is being piloted in Australia and in many countries and international projects.

Globally, Rotary is busy:

- 1 - Strengthening the ability of communities to develop, fund, and maintain sustainable water and sanitation systems.
- 2 - Providing equitable community access to safe water, improved sanitation, and hygiene.
- 3 - Supporting programs that enhance communities' awareness of the benefits of safe water, sanitation, and hygiene.



4 - Creating tools and resources that facilitate, measure, and enhance high-quality water and sanitation projects worldwide.

5 - Water and Sanitation Hygiene (WASH) education will make a difference for many areas because Rotary has made this a priority.

The Rotary Club of Byford & Districts, with other Club partners has been engaged with local communities in Timor-Leste for over 10 years. Projects in the hills in Bali and in Myanmar also worked on Water & Sanitation efforts that benefit those who have limited or harmful water supplies.

HAVING FUN PLAYING BADMINTON IN JARRAHDAL



The usual suspects continue to play badminton at the Bruno Gianatti Hall in Jarrahdale each Tuesday from 9am to 12. We enjoy playing for exercise, fun and some competition to keep things interesting.

With George leading, the hall is always ready to go, the urn is on and a cuppa & bickie is ready

for the players to relax and chat. The club always welcomes new members, we have the racquets and shuttles to start you off, or you can dust off your old ones and come along to revive past glories and memories.

It doesn't take long to reacquaint yourself with the game or learn to play.

WELCOME TO 2018 2019

By Jazmyn Schou

You know the drill, clear off the decorations, say Happy New Year to your Great Aunt for the fifth time this week and hope that the Christmas lethargy leaves in time for work to start.

New year, new resolutions and new goals.

For some people in Menindee, New South Wales, the New Year started with a bad turn, for a seemingly endless crisis. Recently, a tragically unnecessary event has been taking place in New South Wales; over a million dead fish washed up along the Darling River system. In what could be described as a collapse of Federal and Interstate cooperation, this problem was caused by water depletion in the Murray Darling Basin, which has impacted drastically on the Menindee catchment area and further East.

Some of the first locals on the scene said the problem is obvious; this, "Man-made engineered disaster", started and continued with water mismanagement and greed.

The NSW Primary Industries Minister released a comment about this issue, debating that the widespread fish death could be due to ongoing drought conditions, followed by a recent drop in temperature which killed the algae and exhausted the dissolved oxygen in the Darling River system at Menindee. Apparently, The Murray Darling Basin Authority authorised a water release from Menindee Lakes to South Australia, but because of the drought, there was no water to replenish the system.

Somehow the ecosystem has to be taken care of, as well as facilitating irrigation needs.

Having spent some time on the banks of the iconic Murray, I find it sad, that this is such a big thing for those affected, but seems to be such a small thing for the Government. While we're all arguing about whose fault it is and pointing fingers, we're forgetting the river itself. Why people are going to so much effort to protect it, why the locals are crying out to Government to do something

about this, and why the media is going crazy.

This river system has been here for over a hundred and thirty million years, has been a part of so much, nurturing large parts of the country with its essential course.

It seems that the people who can actually really make a difference and change the rules, are doing very little toward making sure that there is enough water to support the complex ecosystem that makes up the Murray Darling. This river has been a part of people's lives, sustenance and in past times – culture and certainty. We can't just let it fade away, or be sapped out of existence.

The Menindee Lakes (which are about four times the size of Sydney Harbour), were drained twice in four years and are now sitting at between two per cent and four per cent capacity.

The water issue in the Murray-Darling has been an ongoing problem for over 25 years. With calamities from one extreme to the other, water management has been the recent issue.

As Australians, we are concerned when we see disasters around the world, this time it's on our own doorstep, and I hope that Government can lead us to a better on-going solution. All in all, the world we live in is improving, so why do we continue to see these governance failings occurring? We have better technology to allow us to be smarter, more advanced cures for diseases, a greater understanding of our

essential ecology, a vision into world problems and their solutions, drones to fly your Uber Eats, and cars that drive themselves.

Hopefully, the work we are doing, to reverse the environmental harms will do some good. If we have better cooperation between governments, then we'd be well on our way to becoming a more sustainable world.

A Warning Bell perhaps



Image by Cath Schou

PARTNERSHIP, PATIENCE, AND HARD WORK IS THE KEY TO A HEALTHY RAIL CORRIDOR

That's what it took to achieve simultaneous outcomes for bushfire safety and the natural environment in the Paterson Street rail reserve, Mundijong. In 2015, Arc Infrastructure (then Brookfield Rail) contracted Landcare SJ to coordinate the controlled burn and follow-up weed control in the section of rail reserve that runs through the town site of Mundijong. A hazard reduction burn was required due to the proximity to houses, and the site needed to be managed carefully due to the presence of both Declared Rare Flora and a Threatened Ecological Community.

The Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale came on board, with the time and expertise of Botanist Dr Penny Hollick. Furthermore, the Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions provided initial technical support from Botanist Dr Ann Harris. With their help, flora monitoring plots were set up in May 2015, for the purpose of tracking the response of the Declared Rare Flora and other native species to the burning. Before any other actions, an initial sweep of weed control activities was carried out using a range

of methods. Love grass and broadleaf weeds were controlled with targeted application of a knockdown herbicide; and woody weeds were removed using the basal bark method. This was necessary because of the propensity of weeds to seed when stressed, such as during a burn.

Keeping the weeds away after the burning was also a necessary part of the plan, to reduce the ongoing fuel load, as weeds such as grasses are highly flammable. Contrary to popular opinion, many native plants are of low flammability, and their presence is preferable to weeds, which can overtake a site that has been burned. Weed control contractor Tim Heckler is a practitioner of targeted herbicide application to minimise off-target damage, and proliferate native regeneration. "The success of the program depends on thorough site inspections for each weed control exercise because the site is so long and thin, and the edge effect is greatly pronounced", said Mr Heckler.

The site was divided into cells to facilitate a mosaic burning pattern, which allowed for progressive fuel reduction whilst minimising negative effects such

as damage to fauna, and overwhelming response of weeds. The first burning exercise occurred in October 2015, and continued annually until mid-2017, when the section of reserve containing Declared Rare Flora was burnt in autumn. The Serpentine Jarrahdale Fire and Emergency Services and the Mundijong Volunteer Bushfire Brigade did a fantastic job adhering to the recommendations of the Department, for the protection and enhancement of the bushland.

According to Kristy Gregory, NRM Officer at Landcare SJ, the delicate method and timing of the burning allowed it to be used as a tool for regeneration. "The Declared Rare Flora at the site is expected to respond well to a mild burn, which is why an autumn burn is recommended. It gives the plants time to recruit prior to cold soil temperatures and grow sufficiently before competition from other species comes into play", said Mrs Gregory.

The flora monitoring plots that were set up in May 2015 were placed both within and outside of the

burn area, for a direct comparison of species' responses to the fire. Field sheets were completed at the time of establishment, which recorded information such as the species present, weed cover, leaf litter, and vegetation structure. Follow-up monitoring occurred in October 2017; and results will be collated after further assessment in spring 2019 and 2020.

Ongoing weed control is occurring at the site, to ensure continuing establishment of native species, and to increase the bushland's resilience to future weed infestation. This project is a great example of collaboration between organisations with complimentary capacity and expertise, which was underpinned by the investment of Arc Infrastructure in the protection and enhancement of a significant natural area under their management. It's a case of not using the same set of rules for all sites, and tailoring on-ground action to individual circumstances. The result has been reduced fuel load in a built-up area, maintained by keeping highly flammable weeds at bay; and an increasingly healthy and resilient plant community that looks great too.

You should see the kangaroo paws in spring!



Above: Mild burn in autumn of the area containing the flora plots

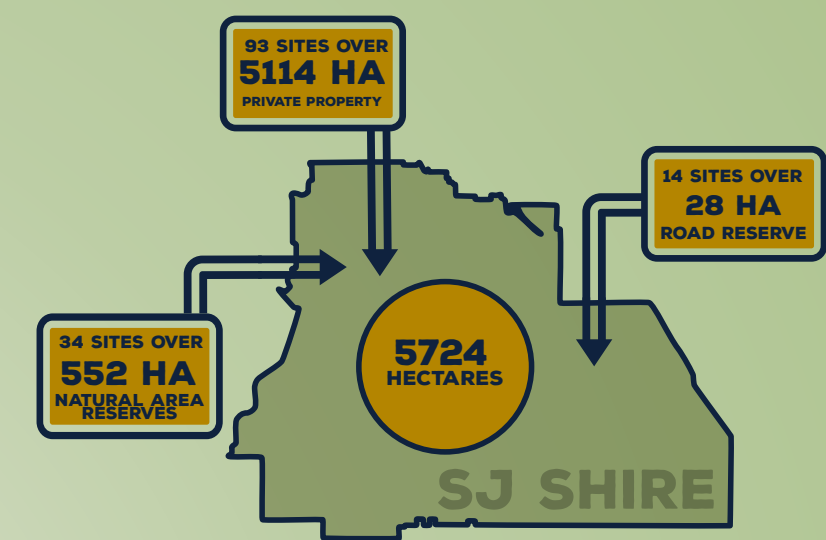


Above & left: Photo monitoring in burn cell 1, immediately after the fire and then 3 years later. No weeds!





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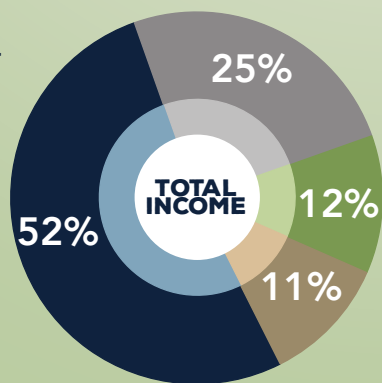
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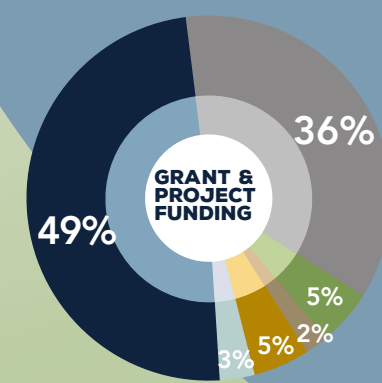
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GRANT FUNDING HELPS IMPROVE LOCAL ROADS

MEDIA RELEASE: Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale

The Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale has been successful in securing more than \$549,000 in grant funding to carry out road upgrades on Kargotich Road and Soldiers Road.

The funding is from the State Government through the Metropolitan Regional Road Group.

Shire President Michelle Rich said the Shire received two grants - \$335,600 and \$213,643 – for renewal works on Kargotich Road, between 120m North of Leipold Road to 800m south of Scott Road, and Soldiers Road, between Daisy and Bushlark roads.

The grants represent a two-third contribution towards the two road projects, which totalled \$823,865.

“This grant funding supports us to deliver our road renewal works as part of our ongoing work to improve the safety of the Shire’s road network,” Cr Rich said.

“The Shire is very appreciative of the funding from the State Government and we will continue to work with relevant agencies to deliver community benefits and preserve and improve our local roads.”

REAL ESTATE ROUNDUP

Selling your home or investment is one of the biggest financial decisions you may need to make. The questions we receive daily include how’s the market going? Is it a good time to sell? Will the market improve? Should we wait to sell?

The real estate market never stays the same and whether your looking at downsizing, upgrading, moving to a lifestyle property or selling an investment property you need to consider, Where are the opportunities?

Not all decisions are financial, for example people may choose to move to be closer to a school, closer to work, better transport facilities, looking for distance between neighbouring properties, as well as downsizing to a more manageable property.

Consider if you decide to sell what are the benefits? In a slow market selling opportunities are down, however buying opportunities might be high, considering the type of growth you will receive in the type of property you are wanting to purchase vs your existing home and location.

Consider the costs? Changeover costs when selling & buying need to be factored into your budget, you will need to understand the costs of selling including any real estate fees or advertising costs, settlement agent fees, bank fees as well as any stamp duty costs.

Before deciding to sell, careful planning needs to be implemented to ensure there are no surprises.

- Serpentine Jarrahdale Market Update**
- Byford 22 sales since January, approx. 288 house / blocks / house & land packages listed for sale

- Cardup 4 sales since January, approx. 15 properties listed for sale
- Oakford 2 sales since January, approx. 25 properties listed for sale
- Darling downs 1 house sale recorded, approx. 14 properties for sale
- Serpentine 1 sale since January, approx. 63 properties listed for sale
- Mundijong 2 sales since January, Approx. 18 properties listed for sale
- Jarrahdale 2 sales since January, Approx. 28 properties listed for sale

As per information collected from Core logic data

- Questions to ask agents before listing your home
- Are you a REIWA member?
 - Are you apart of a network of offices or boutique in size?
 - May I see your company profile?
 - What is your current market share?
 - What experience do you have of the local market?
 - What is your list to sell ratio?
 - Do you live locally, is your office local?
 - How many homes have you sold in the area within the past 3 months?
 - How long have you been established in the area?

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2019 KICKS OFF AT LIGHTWEIGHT MOTORCYCLE CLUB

The Lightweight Motorcycle club at Hendley Park in Whitby, was founded in 1952 and has grown to be a vibrant, family-friendly and inclusive motocross club, which welcomes riders of all ages and abilities.

The club boasts good facilities and is the only club in WA which has a Motocross as well as an Arenacross track.

The 2019 season, which is just kicking off, promises to be a big one for LWMCC, with the club starting the year on the Arenacross track. Here, the events take place in the evening, allowing for heart-pounding action as the riders race under lights.

In April, the club commences its Motocross season, and it will host a range of club and open events, including the much anticipated Hendley Park Cup on April 7th, an open event which attracts riders from near and far. The HPC promises to deliver some spectacular riding, and spectators will not miss out, as the viewing from the canteen area will see you up close and personal with the furore on the track, all whilst being able to enjoy a snack, light meal or a beverage.

More information about the club can also be found on the club’s Facebook page [<https://www.facebook.com/LightweightMCC/>], where friendly committee members are able to assist with queries as they arise.



ZONES COMPLETES THE SEASON

Byford Little Athletics has completed another fantastic season with many great results to show for all our athletes.

As a club we have celebrated many highs this year and look forward to celebrating many more in the coming seasons, including elevation to Little Athletics Centre status in season 2020/21.

The recent Dale Centre championships saw Byford athletes compete to their best and we are proud of those athletes who attended and gave their all, whether they came away with medals or just a proud moment of finishing out their season with some extra Personal Bests and extra friends.

The weekend of 23rd and 24th February saw many Byford Athletes compete in the Zone 1 Championships, Heats and Quarterfinals. The Under 7 and Under 8 age groups were presented with medals on the day, with several medals heading home with Byford athletes. Athletes in the Under 9 to Under 15 age groups who placed in the top 3-5 (depending on the event) will progress to the State Track and Field Championships to be held on the 8th, 9th & 10th March 2019.

Following the State Championships, our athletes will have a few weeks of well-earned rest, before training recommences in preparation for our winter season, of cross country runs and road walks.

Byford Little Athletics is a fully inclusive Little Athletics club. We welcome children of all backgrounds and abilities to train and compete in a safe and fun manner as part of our club. The new Summer Season will commence registrations from the first week of September 2019. Find us on Facebook for more details. [<https://www.facebook.com/byfordlittleathletics/>]

Article written and submitted by Byford Little Athletics Club



Above: Chloe Bevis competing in U7 Girls Long Jump

Below: Zachary Bevis competing in U boys Hurdles



Above: Leila Bevis competing in U11 Girls 400m

TRUST IN TRAINING AND INTERACTIONS WITH OUR DOG (OR OTHER PETS)

Trust forms an important part in training and behaviour. Many behaviour problems can result from a lack of trust. In fact, a lot of the time a dog reacts or behaves aggressively to another person or dog because they don't trust them or have learnt not to trust in certain situations. But it doesn't end there! If you want a confident, happy and outgoing dog then trust in training is critical.

It seems many trainers know and talk about the metaphor of the trust account coined by Dr Susan Friedman, but not many industry experts & pet owners know about it and its critical if you work or live with animals, especially dogs. (I say animals as the trust account can work with many species, especially our pets).

If you think of a bank account, we can make deposits and withdrawals. The more deposits we make the healthier our bank balance is.

If you socialise and train your dog in a safe way you make deposits and this builds the dogs confidence and wellbeing. If you train your dog harshly or take them to environments which are scary or harmful to them then this is a withdrawal. And this is most apparent with puppies as we see the results very quickly – its not uncommon for us to see puppies at their very first puppy class that already have a deficit in the trust account

Deposits to your pet's trust account include anything that is reinforcing in a positive way to them. This can

include praise, treats or playing with a toy, but it also includes choice and a level of control in their environment (access to food, water, shelter, comfort etc). It's also important that our reinforcers to our pet are consistent, well timed and strong.

Withdrawals to your pet's trust account are generally things that involve punishment, but may be more subtle than that. Reprimands and correction are the most common path to a bankrupt trust account (and relationship) but also forcing a puppy or dog into a situation they don't wish to be in, taking away choice or confusing them with outdated training methods. A common one we see in puppy class is the 'old

school' training people use to take their puppies food

away from them

in an attempt

to teach the

pup the

human is in

control; not

only does this

confuse the pup, but they pretty quickly learn not

to trust a human around food.

Now sometimes your pet has to go to the vet which may be scary or even painful but if you've already had positive experiences with the vet or if your dog is already resilient due to a healthy balance of positive experiences (deposits). Then the vet visit is less likely to impact them. And if your vet is proactive and minimises stress and discomfort (by working with you and your pet as an individual) then they have helped to build that healthy balance prior.

The most important thing is to make sure you always make plenty more deposits than withdrawals. If you can build a big trust account with your dog, then withdrawals aren't so harmful in the long term. Problems occur in a major way when the trust account goes into deficit. This doesn't just happen to older dogs; it can very quickly happen to puppies so make sure you are well informed and work with someone qualified right from the start.

Article by Sarah of Clever Creatures. For more information or to request a topic go to
www.clevercreatures.com.au

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WHEN LOCAL CLUBS MEET

BYFORD

- **ROTARY CLUB OF BYFORD & DISTRICTS INC:** Meet at the Byford Tavern every Monday at 7pm. Please contact Denise D’Agnone on 0408 916 939
- **ST AIDAN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH,** Cnr Clifton & Mary Streets, Byford - 10am Sundays
- **BYFORD BAPTIST PLAYGROUP:** Cnr SW Hwy & Stanley St, Byford. Monday, Wednesday & Friday during school terms 9.30am to 11.30am. Cost \$2 per session and an Annual Playgroup Fee of \$35. Contact Arite 0413 906 662 for more info
- **BYFORD BMX CLUB:** Racing Friday nights from 6pm during school terms. Canteen will be open. See our Facebook page www.facebook.com/pages/Byford-BMX-Club. Contact the President, Daryl on 0448 358 578
- **BYFORD BOWLING CLUB:** Linton Street North. Contact President D B (Barry) Harvey 0419 193 420 or Secretary Peter Vanderburgh 0417 864 594
- **BYFORD BUSHRANGERS INC** Tee Ball season Oct-March in Byford, men's baseball registrations open now, home & away games. Contact Ramone 0407 196 092
- **BYFORD GLADES COMMUNITY GARDEN:** Busy Bee Sat 22 April from 9am to 12noon. Contact Ellen for details 0438 554 421
- **BYFORD SCOUTS:** Runs Joeys, Cubs and Scouts groups for children aged six and over. Groups meet weekly at the Scout Hall, Linton Road North, Byford. Times vary. Contact Group Leader Adam Willett email: adam.willett@bigpond.com or via Facebook at 1st Byford Scout Group
- **BYFORD SENIORS FITNESS CLASS:** Meets every Monday at 9.15am to 10.15am at the YMCA, (SJ Recreation Centre) Mead Street, Byford. Call Maxine on 9525 1493
- **BYFORD TENNIS CLUB:** Ladies meet every Wednesday 9-11am. Members can play when ever they like. Call Jenny (the key holder) on 9525 4136
- **BYFORD UNITING CHURCH:** Clifton Street, next to the Shire Hall, worship service is held at 9am every third Sunday of the month.
- **BYFORD WEIGHT WATCHERS CLUB OF WA INC:** Wednesday nights at 7pm at the Briggs Park Cricket Club. Contact Lauris 9525 1021 or Steph on 9390 6194.
- **BYFORD WEIGHT WATCHERS DAY CLUB:** Briggs Park Cricket Club at 8am every Thursday. Contact Cath on 9525 1689 and Margie on 9525 4157
- **FRIENDS OF BRICKWOOD RESERVE:** Meets 1st Sunday of the month from April to November. Join us to look after this Reserve, cnr Warrington Road and Mead Street. Enqs: Eileen 0449 019 700
- **GROW COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT GROUP:** Currently in recess. Please call 1800 558 268 for your nearest group or visit www.grow.org.au
- **HERITAGE COUNTRY CHOIR:** Rehearse every Wednesday 7.15 - 9.30pm at Briggs Park, Mead Street, Byford. Call Raelene on 0407 449 292 or 9525 5072
- **MORNING MARKET:** First Saturday of each month St Aidan's, Cnr Clifton and Mary Streets, Byford - fresh produce, plants, cakes, preserves, books, op-shop & cafe open

- **PROBUS CLUB of BYFORD & DISTRICTS INC:** Is for active retirees, to join together to keep active minds, expand their interests and enjoy the fellowship of friends, meets 10am on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at the Byford Hall. The Club does not meet in January. Call John Black on 9525 2173
- **SOUTHGATE CHURCH** - Meets Sundays 9.30am at the SJ Recreation Centre, Mead Street, Byford. Contact 0412 934 640
- **ST AIDAN'S** free Seniors morning teas held the second Monday of each month 10.30am to midday, sponsored by the SJ Shire. Enqs 9525 0247

JARRAHDALE

- **BADMINTON AT JARRAHDALE:** Friendly games every Tuesday at the Bruno Gianatti Hall between 9am and midday. Cost: \$5.00, which includes morning tea. New players welcome. For further info, contact George on 0473 612 423
- **JARRAHDALE HERITAGE SOCIETY:** Meet the 2nd Wednesday of the month at the Old Post Office Museum. For more info call Di Henneker on 0432 795 679 or www.jarrahdale.com. Jarrahdale Walks - contact Bernie 0406 980 677
- **JARRAHDALE PRE-KINDY PLAYGROUP:** Thursday during school term from 9.30-11.00am at Jarrahdale Playgroup, Munro Street, Jarrahdale. For more information and registration details please contact Julie Denholm on 9525 5157 or Anzie Oatley 0481 452 821.
- **JARRAHDALE PRIMARY SCHOOL - STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN PROGRAM:** Volunteers are required for a couple of hours on Tuesday mornings. call Stacey on 0448 768 003
- **JARRAHDALE SPORTING SHOOTERS** meets Saturdays and Sundays. Fees apply once you become a registered member. Contact Peter (President) on 0411848856 or Anne on 0422430161 and check out our website Jarrahdale Sporting Shooter or Facebook
- **JARRAHDALE TENNIS CLUB:** Plays from 3.30pm Sundays. Contact John Corver 0400 739 430
- **ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN CHURCH,** Jarrahdale Road next to the old Post Office Museum - 8am second Sunday of each month

MARDELLA

- **MARDELLA LADIES CLUB:** Meets every third Wednesday of the month at Mardella Hall, Cnr Shanley & Wright Roads, Mardella. New members welcome - no member fee and open to all age groups but ***ladies only***. Come and join us for a cup of tea and chat \$2. Contact Joan 9525 5850 or Lyn 9525 2384
- **MARDELLA SPIN ON IN:** Meets every 3rd Sunday of the month at the Mardella Ladies Hall, cnr Wright & Shanley Roads, Mardella. Learn spinning and all fibre crafts. For further info contact Jacki 9525 2507 or Lynne 9399 4312
- **SERPENTINE JARRAHDALE LIONS CLUB:** 2nd & 4th Thursday every month at Mardella Ladies Hall at 7pm. Please contact Tony Widginton on 9525 5258 or Sandra on 9525 7575

MUNDIJONG

- **ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS WOMEN’S GROUP** meets Wednesday night from 7pm-8pm at the Mundijong Heritage Uniting Church, 18 Paterson Street, Mundijong.

WHEN LOCAL CLUBS MEET

- **AL-ANON FAMILY GROUPS** meets Sunday nights from 4-5.30pm at the Mundijong Heritage Uniting Church 18 Paterson St Mundijong. Contact: 9325 7528
- **ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** meets Monday nights from 7-8.30pm at the Mundijong Uniting Community Church, 18 Paterson Street, Mundijong. Contact: 9525 9347
- **CHAPTER SIX ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** group meets Friday nights 7-8.30pm at the Mundijong Heritage Community Church - 18 Paterson Street, Mundijong
- **MOSAIC MATTERS ART AND SOCIAL GROUP.** Term 2 dates: May 14 and 28, June 11 and 25, July 9. 9am-11.30am at Uniting Church, 18 Paterson Street, Mundijong. Contact: Sam 0448 520 315 or call in on the day. Cost \$5 per session
- **MUNDIJONG COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC:** Meets bi-monthly on the third Thursday of the month at 7:00pm at the Shire offices. 2018 dates are: 20/09, 15/11. Contact: Councillor Keira McConkey 0401 445 338
- **MUNDIJONG AUCTION & MARKETS:** Lot 1 Evelyn St, Mundijong. 8.30am and auction starts at 10.30am approx. 1st & 3rd Wednesday of every month. Call 0412 994 782 or 0438 907 450 for details
- **MUNDIJONG HERITAGE COMMUNITY GARDEN** is open Saturdays from 10.30am-1.30pm (Bring lunch to enjoy in the garden if you wish) - 18 Paterson St Mundijong. Contact: 9525 9347
- **MUNDIJONG HERITAGE UNITING CHURCH** Worship services held on the first Sunday of the month at 10am. All welcome. Contact Marilyn Marsden 9525 9347
- **MUNDIJONG PLAYGROUP:** Paterson Street, Mundijong. Every Wednesday morning 9am - 11am. Contact Natascha on 0420 506 040 or taschi_b@hotmail.com for further enquiries
- **MUNDIJONG PUBLIC LIBRARY:** Free story time, suitable for 2 – 5 year olds, every Monday at 10am during the school term. Free rhyme time, suitable for 0 – 2 year olds, every Thursday at 10am. Contact the Library on 9526 1133 for more information
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- **SJ SENIORS BOOK CLUB:** Meet on the second Thursday of the month at 10am at the SJ CRC. Gold coin donation. Please call 9525 5917 for further details
- **SERPENTINE JARRAHDALE GIRL GUIDES:** Meet Monday evenings 5pm to 7pm at "The House", 12 Paterson Street, Mundijong. Contact Lyn Madaffari 0439 990 913.

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- **OAKFORD GIRL GUIDES:** Meet at Oakford Community Centre, 57 Foxton Drive, Oakford. Tuesdays 4 - 5.30pm Contact

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- **ANGLICAN PARISH OF SERPENTINE JARRAHDALE:** Every Sunday 10am @ St Aidan's Byford. 1st & 3rd Sunday each month 8am @ St Stephen's, Falls Road, Serpentine. 2nd Sunday each month 8am St Paul's, Jarrahdale Road, Jarrahdale
- **BADMINTON IN SERPENTINE:** Social games every Wednesday morning (except school holidays) at the Clem Kentish Hall between 9.30 - noon. Call Lola on 9525 2097.
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- **SERPENTINE CHURCH OF CHRIST:** 93 Tonkin Street, Serpentine. Fellowship Service Sunday at 9.30am. Sunday School for children & morning tea. Isobel on 9525 2481 or Pauline 9525 2690
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- **SERPENTINE HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.** - meets 9am on the 3rd Wednesday of the month at Ivan Elliott Pavilion, David Butfield Equestrian Ground, Karnup Road, Serpentine. Phone Trevor 9525 3635
- **SERPENTINE PLAYGROUP:** Old St John's Building, Cnr Wellard & Richardson Streets, Serpentine - Fridays 9am to 11am. Call Lee-Anne 0433 141 144 or email serpentineplaygroup@outlook.com.au
- **SERPENTINE POLICE & COMMUNITY YOUTH CENTRE:** Meetings held 1st Thursday of each month at 6pm, Clem Kentish Hall, enquiries 9525 2734
- **SERPENTINE YARN SPINNERS AND CRAFT GROUP:** Meet Mondays (expect public holidays) in CWA Hall, corner of Tonkin & Richardson Streets, Serpentine from 9am. For more information contact Jess Woolven 9525 2212

YOUTH PARLIAMENT IS BACK IN 2019

MEDIA RELEASE - Alyssa Hayden MLA

Shadow Minister for Youth Alyssa Hayden is encouraging young West Australians to get involved in the parliamentary process by signing up to the 2019 Western Australian YMCA Youth Parliament program.

“Applications for this year’s Youth Parliament are now open,” Mrs Hayden said.

“This is a great initiative that gives young people the opportunity to engage with the WA parliamentary process while developing public speaking and debating skills.

“Beginning in April, participants take on the role of their local member, and alongside a committee, draft a Bill on an issue they’re passionate about within that portfolio.”

Mrs Hayden said participants would then take part in a week-long camp in July where the Bills would

be presented and debated in the chambers of the WA Parliament.

“The program aims to educate, empower and encourage young people to take an active role in their community by contributing the views of their electorate at a state level,” Mrs Hayden said.

“It’s a fun way to learn about our political system and understand how lucky we are to live under a democratic one.

“I encourage every young person with an interest in representing their community to apply for the program.”

The program is open to any WA resident between the ages of 15 and 25. Applications close on March 10.

For more information visit www.ymcawa.org.au/what-we-do/youth-services/western-australian-youth-parliament.

Below: Shadow Minister for Youth Alyssa Hayden and Shadow Minister Assisting the Leader David Honey are encouraging young people to join them in Parliament



DEDICATED ROAD SAFETY GROUP ESTABLISHED TO HELP REDUCE ACCIDENTS AND FATALITIES

MEDIA RELEASE: Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale

The Shire of Serpentine Jarrahdale Council will establish a dedicated road safety group as part of its strategy to reduce the number road accidents and fatalities in the region.

At its February Ordinary Council Meeting, the council approved the establishment of the Serpentine Jarrahdale RoadWise Group to assist the Shire on strategies and actions to improve road safety. The Shire will invite WA Police, Main Roads WA, WA Local Government Association, road user groups and industry representatives to be members of the Serpentine Jarrahdale RoadWise Group, along with representation of Shire officers.

Shire President Michelle Rich said road safety was an important issue for the community and the

establishment of the RoadWise Group reflected the Shire’s commitment to achieving positive outcomes through collaboration.

“The experience and diversity of organisations invited to be on the Serpentine Jarrahdale RoadWise Group means we will have a strong and coordinated approach to improving road safety,” Cr Rich said.

“The group will also play an important role in helping the Shire advocate to State and Federal governments for funding and grants to deliver local road projects and awareness campaigns.”

Cr Rich said grants and funding were critical to assist the Shire to deliver road renewal and upgrade projects.

A vertical banner for Seadragonz swim school. At the top is a cartoon seadragon logo with the text 'Seadragonz' in a stylized font and 'swimming is grinning' in a script font below it. Below the logo is contact information: '44 Allen Road, Forrestdale WA 6112', 'seadragonz@seadragonz.com.au', 'www.seadragonz.com.au', 'p: (08) 9397 1100 f: (08) 9397 0230', and 'PO Box 3214 Success WA 6964'. At the bottom is a photo of a baby wearing a red swim cap. The text 'Western Australia's Most Awarded Swim School' is at the very bottom.

A campaign advertisement for Alyssa Hayden. At the top right is the Liberal Western Australia logo. The name 'ALYSSA HAYDEN' is prominently displayed in large blue and white letters. Below it is a green banner that says 'Your Member for Darling Range'. In the center is a photo of Alyssa Hayden smiling. At the bottom, it says 'Contact Alyssa' followed by contact details: '9525 4822 | Alyssa.DarlingRange@mp.wa.gov.au | AlyssaHayden.com.au', 'Alyssa4DarlingRange | Unit 5, 837 South Western Highway, Byford', and 'Authorised by A.Hayden, Unit 5, 837 South Western Highway, Byford WA 6122.'

March 2019

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
				SJ Library Friends Second Hand Book Sale 9.30am to 12 noon Mundijong Public Library 1	SJ Library Friends Second Hand Book Sale 9.30am to 11.30am Mundijong Public Library 2	3
4	Macrame Workshop - CRC 5.30 to 7.30pm 5	SJ Writers Group 6pm to 7pm The Strand Byford 6	Rhyme Time 10am Mundijong Public Library 7 SJ Camera Club Meeting 7pm SJ CRC	8	Dan Paris Photography - SJ CRC 11am to 3pm 9	10
11	12	Digital Marketing - SJ CRC 5.30pm to 8.30pm 13	Rhyme Time 10am Mundijong Public Library 14	15	16	17
18	19	20	Excel for Beginners - SJ CRC 9.30am to 12.30pm Rhyme Time 10am Mundijong Public Library 21	22	Opera at the Mill Jarrahdale 4.30pm 23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31



Serpentine Jarrahdale is home to many exciting regional events, courses and community groups. Use the SJ & CRC Event Calendar to find out how you can be involved.

For further information about events happening in the community, please head to the [SJ Shire website](http://www.sjshire.com.au).

If you have an event that you would like included in the SJ Shire online calendar, please use the [online booking form here](#).



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BRING ON THE MUSIC

A Choir in the SJ Shire for children aged between of 7 to 11 years old will begin on March 6th at Eton Farm Education in Serpentine.

We are keen to offer a chance for children to come together and sing. The initiative has come from a few children who, during the Christmas holidays, attended a Summer School with the Choir Director Angela Currie and loved it!

We are excited that we have secured the services of Angela Currie as our Choir Director. Angela is a has held many posts as a Director of Music in Scotland and is currently organist and piano tutor at Wesley College, Perth, Director of Music and Organist to Wesley Uniting Church in the City of Perth.

As a freelance musician she has been involved with Choral projects at Dwellingup Primary School, with MADV (Men against Domestic Violence Choir) in Bunbury as well as leading organist workshops. She has previously worked at All Saints' College in Bullcreek where she was the Director of the 'Voices' (year 7 and 8) choir and within a few years expanded this choir from 9 members to 30 members. Under her direction this choir achieved great success and was placed first at the Fremantle Eisteddfod in 2017, achieving 97%.

We want as many children as possible to be involved, so the weekly rehearsals will be at a very low cost.

The Heritage Country have given initial start-up funds to make this possible and we are hoping to gain financial support from the Serpentine Jarrahdale Shire. We have performances planned already at the Eton Farm Fair in April and SJ Food and Farm Fest in May.

It is widely known that singing has many benefits for children. Helping with self-confidence, socialisation,

engaging different parts of the brain and many mental health benefits.

A quote by Doreen Rao in her book Choral Music Experience states:

"Choral music experience is a possibility for every child, not only the gifted and talented. Performing choral music engages children of every intellectual capacity".

We hope that we can offer this positive experience to as many children as possible and, in the future, start a Youth choir.

If you would like more information please contact Mary McKay-Walton on mary@etonfarmeducation.com.au / 0409083324 or Josie Cudmore on Jo_Kentish@hotmail.com / 0400 099 660.



Are you a community person - Do you like to volunteer your time

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Coaching sessions are available for primary school aged children which is carried out by Max Andersen every Wednesday afternoon 3.30pm to 4.30pm.

The courts are also available for hire by any members of the Byford Community at any other time of the week. To hire (at no charge during 2019 daytimes), call - **Jenny 0402 441 408**

The Club is hoping to have the courts resurfaced in the very near future and are in the process of applying for grants from the S J Shire to make this happen. Alyssa Hayden MLA has been assisting with this process as well.

Secretary
Byford Tennis Club



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Serpentine Valley Website

Make sure you check out the Upcoming Events section on the Serpentine Valley Website. Click on View All for the full listing, then click on the individual listings for more information.

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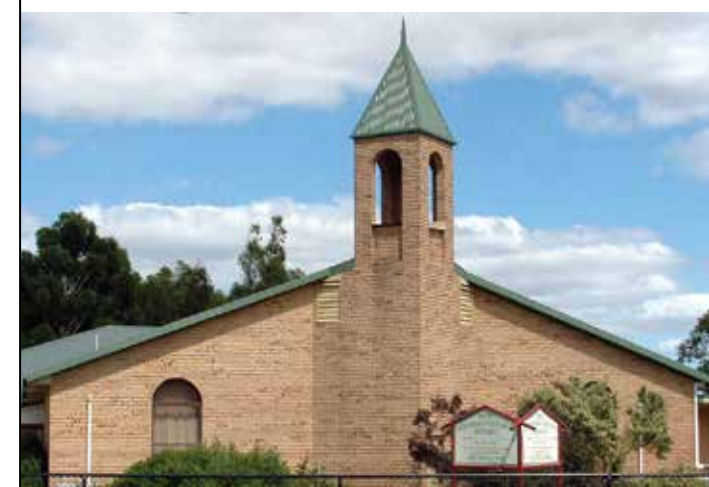
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Sunday Morning Service 9.30am
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For more information please phone
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PLANNING AN EVENT, BUT NEED A VENUE?

Did you know that the SJ CRC has the perfect facilities to house your next event?

Whether it is an informal community group meeting, special occasion or a professionally delivered educational workshop, we have a space to suit!

To book, inquire about our rates or if you have any questions, please contact the friendly CRC team at our contact details below!

FUNCTION ROOM

- Comfortably seats 100
- Multifunctional space that may be used for social and corporate events, workshops and functions
- Projector plus 3x3m screen and sound system
- Tables and chairs available

IT TRAINING ROOM

- Private room for use for small workshops or team professional development
- 11 computers, plus one trainers computer
- Internet access
- Whiteboard
- Projector and screen
- Desks and office style chairs

ALFRESCO AREA

- Fantastic meeting place for casual community group and club meetings in the warmer months
- Chairs and tables arranged as required for your group
- Shaded area
- Coffee machine available for use upon request

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

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Fire	000
Police	000
Police Assistance/Attendance (when it is not an emergency)	13 14 44
State Emergency	13 25 00
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Water Faults	13 13 75
Electric Faults	13 13 51
Gas Emergency	13 13 52
Kids Helpline	1800 073 008
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Beyond Blue	1300 224 636
National Security Hotline	1800 123 400
Health Direct	1800 022 222
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