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If you wish to stay anonymous, you can put your contribution in an envelope, write Bush Telegraph on the front and drop it in the red mailbox at the Shire Administration building.

# <u>Feedback</u>

Tell us what you liked, what you didn't like, what could be improved and what you like to see.	

Cut out and drop your feedback from in the Shire office at Reception or email to administration@sandstone.wa.gov.au



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# SHIRE NEWS

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### From the Desk of the CEO

"Winter is coming", a phrase made famous by the TV Show "Game of Thrones", but equally true in real life.

Currently the days are still as good as ever, but there's a chill in the morning and evening that's seen me break out my singlets.

### **Differential Rating**

April Council meeting saw the start of the budgeting process with Council adopting its differential rate in the Dollar for the 23/24 financial years' rates.

These rates will now be advertised and any objections can be lodged at the Shire office. A copy of Council rating strategy "Objects and Reasons" is available by contacting the office.

#### **Roads Construction & Roads Maintenance Crews**

Council also agreed to a roster system for our Road Maintenance and Road Construction crew which will commence on May 10<sup>th</sup> with a 6 on 1 off, 6 on 8 off roster.

### Fees and charges.

Council also agreed that Council's policy be amended for the resale of gas bottles making the price of a 45kg bottle \$210.79 and an 8.5Kg bottle \$37.50.

### **ANZAC**

Another well attended service was held with Councils' ANZAC Mural on display. Stage I on the renovations to the area have been completed with the paving put in place. Stage II will be the removal and leveling on the lawned area with new lawn planted at the optimum time.

#### **Town Hall**

Renovations to the town hall ceiling have also commenced with the removal of the old ceiling. The new ceiling will be installed before the end of May.

#### Common Phrases to ponder over.

The phrase "there are two sides to every story" is often used to acknowledge that there may be differing perspectives or interpretations of a given situation or event.

In the context of a relationship, this phrase suggests that each person involved may have their own version of events, feelings and experiences.

It's amazing the number of people that only listen to one side.

### **CHARLIE BROWN**

Chief Executive Officer



# SHIRE NEWS

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### **Position Vacant**

# **Administration / Payroll Officer**

An exciting opportunity exists for a suitable, pro-active, and solution focused applicant, with a high level of confidentiality, to join the Shire of Sandstone as a full-time Administration Officer.

This pro-active internal and external customer focused role reports directly to the Deputy Chief Executive Officer and is a permanent position based in Sandstone, WA.

The position focusses mainly on Payroll, Records Management and Customer Service.

The Shire of Sandstone is about a 7.5-hour drive from Perth and even though we are a small community, we made fame on "The Project" as Australia's big, small town!

We recognise the need to attract the right person to this role and are offering a remuneration package with an indicative salary of Level 2 of the Local Government Officer's Award - \$67,000 to \$72,280, depending on experience and qualifications. This package is inclusive of Council's 45% over-award payment.

We also offer one of the best superannuation packages available in addition to many other benefits including free housing, additional annual leave, and a generous retention/attraction scheme.

Applications, including your resume and cover letter, are to be marked "Private and Confidential" and either emailed to Charlie Brown, ceo@sandstone.wa.gov.au, or posted to:

Shire of Sandstone, Hack Street, Sandstone WA 6639.

Applications close at 5:00PM Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

Charlie Brown CEO





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## **GRADER OPERATOR/ GENERAL HAND**

Up to \$106,000 Plus benefits

Do you enjoy working outdoors in a flexible team environment and have an affinity for a welcoming and relaxed regional lifestyle?

We require a Grader Operator/General Hand.

To be considered you **MUST** have a valid HR licence, and previous Grader Operation experience.

This position will include operation of major plant items to assist with the construction and maintenance of Council's infrastructure and assets.

Employment conditions are in accordance with the Municipal Employee Award 2021 (WA), with a salary 45% above award rates, plus allowances.

Council's works crew operate on a roster system of 6 on 1 off 6 on 8 off.

Council maintains a smoke free working environment.

Rent free housing, subsidised utilities, additional annual leave benefits, and other attractive allowances and employment conditions are on offer.

Sandstone is an ideal town for families looking for a change of pace with School of the Air available.

Applications including a resume and cover letter should be directed to <a href="mailto:reception@sandstone.wa.gov.au">reception@sandstone.wa.gov.au</a>

Further information regarding the position can be sought from the Works Supervisor, Brian Haggarty, on 0457 993 008.

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Charlie Brown
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### NOTICE OF INTENTION TO LEVY DIFFERENTIAL RATES

Pursuant to 6.36 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, Notice is hereby given to ratepayers of the intention by the Shire of Sandstone to levy the following differential rates for the 2023/2024 Rating Year

### **General Rates**

GRV Townsite (Residential/ Commercial)	\$0.069085
GRV Mining/ Transient Workforce Accommodation	\$0.390781
UV Pastoral	\$0.064000
UV Mining	\$0.282521

### **Minimum Payments**

GRV Residential/ Commercial	\$200.00
GRV Mining & Transient Workforce Facilities	\$200.00
UV Pastoral	\$400.00
UV Mining	\$400.00

All submissions in writing with reference to the proposed differential rates or minimum payments should be forwarded to the Shire of Sandstone by 4pm on Tuesday 6 June 2023.

Once the Council has considered the submissions, the differential rates and minimum payments (with or without modification) will be adopted by Council.

The objects of and reasons for, each proposed rate and minimum payment can be inspected at the Shire Administration office at 23 Hack Street, Sandstone, between 8.30am and 4.00pm on any working day.

Should you require any further information regarding the above please contact Charlie Brown on 9963 5802.

### **Charlie Brown**

Chief Executive Officer



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# **Council meeting dates 2023**

May 25<sup>th</sup>

June 22<sup>nd</sup>

July 27<sup>th</sup>

August 24<sup>th</sup>

September 28<sup>th</sup>

October 26<sup>th</sup>

November 23<sup>rd</sup>

December 14<sup>th</sup>

Meetings commence at 1:00pm in Council Chambers located at the rear of the Shire Administration Centre

Meetings are open to the public

The Environmental Health Officer for the Shire of Sandstone is Dave Hadden.

Dave's contact details are: Principal EHO/Building Surveyor

Shires of Leonora, Laverton, Menzies & Sandstone

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# **Price Notice**

Please note change in price for gas bottles, as per Council Resolution #28/23, Ordinary Council meeting held 27th April 2023:

45kg bottle of gas is now \$210.50

and

9kg bottle of gas is now \$37.50

# MEEKATHARRA DENTAL CLINIC AND MOBILE – TRAVEL DATES FOR 2023 BASE IS MOUNT HENRY DENTAL CLINIC

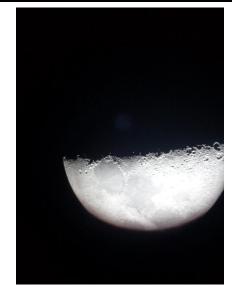
Meekatharra	1 – 10 February	
Mount Magnet	22 February – 3 March	
Cue	22 March – 31 March	
Meekatharra	26 April – 5 May	
Mt Magnet Sandstone	22 May – 28 May 29 May – 2 June	
Meekatharra	21 June – 30 June	
Yalgoo	19 July – 28 July	
Mt Magnet	16 August – 25 August	
Meekatharra	13 September – 22 September	
Mt Magnet	11 October – 20 October	
Meekatharra	8 November – 17 November	
Mount Magnet	6 December – 15 December	

### **Murchison Dental Team Clinic Contact Numbers**

Meekatharra	9981 0640 0427 386 647
Yalgoo Primary School	9962 8029
Mt Magnet, Cue, Sandstone	0427 386 647















## **ANZAC Day**

Every year, on the 25<sup>th</sup> of April, we commemorate the Australian and New Zealand victims of war and we recognise the role of their armed forces. It marks the first major military action fought by Australian and New Zealand forces during the First World War which was the ANZACs landing on the Gallipoli Peninsula in 1915.

It was good to see a lot of people come together to commemorate the ANZAC's on Tuesday, where we all stood as one in silence, remembering the fallen who fought for our freedoms.

Thank you to those who provided a lovely morning tea.













# **ANZAC Day**

A gathering of around 45 people attended the Sandstone ANZAC Service, to pay their respects to all Service Personnel who sacrificed their lives, to give us the freedom we enjoy today. May we honour them for generations to come.







# **Lest We Forget**

Following the service, morning tea was served in the old Council Chambers. Many thanks to those ladies who brought a delicious plate of food to share. Thank you also to Vickie McQuie, Margaret Duhig for reading a poem and Vic Taylor for raising the flag during the service.



Beth Walton Shire President

# 8<sup>th</sup> of May

Victory was celebrated in Europe on the  $8^{th}$  May 1945, after the Germans unconditionally surrendered on the  $7^{th}$  of May. The war was over.

A Transcript of the Official Surrender document can be found on the next page.

In Australia, the news of the victory in Europe was received very enthusiastically. The celebrations began at 4:30pm on Tuesday afternoon, the 8<sup>th</sup> May, when the news was passed through from Europe. In Sydney, office workers began throwing shredded paper out of their windows before leaving work. This paper storm lasted more than an hour, with mention made that the first paper came down from the Tax Office. One man hoped it was his personal tax file sacrificed for the nation's greater joy.

Crowds gathered in many public spaces such as Martin Place and by 11:00PM in Kings Cross, there were an estimated 15,000 people singing, chanting, dancing, kissing and banging pots and pans in the streets. Extra police were called in to help, which they did with good humour, as the exuberant crowds brought both vehicle and tram traffic in the city to a standstill. The celebration carried on until well after midnight and someone in high authority declared the next day to be a makeshift national public holiday. So on the Wednesday morning, despite the lack of public transport, large crowds made their way to open air thanksgiving services conducted in the nation's capitals, with 13,000 attending the one in Sydney's domain.

In Australia, there was still quite a tangible air of subdued reflection because the much closer war against the Japanese was still not over. Large numbers of servicemen were still on duty in the South-West Pacific and the east Indies and thousands of prisoners of war had yet to be released and repatriated. It would be several more months before a string of military defeats and two atomic bombs brought the Japanese to the negotiating table and the signing of the inevitable surrender documents in August 1945.



Source: https://www.anzacmemorial.nsw.gov.au/our-stories/our-stories/celebrating-victory-europe-8-may-1945 Picture: https://www.pexels.com/search/flanders%20fields%20poppy/

# 8<sup>th</sup> of May - Transcript

Only this text in English is authoritative

#### **ACT OF MILITARY SURRENDER**

- 1. We the undersigned, acting by authority of the German High Command, hereby surrender unconditionally to the Supreme Commander, Allied Expeditionary Forces and simultaneously to the Soviet High Command all forces on land, sea and in the air who are at this date under German control.
- 2. The German High Command will at once issue orders to all German military, naval and air authorties and to all forces under German control to cease active operations at 2301 hours Central European time on 8 May and to remain in the positions occupied at that time. No ship, vessel, or aircraft is to be scuttled, or any damage done to their hull, machinery or equipment.
- 3. The German High Command will at once issue to the appropriate commander, and ensure the carrying out of any further orders issued by the Supreme Commander, Allied Expeditionary Force and by the Soviet High Command.
- 4. This act of military surrender is without prejudice to, and will be superseded by any general instrument of surrender imposed by, or on behalf of the United Nations and applicable to GERMANY and the German armed forces as a whole.
- 5. In the event of the German High Command or any of the forces under their control failing to act in accordance with this Act of Surrender, the Supreme Commander, Allied Expeditionary Force and the Soviet High Command will take such punitive or other action as they deem appropriate.

Signed at RHEIMS at 0241 on the 7th day of May, 1945. France

On behalf of the German High Command. JODL

IN THE PRESENCE OF

On behalf of the Supreme Commander, Allied Expeditionary Force. W. B. SMITH

On behalf of the Soviet High Command SOUSLOPAROV

F SEVEZ Major General, French Army (Witness)

Source: https://www.archives.gov/milestone-documents/surrender-of-germany

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Solar Eclipse

Pictures submitted by Tegan

The Solar Eclipse on the 20<sup>th</sup> April was called the Ningaloo Eclipse and was a hybrid solar eclipse. This type of eclipse is a type of solar eclipse that looks like an annular solar eclipse or a total solar eclipse, depending on the observer's location along the central eclipse path.

During a hybrid solar eclipse, the Earth's curvature brings some sections of the eclipse path into the Moon's umbra, the darkest part of its shadow that creates total solar eclipses, while other areas remain outside the umbra's reach, causing an annular eclipse.

A hybrid eclipse is a rare type of solar eclipse (they happen roughly once per decade) and the reason why it is rare is because the Moon's and Sun's distance to Earth have to be just right.

A solar eclipse occurs when the moon's Shadow falls on the Earth. The shadow consists of three areas:

- The Moon's umbra, the shadow's dark central portion, causes total solar eclipse, where the Moon appears a little larger that the Sun and covers it completely.
- The penumbra, the lighter outer part of the shadow, creates partial solar eclipses. Here, the Moon obscures only part of the sun's disk
- The antumbra, a half-shadow that begins where the umbra ends, results in annular solar eclipses. During this type of eclipse, the Moon looks a little smaller than the Sun, so the edge of the Sun's disk remains visible around the Moon.

Did you know that an eclipse never comes alone? A solar eclipse always occurs about two weeks before or after a lunar eclipse.

Usually, there are two eclipses in a row, but other times, there are three during the same eclipse season.

This was the first eclipse this season. The second eclipse this season is on the 05<sup>th</sup> May.

Below some pictures taken by Tegan, at the Shire's Administration Building, giving us a glimpse of the solar eclipse.





### **Scorpions**

Pictures submitted by Jo

Did you know that scorpions glow? Scorpions are biofluorescent, which means their exoskeleton absorbs UV light and re-emits it at different wavelengths, giving the animal a remarkable greenish glow.

It is not known for certain why they glow, but there are a few theories floating around.

One theory states that the fluorescing reaction is incidental and serves no benefit to the animal.

Another theory is that the scorpion's biofluorescence makes their body a UV detection system, allowing them to detect and respond to changing light conditions that would otherwise leave them exposed to predators.

Other theories state that it might be a way for them to find a mate or that it's a warning to others that it's venomous.

Recent research has identified the presence of a fluorescing chemical in their exoskeleton, which has shown antifungal and ant-parasitic properties in other organisms.

Whatever the reason might be for their glow, it looks pretty amazing!





Source: https://museumsvictoria.com. au/article/glowing-animals-understanding-bioluminescence-and-biofluorescence/linearing-bioluminescence-and-biofluorescence/linearing-bioluminescence-and-biofluorescence/linearing-bioluminescence-and-biofluorescence/linearing-bioluminescence-and-biofluorescence-and-bi

# Music Quiz

Answers on page 20

1) The Culture club were I	known for singing abou	t what animal?	
A. Gecko	B. Lizard	C. Komodo Dragon	D. Chameleon
2) Take me down to the P	aradise City, hwre the g	grass is green and the girls a	re what?
A. Witty	B. Gritty	C. Pretty	D. Flirty
3) Spandau Ballet were na	amed after a prison. Wh	nere was it?	
A. Austria	B. Germany	C. Belgium	D. Liechtenstein
4) The music video for Da	vid Bowie's 1983 single	'Let's Dance' was filmed in	which country?
A. Papua New Guinea	B. Australia	C. New Zealand	D. Samoa
5) Robert Palmer asks you	ı to face it, you're addic	ted. But to what?	
A. Alcohol	B. Gambling	C. Danger	D. Love
6) Bruce Springsteen's 19	84 track 'Born in the US	'A' was a response to which	war?
A. Vietnam	B. World War II	C. Crimea	D. Korea
7) According to Kenny Log	ggins, you're on the high	nway to where?	
A. Hell	B. Denver, Colorado	C. Nowhere	D. The Danger Zone
8) What is the title of ZZ T	op's hit 1983 album?		
A. Exterminator	B. Afterburner	C. Eliminator	D. After thought
9) New Kids on the Block	sang 'I'll be loving you	.'?	
A. Never ever	B. Forever	C. Til it hurts	D. Tomorrow
10) In 1987, who became	the first woman induct	ed into the Rock and Roll Ha	ll of Fame?
A. Tina Turner	B. Aretha Frankl	in C. Etta James	D. LaVern Baker

### **Chuck Norris**

For those who don't know Chuck Norris, his full name is Carlos Ray "Chuck" Norris, born March 10, 1940.

He is an American martial artist with a black belt in Tang Soo do, Brazilian jui jutisu and judo. He is also an actor and a screen writer.

He served in the United States Air Force and won many martial arts championships and later founded his own discipline Chun Kuk do.

How did the Chuck Norris jokes start? This was in the summer of 2005 as a result of a thread on the SomethingAwful forum which was called "Post Your Vin Diesel Facts". After the thread died, a web page was made called the "Vin Diesel Fact Generator". When this website started to die out, the "Chuck Norris Fact Generator" was created.

Anyway, enough of the facts, lets get to the Chuck Norris jokes!

- 1. Chuck Norris' tears cure cancer. But he is so badass, he has never cried... Ever...
- 2. Chuck Norris does not sleep. He waits.
- 3. Chuck Norris is currently suing NBC, claiming Law and Order are trademarked names for his left and right legs.
- 4. The chief export of Chuck Norris is pain.
- 5. If you can see Chuck Norris, he can see you. If you can't see Chuck Norris, you may be only seconds away from death.
- 6. Chuck Norris has counted to infinity. Twice.
- 7. Chuck Norris does not hunt because the word hunting infers the probability of failure. Chuck Norris goes killing.
- 8. Chuck Norris doesn't wash his clothes, he disembowels them.
- 9. In fine print on the last page of the Guinness Book of World Records it notes that all world records are held by Chuck Norris, and those listed in the book are simply the closest anyone else has ever gotten.
- 10. There is no chin behind Chuck Norris' beard. There is only another fist.
- 11. Chuck Norris doesn't read books. He stares them down until he gets the information he wants.
- 12. Time waits for no man. Unless that man is Chuck Norris.
- 13. If you spell Chuck Norris in Scrabble, you win... Forever...

# **Chuck Norris Continued**

- 14. Chuck Norris breathes air ... five times a day.
- 15. When God said, "Let there be light!" Chuck Norris said, "Say Please."
- 16. Chuck Norris does not use spell check. If he happens to misspell a word, Oxford will change the spelling.
- 17. Chuck Norris can dribble a bowling ball.
- 18. Chuck Norris can speak Braille.
- 19. Chuck Norris stands faster than anyone can run.
- 20. Once a cobra bit Chuck Norris' leg. After five days of excruciating pain, the cobra died.



Source: https://www.quora.com/Where-did-the-Chuck-Norris-joke-phenomena-originate-from

Picture: https://unsplash.com/photos/

## **Food Funnies**

When was a noodle a piece of dough? In a pasta life.

Why shouldn't you tell an egg a joke? It might crack up.

Waffles are just pancakes with abs.

Bread puns happen when you yeast expect it.

What do you get from a pampered cow? Spoiled milk.

What happened to the two slices of bread that disappeared in the middle of the night? Turns out they e-loafed.

She believed she could. Sushi did.

Becoming a vegetarian is a huge missed steak.

Why did the tomato blush? Because it saw the salad dressing.

What do you call cheese that is not yours? Nacho cheese.

Did you hear about the restaurant on the moon? Great food, no atmosphere.

Have you heard about the butter? Butter not tell you, it might spread.

Every morning I think I'll make pancakes, but I keep waffling.

The chemist who specializes in making soda is called a fizzy-cist.

What do you call a fake noodle? An impasta.

Why did the skeleton go to the barbecue? To get another rib.

Laugh hard and avo good day!



# Malva Pudding

## **Ingredients:**

- 6 1/2 ounces sugar (3/4 cup, 200 ml, or 180 g) 2 large eggs
- 1 tablespoon apricot jam
- 5 ounces all-purpose flour (150 g)
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1 tablespoon butter (a generous tablespoon) 1 teaspoon vinegar
- 1/3 cup milk

### Method:

- Beat or whip the sugar and eggs. It's quickest in a food processor, or use electric beaters. Beat until thick and lemon coloured, then add the jelly (jam) and mix through.
- Melt the butter (don't boil) and add the butter and vinegar to the wet mixture.
- Sieve, or simply mix together: the flour, soda and salt. Add this mixture with the milk to the egg mixture in the processor or mixing bowl.

  Beat well.
- Pour into an oven-proof dish and bake until pudding is brown and well-risen -- depending on your oven and oven dish this will be between 30 45 minutes. (Mine was done in 30 minutes this time).

### For the sauce

3/4 cup fresh cream (200 ml)

3 1/2 ounces butter (100 g)

3 -5 ounces sugar (90 - 150 g) 1/3 cup hot water (90 ml)

2 teaspoons vanilla essence

### **Directions:**

In a pot, melt together the ingredients for the sauce, and stir well.

Pour it over the pudding as soon as it comes out of the oven.

Leave to stand awhile before serving.

Serve warm.

Picture: https://www.196flavors.com/malva-pudding/

# **Music Quiz Answers**

- 1) D. Chameleon
- 2) C. Pretty
- 3) B. Germany
- 4) B. Australia
- 5) D. Love
- 6) A. Vietnam
- 7) D. The Danger Zone
- 8) C. Eliminator
- 9) B. Forever
- 10) B. Aretha Franklin

This little cutie was snapped by Bobbie



# **Sandstone Pictures**



The Neighbourhood python waiting to be let in - Submitted by Jo





An old dog tag found by Tegan It reads: 12 Blackrange Roads Board dog license of Western Australia 1908

Shadow-play on the pavement - Submitted by Tegan



# SHORT STORY PRIZE

# **Invitation to all Midwest Writers**

Explore your imagination and showcase your talent by creating a short story using a theme of your choice.

Enter for your chance to win \$500, plus VIP access to Festival Events!

# **ENTRY IS FREE**

19 April 2023

ENTRIES CLOSE 14 July 2023

For more details on how to enter please visit www.library.cgg.wa.gov.au/bigsky









# SHORT STORY PRIZE ENTRY FORM

Name:	
Address:	
Phone:	Email:
Title of Story:	Word Count:
I advise that my entry is my own work and has not been p permission for my work to be included in the Geraldton Re	ublished previously. Should my entry be deemed the winning entry, I provide my egional Library collection, including being uploaded to the online catalogue.
Signed:	Dated:
Do not include your name on your entry, only the title of your submit by mail (Big Sky Short Story Prize, Geraldton Re Contact Trudi Cornish, Ph: 9956 6659 for any further que	our work. Email your story and completed entry form to council@cgg.wa.gov.au gional Library, PO Box 101, Geraldton WA 6531). ries.

### TERMS AND CONDITION

- . Open to people aged 18 years plus from across the Midwest.
- Opens Wednesday 19 April, closes 4pm Friday 14 July 2023. No late entries accepted.
- Length Maximum of 3,000 words.
- Entry is free. Maximum of three entries per person. Each entry must be accompanied by a completed entry form.
- No responsibility is accepted for lost, delayed or late entries.
- Shortlisted entries announced Wednesday & September 2023.
- Entries will not be returned.
- Winners announced Thursday 28 September 2023.
- Winner: Cash prize of \$500, VIP access to Festival Events, Story accessioned into Library, Published online via Library Catalogue, Certificate.
- Runner-Up: VIP access to Festival Events, Story accessioned into Library, Published online via Library Catalogue, Certificate.
- · Highly Commended: Certificate.
- Employees of the CGG and their direct family members are not eligible to enter this competition.
- · Entries must be unpublished and in English.
- The entry is written with a mature or adult audience in mind.
- Format must be typed 1.5 line spacing, 12 point font, no contact/name on actual work, only on entry form.







# Being waterwise in the Murchison region

Your water supply has recently been upgraded, so you can expect to notice a difference every time you turn on the tap.

Our water is a valuable resource and we can all do our bit to use it wisely. Now is a great time to pick up some new water saving habits or brush up on your old ones.



### Use the half flush

Only flush toilet paper, pee and poo down the loo.

# Aim for a 4-minute shower

Use a shower timer or 4-minute song to time your showers.

### Only wash with a full load

Reducing your washing by just one load a week will save up to 50 litres of water.

### Running taps waste water

Fill a water bottle to keep in the fridge.

To help

To help you save water in your home, we currently have Showerhead Swap and Plumbing Service offers available for a limited time – offers end 1 May 2023.

T&Cs apply.

Q Search waterwise offers at watercorporation.com.au

For more water saving tips visit watercorporation.com.au



# Social Lawn Bowls Sandstone Community Rec Centre

# All welcome



# Come and join in

Dates for May 2023

Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> &
Saturday 20<sup>th</sup>

Starting time — 1pm

Bowls are available if you don't have your own

# **Sandstone Community Craft Group**

Our group meets Tuesdays and Fridays from 10am to 2:30pm in the Sandstone Community Hall, Hack Street, from April to October, primarily to Knit/ Crochet (and all other types of craft) for Charity.

Came along and learn new skills or pick up old ones. Free and easy patterns are available and we have some donated wool. Needles and hooks are also available to get you started.





Bring your own project or if Knitting and Crocheting isn't your forte but Needlework, Tapestry, etc. is, still come along and join us for the day.

Tea and coffee will be proved. Bring a small plate for morning tea / light lunch to share.

All are welcome (c)



For further information, please feel free to contact Karan on **0418 905 090**.





# **Sandstone Community Bus**

travels to Mount Magnet for Shire business

The bus leaves from the Shire Office at **10:00 am** and from Mount Magnet at **1.30 pm** for the return trip home.

The Community Bus is a free service provided by the Shire

Limited seats are available and bookings are essential

Please book your seat by visiting the Shire Office in person or by phoning (08) 9963 5802

The next trips will be Wednesday

3<sup>rd</sup> May

17<sup>th</sup> May

and

31<sup>st</sup> May





# The Sandstone Bush Fire Brigade is looking for volunteers

Meetings are held regularly at the Bush Fire Brigade Station Lot 73, Rowe Street

New volunteers are needed or anyone willing to lend a hand and participate if required.

For more information, please call

Joanne Brown—Secretary 0403 819 245





IRVINE ST SANDSTONE

Nurse - Lana Lefroy 9963 5808 or 9963 5831



Before attending the nursing post on Doctor days, please contact Lana to make an appointment.

Lana can be contacted at home on 08 9963 5831 or at the nursing post on Thursdays on 08 9963 5808

# Thank You

# **Sandstone Physiotherapy Visiting Dates 2023**

February	13 <sup>th</sup>
April	11 <sup>th</sup>
June	12 <sup>th</sup>
August	14 <sup>th</sup>
October	9 <sup>th</sup>
December	11 <sup>th</sup>

The Physio is currently provided via Telehealth

To make an appointment, please phone Geraldton Physiotherapy Reception

08 9956 2204



IRVINE ST SANDSTONE
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# Meekatharra RFDS Flying clinics 2023

### **February**

Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Paynes Find/Yalgoo	Dr Di Comely
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Sandstone	Dr Di Comely
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Yalgoo	Dr Phil King
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Sandstone	Dr Phil King

### March

Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Paynes Find/Yalgoo	Dr Di Comely
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Sandstone	Dr Di Comely
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Yalgoo	Dr Phil King
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Sandstone	Dr Phil King

### April

Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Paynes Find/Yalgoo	Dr Di Comely
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Sandstone	Dr Di Comely
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Yalgoo	Dr Phil King
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Sandstone	<b>Dr Phil King</b>

### May

Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Paynes Find/Yalgoo	Dr Di Comely
Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Sandstone	Dr Di Comely
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Yalgoo	Dr Phil King
Thursday 18th <sup>th</sup>	Sandstone	<b>Dr Phil King</b>
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup>	Paynes Find/Yalgoo	Dr Di Comely

### June

Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup>	Sandstone	Dr Di Comely
Wednesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Yalgoo	Dr Phil King
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Sandstone	Dr Phil King
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Paynes Find/Yalgoo	Dr Di Comely
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Sandstone	Dr Di Comely



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Nurse - Lana Lefroy 9963 5808 or 9963 5831



# Health Services

# Wiluna Medical Services Available

The following medical services are available from visiting specialists through the Wiluna Medical Centre.

These services are provided free of charge to Sandstone residents and the travelling public.

To make an appointment with visiting specialists, contact Wiluna Medical Centre on (08) 9981 8600

Dentist (Monthly)
Gynaecologist
Audiologist
Ear, Nose and Throat (ENT)

# **Mount Magnet Medical Services**

Ph for appointment with the GP (08) 9940 3222

**Specialist & Allied Health** 

### **Services include:**

- Cardiologist
- Sonographer
- Respiratory Physician
- Clinical Nurse Specialist
- General Physician
- Dietician
- Diabetes Education
- Podiatrist
- Audiologist
- Physiotherapy
- Renal Education
- Palliative Support Team

# How do I see a visiting specialist?

To see the visiting specialists at Murchison Outreach Service (Mt Magnet) you must see the GP who will refer you to the appropriate specialist.

Need to know more? Contact our Specialist Clerk or specialist Nurse for further information on



Irvine St Sandstone Nurse - Lana Lefroy 9963 5808 or 9963 5831



# **Health Services**

### **TELEPHONE HELP LINES**

## **Mental Health Emergency Response Line**

(formerly Psychiatric Emergency Team)

Perth WA 6000 Tel: 08 9224 8888

### RuralLink

Tel: 1800 552 002

4:30pm - 8:30am weeknights

24 hours on weekends and public holidays

Emergency Number Royal Flying Doctor Service

1800 625 800

# Police, Fire and Ambulance Dial 000

Sandstone is a remote township which currently has NO EMERGENCY MEDICAL HEALTH SERVICE

If you require **EMERGENCY MEDICAL ASSISTANCE** dial **1800 625 800** 

This will put you in contact with the **Royal Flying Doctor Service**, who will provide immediate advice to you.

### SANDSTONE NURSING POST

Irvine Street, Sandstone RFDS Doctor in attendance every second week 9:00am - 11:30am.

Nurse in attendance until 4:00pm

Nurse in attendance every Thursday 9:00am - 4:00pm

Phone Number (08) 9963 5808 After Hours (08) 9963 5831 Contact person Lana Lefroy

Should you be traveling and require medical assistance, 24 hour / 7 day services are provided at :

### **MOUNT MAGNET NURSING POST**

Corner of Criddle and Welcome Street, Mt Magnet Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:00pm. Closed for lunch

Staff on call for emergencies (08) 9963 3100

### **MEEKATHARRA HOSPITAL**

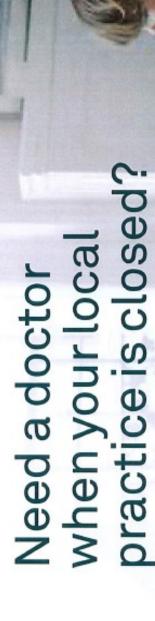
Savage Street, Meekatharra

24hour casualty service (08) 9961 0600



When we are stressed, tired, and focused on daily challenges, it's easy to lose touch with friends and family. Try to maintain regular contact with lowed ones, join like-minded communities, or reconnect with friends. Staying social can help you feel less alone and maintain important relationships in your life.

Learn ways to look after you at thinkmentalhealthwa.com.au



Access to doctors after hours and all public holidays by phone or video in rural WA\*

# 1800 CALL A DOC (1800 225 523)

\* This after hours service is available to specific postcodes in rural WA and is available 24/7 in some areas, to check your eligibility visit 1800calladoc.com.au or call 1800CallADoc to see if your area is eligible for the 24/7 service.

# Consult with a doctor when yours is unavailable

Consult with an experienced Australian based doctor after hours via phone or video from the comfort of your own home



Call 1800 CALL A DOC (1800 225 523)



Book your appointment
We will confirm if a doctor can help



A doctor will call you back Within 1 hour

Doctor advice, diagnosis and treatment\*

Prescriptions sent to your local pharmacy\*

Medical certificates\*

Care summary shared with your local GP with your consent

visit 1800calladoc.com.au or call 1800CallADoc. After hours refers to Monday to Friday 18:00 – 08:00, Saturday 12:00 – 24:00 and This after hours service is available to specific postcodes in rural WA and is available 24/7 in some areas, to check your eligibility Sundays and all day public holidays.

The 1800 Call A Doc service has been made possible by WA Primary Health Alliance through funding provided by the Australian Government under the PHN Program.

**1800 CALL A DOC** 

WA Primary
Health Alliance



In case of emergency, call 000. "Where appropriate as determined by HealthNow.



Grief & Loss

It's incredibly hard to lose someone you love.

Please know you are not alone.

There are things you can do and people you can turn to if you're finding it hard to cope.

- Know that it's okay to feel the things you're feeling.
- Look after yourself. Make sure you're eating well, exercising and getting enough sleep.
- Check on your mates and family. This can help you and them feel less alone.
- Remember the good stuff. Honour and celebrate the person in a way that's right for you.

For more support, visit a service or give someone a call:

Your local Mental Health Service: 1800 051 999

Headspace Geraldton (12 - 25 years): 9943 8111

Lifeline: 13 11 14

Beyond Blue: 1300 22 4636



# PUBLIC NOTICES

Pastoralists and D.E.C. in Sandstone and surrounding Shires have an ongoing wild dog bait programme.

## Baits are on the ground ALL year round



Dogs are **NOT PERMITTED** on a pastoral lease unless permission has been given

To avoid being penalised all dogs and cats must be kept in your yard **OR** on a leash at all times.

Please clean up after your dog!!!!!

All dogs **must** be registered.

If your dog is not registered or you are unsure, please contact the Shire office.

Dog registrations are due at the end of October each year.



#### Directory of Services to Sandstone



- Construction & Maintenance of all Power Systems
- Licensed Shotfirer
- HV and LV Cable Jointing
- · Crane/Borer and Pole Jinker Hire
- Elevated Work Platform
- Switching Operator
- Tree Lopping
- All Electrical Applications
   (Domestic / Commercial / Industrial)

JPB Contracting

Paul (Scruffy)
Bennett

Ph: 0427 841 888



YOU MUST CONTACT THE SHIRE OF SANDSTONE PRIOR TO DISPOSAL OF ANY ASBESTOS MATERIALS

Phone (08) 9963 5802 Mondays - Fridays 8:30 - 4:00pm

BE TAKEN FOR NON-COMPLIANCE

IF YOU REQUIRE THE
SERVICES OF A
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
PLEASE CALL
MARGARET DUHIG ON
0412 652 835 FOR AN
APPOINTMENT.
THIS IS A FREE AND
CONFIDENTIAL
SERVICE.



Please note this is NOT a service provided at the Shire of Sandstone so please call for an appointment.

**Westcoast Seafood** 

Email: stan@westcoastseafood.com.au

### Directory of Services to Sandstone



PL9934 | GF6916 | BF7329

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# **Community Bulletin Board**



#### **Ordinary Meeting of Council**

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council is Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2023 from 1:00pm in Council Chambers

When prepared, the Agenda can be viewed online at www.sandstone.wa.gov.au or at the Sandstone Library



# Heritage Museum & Visitor Centre

Is now Open



# **Community Bulletin Board**

#### **Useful Sandstone Telephone Numbers**

Mt Magnet Police	08 9963 3222
National Hotel	08 9963 5801
Main Roads - Road Conditions (24 Hr Customer Contact Centre)	13 81 38
Justice of the Peace	0412 652 835
Sandstone Nursing Post	08 9963 5808
Alice Atkinson Caravan Park	08 9963 5859
Sandstone Museum & Visitor Information Centre	08 9963 5061
Shire of Sandstone Office & Post Office	08 9963 5802

#### **ROTARY CLUB**

We are the very first Rotary Club that is based purely online in WA. This enables people living in remote/regional areas the option to still provide a service to their local community by joining Rotary E club of E.WA.

It's a new and vital Rotary Experience.

We meet via online webinars and the use of Facebook, both open to the public and private sessions.

Name: E-WA Rotary Address: www.ewarotary.org.au

www.facebook.com/ewarotary Ph 0408 802 490

Community Group Name:

E-WA Rotary—Kerry O'Shea rotaryewa@gmail.com

We'd love to hear from you :)

# **Community Bulletin Board**

#### **Mount Magnet Post & Lotteries**

Gifts, cards, stationery, art supplies.
Passport photos and much more
Drop in and browse

Check out the website www.mtmagnetpost.com

# Sandstone Library is located within the Shire Administration Building Monday - Friday 8.30am - 4.30pm

- Interlibrary Loans
- Audio Books
- Internet access
- DVDs
- Fiction and non Fiction books



Looking for Gold? Want to Prospect near Sandstone?

Please contact the
Department of Mines and Petroleum,
Cnr Hepburn and Richardson Streets,
Mount Magnet

Telephone Fax

(08) 9963 4509

(08) 9963 4488

If you have a story, photo, birthday, or something else you would like to see in the Bush Telegraph, please email the Shire Office at

reception@sandstone.wa.gov.au



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#### **Community Feedback**

If you have any ideas that could benefit our community, please feel free to let us know, whether it' activities, workshops or something you would like to see in the near future.						

# Do you know where the DEFIBRILATORS are in town?

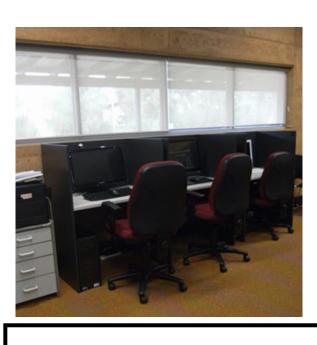
They can be found at the following locations:

- 1. Shire Administration Office.
- 2. The Caravan Park Office.
- 3. The Sandstone National Hotel.

Please take note of their location—just in case!

# May 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 Bus to Mt Magnet	4 Doctor's Clinic	5	6 Bowls
7	8	9	10	11 Nurse's Clinic	12 Shire RDO	13
14	15	16	17 Bus to Mt Magnet	18 Doctor's Clinic	19	<b>20</b> Bowls
21	22	23	24	25 Council  Nurse's Clinic	26 Shire RDO	27
28	29	30	31 Bus to Mt Magnet			



Internet access is available at Sandstone Library in the Shire Administration Building using our computers

> Monday - Friday 8.30am - 4.30pm

Please note: We don't have public WIFI

If you would like your event to appear on the Community Planner please contact the Shire of Sandstone - Phone: 08 9963 5802 Email: reception@sandstone.wa.gov.au