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# **BUSH TELEGRAPH**

September 2023 Edition



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# SHIRE NEWS

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## From the Desk of the CEO

### August Council Meeting

The August meeting was relatively quiet, with Council reviewing policies as required under the *Local Government Act 1995*. Council's policy manual comprises 6 sections and Council will review one section each month until the biennial review is complete.

Council have also commenced the recruitment process for a new Chief Executive Officer with my resignation coming into effect on the 17<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

### Tidy Towns

A big thank you to all those who expressed interest in joining this committee and we now know that the judging will take place in late September.

### Bin Stickers.

A thank you to Tegan and Kim for submitting some samples of what we could have on our bins in the near future.

Watch out for these.

### Elections

The annual elections of Councillors takes place on the 21<sup>st</sup> October this year should an election be required.

Nominations open on the 31<sup>st</sup> August and close at 4PM on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September. Interested Candidates should contact Kim Moon who has been appointed returning officer for these elections.

### Industrial Land

We are currently going through a process with the Department of Planning and lands to open an area for Industrial Land Use.

As this progresses more information will be provided.

**CHARLIE BROWN**

Chief Executive Officer





# SHIRE NEWS

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## Council meeting dates 2023

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

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

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

**Mobile 0483 350 133**

**Email [eho@mtmagnet.wa.gov.au](mailto:eho@mtmagnet.wa.gov.au)**



## POSTAL ELECTION TIMETABLE 2023 Local Government Ordinary Election

Days to Polling Day	Day	Date	Local Government Act	References to Act / Regs
80	Wed	2/08/2023	Last day for declaration to have the Electoral Commissioner conduct a postal election.  A decision made to conduct the election as a postal election cannot be rescinded after the 80th day.	LGA 4.20(2)(3)(4)  LGA 4.61(5)
77	Sat	5/08/2023	Electoral Commissioner to appoint a person to be the Returning Officer of the Local Government for the election.	LGA 4.20(4)
77 to	Sat to	5/08/2023 to	Between the 77th / 63rd day the CEO is to give Statewide public notice of the time and date of close of enrolments.	LGA 4.39(2)
63	Sat	19/08/2023	<b>* Preferred date: Wednesday 9 August 2023</b>	
63	Sat	19/08/2023	Last day for the CEO to advise the Electoral Commissioner of the need to prepare a residents roll.  Advertising may begin for nominations from 63 days and no later than 52 days before election day.  <b>* Preferred date: Wednesday 23 August 2023</b>	LGA 4.40(1)  LGA 4.47(1)
57	Fri	<b>25/08/2023</b>	<b>Roll Close</b> Close roll 5.00 pm.	LGA 4.39(1)
52	Wed	30/08/2023	Last day for advertisement to be placed calling for nominations.	LGA 4.47(1)
51	Thu	<b>31/08/2023</b>	<b>Nominations Open</b> First day for candidates to lodge completed nomination paper, in the prescribed form, with the Returning Officer. Nominations period is open for 8 days.	LGA 4.49(a)
45	Wed	6/09/2023	If a candidate's nomination is withdrawn not later than 4.00 pm on the 45th day before election day, the candidate's deposit is to be refunded.	Reg. 27(5)
44	Thu	<b>7/09/2023</b>	<b>Close of Nominations</b> 4.00 pm on the 44th day before election day.	LGA 4.49(a)
43	Fri	8/09/2023	Last day for the CEO to prepare and certify an owners and occupiers roll for the election. Last day for the Electoral Commissioner to prepare and certify a residents roll.	LGA 4.41(1) LGA 4.40(2)
36	Fri	15/09/2023	Commencement of lodgement of <b>Country</b> Local Government District election packages with Australia Post. Delivery dependent on normal Australia Post standards.	
31	Wed	20/09/2023	Commencement of lodgement of <b>Metropolitan</b> Local Government District election packages with Australia Post. Delivery dependent on normal Australia Post standards.	
29	Fri	22/09/2023	The preparation of any consolidated roll under subregulation (1) be completed on or before 29th day before election day.	Reg. 18(2)
26	Mon	25/09/2023	<b>Public Holiday</b>  Last day for the Returning Officer to give Statewide public notice of the election.  <b>* Preferred date: Wednesday 20 September 2023</b>	LGA 4.64(1)
19	Mon	2/10/2023	Commence processing returned election packages.	
0	Sat	<b>21/10/2023</b>	<b>ELECTION DAY - Close of poll 6.00 pm</b>	LGA 4.7
Post Election Day	Day	Date	Post Declaration	References to Act / Regs
5	Thu	26/10/2023	<b>Notice of Election Result</b>	LGA 4.77
16	Mon	6/11/2023	Report to Minister. The report relating to an election under section 4.79 is to be provided to the Minister within 14 days after the declaration of the result of the election.	Reg. 81
30	Mon	20/11/2023	An invalidity complaint is to be made to a Court of Disputed Returns, constituted by a magistrate, but can only be made within 28 days after notice is given of the result of the election.	LGA 4.81(1)





## SHIRE OF SANDSTONE

SERVE THE PEOPLE

### LOCAL GOVERNMENT ORDINARY ELECTION CALL FOR NOMINATIONS Shire of Sandstone

An Ordinary Postal Election will be held on Saturday, 21 October 2023 in the Shire of Sandstone to fill the following vacancies:

<b>District</b>	<b>3 Councillors</b>	<b>4 year terms</b>
<b>District</b>	<b>1 Councillors</b>	<b>2 year term</b>

**Nominations Open** on Thursday, 31 August 2023

**Nominations Close** at 4:00pm Thursday, 7 September 2023

Nominations must be lodged with the Returning Officer:

- at any time during the above period by arrangement; or
- between 2:00pm and 4:00pm Thursday, 7 September 2023 (close of nominations) at the Shire of Sandstone, Hack St, SANDSTONE.

#### **Nominations Requirements**

Candidates are required to lodge with the Returning Officer:

- a completed nomination in the prescribed form, signed and witnessed. This form is available from the Returning Officer or the Western Australian Electoral Commission ([www.elections.wa.gov.au](http://www.elections.wa.gov.au));
- a single A4 page profile of not more than 1,000 characters (including spaces) containing information about the candidate;
- a nomination deposit of \$100 (cash, EFT, bank cheque or postal order);
- a recent passport-sized photograph (optional);
- every candidate must have completed the online course titled *Local Government Candidate Induction*, available at [www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au](http://www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au), prior to nominating; and
- (optional) in addition to your A4 profile, you may provide additional information that you consider to be relevant to your candidature. This written statement must be not more than 2,000 characters (including spaces), must be in the English language and is for publication on the local government's official website.

The Commission has developed an online system called Nomination Builder to assist candidates to complete their nomination form which includes the candidate profile. This is the preferred method of completing the nomination form and profile for elections conducted by the Commission. Candidates complete their nomination details and profile, print the completed form which has a reference number allocated and lodge it with the Returning Officer. The nomination builder can be accessed via [www.elections.wa.gov.au](http://www.elections.wa.gov.au).

You cannot use Nomination Builder to prepare the additional information.

Where an agent lodges a nomination on a candidate's behalf, it must be in the prescribed form with a written authorisation signed by the candidate.

The documents may be hand delivered or posted to the Returning Officer and must be received by the close of nominations.

#### **Information**

Full details about eligibility and nomination procedures for prospective candidates can be obtained by contacting the Returning Officer, **Kim MOON** on 0487 898 531 or the Western Australian Electoral Commission on 13 63 06.

**ROBERT KENNEDY**  
**ELECTORAL COMMISSIONER**



## Beware of Thieves in town

We received report of items being stolen from a garage in Payne Street.

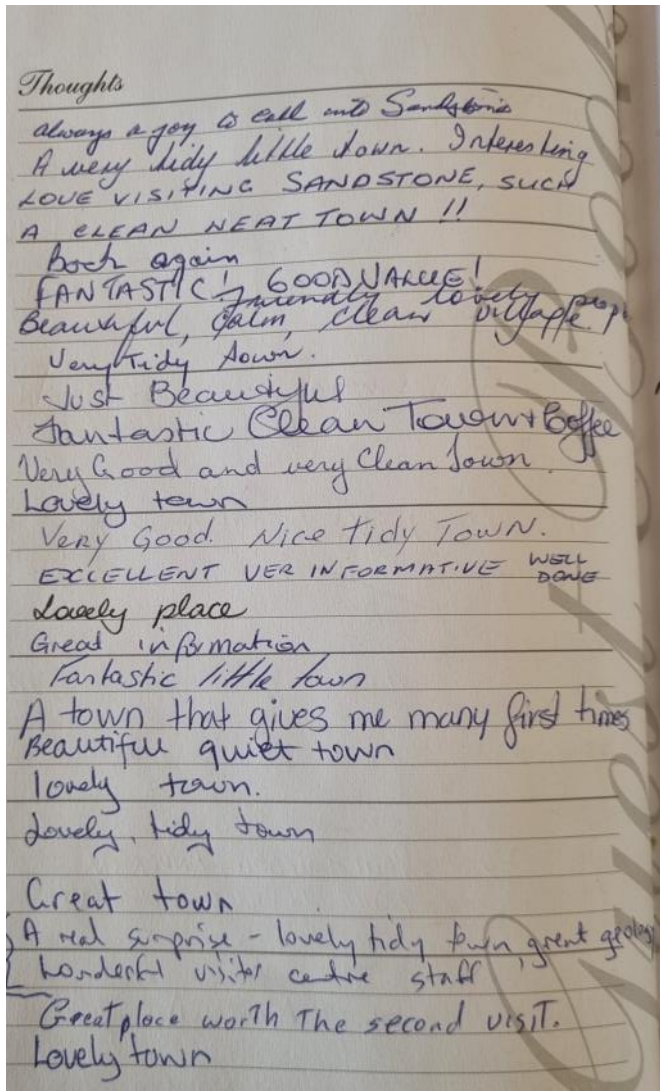
Items stolen were a Husqvarna 365 Chainsaw and various gardening equipment.

If anyone has any information regarding the theft or thief, please call Wayne on 0419 600 908 or the police.

Thank you.

## Compliments

Below are some of the wonderful compliments received from Visitors at the Visitor Centre.





Fantastic Visitor Centre -  
Very informative.  
This town is like an oasis  
very impressed.

Very Good.  
Awesome!!!  
Great to see THANKS.  
Very Good  
Lovely.

Thoughts

WONDERFUL

very good.

Excellent "Celebration of Life  
in Sandstone"

Very Good. - Most Friendly People  
AMAZING, Beautiful town & friendly & lots of  
INFO

excellent display very friendly people  
Great little spot

Great Spot. Trip highlighted.

Very neat!

Very clean & tidy town  
THANK YOU FOR THE VISIT

Very nice town and the roads etc are very  
good between Sandstone and Murchison.

Very Good  
What a wonderful town you have!  
Beautiful little town and Museum 😊

Thoughts

nice town for a visit.

Some places just need  
to be seen.

Sandstone is one of them.

Excellent - good display of local history

Great place to come to, very tidy.

BEST MUSEUM I'VE SEEN.

A terrific exhibition

Great display & info

Nice to see old photos  
Very pretty town - Congregation.

Beautifully looked after town  
VERY TIDY TOWN.

lovely little town.

Wonderful lady ❤️.

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Thoughts

Great museum. Very happy we  
stopped and staying in town.

Fantastic museum and very  
helpful staff member.

Interesting! Thank you

Spacious, inviting & helpful.

EXCELLENT DISPLAY LOVELY  
Tidy town

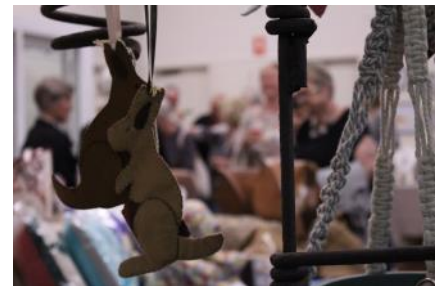


# Art Show

Pictures: Tracey Weiss

The Art Show this year was another success with artists sharing their beautiful creations and visitors admiring the displayed craftsmanship with cheese and wine in hand.

Some of our staff have purchased beautiful dolls that are now displayed at our reception area, keeping an eye out on daily events and keeping guard after hours. Who knows what they are up to when the lights go out and the moon lit night encroaches upon the Shire of Sandstone. Night at the Shire of Sandstone Admin Building anyone...?









## Water Tank Mural

In our August Bush Telegraph, we mentioned that there will be some activity around the Water Tanks during the month.

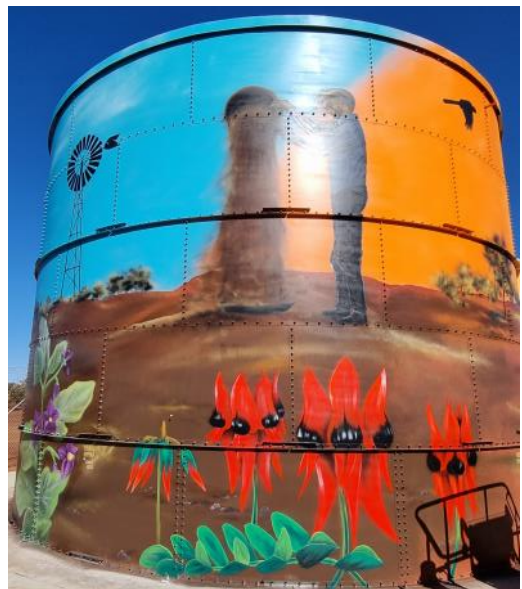
This month, the results are in! Mural Nomad came to Sandstone and painted the water tanks, transforming them in beautiful pieces of art.

They look amazing!

We've already received a lot of positive feedback. But don't let us tell you what to think, have a look at below pictures and cast your eyes on the tanks when you drive by next time!

Also a big shout out and thank you to Tegan who volunteered to help out!







## Poem by Mary Mullumby

### SANDSTONE

Some 600ks northeast of Perth  
Upon sunbaked, red, dry coloured earth  
To Sandstone town, is given birth  
For a precious metal of unequalled worth  
Caused a rush; - gold unearth

Strike it rich! --- was the aim  
Men, women, families; they all came  
Too few did benefit, or gain  
Many experienced hardship and pain  
A dream; extinguished life's living flame!

History is written --- so it be  
In Sandstone Shire, there to see  
Rest, many souls, all burden free  
In pioneer cemeteries, they number three  
Sandstone, Nungarra, Youanmi

Barrambie; a fourth site found  
Ungazetted, this burial ground  
No fence to mark its surround  
Three people lie, ever earthbound  
Forlorn, a distant burial mound

Two places more; so akin  
Maninga Marley and Birrigrin  
Uncertain death, not a win!  
Unforgiving, the land they lay -in  
A prayer of comfort, for all, there -in

Long and hard, were journeys made  
Remember the history, memories fade!  
A tribute to these people paid  
Upon a grave, a plaque is laid  
Tell a story, a life displayed



## Variety, The Childrens Charity

The Variety Bash is coming to Sandstone again. They start Friday 08<sup>th</sup> September, kicking off in Merredin, finishing Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September, on the coast in Denham.

They are traveling around to raise essential funds for WA children living with sickness, disadvantage and disability.

If anyone would like to donate, the Variety Bash will arrive in Sandstone on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September, leaving Wednesday the 13<sup>th</sup> September.



## Not so Secret Societies in Sandstone

Source: Sandstone From Gold to Wool and Back Again - Sally L. Senior

### Freemasons

A ceremony consecrating Sandstone (Black Range) Lodge No. 86 took place on 15 October 1909 at the Sandstone school, with about fifty brethren being present, many travelling 100 miles or more by trap and coach to be present, taking from one and a half to two days to get there. The proceedings were in the capable hands of Right Worshipful Bro. A.A. Hough, acting deputy grand master, assisted by Worshipful Bros A.E. Builder, C.H. Wood and P.G. Deacons.

The lodge was very active for seven years, then went into recess in 1916 owing to the principal mines in the area closing down, and the population falling rapidly.

### United Ancient Order of Druids Friendly Society

The opening ceremony of the Sandstone Lodge of United Ancient Order of Druids Friendly Society (UAOD) was held at the Sandstone hotel on Tuesday 14 May 1907 at 8:00PM. Bro T.L. Beauchamp, grand secretary of the order, was present to perform the ceremony, and Lodge No.451 was declared duly constituted.

The Druids not only held regular meetings for their members, but also organised outings for their families and friends. The first to be mentioned was a sports day and picnic at Norman's Garden for over 400 people, in October 1911, while another was a picnic at London Bridge in October 1912.

In 1913, UAOD arch Druid was J.A. McDonald, and the secretary, A. Dunston.

### Fresh Air League

In 1912, it was suggested that a Fresh Air League be formed in Sandstone. This organization helped provide a holiday by the sea for inland children.

### International Order of Oddfellows

A very active branch of the IOOF was operational in Sandstone for many years. The grand master was W. Moore in 1913.

The IOOF held its first Annual Ball on Wednesday 7 August 1907 in the Bohemia Hall. This was one of the first balls to be held in Sandstone. H.L. Hass, the secretary, organised the members to parade in to the hall 'in full regalia, in order of seniority, which provided a very striking sight'.

The local newspaper described some of the gowns worn by the ladies present as follows:

Mrs Ashwell wore a gown of canary satin, a corsage of spangled net and accordion pleated chiffon. The gown was trimmed very prettily with real pink roses and Vandykes of real lace. This was set off with a gold chain necklet with a diamond heart.

Miss Brady wore cream silk, Valenciennes lace and roses.

Mrs. W.N. Cock's gown was of electric blue corded silk trimmed with Limerick lace and shirred ribbon, with corsages of yellow roses. With this she wore an opal necklet and tiara.

Mrs. Currell wore a black voile skirt trimmed with lack insertion, a black mervielleux [sic] blouse, black chiffon and pink rosebuds.

Miss Denner's gown was of white silk trimmed with Paris Lace and red roses.

Mrs. W.A.K Elliot wore white silk with diamonds and pearl trimmings and create tea rose in her corsage and hair.

Mrs. Hugo wore a white flowered silk dress, a pale green satin belt and pink roses.

Miss L. McKenzie's dress was of pale pink pongee muslin with chiffon trimmings.





## Springtime Stargazing

Spring is the perfect time to get out under dark country skies and be in awe of the sparkling stars and planets overhead. But that's not all, let's throw in a close encounter between Saturn and the Moon, the Spring Equinox AND Scorpio!

The Spring Equinox is on 23<sup>rd</sup> September and marks the transition from winter in the southern hemisphere. The number of hours of daylight will almost equal darkness!

Spring is a great time to find the constellation Scorpio! It's a large constellation that forms the shape of a scorpion! It is currently visible throughout the evening, lying directly overhead at around 8pm. Look for a reddish star called Antares that lies in the centre of the constellation. See if you can find the curve of Scorpio's body and the sting in its tail stretching across the sky!



**Something interesting:** Antares is a super-giant red star several hundred times the diameter of our Sun and is about 600 light-years from Earth.

**When to look:** after 8pm during spring.

**Which direction to look:** Directly overhead.

For some fun stargazing, the full Moon makes a close approach to brilliant Saturn on 27<sup>th</sup> September and the pair will look stunning together. For those with telescopes or high-powered binoculars, check out the beautiful ring system of Saturn.

By: Donna Vanzetti and Carol Redford, Astrotourism WA

[www.astrotourismwa.com.au](http://www.astrotourismwa.com.au)

## 11 of Oscar Wilde's Wisest and Wittiest Quotes

1. Work is the curse of the drinking man.
2. A cynic is a man who knows the price of everything and the value of nothing.
3. I can resist everything, except temptation.
4. There is only one thing in the world worse than being talked about, and that is not being talked about.
5. Be yourself, everyone else is taken.
6. To lose one parent may be regarded as a misfortune, to lose both looks like carelessness.
7. All women become like their mothers. That is their tragedy. No man does, and that is his tragedy.
8. We are all in the gutter, but some of us are looking at the stars.
9. There is no such thing as a moral book. Books are well written or badly written, that is all.
10. Women are meant to be loved, not to be understood.
11. To love oneself is the beginning of a lifelong romance.

### Who was Oscar Wilde?

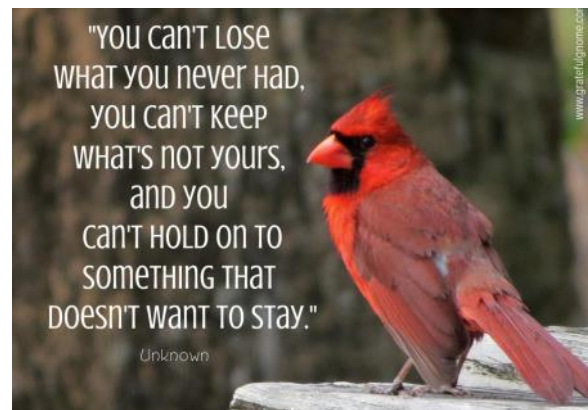
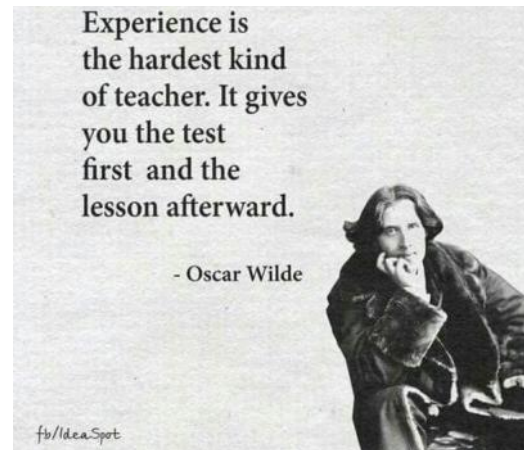
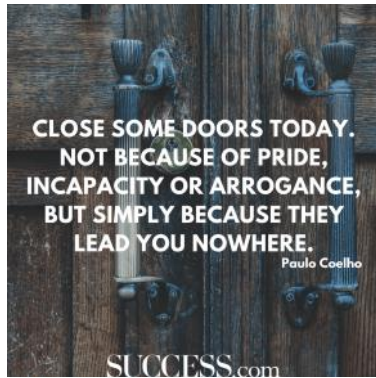
Oscar Fingal O'Fflahertie Willis Wilde was an Irish poet and playwright who became one of the most popular playwrights in London in the early 1890s. He wrote the novel 'The Picture of Dorian Gray'.

A few of his comedies were 'Lady Windermere's Fan' (1892) and 'The Importance of Being Earnest' (1895).

He was also known for his wit, his flamboyance, and his trials and jail sentence.

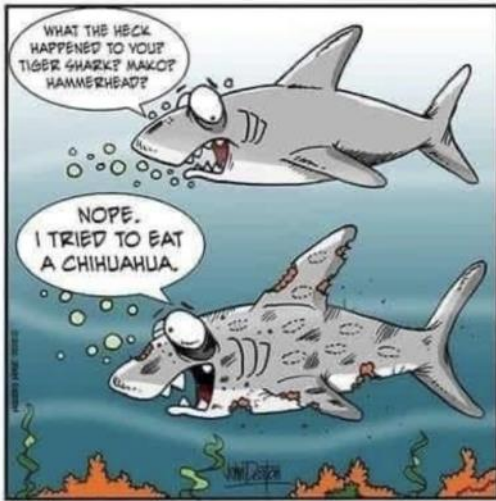
He died in Paris on 30<sup>th</sup> November 1900 at age 46.

## Life Lessons





# Funnies



**LIFE HACK**  
 Turn any sofa into a sofa bed by telling your wife to calm down.



# RECIPE

## Smoothies



### Ingredients:

#### Mango Smoothie

- 1 cup chopped ripe mango
- ½ cup low-fat milk
- ½ cup ice
- ¼ cup plain low-fat yogurt
- 1 tablespoon honey

#### Coffee, Oat, and Maple Smoothie

- ½ cup whole milk, warmed
- ¼ cup old-fashioned rolled oats
- 1/2 cup chilled cold-brewed coffee
- 3 tablespoons pure maple syrup
- 1 Banana, sliced
- 1 cup of ice

### Method:

#### 1) Mango Smoothie

Place the mango, milk, ice, yogurt, and honey in a blender.

Blend until smooth and frothy.

#### 2) Coffee, Oat, and Maple Smoothie

Combine warm milk and oats in a small bowl. Let stand until oats begin to soften, about 10 minutes

Place oats mixture, coffee, syrup, banana, and ice in a blender; process until smooth, about 1 minute.

Serve immediately.

## DID YOU KNOW ...

In New Delhi, the Sulabh International Museum Of Toilets features a rare collection that details the historic evolution of toilets from 2500 BC all the way up to the present day. When you browse through the exhibit, you'll learn about the plumbing system of ancient societies, marvel at the elaborately decorated toilets of 18th and 19th-century Europe, and even get to sit upon one from Austria that is shaped like a lion!

*Viking men wore makeup.*

*It's no doubt that Vikings were some of the toughest men in history books. However, they cared about their appearance enough that makeup was a part of their everyday routine.*

A jockey once won a race after he had died.

Frank Hayes was hailed as the winner at a race at Belmont Park right outside New York City in 1923. However, there was a slight problem. Hayes suffered a heart attack and died in the middle of the race so the celebration wasn't exactly sweet.

*It's illegal to own just one guinea pig in Switzerland.*

*Guinea pigs are highly social critters that prefer the company of other guinea pigs. That is why it's illegal to own just one of these adorable pets in Switzerland. Also, if one of your guinea pigs passes away and you're not ready to commit to another, the Swiss government will also allow you to rent a guinea pig as a companion to your remaining pet.*

Get your eyeballs tattooed.

If you're looking to get your entire body tattooed, you don't need to stop at your eyeballs! Many hardcore tattoo fans are getting the whites of their eyes injected with ink of all kinds of colors ranging from green to purple. However, there are some risks involved such as pain and prolonged blurred and double vision.



# Ravensthorpe Wildflower Show



11<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2023



## Ravensthorpe Wildflower Show



- CELEBRATE NOONGAR DJILBA SEASON
- ART & PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITIONS
- FEAST IN THE FITZ WITH FERVOR
- WALK WITH THE RANGERS
- NATURAL INK MAKING
- LOCAL GEOLOGY TOUR
- HERBARIUM OPEN
- GUIDED WALKS
- ART WORKSHOPS
- DEVONSHIRE TEAS
- 4WD TAG ALONG TOURS
- ECOLOGY BASED EXCURSIONS
- NATURE & HISTORY EXCURSIONS
- WILDFLOWER HOTSPOT BUS TOURS
- EUCALYPTUS EPICENTRE OF THE UNIVERSE
- LARGEST WILDFLOWER SHOW IN THE WORLD

Enquiries & Bookings to  
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[ravwildflowercoordinator@westnet.com.au](mailto:ravwildflowercoordinator@westnet.com.au)  
[www.wildflowersravensthorpe.org.au](http://www.wildflowersravensthorpe.org.au)



**WANTED**

**TO BUY  
OLD FALCON, HOLDEN OR  
VALIANT TO RESTORE**



**Please phone Shane (from the  
Shire) if you have something  
available.**

**0429 171 150**



## 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 😊

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





## Lawn Bowls

### Sandstone Community Rec Centre



**2 sets of Lawn Bowls are available  
at the Visitor Centre, however,  
anyone wanting to play  
can arrange to collect the key  
from the Shire Office  
Monday to Friday  
between 08:00 and 17:00**

# 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**

**6<sup>th</sup> September**

**and**

**20<sup>th</sup> September**





## **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**







## ADULT LEARNERS WEEK

1-8 SEPTEMBER 2023

### It's Never Too Late

The theme of this year's Adult Learners Week, **It's Never Too Late**, encourages people to seize the moment and take advantage of opportunities to learn something new, whatever their age, background or previous educational history. There's no use by date when it comes to learning.

Re-engaging with learning as an adult offers plenty of light bulb moments. There's the connection that comes with discovering hidden talents, the thrill of learning new skills, the excitement of imagining a new and different future. And there's the powerful exchange of ideas and the bonding that takes place between people in a whole variety of community venues and settings where formal and informal learning takes place.

It's that excitement, opening up of new opportunities and forging of bonds that we want to celebrate and showcase during Adult Learners Week 2023.

### Be part of it in 2023

Anyone can participate in #ALW2023. Adult education providers, community organisations, not-for-profit organisations, libraries, even workplaces can run #ALW2023 events. Others can play a supporting role by promoting the Week or participating in Adult Learners Week activities and events in their communities.

Heaps of organisations across Australia will be celebrating #ALW2023 by highlighting the range of creative, inspiring, fun and practical learning opportunities available in their communities.

Adult Learners Week is a chance to entice people back to learning. Register your events at [adultlearnersweek.org](http://adultlearnersweek.org)

### Nominate, register and win

There are #ALW2023 scholarships and event prizes on offer. Why not nominate an outstanding adult learner for a scholarship?

Plus event holders around Australia are eligible for best event prizes.

You can run a special event or re-badge an existing program for Adult Learners Week. Or celebrate at work by running #ALW2023 inspired professional development.

### Make it social

Sharing profiles of people in your organisation and the ways they've been changed through adult education is a powerful way to demonstrate the impact of your organisation and the work you do.

Remember to use the #ALW2023 #ItsNeverTooLate hashtags and/or tag us @adultlearnerswk on Facebook.

### Covid guidelines

As always, follow any Covid restrictions, recommendations or guidelines that are in place in your state or territory.

### Remember we're here to help

Check out the Adult Learners Week website which includes event ideas, tools, tips and downloads for sharing and making your #ALW2023 celebration a success.

Call us for help on 1300 I LEARN or find what you need at [adultlearnersweek.org](http://adultlearnersweek.org)



ADULT  
LEARNING  
AUSTRALIA

[www.adultlearnersweek.org](http://www.adultlearnersweek.org)



# *Sign* the petition.

Help improve the Patient Assisted Travel Scheme (PATS) for regional West Australians.

We need increased fuel and accommodation subsidies, taxi vouchers, improved processing times and need to expand PATS to include dental and allied health services.

*Scan to sign*



## Get in touch

 [facebook.com/MeromeBeardMP](https://facebook.com/MeromeBeardMP)

 [northwest@mp.wa.gov.au](mailto:northwest@mp.wa.gov.au)

 08 9941 2999

## Merome Beard MLA

Member for North West Central

Authorised by M Beard, 30 Robinson Street, Carnarvon WA 6701





# 2023 Mount Magnet Races

Saturday 23rd September



Gates Open 12noon  
 Bar Open 12noon - 9.30pm  
 ~ Please remember to bring cash ~

- ★ Two-Up
- ★ Live Music
- ★ Free Camping
- ★ Bookies & Tote
- ★ Calcutta on the Cup
- ★ Pizza Van & Hot Food
- ★ Adults Tug of War with Cash Prizes
- ★ Bus Service to Town - Running All Day!
- ★ Kids Entertainment & Grassed Playground
- ★ Adults and Kids Running Races with Cash Prizes



Fashions on the Field  
 Best Dressed Lady \$500  
 Best Dressed Man \$500  
 Best Dressed Senior \$500



★ A proud community event - fun for the whole family! ★

Ticket sales online <https://www.trybooking.com/CJGTF> or from Mount Magnet Hardware Store  
 Follow us on Facebook to keep up to date with ticket sale info and news





Meekatharra School of the Air  
52 Kempton Street  
Bluff Point

# 2024 Enrolments Now Open



Parents are welcome to contact the school on 9923 5200 for further information.

We look forward to welcoming prospective students and their families into our school community



Our School offers a unique Distance Education programme that is a partnership between the school's professional teaching staff, yourself and your children. Your commitment to your children's education is essential for their success and we will endeavour to provide all the support possible to achieve an excellent education.

for more information, please visit our website [meekatharrasota.wa.edu.au](http://meekatharrasota.wa.edu.au)



Meekatharra School of the Air

## Kindy Admission 2024

APPLICATIONS  
NOW  
**OPEN**

**ENROL NOW!**

If your child is born between 01 July 2019 - 30 June 2020  
(4 years old by 30 June 2023)  
you may apply to enrol your child at MSOTA for Kindergarten 2024



**ENQUIRIES - 9923 5200**





## **WA Country Health Service**

### **Mount Magnet Community Vaccination Clinic 2023**

**Mount Magnet Nursing Post  
Welcome Street**

**Dates are 26<sup>th</sup> September | 27<sup>th</sup> November - 9:30AM - 3:00PM**

**To book an appointment call (08) 9956 1985 or email  
CommunityhealthReception.WACHS-Midwest@health.wa.gov.au  
Walk-in appointments welcome.**

Child and adult COVID-19 vaccines available, people aged 5 years + are eligible.

Child and adult vaccines available, as eligible on the WA Immunisation Schedule.

#### **Get in touch**

**WA Country Health Service  
Midwest Community Health**

Telephone: (08) 9956 1985  
[www.wacountry.health.wa.gov.au](http://www.wacountry.health.wa.gov.au)





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

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## **Sandstone Physiotherapy Visiting Dates 2023**

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



## Meekatharra RFDS Flying clinics 2023

### September

Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Paynes Find/Yalgoo	Dr Di Comely
<b>Thursday 7<sup>h</sup></b>	<b>Sandstone</b>	<b>Dr Di Comely</b>
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Yalgoo	Dr Phil King
<b>Thursday 21<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>Sandstone</b>	<b>Dr Phil King</b>

### October

Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Paynes Find/Yalgoo	Dr Di Comely
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sandstone</b>	<b>Dr Di Comely</b>
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Yalgoo	Dr Phil King
<b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sandstone</b>	<b>Dr Phil King</b>

### November

<b>Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Sandstone</b>	<b>Dr Di Comely</b>
Wednesday 01 <sup>st</sup>	Yalgoo	Dr Phil King
<b>Thursday 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sandstone</b>	<b>Dr Phil King</b>
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Paynes Find/Yalgoo	Dr Di Comely
<b>Thursday 30<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Sandstone</b>	<b>Dr Di Comely</b>

### December



## SANDSTONE NURSING POST

IRVINE ST SANDSTONE  
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





# 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**

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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

# 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



EC 006509

## KARL IBBOTSON

Phone: (08) 9963 4004  
Fax: (08) 9963 4074  
Mob: 0427 991 893  
Email: [murchisonpower@bigpond.com.au](mailto:murchisonpower@bigpond.com.au)  
[karlibbotson@bigpond.com.au](mailto:karlibbotson@bigpond.com.au)  
Web: [www.murchisonpower.com.au](http://www.murchisonpower.com.au)  
Lot 483 Criddle Street  
PO Box 204 Mt Magnet WA 6638

- 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

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 .

**CAUTION**

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

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

**LEGAL ACTION WILL BE TAKEN FOR NON-COMPLIANCE**

## Westcoast Seafood

Email: [stan@westcoastseafood.com.au](mailto:stan@westcoastseafood.com.au)

# Directory of Services to Sandstone

PL9934 | GF6916 | BF7329



## — PLUMBING & GAS —

SERVICING MID WEST & GOLDFIELDS REGIONS

MINING | COMMERCIAL | RESIDENTIAL | INDUSTRIAL

### 24/7 EMERGENCY

PH : 0416 307 843 | [ADMIN@LEISKHYDRAULICS.COM.AU](mailto:ADMIN@LEISKHYDRAULICS.COM.AU)

# Community Bulletin Board



## Ordinary Meeting of Council

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council  
is Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2023  
from 1:00pm in Council Chambers

When prepared, the Agenda can be viewed online  
at [www.sandstone.wa.gov.au](http://www.sandstone.wa.gov.au) or at the Sandstone Library



## Heritage Museum & Visitor Centre

**Is now Open**





# Community Bulletin Board

## Useful Sandstone Telephone Numbers

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

### 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](http://www.ewarotary.org.au)

[www.facebook.com/ewarotary](http://www.facebook.com/ewarotary)  
Ph 0408 802 490

Community Group Name:

E-WA Rotary—Kerry O'Shea  
[rotaryewa@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://www.mtmagnetpost.com)

**Sandstone Library is located within the  
Shire Administration Building  
Monday - Friday 8.00am - 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,  
Cr Hepburn and Richardson Streets,  
**Mount Magnet**

**Telephone (08) 9963 4509**  
**Fax (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

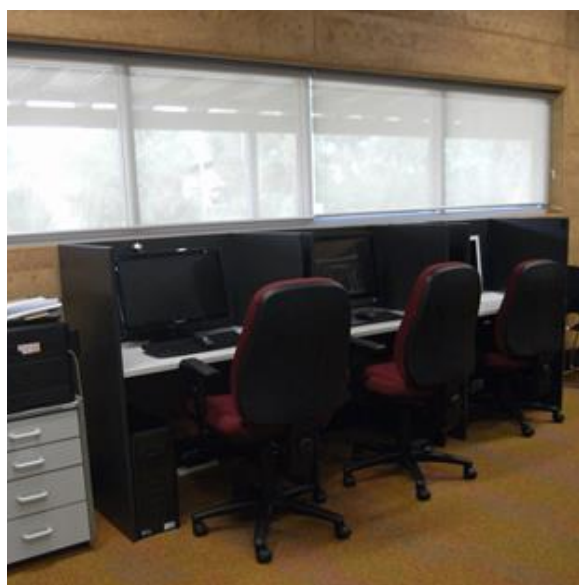
[administration@sandstone.wa.gov.au](mailto:administration@sandstone.wa.gov.au)





# September 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5	6 Bus to Mt Magnet	7 Doctors Clinic	8	9
10	11	12	13	14 Nurses Post	15	16
17	18	19	20 Bus to Mt Magnet	21 Doctors Clinic	22	23
24	25	26	27	28 Nurses Post Council Meeting	29	30



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

**Monday - Friday  
8.00am - 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](mailto:reception@sandstone.wa.gov.au)