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Australia Day Celebrations



Top Left: TSSC President Chris Lane & Active Citizen 2020 Janine Hausler.

Top Right: President Chris Lane & Active Senior Citizen 2020 Beth Antonio.

Bottom Left: President Chris Lane & Active Community Group 2020

Yakabout Volunteers

Bottom Right: Cutting of the cake for the welcoming of her a new Australian Citizen Amna Salmaan Reshad. Congratulations to all .





SHIRE OF THREE SPRINGS

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF ELECTORS

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 132 RAILWAY ROAD,
THREE SPRINGS**

**WEDNESDAY 5TH FEBRUARY 2020
COMMENCING AT 6.00PM**

Order of Business

1. Recording of Attendance
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of Minutes of Annual Electors Meeting held on
6th February 2019
4. Business Arising
5. 2018/2019 Annual Report
Annual Financial Statement
Auditor's Report/Management Report
6. General Business
7. Closure

Copies of the Annual Report are available for viewing on the Shire
Website

**Keith Woodward
Chief Executive Officer**

Shredded Paper

Available at : **The Shire of Three Springs**



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8.00 am — 4.00 pm

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Three Springs Aquatic Centre

OPENING HOURS 2019/20

The Pool is located on Mayrhofer St, Three Springs

December 2019- Closed 25th & 26th, 31st and 1st January 2020

Monday	11.30am – 6.30 pm*
Tuesday	11.30am – 6.30 pm*
Wednesday	CLOSED
Thursday	11.30am – 6.30 pm*
Friday	11.30am – 6.30 pm*
Saturday	11.30am – 6.30 pm*
Sunday	11.30am – 6.30 pm*

***closing time may alter occasionally**

Admission Prices (including GST)

Daily -	Adults	\$3.50	Aged 18 and over
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	Concession	\$2.00	(card must be presented)
	Children 4 and under free		

Admittance Age; Any Child under the age of 10yrs must be constantly supervised by a competent person over 16yrs.

In addition, Children under 5yrs must be constantly supervised and be within arms length of their guardian.

Wrist bands will be worn by any child between the ages of 1 and 9yrs..

	Season Tickets	Monthly Tickets
Families	\$160.00	\$50.00
Couples	\$120.00	\$40.00
Adult	\$70.00	\$30.00
Student/Child	\$50.00	\$20.00
Concession	\$ 50.00	\$20.00

Season tickets & Monthly tickets can be purchased at the Pool-(CASH ONLY), or at the Shire Office, (EFTPOS facilities available)

Community Group Information

Churches

Anglican / Uniting	Sundays	See Church notices	Trinity Church Carter Street	Morris Van Buerle – 9954 5043 Peter Whale - 0427 541 080
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Catholic	2nd Saturday of each month	6.30pm	St Paul's Catholic Church Touche Street	Fr Brian Ahearn 9927 1451 0427 271 452
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Community Groups

Community Action Group	3rd Tuesday of the month	4pm	Council Chambers	9954 1001
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Craft Group	Wednesdays	9am—3pm \$1.00	Old Nurses Quarters	
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Friends of the North-Midlands Health Service				Brenda Bowman 0427 511 339
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Historical Society				Judy and Roy Mutter 0427 547 733
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Mingenew Painting Club	1st Wednesday of the month (Mar—August)			Terri Traylen-Witt 9954 1213
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North Midlands Agricultural Society			Carnamah	Angela Dring 044 927 800
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Returned Services League				Ray Morgan 9954 1014
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RSL Women's Auxiliary				Lorraine Morgan 9954 1014
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Tourists Information	July—October	10am - 2pm	Visitors Centre	Cathy Reed 9954 7012
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9954 1590

Three Springs Lions Club	2nd			Jon Addison 0428 541255
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Emergency Services

St Johns Ambulance				Merle Isbister 0428 511 030
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Volunteer Fire Brigade	Training twice a month out of fire season			Rod Ennor 0428 246 531
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Youth

Coderdojo	Carnamah			Richelle Essers 0428 921 464
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Playgroup	Thursdays			Lauren Cruickshank 0429 620 201
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Three Springs Parents & Citizens				President: Nadine Eva 0427 541 014 Catering Stacey Pajich 0476 659 612
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Community Group Information

Sporting Groups

Basketball			Coorow-Carnamah	Bruce Chisholm 0428 591 318
Bowls	Saturday - Pennants Sundays - Club events		Three Springs Sporting Club	Bill McGree 0459 057 580
Cricket	TBC			
Badminton	Mondays Weekly	6pm—8pm	Three Springs Community Hall	Phil Berry 0432 758 770
Golf	Friday - Scroungers Saturday - Pennants Sunday - Club Day	Scroungers - 3pm	Three Springs Golf Club	David Mutter 0427 547 035
Football			Three Springs Sporting Complex Pavilion	Jimmy Heal 0429 165 235
Netball			Three Springs Sporting Complex Pavilion	
Hockey			Three Springs Sporting Complex Pavilion	
Indoor Bowls	Tuesdays	9am - 12pm	Three Springs Community Hall	Adele Metsemakers 0458 090 839
Rifle Club	Sundays			Chris Connaughton 0427 547 007
Sporting Clay Target Shooting	Summer - Saturdays Winter - Sundays			Gary Turley 0428 888 075
Squash				Bill McGree 0459 057 580
Tennis	Mondays	6pm Social member: \$5 12 mths Casual \$10	Three Springs Sports Club	Camille Stokes 0401 526 886
Yoga	Tuesdays	2 - 3.30pm	Red Room Three Springs Community Hall	Lorraine Morgan 99541014

Community Calendar February / March 2020

MONDAY 03/02/2020	TUESDAY 04/02/2020	WEDNESDAY 05/02/2020	THURSDAY 06/02/2020	FRIDAY 07/02/2020	SATURDAY 08/02/2020	SUNDAY 09/02/2020
Yakabout Published Badminton 6-8pm	Indoor Bowls 9-12noon Yoga 2-3.30pm	Pool Closed Annual Electors Meeting Shire Chambers 6pm				
10/02/2020 Badminton 6-8pm	11/02/2020 Indoor Bowls 9-12noon Yoga 2-3.30pm	12/02/2020 Pool Closed Ordinary Council Meeting Shire Chambers 4pm	13/02/2020	14/02/2020	15/02/2020	16/02/2020

Police News

This week we welcome back residents from their summer break and look forward to a positive 2020. The Christmas period ran smoothly for Three Springs with crime at a low, though local police did seize a small quantity of drugs and drug paraphernalia.

We have also received a report of diesel theft over the Christmas period, which is a timely reminder for residents to be security conscious to prevent opportunistic thefts or if anyone notices any suspicious activity to report to local police or call 131 444.

I had the pleasure of attending Three Springs Australia Day ceremony recently, which was a fantastic event and showed yet again what a spirited community we have. Congratulations to Janine Haeusler and Beth Antonio on their awards and sterling work in the community.

Thank you to Three Springs Shire for organising the event and providing a superb breakfast and to Jimi for her work at the pool on such a hot day.

A new year has a couple of new arrivals at Three Springs police, where we welcome Senior Constable Peter 'Smokey' Dawson to town. Smokey joins us from Geraldton police station and has a vast experience in country policing and will no doubt be an asset to the town.

Senior Constable Paul Ellison will also be joining us in the near future from Kalbarri, where he will be bringing his young family to town. Paul has policed in Jurien Bay and in Morawa and we look forward to welcoming him and his family to the team and town.

On Wednesday the 29th of January the Three Springs Magistrates Court was in session with the following results:

A 30 year old male from Morgantown appeared on a charge of Possess a prohibited drug. Result \$1000 fine and \$225.90 in court costs.

A 18 year old male from Morawa appeared on a charge of No authority to drive. Result \$100 fine plus \$225.90 in court costs.

A 69 year old male from Morawa appeared on a charge of No authority to drive. Result \$100 fine plus \$225.90 in court costs.

A 50 year old male from Three Springs appeared on a charge of No authority to drive. Result: \$150 fine plus \$225.90 in court costs.

A 59 year old male from Carnamah appeared on a charge of Excess 0.05g. Result \$400 fine plus \$225.90 in court costs.

A 35 year old male from Mingenew appeared on a charge of reckless driving. Result Drivers licence disqualified for life – Fine \$1500 plus \$225.90 court costs.



Police News cont.

A 65 year old male from Falcon appeared on a charge of No authority to drive. Result \$100 fine plus \$225.90 in court costs.

A 52 year old male from Morawa appeared on a charge of Possess a prohibited drug. Result \$500 fine plus \$225.90 in court costs.

A 78 year old male from Lesmurdie appeared on a charges of: No Authority to drive,. Result \$1800 fine plus \$225.90 in court costs.

A 34 year old female from Morawa charged appeared on a charge of No Authority to Drive. Result \$1000 fine plus \$225.90 in court costs.

A 37 year old male from Perenjori appeared on charges of: Excess 0.08g. Result \$900 fine plus \$225.90 in court costs.

A 69 year old male from Mingenew appeared on charges of Excess 0.05g. Result \$500 fine plus \$225.90 in court costs.

A 58 year old male from Coorow appeared on a charge of Excess 0.08g. Result \$550 fine plus \$225.90 in court costs.

Kind Regards

Rich DENNY

Acting Sergeant

Officer in Charge of Three Springs Police



Media Release

Shane Love MLA Member for Moore

Nationals pledge free VacSwim for regional families

20 January 2020

The Nationals WA will make VacSwim free for children and families in regional WA and expand the program to more locations if returned to Government next year.

Moore MP Shane Love said the policy was developed with the support of Royal Life Saving WA and was partly aimed to help reduce drownings in regional areas.

"The National Drowning Report 2019 found people in regional and remote areas are 2.3 times more likely to drown than those in the metropolitan area," Mr Love said.

"More can be done to ensure children in regional WA have a chance to participate in basic swimming and water safety education."

Mr Love said The Nationals WA would commit \$5 million from Royalties for Regions over five years in an effort to double regional VacSwim enrolments and expand the program from its existing 108 sites across the State.

"We are setting an ambitious target of increasing enrolment from 17,000 participants to 34,000 while also providing financial support to Royal Life Saving WA to train more swimming instructors and identify additional locations for VacSwim programs to roll out," he said.

"By reducing financial and geographic barriers to participation in VacSwim – be it five, eight or 10-day courses – we can give more children the ability to safely enjoy our waterways for fun, fitness and health."

Mr Love said there were 80,000 regional children aged between 5 and 15 years old eligible to participate in VacSwim each year, however, less than a quarter of those took lessons.

Although drowning rates in regional WA have improved since 2016-17, Mr Love said it was important to aim for no deaths.

Education spokesperson Peter Rundle said VacSwim was vitally important for regional WA and catered to some at the highest risk in regional communities.

"Operating for more than 100 years, VacSwim is Australia's longest running swimming program, offering lessons each summer to help children and families develop water safety skills and build confidence in swimming," Mr Rundle said.

"Under the McGowan Government, costs for VacSwim have increased by more than 120 per cent and Labor threatened to remove programs from several regional communities without consultation.

"The Nationals WA know the importance of VacSwim and will rebuild and strengthen the program so regional families can continue to benefit from access to swimming lessons for years to come."

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THE NATIONALS for Regional WA

IN MOORE WITH LOVE

February 2020

Can I take this opportunity to wish you well for 2020 in this the first of my monthly columns for the year. As your local Member of Parliament I am here to represent you on all state-related matters. Don't hesitate to contact my office in Dongara if you need assistance, either in person, via phone – 99 2727333 or by email – MooreElectorate@mp.wa.gov.au

The 2019 National Drowning Report found people in regional and remote areas are 2.3 times more likely to drown than those in the metropolitan area. Noting the disproportionate number of drownings in regional areas, The Nationals have pledged Royalties for Regions funding to offer **free VacSwim** classes for those in regional WA if returned to government next year. This policy was developed with the support of Royal Lifesaving WA with an aim of doubling VacSwim participation rates. The program would also see classes offered at more regional locations. Since the McGowan Labor government took office, costs for VacSwim have increased by 120 percent and early start programs have been dropped from some centres.

I fully appreciate the safety risks, interruption to business and sheer frustration that goes with **unreliable power** supply and **unreliable mobile reception**. More and more frequently it seems that power outages are impacting mobile reception where mobile tower battery backup is unreliable. After many complaints about poor mobile service late last year, I wrote to the Federal Communications Minister, Paul Fletcher asking that he investigate the drop in mobile signal strength. Telstra has in the past blamed illegal repeaters, but there have been no reports of this in Moore. Both State and Federal governments have invested heavily in the mobile network and there needs to be a greater level of independent scrutiny applied where mobile towers are underperforming. The Warradarge mobile tower - between Eneabba and Badgingarra - was not operating for 17 days over the Christmas and New Year period. This is totally unacceptable at a time of high fire risk. The issue of mobile performance is further exacerbated as many households no longer have a landline, leaving them vulnerable when mobile performance is unreliable.

A huge thank you to those **volunteer fire fighters** who attended fires in the Gingin Shire and at Mogumber in December. The dedicated efforts of our Bushfire Brigade members are very much appreciated by all community members. Likewise, I would like to acknowledge the work of **State Emergency Service** and **St John Ambulance volunteers** involved in a number of incidents rescuing hikers attempting the Loop Walk in extreme heat in Kalbarri National Park in recent months.

NorthLink, the final section of Tonkin Highway to Muchea is due to open early in February 2020 with final fencing and lighting underway. Moore residents travelling south will soon enjoy a direct route to the airport and surrounds.



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FIRES AND EMERGENCIES

Prohibited Burning Period 1st November to 28th February **STRICTLY NO BURNING**

Restricted Burning Period 15th October to 31st October, 1st March to 15th March **PERMITS ARE REQUIRED**

[FIRE BREAK NOTICE 2019/2020](#)

HARVEST BANS

When a Harvest ban is called you are required to stop harvesting and stop the movement of all vehicles in paddocks, (other than those involved in the transportation of water for homesteads or livestock).

Please also note that the Shire of Three Springs is now in the "Prohibited burning period" which means that no fires are to be lit at any time.

This Prohibited burning period continues until the 28th February.

The Shire office may be contacted on 9954 1001 during normal office hours, or after hour contacts may be found in the local telephone directory.

PLEASE REMEMBER

In an Fire Emergency Dial 000 every second counts.

Badminton

Monday Nights

6pm—8pm

Three Springs Community Hall

\$2.00

Racquets available

Phil Berry 0432 758 770



Midwest Sexual Assault Crisis Line

1800 016 789

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Church Notices



THANK YOU FOR YOUR LAST WEEK'S CONTRIBUTIONS

First Collection for the Support of our Priests: \$111.20
 Second Collection for the Support of our Parish: \$393.50
 Contributions required weekly for the support of our Parish: (\$400.00)
 Many thanks Under Target - \$6.50

Stewardship Reflections

3rd Sunday in Ord Time

The watchword today is "immediately." Peter and Andrew, James and John all respond *immediately* to the call of Christ. May I be as open to God's call and as ready to use my talents in His service as those first disciples were!

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR SICK IN YOUR PRAYERS - Dongara: Marie Reading, Rita Schiller, Freda Chandler, Kevin Jones, Shirley Dempster, Stuart Agar, Lori Thomas, Leonie Butler, Moira Anderson, John Christensen, Kerry Rose, Travis Robinson, Anne Browning, Ann McPherson, Imogen Eastough, Daniel Stokes. **Irwin:** Annette Copeland. **Geraldton:** Jeffery Stokes, John Norrish, Geoff Shoemark, Glenn Chapman, Johnathon Jupp, Betty Blake, Grace Criddle, Jake Pearce, Janice Bradley, Eric Craft, Hope Craft. **From Eneabba:** Don Cooper. **Perth:** Peter Bligh, Des Tighe, Gail Gilmour, Justin Harris, Norma Argus, Renise Judge, Paul Woodward, John W., Teresa Williams, Adam Jones, Eric Morley, Dorothy Withers, Hine Toroa, Hannah Valenti, Leila Kent, Catherine Crowley, Pat Milton, Bernard Winnett. **Witchcliffe:** Bernadette Knowles. **Butler:** Bevin & Ellie Troughet. **Bullsbrook:** Ann Spencer. **Geelong Vic:** Pat Walsh, Amy Hayward, Jenny. **Adelaide:** Eion McEachern, Nicola Catalano. **Collie:** Gwen Bolitho. **Guilderton:** Joy Kennedy. **Perenjori:** Robert Charles. **Piñarra:** Lorry Freeman. **Bovanup:** Emma White. **Katanning:** Hamish Bolto. **Whitfield Vic:** Jill Schiller. **Canberra, ACT:** Colleen Smith, John Palmer. **Ireland:** Noreen Creavin, Jeanette Heneghan, Anne Freaney. **England, UK:** Jane Brickett. **Cape Burney:** John Landon. **Harvey:** Kevin Craigie.

Our Lady, Queen of Peace, Medjugorje, Jan. 25th, 2020 Message to Marija

"Dear children! Today I am calling you to pray even more, until you feel the holiness of forgiveness in your heart. There must be holiness in the families, little children, because there is no future for the world without love and holiness - because in holiness and joy, you give yourselves to God the Creator who loves you with immeasurable love. This is why He sends me to you. Thank you for having responded to my call."

Thanks to all for our Special Third Collection last Sunday for the "Vinnies Bushfire Appeal" We collected \$764.00 ---plus there were a few who gave online (Direct Debits) God will reward you!

OUR LADY, STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH, DONGARA

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DONGARA MASSES - 2.2.20 to 9.2.2020

Holy Masses

SUNDAY: 8.30am Holy Mass
 Monday: 9.00am Holy Mass
 Tuesday: 9.00am Holy Mass
 Wednesday: 9.00am Holy Mass
 Thursday: 9.00am Holy Mass + Divine Will
 1st Friday: 9.00am Holy Mass
 Saturday: 9.00am + Three Springs Vigil Mass 4.00pm.
 Sunday: 8.30am Holy Mass (5th Sun. in Ord Time) + Cuppa

Confessions

Father Brian is available for Confession before or after Mass in Coorow and Three Springs
 Confession in Dongara is scheduled on Saturday morning between 10am - 11am or happily by appointment at any time.

2nd Feb. 2020 Year A The Presentation of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm

Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

This is the light of revelation to the nations, and the glory of your people, Israel.

Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

My eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples.

Monthly Cuppa
 next Sunday
 Hosts please
 Vivienne Chapman
 Leonie Butler.

Today's Reader - Jackie Tate - Today's Offertory - Amy Sizer, Liza Robinson
 Reader next week - Bev Robinson - N/week's Offertory - Leonie Butler
 Cleaning next week - Avery Chisholm
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Your house, My home – rethinking renting in WA

Laws that cover the renting of homes in Western Australia are being fully reviewed for the first time in more than a decade and Consumer Protection wants to hear from all tenants and landlords.

The marketplace has changed a lot since the last big review of the *Residential Tenancies Act 1987*. We encourage the community to have a say to make lasting improvements to the legislation.

Questions we're asking include whether tenants should be allowed to hang a family portrait on the wall, keep a pet, or plant a veggie patch in the garden? Should landlords have to tell tenants if they intend to sell within the next 12 months, or if asbestos or meth residue is present?

An attitude shift may be needed when it comes to how we view investment properties and the maintenance of those homes for paying tenants who might be looking for a longer term home.

We hear of tenants who are afraid to report problems for fear of eviction, while on the flipside there are horror stories where properties are trashed. Should Consumer Protection have powers to step in and prosecute tenants for an offence of wilful damage?

The review will consider whether landlords should be registered and if Consumer Protection should act as a mediator between owners and tenants, with powers to rule on tenancy disputes to resolve them more easily and free up the Courts' time to deal with other more serious matters.

The discussion paper closes 1 May 2020 and covers key issues, such as:

- security of tenure (guaranteeing tenants can stay and make a house their home);
- reasons for ending a tenancy / doing away with "no grounds" terminations;
- disclosure of important information before a tenancy begins;
- minimum standards for rental properties;
- liability for damage – fair wear and tear versus negligence;
- maximum bond amounts, payment of rent and other fees or charges;
- the right to keep pets and make minor modifications; and
- regulation of boarding, lodging and room-by-room rental arrangements.

Visit www.commerce.wa.gov.au/tenancyreview or call 1300 30 40 54 for a mail-out if you don't have access to the internet.



Consumer Watch

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Don't ignore shocks and tingles

Have you ever experienced an electric shock or tingling sensation in your home while touching a metal object like a bathroom tap? It could be a warning sign of a dangerous electrical fault that mustn't be ignored.

You should immediately report this to your electrical network operator, usually Western Power or Horizon Power, for further investigation.

Shocks and tingles could be a sign that a home's electricity system has a degraded or broken neutral connection, causing a voltage rise in the earthing system and resulting in metal objects such as pipes, gas fittings, taps and appliances to become live with hazardous levels of electricity.

Our colleagues at Building and Energy have teamed up with Western Power and Horizon Power to launch a new public safety campaign, reminding West Australians to immediately report any electric shocks to their network operator.

Of around one million electrical network connections in WA, 99 reports of shocks caused by neutral faults have been received in the past six months.

These incidents are rare, but if it does happen to you – contact your network operator

immediately. Avoid touching any metal objects and don't attempt to turn off the power yourself as the main electrical switch is likely to be inside a metal enclosure. Instead, wait for a network operator crew to carry out their checks. It's also important to note that RCD safety-switches don't protect against this type of fault.

While the best course of action will always be for the public to self-report any issues, as an added precaution the State Government is working with Western Power to roll-out a 'smart meter' that can remotely detect degrading neutral connections and alert the operator. Horizon Power has

already fitted these advanced meters to its customers' homes and businesses in regional WA.

Reports should be made to Western Power on **13 13 51** or Horizon Power (regional) on **13 23 51**, or if the network operator is not known, contact Building and Energy on **1800 978 198**.

And remember, there's no such thing as a 'minor' electric shock.



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Do sales items tick guarantee boxes?

Australians are set to spend billions in Boxing Day sales and well into the New Year. Consumer Protection WA, and consumer affairs regulators across Australia, want to remind everyone that automatic guarantees apply when you hit the sales.

Whether you buy in-store or online, from any business trading in Australia, you are protected by the Australian Consumer Law (ACL).

The ACL supports you to get what you paid for. This means a product or service you pay for must:

- match the description or sample that you choose from
- be of an acceptable quality
- be fit for the purpose you bought it for.

If the product or service does not tick one of these boxes, you can ask the business for a replacement, repair or refund.

And remember a blanket 'NO REFUNDS' sign is unlawful. You have consumer guarantees whether an item is on sale or not.

Be sure to keep a copy of the proof of your purchase, like a receipt (or photo of), a lay-by agreement or detailed credit card statement.

Is gym service fit for purpose?

With the start of 2020 many people will think "New Year, new me" and fitness and health industries are also set to peak in sales.

If you choose to become a member of a gym or fitness centre, make sure you read through contracts very carefully. Take note of how much the membership will cost on a weekly or monthly basis. Consider a shorter contract to see if the membership is right for your needs, or if you think your circumstances may change.

For more information on your consumer guarantee rights and WA's fitness industry code head to the

Consumer Protection website www.consumerprotection.wa.gov.au.



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MONDAY 12.00 PM - 5.00PM
TUESDAY 9.00 AM – 12.15PM
WEDNESDAY 9.00 AM – 5.00 PM
THURSDAY 12.45 PM – 5.45 PM
FRIDAY 9.00 AM – 4.00 PM

CARNAMAH PHARMACY

TUESDAY 12.30 PM – 5.00 PM
THURSDAY 8.00 AM – 12.30 PM

COMMUNITY NEWS

A message to all school principals, teachers, youth leaders and advisors, community and youth groups.

We are seeking your support to encourage and empower today's youth to:

"Make a Film, Make a Stand, Make a Difference"

The Western Australia Police Force in partnership with the Constable Care Child Safety Foundation are calling on all WA students aged 12-18 years to actively become Community Safety Champions, as part of the innovative "Your Call" competition for 2020. This year the Project will focus on **"Street Safety"**. In groups of up to three, students are invited to research and compile a short film, under 3 minutes, to show their view on the importance of personal safety in environments away from the home and/or school.

The top three films will receive prizes and the winning group will also have the opportunity to work with the WA Screen Academy as their short film is turned into a high quality interactive film that will be promoted to the WA community to address this important topic.

About "Your Call"

"Your Call" was initiated in 2017 through the amalgamation of the Students' Advising Youth and Your Call Programs. The aim of "Your Call" is to encourage young people to be educators among their peers to deliver messages about key community safety issues such as personal safety, alcohol and drug use, mental health, assault, bullying and family violence.

The competition aims to educate students around the social harm and negative consequences associated with priority issues facing today's youth.

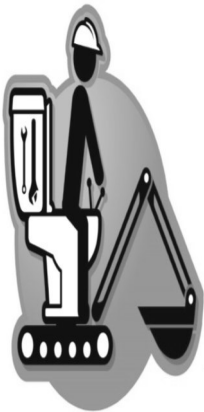
Registrations will commence in February 2020 with films due in by the end of June 2020.

In preparation we ask you display the enclosed poster during the end of 2019 to give students advanced encouragement to be involved for 2020.

We look forward to your participation!

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2020

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(or dates as advertised)***

***11 Feb, 10th March, 12th May, 9th June,
14th July, 11th August, 8th September, 13th October,
10th November & 8th December 2020***

***Venue: Community Hall – End Closest To Shire Offices
(Large animal visits can be arranged)***

For Appointments Telephone: 99271329

(24 hour emergency service available A/H 0428 966 163)



Dongara Veterinary Hospital

What can we accomplish in our community?



Would you like to promote your business within our communities?
Do you have any ideas for new community activities?



MEEDAC invite all
support services and
businesses to
promote what you have
to offer and deliver to
the Communities



During the day we will be holding a forum, so bring your community suggestions.
Exhibition stations are limited, please RSVP by Monday 3rd February!

Locations

10th February	Northampton - Northampton Community Centre, 52 Harvey Road
12th February	Morawa- Morawa Town Hall, Prater Street
17th February	Dongara- Dongara Recreation Centre, Ridley Street
26th February	Narngulu- Technology Park, Cnr of Deepdale Rd & Arthur Rd, Deepdale

**Starts at
10 AM**



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For all queries, registration & Expo details please contact Shane
midwestevents@meedac.com OR 0438 461 389

With the recommencement of Pennants, Red were at home to the lowly placed Coorow and the chance to get maximum points and stay in the race for the top four. Coorow had seven players and two subs and Red had ten and one sub so numbers were short. However Red played very poorly and got rolled! 57-62. 5-1 to Coorow.

Paul Bone defeated Brian Jack 21-19 after losing the last three ends.

Kristian Kenworthy lost to Doug Brenton 18-22

Mal Ogden lost to Carl Ciml 18-21

Red go to Latham next week

Black travelled to Mingenew with ten and one sub. Highlight of the day was Jack Antonio and his crew scoring an 8 and a seven. Jack's was the team one short and his offsidiers were Lindsay Isbister and Michael Verrall. Very well done. 77-57 to Black 5-1. Black hold second spot on the ladder in a bunched field.

Chad Eva lost to Darren Mills 13-25

Jack Antonio Defeated Sam Greaves 36-13

Warrick Trant defeated Ian Broad 28-19

Black at home to Coorow next week.

Cheers



Ladder	
Carnamah	46.5
Black	37
Latham	36.5
Morawa	32.5
Red	29.5
Mingenew	29
Coorow	23
Perenjori	5



THREE SPRINGS **NETBALL CLUB**



GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 18th February 2020
6.30pm @ Commercial Hotel

Would you like to play netball in 2020?
If so, please join us at our general meeting for information on
the 2020 season.

We are also seeking a D Grade Coach for the 2020 season. If
we don't find someone to fill this position there will be no D
grade in 2020. If your child is interested in playing D grade,
please consider this role.

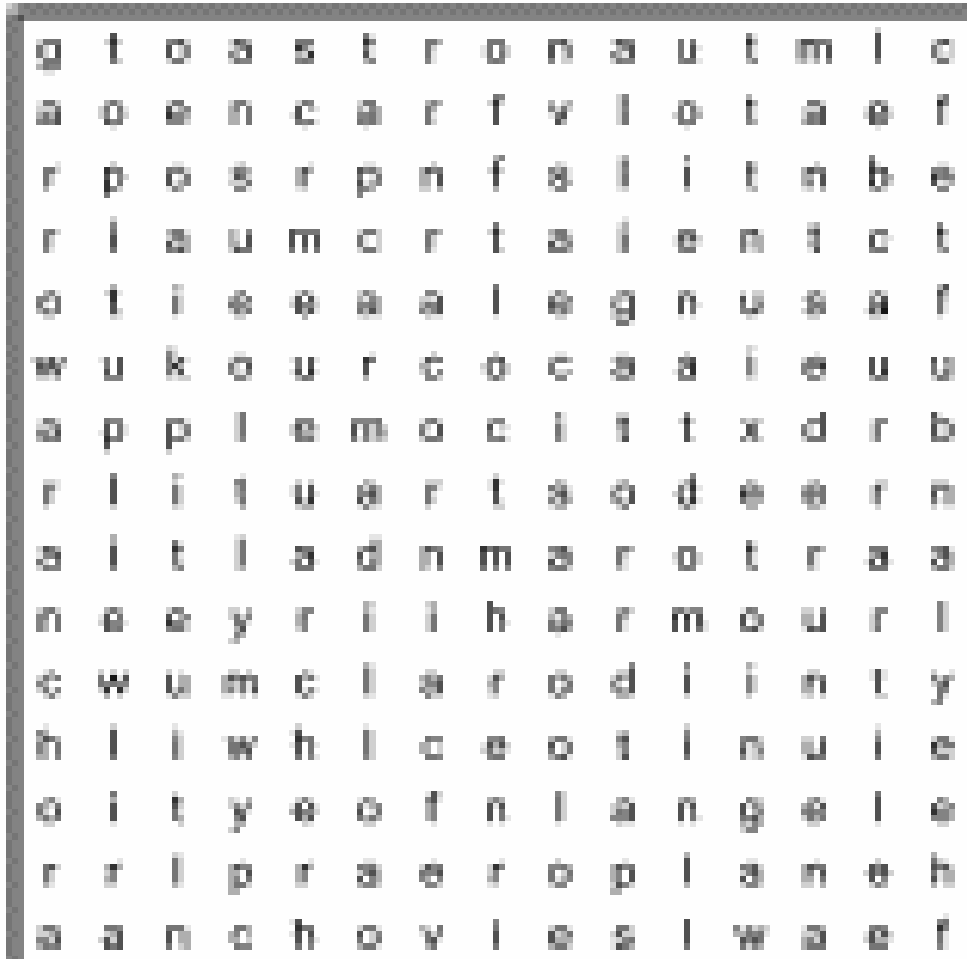
Can't make the meeting, but would still like to play/Coach?
Please express your interest to Tanya on the details below.

~NEW & OLD PLAYERS WELCOME~

Apologies/Expression of interest to Play/Coach to
Tanya O'Donnell on 0457 613 338 or
threespringsnetballclub@hotmail.com

We hope to see you there!

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