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05 DEC 2022



<u>Shire of Three Springs</u> Administration

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Email: general@threesprings.wa.gov.au Website: www.threesprings.wa.gov.au

Shire of Three Springs Wishes you Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

OUR OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FROM 2:00 PM THURSDAY,
22 DECEMBER 2022
AND
RE-OPEN ON 08:00 AM TUESDAY, 03 JANUARY 2023



<u>DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT</u> <u>TRANSACTIONS</u>

Department of Transport (DoT) Services At Shire Admin Centre only available three days a week

- * Licensing Hours: Tuesdays —Thursdays 9:00am to 3:00pm
- * Theory Test hours: Tuesdays —Thursdays 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
- * PDA Assessor: Geraldton



The Three Springs Gym Is Open



The Shire of Three Springs has an unsupervised gym, accessible to members 24/7. Memberships can be purchased at the Shire of Three Springs Admin Centre. You must be over 18 to be a member of the gym.

Туре	Full	Concession
12 Months	\$200.00	\$100.00
6 Months	\$105.00	\$52.50
3 Months	\$54.00	\$27.00





Access Fob Key Bond (Cash /Eftpos) \$50.00

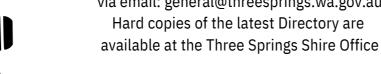
Please Note: Bonds can now be paid in cash or Eftpos (preferred).

Three Springs Telephone Directory

Are you in the local telephone directory?

Phone, fax, mobile numbers, UHF or e-mail addresses are welcome.

If you would like to make an addition, alteration or deletion please call 9954 1001 or via email: general@threesprings.wa.gov.au







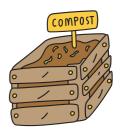


Available at the Shire of Three Springs

Admin Office

Great for worm farms, compost heap,
chooks and garden mulch







MEPAU in the Mid West

Mitsui E&P Australia (MEPAU) is the Australian headquarters for Mitsui & Co.'s energy investments in the region. MEPAU is focused on establishing a responsible, reliable, and sustainable energy supply to meet growing energy demands.

MEPAU is Operator of three facilities in the Mid West, including the Waitsia Gas Field, a joint venture with Beach Energy, which is located about 20km southeast of Dongara.



Mid West Community Grant Program

Dongara Men in Sheds' Memorial Park project MEPAU and joint venture partner Beach Energy have developed the Mid West Community Grant Program to provide assistance to not-for-profit community groups, clubs and organisations to implement projects, activities and projects that enhance and promote community wellbeing within the Mid West.

Mid West Community Grants will be available two times per year for funding requests of up to \$4,000.

The first round of applications will open 10 November and close 10 December 2022.

MEPAU welcomes applications for grants that relate

to or support one or more of MEPAU's key areas of Central Regional TAFE's Scholarship program support:

•Education, Skills Development & Training – opportunities to promote work readiness and employment for persons living in the Mid West region of Western Australia, particularly science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) topics;

•Employment and pre-employment training

- opportunities for Mid West communities,
 particularly those where MEPAU has a presence
 (such as the Shires of Irwin, Coorow and To find out more about the
 Carnamah, and the City of Greater Geraldton), Mid West Community Grant
 especially initiatives that benefit youth and local Program, read the 'Mid West
 Indigenous persons; and Community Grants Information
 for Applicants' and the Terms
- •Sustainable community initiatives involving and Conditions document at social engagement, health and fitness, and/ormitsuiepmidwest.com.au. the natural environment.

MEPAU's past beneficiaries have included:

Dongara Junior Football Club's scoreboard project









Applications may be made via the Sponsorships and Grants portal of MEPAU's website - scan the QR code above or go to mitsuiepmidwest.com.au. Questions about MEPAU's grants and sponsorships may be sent to contact@mepau.com.au.

Three Springs

CHRISTMAS ISSUED SERVICE OF THE SERV

Organised By

LIONS CLUB, SHIRE OF THREE SPRINGS AND COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

SAT, 10 DEC FROM 6 PM

JACK THORPE GARDEN



SANTA AND HIS ELVES ARRIVING AT 6:30PM



CHRISTMAS MOVIE AT 7:30 PM



FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE



POPCORN, SLUSHY WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

PLEASE PUT NAME AND AGE ON PRESENTS AND LEAVE AT THE POST OFFICE BY FRIDAY, 09 DEC 2022



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Scotch Fillet \$28

200g Scotch Fillet served with Chips and Mixed Salad— Mushroom or Gravy

Fish of the Day \$25

Piece of Fish served with Chips and Mixed Salad—Tartare and Lemon

Chicken Carbonara \$20

Fettuccini pasta with Chicken Bacon and \
Mushrooms in a creamy sauce —Parmesan
Cheese to Top

Kids Meals

Bucket Chips \$6

Nuggets and Chips \$8

Mixed Salad Bowl \$8

Fundraiser Dinners Yr5/6 Camp

17th December 2022 At Three Springs Sporting Club

Fundraiser for our year 5/6's at Three Springs Primary School camp to Coral Bay



Major sponsors: Leeman **Country & Sporting Club** & Leeman Townscape & **Tourism**

WHERE: LEEMAN COUNTRY & SPORTING **CLUB - DINING AREA**

Rezy's Meals 'til 7pm & table

snacks for purchase **BAR OPEN!**

STRICTLY NO DOOR **SALES PRE-PURCHASE BY 7 JAN TABLES OF UP TO 8**

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WHEN:

Sat 14th Jan 8pm. Music to greet & welcome guests at 7.10pm PRIZES!!: Best Dressed Sheila, Best Dressed Bloke, Biggest Bogan, Air Guitar Champ, Bingo, Door Prize, **AND MORE!**

Celebrate with friends (birthday, anniversary, sports function, girls' night out!) Anything goes!



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Consumer Watch Column

Consumer Protection 50-52 Durlacher Street, Geraldton WA 6530 Tel: (08) 9920 9800 Email:candice.evans@dmirs.wa.gov.au

Have your say on family & domestic violence tenancy laws

Family and domestic violence (FDV) is an extremely serious issue in our community, so we need to make sure the right laws are in place to not only support victim-survivors, but to keep them and their children out of harm's way.

An estimated 24,000 Western Australians sought help from specialist homelessness services last year, with 41 per cent needing these services because they were experiencing FDV.

Given we know many of these crimes are occurring in rental properties, the State Government has agreed to review our FDV tenancy laws to see if they need to be fine-tuned.

As part of this review, Consumer Protection has begun seeking feedback from the community on how effective the current laws have been and to assess the impact they have had on affected tenants and landlords.

The FDV tenancy laws under review came into effect on April 2019 and allow tenants fearing for their or their children's safety to end a tenancy agreement early without the need to go to court. Instead, victim-survivors only need to fill out a form giving the landlord at least seven days' notice that they wish to end the tenancy early and provide a family violence report as evidence.

In co-tenancies, victim-survivors have the option to apply to the court to have the perpetrator's name removed from the lease so that they can remain in their rental home. Other reforms included the ability to change locks or upgrade security; prevent or remove tenancy database entries; and resolve any issues related to damage, unpaid rent or bonds.

This community consultation may reveal problems that we may not yet know about and will take into consideration the impact of COVID-19 and the ability of victim-survivors to find alternative accommodation with the current extremely low rental vacancy rate in WA.

The review will focus on whether the laws are working as intended to support affected renters and will also examine how landlords are impacted in areas such as recovering debts owed by tenants and making claims on insurance.

To view the consultation paper – or to take a short online survey – visit the Consumer Protection website before the Friday 16 December 2022 closing date. More information on the current laws is available at www.safetenancy.wa.gov.au.





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New law to stop online resellers from misleading ticket buyers

It can be disappointing missing out on tickets to a favourite artist or sports team. Some ticket buyers may even be willing to fork out hundreds of dollars extra to an online ticket reseller just to be able to go to the event.

There is some good news for consumers and their wallets with the Australian Government introducing a new event ticketing standard to help ticket buyers make informed decisions when purchasing tickets from online resellers for events across Australia.

Under the Australian Consumer Law (ACL), online ticket resellers are now required to clearly disclose that they are a reseller and not a primary ticket provider, as well as the original price of tickets. They must also clearly display this information prominently on their website.

These new changes will complement the WA Ticket Scalping Act which came into effect on 10 September 2021, making it illegal for online resellers to sell most tickets to Western Australian events for more than 10 per cent over the original price. They also have to identify the location of the seat or viewing spot for each ticket.

Consumer Protection's role over the last year since the new WA laws took effect has been enforcing the new measures by issuing notices to online resellers and investigating complaints received from consumers. Fines range from \$20,000 for individuals and \$100,000 for companies, with even higher penalties applying to those using 'bots' to purchase bulk tickets which is also illegal in WA.

- Earlier this year, online ticket reseller Viagogo was named as being under investigation for possible breaches of the WA Ticket Scalping Act due to tickets on their website being sold illegally for more than 110 per cent of the original price.
- While this investigation into Viagogo is ongoing, the introduction of the new Australian standard means WA ticket buyers can have more confidence that they are purchasing tickets for events across the country from online resellers at a fair price, and their usual consumer rights under the ACL will apply.
- The best advice is to do your homework before purchasing tickets from an online reseller to ensure you will gain entry to the event. Buying tickets from overseas resellers can be risky. It is much safer to buy through an authorised Australian website using your credit card as it may be possible to get a chargeback if you do happen to buy a dud.
- If you see WA tickets for resale that exceed the permitted 10 per cent mark-up or have any issues with tickets you have purchased, contact Consumer Protection on 1300 30 40 54 or consumer@dmirs.wa.gov.au



EMERGENCY CONTACT

In case of an Emergency call 000

FIRE EMERGENCY	000
DOCTOR/HOSPITAL	9954 1013 / 9954 3200
TS POLICE	9954 4222 OR 13 1444
ST JOHNS AMBULANCE	MERLE ISBISTER - 0428 511 030
VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE	ROD ENNOR - 0458 246 531
HARVEST BAN INFORMATION	9487 6519
INFANT HEALTH CLINIC	9954 3213
VETERINARY (DONGARA)	9927 1329
WATER CORPORATION	13 1375
WESTERN POWER	13 1351



In accordance with section 5.25 of the *Local Government Act 1995* and regulation 12 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 Council wishes to advise that the Ordinary Council meetings for 2022 are as follows:

MONTH	DATE	DAY	TIME
January	No Me		
February	22	Wednesday	5.30pm
March	22	Wednesday	5.30pm
April	26	Wednesday	5.30pm
May	24	Wednesday	5.30pm
June	28	Wednesday	5.30pm
July	26	Wednesday	5.30pm
August	23	Wednesday	5.30pm
September	27	Wednesday	5.30pm
October	25	Wednesday	5.30pm
November	23	Wednesday	5.30pm
December	14	Wednesday	5.30pm

Meetings are held in Council Chambers, 132 Railway Road, Three Springs.

Keith Woodward PSM Chief Executive Officer

THREE SPRINGS MEDICAL CENTRE

12 Thomas Street, Three Springs WA 6519 Phone: (08) 9954 1013 Fax: (09) 9954 1409

Email: reception@tsmc.net.au

SPECIALIST CLINICS VISITING THREE SPRINGS

Monday - Three Springs	
Tuesday – Three Springs	
Wednesday – Carnamah	
Thursday – Three Spring	
Every Tuesday	
30 November 2022	
16 November 2022	
30 Novemeber 2022	
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25 th November 2022	
7 December 2022	



The Golden Lens is an opportunity for WA Seniors Card members to share photos they have taken, that celebrate the lives of older Western Australians.

All winners will win a prize donated by participating businesses of the WA Seniors Card program.

Members can submit an entry in each of the five categories.

- Active ageing
- Diverse cultures
- Artistic photography
- Flora and fauna
- Seniors Influencer

Entries close Friday 17 March 2023







Country Stargazing

with Carol Redford and Donna Vanzetti, Astrotourism WA

Christmas Stargazing!

With Christmas just around the corner, it's a hectic and crazy time. So why not take a breath throughout the month and head outside and look up at the night sky. Stargazing is awe-inspiring and yet peaceful and calming at the same time. It's bound to refresh your spirits, relax your mind and get you ready to tackle the Christmas preparations with renewed vigour.

This month, stargazers will be treated to a special display from the Geminids Meteor Shower. On a dark night, away from artificial light pollution, you might see up to 120 meteors (or "shooting stars") an hour!

The Geminids meteor shower is generated from asteroid 3200 Phaethon and is one of the most active and best meteor showers to see.

When and where to look: The best time to watch is after midnight on 13th and 14th December. Look to the northeast and north about 45 degrees above the horizon.

Throughout December the planets are celebrating Christmas by putting on a 'Parade of Planets'! From our perspective here on Earth, as the planets continue their never-ending path around the Sun, their orbits can sometimes bring the planets together to form incredible conjunctions.

On Dec 24th Venus and Mercury will be joined by a thin slither of the Moon, low in the western sky, while Saturn is higher up in the sky. Jupiter is high overhead and Mars will be rising in the northeast.

When to look: Around 8pm, 24th December

Have a wonderful Christmas from the team at Astrotourism WA. We will have more stargazing tips and helpful hints coming up next year! Have a very sparkly Christmas!

Find more stargazing tips and country events at www.astrotourismwa.com.au.

If you're a budding "astro-enthusiast", check out...
Stargazers Club WA's telescope classes & astronomy events for beginners at: www.stargazersclubwa.com.au.



PENSION WORK BONUS POLICY

02 December 2022

Federal Member for Durack, The Hon Melissa Price MP, has welcomed the announcement yesterday of a \$4000 boost for aged and veteran pensioners. This boost will enable eligible pensioners to work more hours without having their pension affected.

The concept of the Pension Work Bonus Policy was introduced by the Coalition at this year's Jobs and Skills Summit, a practical policy that Labor has now subsequently adopted.

The boost will see the income cap lifted from \$7800 to \$11,800 for eligible age and veteran pensioners, enabling them to earn an extra \$300 per fortnight before their pension is reduced. The increase in the Work Bonus income bank will be in place from now until December 31, 2023.

"It is important to allow our pensioners to earn a little extra money with a reasonable and common sense solution. This policy will give pensioners a one-off income credit over the next vear" Melissa Price said.

"These changes will help pensioners who want to find some extra work, while also helping businesses who need to hire dependable and skilled staff. The ability to earn an extra \$300 per fortnight means some members of our community will be able to work more hours, which is important as work can often give people a sense of belonging and purpose. We all like to feel like we make a difference" Ms Price said.

"I am aware that many pensioners are struggling with the cost-of-living crisis at the moment and allowing age and veteran pensioners to work and earn an extra \$4000 this financial year I believe will certainly help." Ms Price said.

For more information on the changes to the Pension Work Bonus Policy please visit https://www.servicesaustralia.gov.au/work-bonus

Ends.

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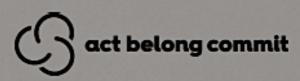
FOR SOMEONE CLOSE TO YOU THE CHRISTMAS PERIOD MAY BE THE HARDEST OF ALL.

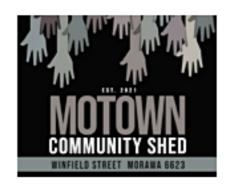
If you, or someone you know is struggling, please reach out.

Lifeline 13 11 14 Mensline Australia 1300 78 99 78 Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800 RuralLink 1800 552 002

www.beyondblue.org.au/get-support









AUTHORISED REFUND POINT

Morawa Containers for Change is Coming Too Your Town Three Springs

Saturday 10th December 9am – 10.30am Opposite IGA

You must have a member/scheme number

No cash available

Containers will be collected and processed back at the Morawa Receival Point.

We are a volunteer organisation, money raised goes back to the community, this is our motto.

Please contact us on Ph: 0458 781 376

If you require us to open with bulk items outside these hours or need more information

Kids Page







Anglican / Uniting Church	Diana Van Buerle 0429 888 558 Peter Whale 0427 541 080 Hendrik Greyling 0497 22 4004
Catholic Church	Fr Brian Ahearn 9927 1451 0427 271 452
Friends of the North-Midlands Health Service	Brenda Bowman 0427 511 339
Historical Society - Geraldton	Judy and Roy Mutter 0427 547 733
North Midlands Agricultural Society - Carnamah	9951 1036
Returned Serviceman League - RSL	Bruce Clampett 0427 420 929
RSL Women's Auxiliary	Lorraine Morgan 9954 1014
Tourists Information	Visitors Centre 9954 1590
Three Springs Lions Club	Cathy Reed 0427 547 012
Playgroup	Lauren Cruickshank 0429 620 201
Three Springs Parents & Citizens	President: Vikki Thomas 9954 3700 Catering: Jess Van Veer& Shannah Balks 9954 3700



Sporting Group Contacts

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Basketball	Bruce Chisholm 0428 591 318
Outdoor Bowls	Jack Antonio 0428 541 327
Badminton	Tai Plant 0427 754 832
Golf	David Mutter 0427 547 035
Football	Liam Mutter 0458 547 035
Netball	Bec Mills 0438 994 777
Hockey	President: Heidi Taylor 0429 051 428 Secretary: Kylie Dennis 0438 238 171
Indoor Bowls	Adele Metsemakers 0475 633 039
Rifle Club	Chris Connaughton 0427 547 007
Sporting Clay/ Target Shooting	Gary Turley 0428 888 075
Squash / Tennis	Jack Antonio 0428 541 327
Yoga	Lorraine Morgan 9954 1014

COMMUNITY CALENDAR



MONTH / YEAR: DECEMBER 2022

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
WEEK 1				1	2	3	4
WEEK 2	5	Yoga by Lorraine Morgan @ Red Room	7	8	End of Year Assembly 9 - Three Springs Primary School @ Shire Hall	Community 10 Christmas Tree and Movie Night @ Jack Thorpe Garden From 6 PM	11
WEEK 3	12	Yoga by Lorraine Morgan @ Red Room	Ordinary Council 14 Meeting @ Shire Admin from 5PM	15	16	Year 5/6 Camp Fundraiser Dinner @ Three Springs Sporting Club	18
WEEK 4	19	Yoga by Lorraine 20 Morgan @ Red Room	21	Shire Office 22 closed from 2:00 PM Thursday, 22 December 2022 and re-open on 08:00 AM Tuesday, 03 January 2023			



The Yakabout is now free of charge & it is on the Shire website! There will be a limited number of printed copies available from the Shire Office and Post Office.

Check out the new webpage with the issues from 2020 & 2021. To place an advert please email the Three Springs Shire Yakabout yakabout@threesprings.wa.gov.au, Or call the Shire on 9954 1001.

Non-Business	Size	Business
\$31.00	Full Page B&W	\$41.20
\$82.50	Full Page Colour	\$164.80
\$15.50	Half Page B&W	\$20.60
\$41.20	Half Page Colour	\$82.40
\$8.25	Quarter Page B&W	\$10.30
\$20.60	Quarter Page Colour	\$41.20

Adverts need to be in by noon the Friday before publishing on the Monday.

