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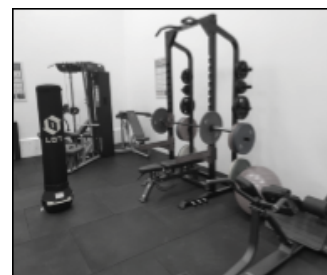


The Three Springs Gym Is Open



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.

Type	Full	Concession
12 Months	\$225.00	\$112.50
6 Months	\$118.13	\$59.06
3 Months	\$59.06	\$30.38
1 Month	\$22.50	\$11.25



Access Fob Key Bond (Cash /Eftpos) \$100.00
Please Note: Bonds can now be paid in cash or Eftpos (preferred).

Three Springs Telephone Directory

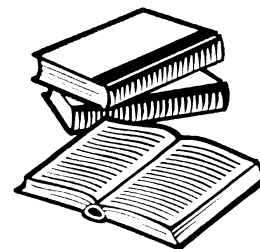
Are you in the local telephone directory?
Phone, fax, mobile numbers, UHF or e-mail addresses are welcome

If you would like to make an addition, alteration or deletion

please call 9954 1001 or
via email: general@threesprings.wa.gov.au

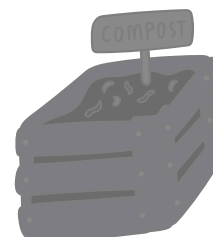
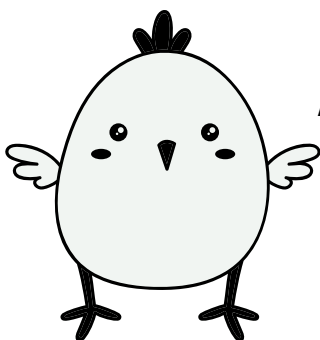


Hard copies of the latest Directory are
available at the Three Springs Shire Office



SHREDDED PAPER

Available at the Shire of Three Springs
Admin Office
Great for worm farms, compost heap,
chooks and garden mulch



Office Hours: Monday to Friday 8am- 4:00pm

132 Railway Road, Three Springs WA 6519

PO Box 117, Three Springs WA 6519

Telephone: 08 9954 1001 Fax: 08 9954 1183

Email: general@threesprings.wa.gov.au

Website: www.threesprings.wa.gov.au

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT TRANSACTIONS

Department of Transport (DoT) Services

At Shire Admin Centre

only available three days a week

- * Licensing Hours: Tues - Wed - Thurs 9:00am - 3:00pm
- * Theory Test hours: Tues - Wed - Thurs 9:00 am - 2:00pm
- * Practical Driving Assessment Assessor: Geraldton

Shire Of Three Springs SMS Text Messaging

The Shire Of Three Springs offers a SMS text message system which sends out the latest Shire Notices via Text message.

Messages include Road closures, Fire bans, Harvest bands and important Shire related updates.

If you would like to make any changes or to be added to this list,

please call 9954 1001 or via email:

general@threesprings.wa.gov.au





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 2024 are as follows:

MONTH	DATE	DAY	TIME
January	No Meeting		
February	28	Wednesday	5.30pm
March	27	Wednesday	5.30pm
April	24	Wednesday	5.30pm
May	22	Wednesday	5.30pm
June	26	Wednesday	5.30pm
July	24	Wednesday	5.30pm
August	28	Wednesday	5.30pm
September	25	Wednesday	5.30pm
October	23	Wednesday	5.30pm
November	27	Wednesday	5.30pm
December	11	Wednesday	5.30pm

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

Keith Woodward PSM
Chief Executive Officer



Three Springs Primary School

AUSTRALIAN EARLY DEVELOPMENT CENSUS (AEDC)

Our school will take part in the AEDC between May and July this year.

The AEDC is a national census that is conducted every three years by the Australian Government, in partnership with state and territory governments. It measures how children have developed by the time they start their first year of full-time school. The AEDC is voluntary, and it does not measure how well children are doing at school, nor how their school compares to other schools. Instead, it shows how children are growing and progressing in five key areas, what is being done well and what can be improved.

AEDC data is used by schools, early childhood organisations, researchers and governments to help plan and improve services and supports for children and families. It is important for all children in their first year of school to be included in the AEDC.

Kind regards.

Shirley MacLeod



BOOK FAIR 2024

The theme for our 2024 Scholastic Book Fair is Enchanted Forest where we hope you will let your imagination grow!

It's a fun reading event that brings the books students want to read right into our school. It's a wonderful selection of engaging and affordable books for every reading level.

Please make plans to visit our Book Fair and be involved in shaping your child's reading habits.

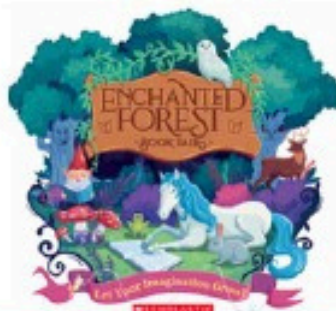
The library will be open:

Wednesday 22nd May to Friday 24th May from 9am to 4pm.

Special activities:

Colouring in & best dressed competition plus enchanted forest activities.

We look forward to seeing you and your family at our Book Fair!



FAREWELL TO A SPECIAL EDUCATION ASSISTANT

On behalf of the students, staff and school community, I would like to farewell Mrs Kirsten Smith. Kirsten has played a pivotal role in our teaching and learning programs, working with many students spanning many, many years. Kirsten will begin her new role at the North Midlands Hospital, on Monday 13 May. From everyone at Three Springs PS, we wish Kirsten well in her new venture. She will be missed every minute, of every school day!

On 08.05.2024 we held a school morning tea on behalf of Mrs Smith's departure. We started with a small presentation in which she was presented flowers and a cake.

All the students had a turn at saying something to Mrs. Smith and shared their kind words and best wishes. We then went on to having a delicious morning tea/recess. The students really enjoyed this and there was so much food left over to enjoy at lunch time. Thank you to all that brought in a plate of food to share on such short notice.

We appreciate it.



We will miss you



Reminder

School Photo day May 16th 2024. School Board Meeting 20th May 2024



Australian Government



National Indigenous
Australians Agency

Remote jobs program

Have your say

We are holding face-to-face sessions in your region to talk about a new jobs program



All are welcome to attend.
Light refreshments provided.

15th May 2024

11am

Carnamah Hall

Carnamah



Can't make it to the meeting?

Scan the QR code or visit
niaa.gov.au/remote-jobs to have
your say through our online survey.

Survey





Department of
Education

The WA Student Assistance Payment

Helping you get
the things you need
for your kids.

\$150

For each Kindergarten
and primary school student

\$250

For each secondary
school student

If you have kids enrolled in
school you can claim the WA
Student Assistance Payment.

Claim now

You can submit a claim:

- on the ServiceWA app on your mobile phone
- online
- by filling out and posting in a paper form
- asking for help at your school.

Go to education.wa.edu.au/wasap
for more information.

You will need:

1. The 8-digit WA student number
(WASN) for each student.

You'll find it on:

- school reports
- previous NAPLAN results
- secondary student's SmartRider

If you have trouble locating the
number, contact your school for
help.

2. Details of each student you are
claiming for:

- name at time of enrolment
- date of birth
- school name
- year level.

3. The details of your bank
account where the payment will be
deposited.

**Submit your claim between
Monday 15 April and Friday
28 June 2024.**

For more information about the WA Student Assistance Payment
eligibility and how to claim, go to education.wa.edu.au/wasap

Claim on the
ServiceWA app





**Yakabout Readers online
can click this logo to go
directly to the website**

The Department of Jobs, Tourism, Science and Innovation maintains a Grants Assistance and Programs Register which provides current and potential industry proponents with information on available state and federal government funding programs and assistance.

Grants Assistance and Programs Register for WA industry

change•mak•er

/chānj'māk'ər/ noun

A person with a bias toward action

Three Springs Changemakers

The Three Springs Changemakers are a collection of individuals who wish to make a positive change to our community.

Five locals participated in the Community Builders program which involved a series of six workshops. These workshops were held throughout the North Midlands in 2023. We then followed this up with the Community Opportunity Workshop held at the Club in early March. Community members were invited to attend and discuss what they like about our town (and surrounds), what they would change and what we need to add or include. The results from this workshop will be distributed to those who attended or expressed an interest in attending.

Small projects which the Changemakers have already been involved with include the bring and share hutch at the Post Office where we are invited to share anything that we have too much of or just won't use, repainting the bench outside the Post Office and the lovely yarn hearts on the Post Office fence. A Meal 4 U is another new project as is this weekend's Buy Nothing Markets.

There is no committee, no meetings and no money. Just people who want to make positive change within our community. What can you do?

If you want to know more, feel free to contact Chris Lane, Jenny Mutter, Lexi Burgermeestre or Nadine Eva.



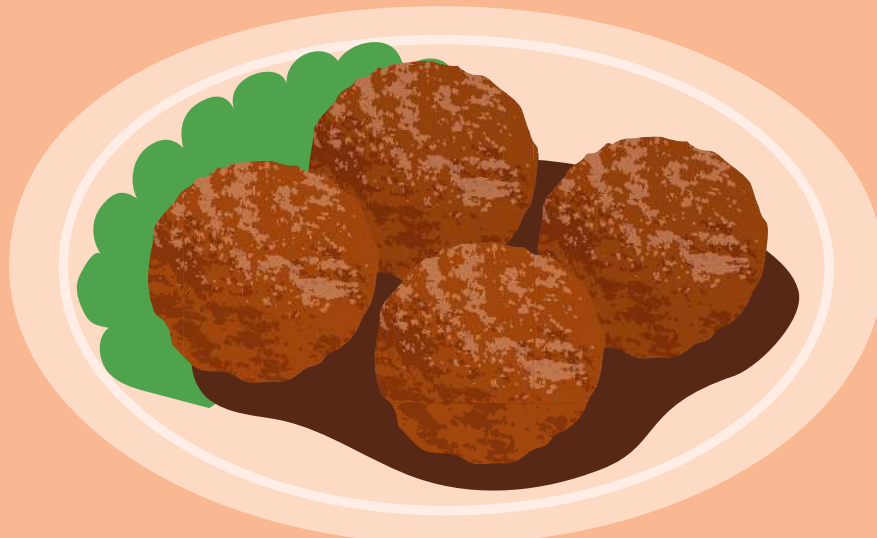
A MEAL 4 U

- Do you live alone & find it hard to cook for one?
- Are you 65+ years young?
- Would you like a delicious home cooked hot meal delivered to your home for just \$10?

NEW!! RED ROOM RESTAURANT

Enjoy your meal with company at the Community
Hall Red Room.

Doors open @ 5pm. BYO drinks



BEEF RISSOLES, MASH & VEG : Tue 14th May 2024

Call Chris 0439 47 8800 if you have any questions & to place an order by 12pm Mon prior to meal.

If you are not over 65 but would like to help by buying a meal for a senior, please call Chris.



Government of Western Australia
North Metropolitan Health Service



When did you last have a **FREE** breast screening mammogram?

Once is not enough

It is important for women 40 years or over to have a **FREE** breast screening mammogram at least every two years.
Early detection is your best protection.



BreastScreen WA's mobile will be at:

Three Springs

North Midlands District Hospital, Thomas Street

05/06/2024 - 12/06/2024

Dates may be subject to change

For an appointment
book **online** or phone **13 20 50**

BreastScreen
AUSTRALIA

A joint Australian, State and Territory Government Program



www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au



Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

Every dollar raised helps support
those impacted by cancer.

When: Tuesday MAY 28th 2024

Where: RED ROOM COMMUNITY HALL

Time: 10am to 12.00

Details: Raffles, Quiz

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Cancer

What's Up in the Night Sky?

With Carol Redford and Donna Vanzetti

Meteor Shower Spectacular

Stargazers will be treated to a special display when the Eta-Aquarids Meteor Shower peaks this month. A meteor shower occurs when our planet Earth passes through the trail of debris left by a comet after it has completed its journey around our Sun. This shower is the result of Halley's Comet which orbits the sun once every 76 years. It's not due to return to Earth until 2061, however it still treats us to two meteor showers per year with the second shower being the Orionids on display in October.

The eta-Aquarids Meteor Shower is active from 19th April to 28th May with the peak happening on 6th May. With no Moon to wash out the views, it will be perfect conditions. It's predicted that there will be up to 30 meteors per hour at the peak of activity. It's worth watching this meteor shower in the days either side of the peak as well. Meteors can be seen in off-peak times too.

When and where to look: Early morning before sunrise on 6th May. Look near to Saturn in the east for the radiant point of this meteor shower.



3.30am, 6th May 2024. Image provided courtesy SkySafari, SkySafariAstronomy.com.

Magical Milky Way

Another awesome sight to see in our spectacular dark night skies, is the band of the Milky Way, stretching right across the sky. From mid-autumn to mid-spring, we look towards the centre or core of our own galaxy and see a cloudy band of billions of stars that arcs from the south east to the south west. Many people around the world are unable to witness this breathtaking view due to light pollution, however out in country WA, we can enjoy the experience of seeing the stunning Milky Way Galaxy in all its glory.

When and where to look: Well after sunset on moonless nights are the best times to see the Milky Way. Look to the south east and south west.

For more "What's Up in the Night Sky?" stargazing tips, visit www.astrotourismwa.com.au.

FRIENDS of the NORTH MIDLANDS HEALTH SERVICE.



THE BEST OF THE FRIENDS COOK BOOK

The recipe book proved popular and a number of booklets were sold on the day.

There are many more Cook Books available for sale.

Contact:

Chris Lane: 0439 478800

Carole Rayner : 0428 511028

or a Friends Member

President Rhonda Bastian 0427541061

Secretary Brenda Bowman 0427511339



WA COMMUNITY SERVICES ONLINE



Access Housing Online
Housing Online maintenance request form
Community Support
Counselling Services
and Much more
<https://www.wa.gov.au/service/community-services>



Anglican/Uniting Church Parish of North Midlands

Sunday 19th May 9:00 at THREE SPRINGS Trinity Church Hall for an
A.G. meeting of The Combined Anglican – Uniting Church of the North Midlands
to elect a Chair and a Secretary. (There will not be a church service)

Contacts:

Diana V 0429 888 558 Hendrik G 0497 224 004
Ian B 0400 204 355 Brenda B 0427 511 339
Phil T 0428 226 581 Wayne S 0414 521 984 Peter W 0427 541 080

*In the towns of Three Springs, Carnamah and Coorow tune into 88.0FM for
Vision Christian Radio or listen on their website*

AT THE SHIRE OFFICE



**Use this QR code for
Pensioner Information**



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BIG SKY

Readers and
Writers Festival

SHORT STORY PRIZE 2024

Invitation to all local writers

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

**Enter for your chance to win \$500,
plus VIP access to festival events!**

ENTRY IS FREE

Entries open 19 April 2024

Entries close 12 July 2024

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



An initiative of

City of
Greater Geraldton
a vibrant future



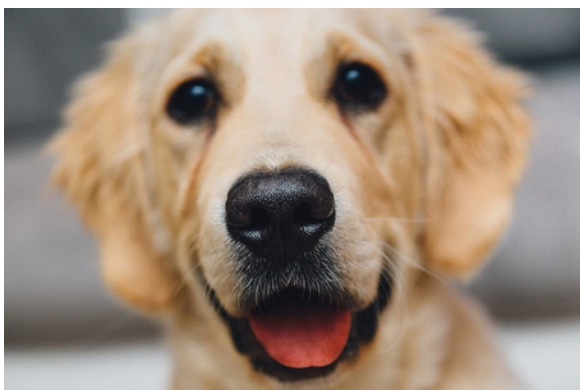


\$150 Desexing and \$50 Microchipping Vouchers*
available for Low Income and Pension Card holders

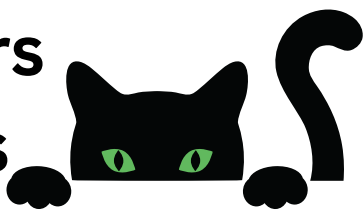
Contact your local Shire for further information.

This project is brought to you in partnership with the Department of
Primary Industries and Regional Development

* Microchipping Vouchers not available in Morawa or Perenjori.



Rangers Notes



Did You Know... feral cats kill our native lizards and small birds in the region. You can help to reduce feral cats in our township.

1. Contact the Shire Office Administration.
2. For \$100 bond we can issue you a cage for trapping which will be returned to you when the cage is brought back
3. Once caught, bring to the Shire Office, It's that simple.

Lets work together to reduce feral cats before they mount up to an uncontrollable level.

Thankyou to residents who are already actively doing this.



Threat Management Feral Cats

Scan Here
for more info



How to Scan a QR Code with iPhone

1. Open your iPhone's Camera.
 2. Point the camera at the QR code.
 3. Make sure the QR code is centered on your iPhone's screen.
 4. Wait for the code to scan.
 5. Open the QR code's content.
- If you need help using QR Codes there are lots of Videos online...search QR Codes

DID YOU KNOW?



Laws for Responsible Dog Owners

Your responsibilities

Dog control Penalty: \$200 to \$5,000 If you own a dog, you have a legal responsibility to keep it under control, either within a fenced area on your property or on a leash when in public.

Dogs barking Penalty: \$200 to \$5,000 As a dog owner, you are responsible for ensuring that your dog is not creating a public nuisance by barking excessively. Nuisance barking also covers public places adjoining the premises.

Removal of dog droppings Penalty: Varies Dog droppings are a source of annoyance to other users of footpaths and recreation areas. Most local governments have local laws that require the person in charge of the dog in a public place to remove their dog's droppings and adequately dispose of it.

Penalties for dog attacks Penalty: \$3,000 to \$20,000 Potential imprisonment A dog attack is a very serious matter. If your dog attacks a person or another animal, you will be held responsible even if you are not there at the time.

Dog registration Penalty: \$200 A dog owner is legally required to register his or her dog with the appropriate local government if it is more than three months old. Contact your local government for a registration form and list of applicable fees.

Registration tags Penalty: \$200 Your dog is required to wear a collar to which must be attached a valid registration tag. This tag will be issued by your local government when you pay your registration fee

Feral pig numbers down thanks to control efforts and dry summer

While many are ready for the summer to come to an end, the dry conditions and minimal resources available to feral pigs have been ideal for feral pig control conducted in our region over recent months.

Ongoing pressure and coordination have been the key to maximising the results of this summer's control program according to Midlands Biosecurity Group (MBG) Licensed Pest Management Technician (LPMT), Paul Pitaro.

"Fortunately in the pig space, we have kept pressure up fairly heavily and as such we are seeing reduced numbers. That doesn't mean that numbers are low everywhere, just the areas we concentrate heavily in," Mr Pitaro said.

These areas are those where feral pig populations have been notoriously high or landholders who have been proactive in reporting and working with the MBG.

The MBG implements a year-round, landscape-scale program consisting mainly of baiting, trapping, and shooting, paired with the occasional aerial cull to "mop up" feral pigs remaining in areas that are not easily accessed by car or on foot.

A recent aerial cull conducted in the Shires of Mingenew and Morawa resulted in 339 pigs destroyed in the landscape and, remarkably, only one litter of piglets was spotted on the ground over the 3-day cull.

"Normally we see a number of these litters on the ground at any given time, however, between the poor season and the amount of pressure we have been putting on them, it may have slowed or disrupted reproduction a little," Mr Pitaro said.

The aerial cull was conducted in conjunction with the Central Wheatbelt Biosecurity Association to reduce large mob numbers further and included 22 hours of flying time. This was the eighth aerial cull conducted together with the CWBA in six years with almost 6000 pigs culled as a result.

Despite these terrific efforts and positive signs, Mr Pitaro insists landholders need to remain vigilant as feral pigs are unpredictable.

"Numbers may be lower than usual coming off an average season, but on the other hand they could explode and come out of the woodwork when feed starts shooting up all around the place," Mr Pitaro said.

The MBG recommends reporting any signs or sightings of feral pigs as soon as possible.

The local biosecurity group will continue to focus its work on feral pigs, rabbits, foxes and wild dogs as these pests have been identified as the most detrimental to farming enterprises in our region.

Landholders can access the MBGs bait freezers and our LPMTs are available to support landholders interested in conducting pest control on-farm. For more information and LPMT contact details, visit www.mbg.org.au.

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Supplementary resources:
NFPAP Feral Pig Signs PDF
Decision support tool to guide on-ground operations PDF

Lions Club of Three Springs

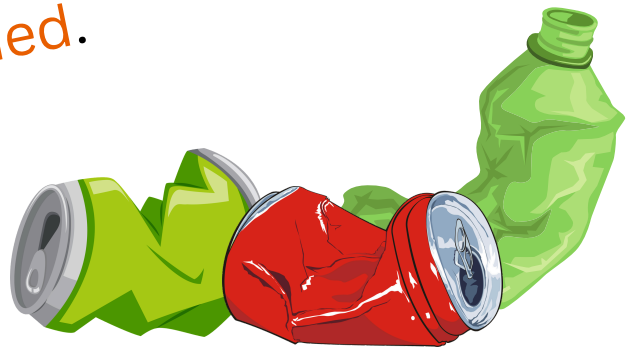


Lions Can Shed Changes

The Lions Shed will be undergoing some maintenance changes until further notice. The Club no longer takes cardboard donations. Please take your cardboard to the tip and not in this shed, thank you.

*Please do not place
cardboard
in the Lions Shed.*

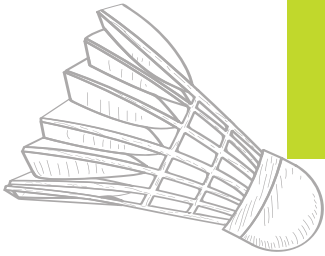
*Please do not take
cans, bottles and
Car/Truck Batteries
to the Lions Can shed.*



To donate your **cans**, **bottles** and **car/truck** batteries to the club and or you need them picked up contact **Jon Addison 0428 541 255**

Lions is an international non-political service organisation, and is the largest of its kind in Australia.

Lions Club supporting community and charities Contact Cathy Reed 0427 547 012 for more information.



BADMINTON

MONDAY - 6-8PM
WEDNESDAY - 1 - 3PM
THURSDAY - 6-8PM

**COME ON DOWN AND
SHAKE A
TAIL FEATHER!**

@
**THREE SPRINGS
COMMUNITY HALL**

Contact Tai Plant - 0427 754 832
for more information



Three Springs Indoor Bowls

Session starts at 9 AM
Every Tuesday

at Three Springs Community Hall

Morning tea is provided





Sporting Group Contacts

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
Indoor Bowls	Adele Metsemakers 0460 519 632
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 Group Contacts



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	Lexi Burgemeestre 0401 637 598
Three Springs Parents & Citizens	Rebecca Mills 9954 3700



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



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\$85.00	Full Page Colour	\$170.00
\$16.00	Half Page B&W	\$22.50
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\$8.00	Quarter Page B&W	\$10.50
\$21.25	Quarter Page Colour	\$42.50

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Half Page A5 Size 210x148mm
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All adverts are to be in to the Shire Office by 12.00pm on Fridays, with the exception of sporting notices which have a 9.00am deadline on Monday mornings.



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