



Meekatharra Dust

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Calling for Submissions

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PO Box 129, Meekatharra WA 6642

or drop them in at the Shire office.

Alternatively, you can email us at:

cdo@meekashire.wa.gov.au

Council Dates

Dates for Ordinary Meeting of the Shire of Meekatharra for 2021/22 are -

Meeting Date	Last Date for Items
17 July	2nd
21 August	6th
18 September	3rd
16 October	1st
20 November	5th
17 December	3rd
15 January	31st
19 February	4th
19 March	4th
9 April	25th
21 May	6th
25 June	10th

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IMPORTANT NOTICE—DOGS!

There have been a number of issues around stray and wandering dogs again in Meekatharra during the month of August. Unfortunately, this has led to more very difficult conversations being held, and emotional decisions made to surrender family protectors.

Many of these problems could have been avoided if owners kept their dogs contained as required by our law, and if written notifications of breaches or concerns had been provided to the Shire earlier.

It is a fact of life unfortunately that some people will always disregard the law. Some people simply don't have the resources to keep their dogs contained. These excuses, however won't be accepted.

The Dog Act (1976) states –

31. Control of dogs in certain public places

(1) A dog shall not be in a public place unless it is —

(a) held by a person who is capable of controlling the dog; or

(b) securely tethered for a temporary purpose,

by means of a chain, cord, leash or harness of sufficient strength and not exceeding the prescribed length.

This means that your dog **MUST ALWAYS** be on a lead when outside your yard. To not comply leaves you open to a fine of \$200 **each time** your dog is found unleashed outside your yard. Strictly speaking, this includes places like Peace Gorge, and other regularly used dog exercise areas around Meekatharra.

When dogs do stray, it is vitally important that people in the community voice their concerns, in the right way. Your confidentiality is assured if you come to the Shire office to fill out the complaint form. This form is essential and critical to our ability to take further action. We can't act on an email or phone call complaining about a wandering dog, or on a Facebook post. We need the written complaint before we can act. This is a legal process after all.

All written complaints are taken seriously and investigated

The current fine for not keeping your dog contained is \$50, although the advertised proposed Dog Local Laws prescribe a fine of \$200. This can add up very quickly when the dog is a serial stray.

The Shire of Meekatharra generously provide subsidies to desex dogs to health care card holders. This is another key piece in the approach to ensure no dogs are destroyed. A single female on heat will attract a number of aggressive male dogs and it is very likely at this point they will form a pack. This is a situation we want to avoid at all costs, and can be avoided by having your dogs desexed. For Free.

Come to the Shire to get your voucher at any time.

By being considerate of our neighbours and stopping dogs from barking at night, by making sure dogs are contained in a yard, and by registering and neutering your pets, we can all enjoy the comfort of a companion, and



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Note from the Editor

Not long now until the end of 2021! This is the second last edition of the Dust for 2021. This year has gone by in a flash, probably because of all the fun we have had.

October was a great month in Meeka with the pool opening, school holidays, Yulella Vision opening up again, great events on at the school and the Youth Focus mental health week event.

November will be no different. Weekly yoga sessions will be back up and running from the 8th of November. The classes are held each Monday from 6pm-7pm at the Town Hall. Each session is streamed onto the giant screen in the Hall. The Yoga sessions are for every level from beginner to master, this is for friendly people getting together to chill out and practice yoga as a community. The Shire is hosting a Quiz Night on the 12th of November for everyone over the age of 16. To book a table or for more information see the advert on page 9 of this edition.

There is a lot happening in town, make sure you keep up to date with the Meekatharra Dust Facebook Page.

Happy reading and take care,

The Editor

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Nominations close at 4.00pm on Thursday 11 November 2021.

Nominees are required to be **electors of the Shire** at the time of submitting their nomination.

To nominate, candidates are required to complete the **Online Candidate Induction Course** and lodge with the returning officer:

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SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA

75 Main St, Meekatharra 6642

TEL: 9980 0600 **FAX:** 9981 1505

Email: executive@meekashire.wa.gov.au

RETURNING OFFICER: Roy McClymont

Local Law Review Public Notice

Council recently reviewed and adopted three Local Laws, Dog, Cemeteries and Bush Fire Brigades. Now the Council will be reviewing the Health Local Law and Local Government Property and Public Places Local Law, as required to every eight years. The Shire gives notice that it intends to make new laws. A copy of the proposed new laws may be inspected at the Shire Officer. Submissions on the new Local Laws close at 3pm Thursday 9 December 2021 and can be sent by post, delivered by hand or emails to ceo@meekashire.wa.gov.au

2022 Festival Planning Begins

At the October 2021 Council meeting it was agreed that the 2022/23 budget allocated for the 2022 Meekatharra Outback Festival can be used to start planning in 2021. The allocation of this budget will allow staff to book in attractions early to ensure availability of desired vendors. Staff have already starting planning for the 2022 Festival to top the 2021 Festival successes.



Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program

The Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program Phase 3 has allocated Meekatharra \$1,644,870 for eligible projects between 1st January 2022 and 30th June 2023, with the Shire potentially putting allocating a further \$355,130 to provide the project with a budget of \$2 million. Meekatharra has received this funding before which was allocated to the sealing on Landor Road. Council have decided to further discuss potential projects in future Health, Building and Planning Committee or Works Group meetings. The Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program guidelines outline potential projects that could be approved.

COMING SOON:

Check back here next month for an announcement on murals around Meeka!

Upcoming Events:

8th November - Weekly Yoga Starts

12th November - Quiz Night

14th December - Town Christmas Party

Keep an eye on the Meekatharra Dust Facebook page for more events

Next Council Meeting 20th November 2021, 9:30am at the Council Chambers.

The closing date for submissions is the 1st of November 2021 at 4:30pm.

Meekatharra Pharmacy

72 Main Street, Meekatharra WA 6642



IT'S HEATING UP

As the weather starts getting warmer, Meekatharra pharmacy is here to help with those pesky ailments that might start popping up over the next few months.

EAR PIERCING

We are pleased to be offering Ear Piercing at the Pharmacy from the start of February. We have a range of different colored studs and hoops to choose from! Your STUDEX studs, an aftercare card and antiseptic spray are all included for the one low price of \$29.95. Parental/ guardian consent is required for all children under 16 years of age.

NEW GIFTWARE AND HOME DÉCOR

We have exciting new products at the pharmacy from cosmetics to home decoration products!

If you are after anything to brighten up your home or even yourself, come in and have a look!



Come into store today and meet our FABULOUS pharmacist Su who is here to help.

Opening hours

Monday – Friday 9am-5pm

Saturday 9am – 1pm

(P) 0899801798

Meekatharra pharmacy offers professional advice and a range of products and services including webster packing, Medschecks, Diabetes supplies, Sick certificates, Blood pressure checks, first aid supplies, anti-smoking, vitamins, a range of beauty products, perfumes, gifts and much more at great prices



DRY EYES

Hot and dry air in Meekatharra can lead to dry eye symptoms. The eyes will feel uncomfortable, become red and inflamed.

It can be easily managed by using lubricating eye drops that you can get from the pharmacy!

If you experience any sore eyes, grittiness or sticky eyes, make sure you come in to the pharmacy to have it checked.



Quiz Night

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12

7PM START | TOWN HALL

**\$10 PER PERSON | PRIZES TO BE WON
PLATTERS SUPPLIED**

TO BOOK A TABLE OR SEATS PLEASE VISIT THIS LINK:
[HTTPS://WWW.SURVEYMONKEY.COM/R/8M7S29G](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8M7S29G)

TABLES OF UP TO SIX PEOPLE
GET A GROUP TOGETHER OR WE CAN PUT YOU ON A TABLE

16+ EVENT



MULTI PURPOSE PLANTS



Currently the weather is in that sweet spot where it's no longer too cold, not yet too hot and the flies haven't yet taken over. We know that's not going to last long so let's enjoy it while we can.

It's a good time to get your garden prepped for summer: harvest the winter annuals and put in some summer plants including a whole heap of mulch to keep the soil cool and save the water from evaporating. Or if it's already too hot for you and you rather wait until next autumn before you venture back out into the garden then you may enjoy this article for some inspiration to plan next year's garden.

Humans are often linear thinking creatures: We like a pretty garden so we plant flowers. We want food so we grow some food. We want a shady tree so we plant a shady tree. We like to watch birds so we plant bird attracting shrubs.

But what if we employ some lateral thinking and find the plants that have dual or even multiple purposes as well as being well adapted to our local climate?

Above examples are great reasons to grow plants and yet there are so many more benefits they can bring, and if planned cleverly we can design our garden with all these benefits in mind. Here are some aspects worth considering:

- * Habitat – do they provide hiding spaces or nest building resources for native wildlife?
- * Material – can they provide us with mulch, organic matter for compost, firewood or building materials such as garden stakes?
- * Visual – are they aesthetically pleasing, perhaps colourful or by climbing all over and hiding an ugly fence or shed?
- * Pollinator or predator attracting – do they tend to attract beneficial insects or birds that do free pest control services or pollinate our crops?
- * Edible – can they feed us? Is it something we like to eat?
- * Drought hardiness – are they tough plants that are

gentle on our water bill?

- * Shading – can we use them to create shade for us or other plants below?
- * Fodder – do they provide food for our chooks, pets or livestock?
- * Insect repellent – are they fragrant in a way that drives away flies or mozzies?
- * Dye – can they provide us with natural colour for home craft projects?
- * Nitrogen fixing – do they suck nitrogen from the atmosphere to enrich the soil?
- * Medicinal – perhaps they come with medicinal or beauty benefits?
- * Security/Privacy – can they keep out trespassers or nosy neighbours?

And here are some plants that tick some or many of those boxes:

- ⇒ Grapevine – grapes (wine! What other reason does one need?), deciduous shade, edible leaves, can climb over structures to hide them/provide privacy
- ⇒ Aloe Vera – grows incredibly well here, flowers attract honey-eaters, gel used for sunburns or as moisturiser, spiky leaves can keep out dogs or humans
- ⇒ Basil – very useful and delicious in the kitchen, mozzie/fly repellent, flowers attract butterflies and pollinating insects
- ⇒ Sweet Potato – edible & versatile tuber, rambling foliage is a living mulch for the soil below, chickens love eating the leaves
- ⇒ Pomegranate – great fruit for a cocktail or summer salad, tree provides shade and mulch and loves Meeka's long hot summers
- ⇒ New Zealand / native spinach – living mulch/ground cover, heat resistant spinach, self propagates with seeds
- ⇒ Various wattles – nitrogen fixing, provide mulch, shade, habitat and attract pollinating birds
- ⇒ Edible flowers such as nasturtiums, rose, lavender, calendula, sunflower – petals can be a colourful addition to salads. Rose or lavender can be used to flavour

DONATE THE CASH THAT'S IN YOUR CONTAINERS TO

MEEKA GOES GREEN

We'll get 10 cents for each one.
With your help, we can make a change.

Bring your eligible containers to:
Meeka Goes Green Recycling Centre on Railway Street
Saturdays 9-11am and 24/7 drop off point

Or go to any refund point in WA and use Scheme ID C10286593

ELIGIBLE CONTAINERS

Most glass, plastic, aluminium, steel and paper-based cartons between 150ml and 3L.

Visit containersforchange.com.au to find out more

whatever isn't on the shelf can probably be ordered in upon your request.

There are also many native plants from this region which have provided indigenous people with food, medicine and useful materials for many thousands of years. What are they? Do you have some knowledge you're happy to share? Or have you been gardening in Meeka all your life and have many tried and tested plants that have become a staple in your backyard? Share your experiences on our Facebook page or pop to the Recycling Centre for a chat. Would you perhaps even consider teaching at one of our monthly workshops?

sugar. Sunflowers also provide seeds and the dried stalks are useful trellises/stakes. Nasturtiums shade the ground and their leaves and seedpods (when still green) are also edible. Calendula is used in beauty/medicinal products.

- ⇒ Passionfruit – gorgeous flowers, delicious fruit (if anyone wants to knock up a pavlova and drop it off at the recycling centre we won't say no!), vigorous climber which can provide shade or hide a fence
- ⇒ Bougainvillea – colourful, very heat and drought hardy, thorny plant can be trained along fence to deter unwanted visitors
- ⇒ Trees such as citrus, olives or eucalyptus – provide shade, timber, food, cleaning/medicinal purposes

If you're keen to learn more strike up a conversation with a fellow Meekatharra resident – there are many people with fantastic gardens and lots of knowledge. You might even score some free seeds or a plant cutting. You can also jump on the internet – the Water Corporation's waterwise plant list is very handy and there are tons of other resources out there. And last but not least there's the Shire's library with a whole shelf of gardening books, and

Find us on Facebook as "Meeka Goes Green", email us at meeekagoesgreen@gmail.com or pop in to the Recycling Centre on Railway Street Saturday mornings 9-11am to say Hi to our volunteers. Volunteering with us is easy if you're interested! Rock up and we can show you how it works. We also run monthly Upcycling Workshops, first Saturday of the month at 11am. Check out our Facebook page for this month's workshop topic and location.

WORKSHOPS

UPCYCLING - REUSING - CRAFT - HOMESTEADING - "MAKING DO"
(turning ordinary things into awesome things)

@ RECYCLING CENTRE RAILWAY STREET
FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH 11 AM

All Welcome!
Gold Coin Donation Entry

New Date & Time: Now Saturdays!

MEEKA GOES GREEN

The Meekatharra Seventh Day Adventist Church (McCleary Street) invites you to join us in a weekly service for all ages from 10am Saturday mornings



Extraordinary Outback Experience

Self contained units
Twin rooms
Camp sites
Camp kitchen
Fuel
Licensed store
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0899439527
mtaugustustouristpark@skymesh.com.au

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ACCOMMODATION CENTRE

Open Daily 6.00am—9.00pm

Catering for your special function? Email us for a quote on

bookings@meekatharraaccomodation.com.au

or call on 99811253

BE RESPONSIBLE



Please ensure whilst exercising your dog to pick up any waste and dispose of in the bins provided.

FREE Waste Bags are now available from the Shire Office.

Meekatharra Corner Store

Corner of Main & High Streets, Meekatharra

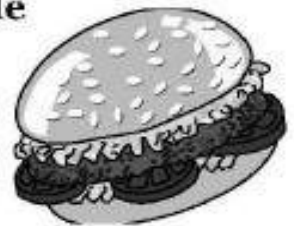
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Take-Away Food
Asian Food



A range of Asian Ingredients and utensils available for sale



Burgers
Rolls
Sandwiches made to order
Bottled water deliveries



Tyre Repairs
Driveway Service

YULELLA VISION SHOP

Yulella Aboriginal Corporations Vision Shop has opened!

Located at 63-65 Main Street, Meekatharra, the Vision Shop is open Tuesday - Saturday from 8.30am - 12.30pm. Please let us know if there's something you would like stocked in the Yulella Aboriginal Corporation Vision Store when you pop in and see Jonelle!

You will be able to find instore:

- ⇒ Newborn Baby, Kids, Women and Men's Clothing, including work and corporate wear and funeral attire
- ⇒ Bikes
- ⇒ Games
- ⇒ Music
- ⇒ Kids Toys
- ⇒ Camping gear

⇒ Housewares

Coming soon:

- ⇒ Fresh vegetable produce from our gardens
- ⇒ Ice-creams
- ⇒ Homemade cakes
- ⇒ White goods
- ⇒ TVs
- ⇒ Electronics
- ⇒ + More!

With a wide range of household goods, clothes and camping gear you can't go wrong. Make sure you head down during the opening hours to check out the latest stock and see what bargains you can find. Vision Shop is opening just in time for all the Christmas shopping to begin.







Consumer Watch

Consumer Protection 50-52 Durlacher Street, Geraldton WA 6530

Tel: (08) 9920 9800

Email: candice.evans@dmirs.wa.gov.au

How to handle a consumer complaint yourself

When a service you've received isn't up to scratch, or a product you've bought doesn't work as it should, you may wish to seek a remedy from the business that supplied it.

Before contacting Consumer Protection for help, it is always important to try to resolve the matter yourself.

This is because in most cases an issue with a business or trader can be resolved pretty quickly just by explaining the situation and offering a mutually acceptable solution.

You should start by talking it over with the appropriate person in the organisation, such as the owner, salesperson or a manager. Remember that sometimes the person you're talking to may not be in a position to give you what you want straightaway, so it's important to stay polite and if necessary ask to discuss the matter with the person in charge.

Explain what the problem is and what you want them to do about it, such as a repair, refund or replacement and state when you want it done by.

If the phone call or visit to the business doesn't resolve your issue, then the next step is to follow-up with an email that provides details about the issues and your attempts to resolve it.

Consumer Protection has produced some [sample letters](#) on its website that may assist you, in which you should:

- Quote your reference, agreement or account number if you have one;
- Enclose a copy of any receipt, proof of purchase or any other relevant documents; and
- Request a response within a reasonable timeframe (set a deadline).

Failing this, the next step is to find out if there is an organisation responsible for the industry or practice you are having problems with and contact them. Often an industry has its own internal complaint resolution body, which can help to resolve complaints or provide advice to consumers.

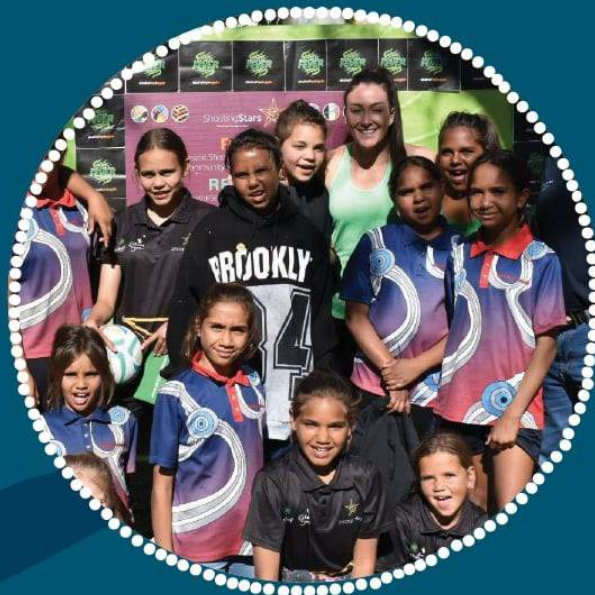
If you are not sure who to contact for your particular issue, contact Consumer Protection on 1300 30 40 54 or email consumer@dmirs.wa.gov.au. If you still can't reach an acceptable solution, you can make a [formal complaint](#) to Consumer Protection.

ShootingStars



Job Opportunity

Meekatharra
Program Assistant



Applications Close
5pm • **Sunday 28th November 2021**

For more information email
lowana.corley@shootingstars.org.au

or to apply email
careers@netballwa.com.au





THE POOL IS OPEN!

Meekatharra War
Memorial
Swimming Pool
Main Street

Monday-Friday
12pm-6pm
(Adults Only 6pm-7pm)

Saturday - Sunday
11am-6pm

Fees

Season Pass
Adult - \$100 | Child - \$50 | Family - \$200

Season Pass Concessional*
Adult - \$50 | Child - \$25 | Family - \$100

Monthly Pass
Adult - \$30 | Adult (Concessional) - \$25*
Child - \$15 | Family - \$60

Weekly Pass
Adult - \$10 | Adult (Concessional) - \$7*
Child - \$5 | Family - \$20

Daily Pass
Adult - \$3 | Adult (Concessional) - \$1*
Child - \$2 | Family - \$6

Child under 3 years old accompanied by an adult - No Charge
*Concessional fee is only applicable on sighting of valid Health Care Card by Shire Staff



Get help with identification, fines and licensing business

Aboriginal Justice is holding an **Open Day “one-stop shop”** where you can get services to help you with identification, fines and driver’s licence business.

Where - Meekatharra - Lloyds Conference Room – 64 Main Street, Meekatharra WA

When: Tuesday 9 November 2021 – 8.30am – 2.30pm

What you can do at the Open Day

- **Registry of Births, Deaths and Marriages** – Need identification? Want to check if you and your children’s births are registered? **Free**
Apply for Birth, Death and Marriage Certificates: **\$53.00**, Change of Name: **\$185.00**
- **Sheriff/CDO** – For queries on fines and make arrangements for time-to-pay.
- **Department of Transport** – Apply for a driver’s licence, WA Photo (ID) card, driving assessments, licence status queries and other information about licensing services.
Theory Test: **\$20.20** Learner’s Permit: **\$117.80**, Log Book: **\$9.45**, WA Photo (ID) Card: **\$45.50**
- **Services Australia - Centrelink** – Identification requirements for licensing **only**
- **Community Services:** Curtin Tax Clinic, Westpac Bank, Yulella Aboriginal Corporation

To enable us to help you, please bring along as much of the following as you can:

- **Birth Certificate**
- **Medicare Card**
- **Centrelink Card**
- **Bank Card**
- **Bank statement or official letter/bill from a Government agency or employer that has your address and is no more than 6 months old**
- **Either cash or credit card/debit card for payment**

COVID-19 Prevention Measures:

Community safety is a priority of all service providers and we know that you understand the need to register with SafeWA on the day.

The following measures will be in place at Open Days to prevent the spread of COVID-19:

- Encourage the practice of good personal hygiene with use of personal protective equipment (PPE) if appropriate.
- A SafeWA sign-in will be provided to community members for COVID-19 tracing purposes.
- Hand sanitiser readily available for attendees and service providers.
- Regular cleaning and disinfecting of venue surfaces and “high touchpoints”.
- Encourage those people that are feeling unwell not to attend and stay home.

Note: This flyer was distributed while in Phase 5 of the WA Roadmap to ease restrictions. The required prevention measures will be taken at the time of the Open Day event in line with the State Government’s advice.

SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA

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NEW STOCK

2021 MEEKATHARRA NAIDOC SHIRTS

We have a new batch of
shirts for sale in the shire
office, \$40 each.

S, M, L & XL sizes for adults
Limited kids stock



COPS CORNER WITH SENIOR SERGEANT MATT GARNAUT



The weekend of the 25th and 26th September 2021 was busy however very successful that included the Meekatharra Ball, Races and the Fireworks. I'd like to express my appreciation to the community for the manner in which you conducted yourselves in making these three events a great success. The recent Race event held at Landor was also well attended and very successful. Many Meekatharra locals attended as well as others travelling from far and wide. Feedback from this event was it was a very successful event and the crowd behaviour exceptional.

Meekatharra Police continue to actively engage with community members whilst out and about. I encourage my team to stop and talk to locals, to listen to your concerns or to just have a yarn. Ultimately our best source of information is you, the community of Meekatharra.

Alcohol related anti-social behaviour continues to be of concern to Police and the residents of Meekatharra. This issue is being addressed through a forum that not only includes various agency groups but more senior members of the Meekatharra community. Various avenues are being considered and I will be able to update further as we progress. Police will continue to have a no tolerance approach when it comes to those individuals who continually drink excessively and disrupt the peace.

Truancy from school will be a focus in the coming weeks. Police and others will focus on the reasons why certain kids aren't attending school and will be addressing those as we move forward. In some cases, families just need support and where to go to get that support. Expect an update.

Stealing from trucks continues to be an issue. The solution to this problem is a combined effort of shire, local business, police and the truck drivers themselves. The shire has been approached in relation to the clearing of land and the potential for flood lighting, businesses have been approached to be vigilant and advising truck drivers to lock up and po-

lice are conducting regular patrols of known hotspots. However, I encourage truck drivers to lock their trucks. Many of these offences are as a result of unlocked trucks which an opportunistic offender will take advantage.

In relation to illicit drug activity in town, please continue to report anonymously through Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000. This is the best way forward to provide the intelligence required for police action.

Meekatharra Police continually encourage people to get vaccinated. The clinic is available for bookings. It will be a matter of time before the State Government open WA borders and COVID 19 will be a risk to the Meekatharra community, so please get vaccinated.

Whilst my team were on patrol on the weekend a large Western Brown snake was observed on Hill St. Please be vigilant whilst out and about as we move into the season where snakes become active.

Stay safe.

Matt Garnaut

Senior Sergeant

OIC – Meekatharra Police Station





CRC News—November 2021

Service Demand Skyrocketing

The Meekatharra CRC is flat out responding to the community's growing need for help as various services go online and reduce their physical presence in the region. It's not easy for many, and we are doing our best to meet the gap. Let your local and regional politicians know how important the CRC is to you—more funding is crucial.

Online Literacy Program

Adult literacy is a breeze with the program we have just uploaded, thanks to the education team at Greenough Prison. Come on in to find out more, there is no shame in discovering the adventure of reading at any age and you can work in private for free in our Chill Out Room.

People are Nice!

Truck driver Matthew and heart-of-gold traveller Jean donated heaps of books to our Book Swap—come and check out the selection! They also donated clothing, toys and footballs, which we shared out around the community and to Karalundi. Thank you!

Men's Cancer Support Group Call Nick on 0437 488 363

Meets regularly at the CRC after hours, facilitated by Mitch Fialkowski. Tea, coffee & biccies provided, no alcohol. Call Nick on 0437 488 363 for next meeting details. This is an informal get-together with mates. If you are experiencing cancer, supporting someone else or just scared of getting a checkup but want to talk about it, give Nick a call. Sponsored by the CRC.

Memberships, Discounts and Training

Pop in to find out about our great membership and loyalty card benefits, and our volunteer training program. Do you want to get your foot in the employment door? Are you looking for something rewarding to do with your spare time? The kettle's on, come and have a chat.

Sofas a Big Hit

Our free Gumtree sofas, kindly brought up by Roy Wybenga, are bringing people together on our veranda and providing families with a comfy chill out area while waiting for someone using services inside. Local artists have been joining in, with heaps of people from all walks of life yarnning and sharing stories, and kids can spread out with our colouring pages and crayons.

Bookshop – New Release Books!

Our bookshop is expanding, with some GREAT new release titles coming in—you asked, we found them: "more men's action stuff", "romance fiction please", "funny Aussie stuff" "Aboriginal writers and topics" - we've got you covered. Don't forget we're open on Saturdays 10am to 1230 pm—it's never too early to shop for Christmas!



Your local connection

with Anna, Jo and Ella



The SARONGS are here!
Big and beautiful



BOOKS



Art & Craft Supplies

Kids' Clothes

Scanning - Emailing - Computer Use - FREE WIFI - Printing, Souvenirs and More at the Meekatharra Community Resource and Visitor Centre.

What's On

Meeka Markets
Saturday 13th November
9:30am to Lunchtime
In front of The Commercial Hotel
Department of Transport Driver Services
Tuesday 9th November
Book in ahead of time please

Meekatharra Community Resource and Visitor Centre
79 Main Street
Meekatharra WA 6642
08 9980 1811
hello@meekacrc.com.au

Mon—Fri 9:00 am to 3:30 pm
Saturdays 10am to 12:30

Department of Transport Services
Mon—Fri 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
NEXT TOWN VISIT: Tue Oct 5th



Meekatharra Support Guide

EMERGENCY

Ambulance/Police/SES/Fire	000
Meekatharra Police Station	9918 7120 / 131 444
Meekatharra Hospital	9981 0600

ALCOHOL & DRUGS

Services		Phone Support Lines	
Mission Australia	9956 5100	Alcohol & Drug Support Line	1800 198 024
(Alcohol and Other Drugs Support Service)		Quitline (smoking)	13 78 48
Mental Health and Community Alcohol Drug Service	1800 051 999	Parent & Family Drug Support Line	1800 653 203

HEALTH

Services		Phone Support Lines	
Meekatharra GP Clinic	6444 7980	Health Direct	1800 022 222
Meekatharra Pharmacy	9980 1798	Elder Abuse Hotline WA	1300 724 679
Meekatharra Hospital	9981 0600		
Geraldton Regional Aboriginal Medical Service	9956 6555		
Aged Care	9981 0645		

MENTAL HEALTH

Services		Phone Support Lines	
Midwest Mental Health Service	9981 0625	Lifeline	13 11 14
Mission Australia (Mental Health Support Services)	9956 5100	Beyond Blue	1300 224 636
Youth Focus	6266 4333	Suicide Call Back Service	1300 659 467
Meekatharra GP Clinic	6444 7980	Men's Helpline Australia	1300 789 978
		1800RESPECT	1800 737 732
		Rural Link	1800 552 002

YOUTH

Services		Phone Support Lines	
Shire of Meekatharra Youth Services	9980 0600	Kids Helpline	1800 551 800
Youth Justice	9980 2070	Lifeline	13 11 14
Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services	9981 0625	Beyond Blue	1300 224 636
Youth Focus	6266 4333	eheadspace	https://headspace.org.au/eheadspace/
Meekatharra District High School	9981 1092		
Mission Australia (Remote Attendance Program)	9956 5102		
Department of Communities (Child Protection and Family Support)	9981 0300		
Hope Community Services	0418 135 031		

HOUSING

Services	
Department of Housing	9956 5000
Mission Australia (Public Tenancy Support Services)	9956 5103

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Services		Phone Support Lines	
Emergency/Ambulance/Police	000	Men's DV Helpline	1800 000 599
Meekatharra GP Clinic	6444 7980	Women's DV Helpline	1800 007 339
Meekatharra Hospital	9981 0600	Sex Assault Helpline	1800 688 922
Meekatharra Police	9918 7120	Crisis Care 24hrs	9223 1111 / 1800 199 008
Mission Australia	0458 881 488	1800RESPECT	1800 737 732
(Nyarlu Duwa Women's House, Family and Domestic Violence Response Service)			

FINANCIAL & GAMBLING

Services		Phone Support Lines	
Centrelink	13 62 40	Gambling Helpline	1800 858 858
Mission Australia (Emergency Relief)	9956 5100		

EMPLOYMENT & TRAINING

Services	
Yulella Aboriginal Corporation	9980 1339
Centrelink	13 62 40

LEGAL

Services		Phone Support Lines	
Aboriginal Legal Service	9265 6666	Legal Aid	1300 650 579
Aboriginal Family Legal Service	9965 4654		
Meekatharra Court	9981 1008		
Carnarvon Court	9961 5500		
Nyarlu Miyarnumalgu (Indigenous Women Paralegal Service)	9936 0600		

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Services	
Yulella Aboriginal Corporation	9980 1339
Mission Australia	9956 5100
Department of Communities (Housing)	9956 5000
Department of Communities (Child Protection and Family Support)	9981 0300



Produced by the Shire of Meekatharra



Integrated Chronic Disease Care Program

**Do you have a team that can
assist with your **diabetes,**
cardiovascular disease or
respiratory disease?**



Podiatry | Dietetics | Physiotherapy | Diabetes Education


**Our Team can assist with these services and provide
care co-ordination to assist with all your health
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**If you suffer from Diabetes, Cardiovascular Disease or Respiratory
Disease and would like to make changes to improve your health,
call our Care Coordinators Beryl or Danielle on **0447 268 603****



Meekatharra ICDC visiting dates for 2021

16th November

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3pm – 5pm 	Pool Activities Kid Zone open 3pm – 5pm	Arts and Craft and Music at the Youth Centre 	Pool Activities Kid Zone open 3pm – 5pm	Cricket and Games at the Youth Centre 	Drop in @ Youth Centre Kid Zone open 3pm – 5pm
6pm – 8pm 	Sports night ages 12+ 	Volleyball at the oval 10+ 	Football at the oval ages 8+ 	Basketball @ the oval 	Movie night @ the Youth Centre 

Youth Services Term 4 2021



• FREE WIFI

Did you know... that the
Shire has put in
free high speed WIFI
in Lloyds Plaza, the Airport
and the Town Hall everyone
to use!

To access this free service you
will be able to be outside the
buildings or in one of the locally
owned shops in Lloyds Plaza.

This service can be used for work,
study or personal administration



YOGA

at the hall



Join us for a weekly yoga session streamed to the big screen in the Town Hall.

All sessions are accessible for all abilities.



WHEN:
Every Monday
6pm-7pm
Town Hall

YOGA MATS AVAILABLE TO USE

For enquiries please contact Amy at the Shire on 9980 0600
Starting 8th November 2021



Have you had any of these...

... for more than 4 weeks?

- Problems peeing
- Runny goona
- Losing weight for no reason
- A strange pain, lump or swelling anywhere in your body
- Hard to breathe
- A cough
- A new or changed spot on your skin

... once or more?

- Blood in your goona
- Coughing up blood
- Blood in your pee



If you have and you are over 40...

Tell a clinic nurse, doctor or health worker

The earlier cancer is found, the greater the chance of successful treatment.

Partner:



Government of **Western Australia**
Department of **Health**



For more information visit findcancerearly.com.au or call 13 11 20



Life goes on through the night.

Every beat of this ordinary life is an extraordinary thing.
And we need your help to protect it.

St John Meekatharra urgently needs volunteers for night shifts.

If you're a night owl and would like to help, visit stjohnchangelives.com.au
or give our Community Paramedic Michelle Fyfe a
call on 0437 681 562, or email Michelle.Fyfe@stjohnwa.com.au

Life goes on.
Volunteer with St John.



FIRST AID FACT SHEET

Insect Bites and Stings

Insects such as bees, wasps, ticks and ants inject venom directly into the body by either biting or stinging the victim. Most insect bites and stings are relatively minor but can be painful and have serious effects if the casualty has an allergic reaction.

Caused by

- + Bites or stings from an insect.

Signs & symptoms

- + Pain at site (sometimes extreme).
- + Swelling and redness.
- + Muscle weakness (tick bite).
- + Difficulty in breathing and swallowing.
- + Itchy and painful blisters.

What to do

1. Follow DRSABCD St John Action Plan.
2. Bee/wasp sting: remove sting by scraping sideways with finger nail or sharp object.
3. Tick bite: If any signs of allergic reaction or casualty has a known allergy - **DO NOT** remove the tick.
4. Apply a cold pack directly over the bite site to relieve pain.
5. Monitor casualty and seek medical aid if necessary.
6. If severe allergic reaction, call **Triple Zero (000)** for an ambulance. If the casualty is carrying their own EpiPen® it should be given immediately.



In a medical emergency
call **Triple Zero (000)**

Book a St John first aid course today | (08) 9334 1233 | stjohnambulance.com.au

Information provided is as per Australian Resuscitation Council Guidelines. These first aid protocols are for the Australian market only. All care has been taken in preparing this information but St John takes no responsibility for its use. This information is not a substitute for practical first aid training with St John.

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Meekatharra.
Western Australia, 6642



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Fax: 08.99 801341
Email: reception@yulella.org.au

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OFFICER WANTED

MOUNT MAGNET

Yulella Aboriginal Corporation (YAC) is looking for one person for the role of part-time (approx. 30 hrs) Community Engagement Officer for YACs Community Development Programme. (CDP)

Applications taken till COB, Friday, 30th October 2021.

Job Description

The primary purpose for the Community Engagement Officer is to provide hands on support to YACs, clients/participants, and employees, working closely with the case managers and activity support team to promote YAC and support job seekers in your everyday dealings with community.

Responsibilities are not limited to:

- To drive participants to their appointments to help meet their requirements and address barriers.
- Home visits and wellness checks on participants
- Ringing participants who are not engaged
- To stay well informed of and attend community events.
- Communicate effectively with your direct report and all YAC team.
- Work closely with the Case managers to achieve positive results for participants.
- Report on your activities with participants and community.

Must be:

Reliable

Must be able to acquire a:

Police Check
Working with Children Check

Must have:

Valid C Class Manual Licence
Strong communication skills

For more information regarding this position or to send your application, including a cover page and your resume (4 pages max.), please contact Polly Dann in person or via email or phone. Email: magnetsitemanager@yulella.org.au

We strongly encourage local indigenous persons to apply for this position

All applications will be treated in confidence and further details including position descriptions will be communicated when applications have been finalized.



MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES

FOR FAMILIES AND COMMUNITY



Youth Focus	6266 4333	youthfocus.com.au
Headspace	9274 8860	headspace.com.au ehespace.com.au
Lifeline WA [24 hrs]	13 11 14	lifeline.org.au
Kids Helpline [24 hrs]	1800 551 800	kidshelp.com.au
Suicide Call Back Service [24 hrs]	1300 659 467	suicidecallbackservice.org.au
Child & Adolescent Mental Health Service [CAMHS]	1800 048 636	cahs.health.wa.gov.au/our-services/mental-health
Mental Health Emergency Response Line [24 hrs]	1300 555 788 Metro 1800 676 822 Peel 1800 720 101 TTY	nmahsmh.health.wa.gov.au
Ngala Parenting Helpline	9368 9368 Callback Service 1800 111 546 Rural	ngala.com.au

ONLINE RESOURCES

Black Dog Institute	blackdoginstitute.org.au
Bite Back	biteback.org.au
Reach Out	au.reachout.com
Beyond Blue	beyondblue.com.au

AWESOME APPS

Download these Apps for free in iTunes or Google Play



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Mindshift



Reachout Worry Time



What's Up?



The Check-in

5 TIPS TO BE MENTALLY HEALTHY...





THE NEW BUILDING IS TAKING SHAPE!

It has been a busy few weeks at the old Second Hand Shop on Main Street Meekatharra! We are grateful to Ashlee, Daniel, and Erin who joined us from our head office in Burswood for a week of painting, cleaning, scrubbing, laying floorboards and general odds and ends.

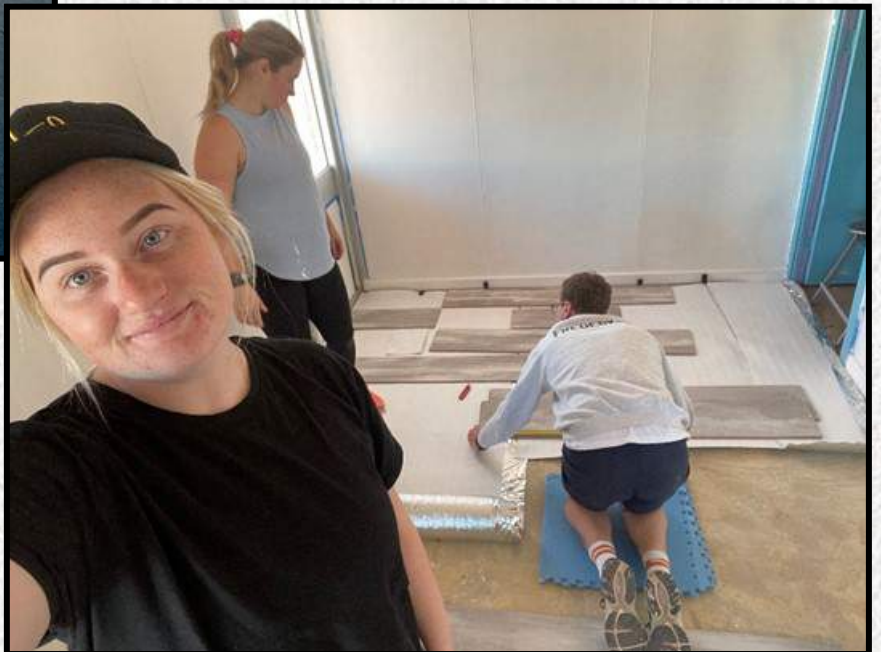
The Perth team, together with Dee, Katherine and Paulette got quite a lot done. The old beach scene is now gone, and the main room and office have now been painted an antique white. We are engaging local artists and young people to come and paint the walls inside the new building, and we can't wait to see how it turns out. The office/administration section of the space is almost ready for us to move in, with special mention to Daniel and Erin for their maths and floor laying skills!

Let us know if you would like to volunteer to help renovate or if you have any ideas to decorate the space – we would love to hear from you.

It was heartening to see so many people pop in to see what we are up to, have a yarn and give some advice. If you see the Youth Focus cars out the front, please feel free to come in and see what we are doing and have a yarn.

Youth Focus Meekatharra is also getting a new Facebook page so we can communicate our events and post photos to the community. You will be able to contact the Youth Focus team through the Facebook page if you like. So, look out for the Youth Focus Meekatharra Facebook group and give us a like and a follow (the old Facebook page is being replaced).







We also held a fun activity afternoon for Mental Health Week at the Oval on the 13th of October. Many thanks to the Shire of Meekatharra for the use of the space and to Andrew for helping to cook up some burgers and chicken nuggets! Yulella were also kind enough to get their bouncy castle out for the little ones and Jenny from Midwest Mental Health brought down the drums – which young Byron was exceptionally good at!

The kids certainly had fun making slime, painting, and throwing water balloons. Erin received a fantastic makeover! Thank you to everyone who attended and helped out.

Youth Focus is in the process of developing a Youth Reference Group. This group is for young people aged 12-25 and will meet once a month. The focus of this group will be to let



us know how Youth Focus can help young people in our community, help us decide what events and activities to do, and advise Youth Focus on matters that are concerning young people in the community. One thing we learned from all the feedback we have received is that young people want to have a voice and want to have their opinions heard. We are looking for a mix of people aged 12-25, who can meet once a month – you will be paid to attend meetings. Give Paulette a call or pop into the Yulella community Hub if you are interested.

Not only are the Youth Focus team busy renovating the new building, but we are also planning and developing new programs based on the feedback we received from community consultation. Once the programs have been approved, we will let you know what services Youth Focus will be offering. Dee is continuing her youth engagement program with Shooting Stars and by attending basketball and netball events. In the meantime, you can let us know what you think Youth Focus can do to help young people aged 12-25 in Meekatharra by dropping by the Community Hub Office or giving Paulette a call on 0499 444 626.







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

Tips to buy a used car privately

If you're gearing up to buy a used car, you might be thinking about whether to go through a private seller rather than a licensed dealership.

While buying a vehicle privately can be cheaper, it also offers less security, so it's important to know what steps to take to avoid ending up with a lemon or being scammed out of your money altogether.

Consumer Protection has published a new video covering the various things to bear in mind, including how vehicles purchased through private sellers are not covered by a statutory warranty, meaning it's a good idea to have it inspected at your own cost prior to purchase.

Depending on the age of the vehicle, you may also be entitled to any remaining period of the manufacturer's warranty, or any extended warranty that was purchased with the vehicle. Be sure to confirm whether any warranty remains and, if so, arrange with the seller to have it transferred where possible.

Although the Australian Consumer Law provides guarantees as to clear title, undisturbed possession and undisclosed securities, you should still carry out a search of the Personal Property Securities Register (PPSR) to ensure that the vehicle is not stolen, does not have money owing on it or is not a write-off.

When inspecting the vehicle, check the following information:

- date and year of manufacture is the same as the date on the vehicle identification plate;
- the number plate matches that stated on the licence papers;
- date and year of manufacture is the same as the date on the vehicle identification plate;
- the vehicle identification number or chassis number in the engine bay matches that stated on the licence registration papers;
- the vehicle is licensed, and when the licence expires;
- proof that the person selling the car is the owner, i.e. they have the vehicle licence papers, a sales receipt or driver's licence to help identify who they are.

A price and a method of payment needs to be agreed upon between yourself and the seller, and only proceed if you are completely happy with the purchase.

The video can be viewed on Consumer Protection's website:

www.commerce.wa.gov.au/consumer-protection/buying-car-private-seller

REFRIGERATION & AIR CONDITIONING MEEKATHARRA

43 MAIN STREET

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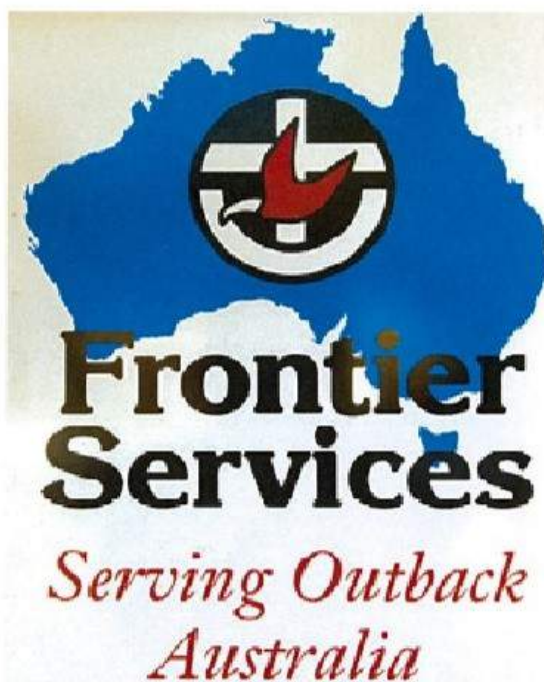
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**Services held 9.30am
every 2nd & 4th
Sunday of the Month**

**Contact:
Rev Mitch Fialkowski
9981 1053
0419 547 175**

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SCHOOL UPDATE

Meekatharra District High School has been busy with back-to-school activities, year six graduations, and Grandparents' morning tea.

Graduating year six is a huge milestone in one's life. Going on to high school, leaving primary school, getting new experiences, going from the oldest kids to the youngest. A massive congratulations to those who graduated in 2021, best of luck for next year. You and your families should all be proud of this achievement.

The ECE students invited their grandparents and families to join them for a special Grandparents morning tea. During the event,

the students, families, grandparents, and teachers all got together to enjoy some delicious sandwiches, scones, and other goodies. They were also able to play games, solve puzzles, and paint pictures.

This was a great morning tea for the students to spend time with their Grandparents and family members.

Keep up to date with everything happening at MDHS by following them on Facebook at Meekatharra District High School.





PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP LAUNCHED IN MEEKATHARRA

When Meekatharra local Nick Wren was diagnosed with prostate cancer in April he discovered that there were no local support groups for men, like himself, going through treatment.

In an effort to change that, he decided to start up the town's first prostate cancer support group.

The group, supported by Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia (PCFA), will meet on the first Tuesday of each month at the Community Resource Centre. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 7 December at 5.15pm.

"When I looked at support options, I found the nearest group was over 550km away. Support can make a big difference, so I put the word out and started one here," he said.

"Being told you have prostate cancer and going through treatment can be a bit hard mentally, so it's important to find others you can relate to. You realise you're not alone and it gives you the network you need.

"I've decided to open it up further so that men with any form of cancer can join too."

The Meekatharra support group is now one of 130 groups across the country supported by PCFA. Locals interested in joining can get in touch with Nick via 0437 488 363.

Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia CEO Professor Jeff Dunn AO said peer support played an important role in improving mental health and wellbeing.

"Some men with prostate cancer experience symptoms of anxiety and depression, and struggle to cope with the challenges of diagnosis and treatment," Prof Dunn said.

"Having a support network of people around them can make a tangible difference to their wellbeing and be a source of strength when they need it most."

Prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer among Australian men, with over 18,000 men diagnosed each year.

"Men living in regional and rural areas of Australia face significant disparities, with men more likely to be diagnosed at a late stage. In addition, those living regionally face a 24 per cent higher risk of death," he said.

"Having local volunteers on the ground providing support and bringing awareness to the disease, like Mr Wren, will help save lives."

To find out more about PCFA's services and support options, call 1800 22 00 99 or visit pcfa.org.au.





PUBLIC NOTICE

Shire of Meekatharra

Pursuant to Section 3.12(3) of the Local Government Act 1995, the Shire gives notice that it intends to make the following new local laws;

Health Local Law 2021

Purpose; to provide for the regulation, control and management of day to day health matters within the district.

Effect; to establish various health standards and requirements which people living and working within the district must observe.

Local Government Property and Public Places Local Law 2021

Purpose; to provide for the regulation, control and management of activities and facilities on local government property and in public places within the district.

Effect; to establish the requirements with which any persons using or being on local government property, and in public places within the district, must comply.

A copy of the proposed local laws may be inspected at the Shire Office 75 Main Street Meekatharra WA 6642 or by visiting www.meekashire.wa.gov.au.

Submissions on the new local laws close at 3.00pm Thursday 9 December 2021 and can be sent by post, delivered by hand or emailed to ceo@meekashire.wa.gov.au

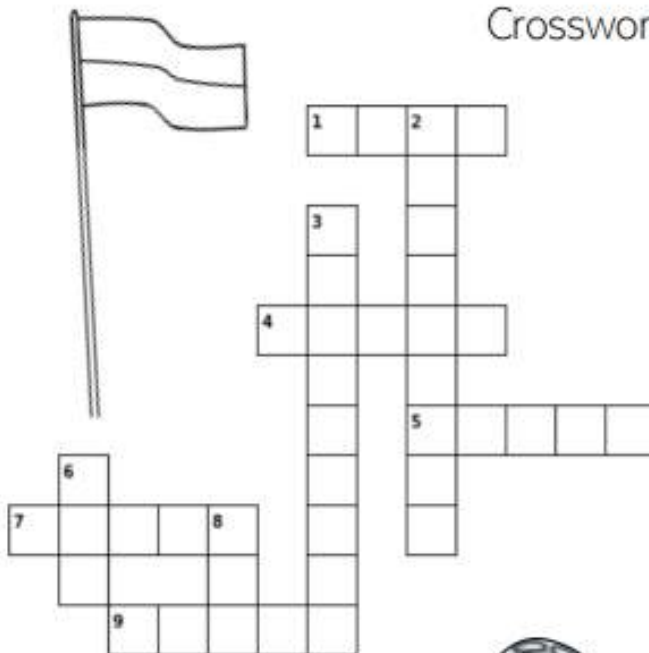
KIDS CORNER



Water Safety



Crossword

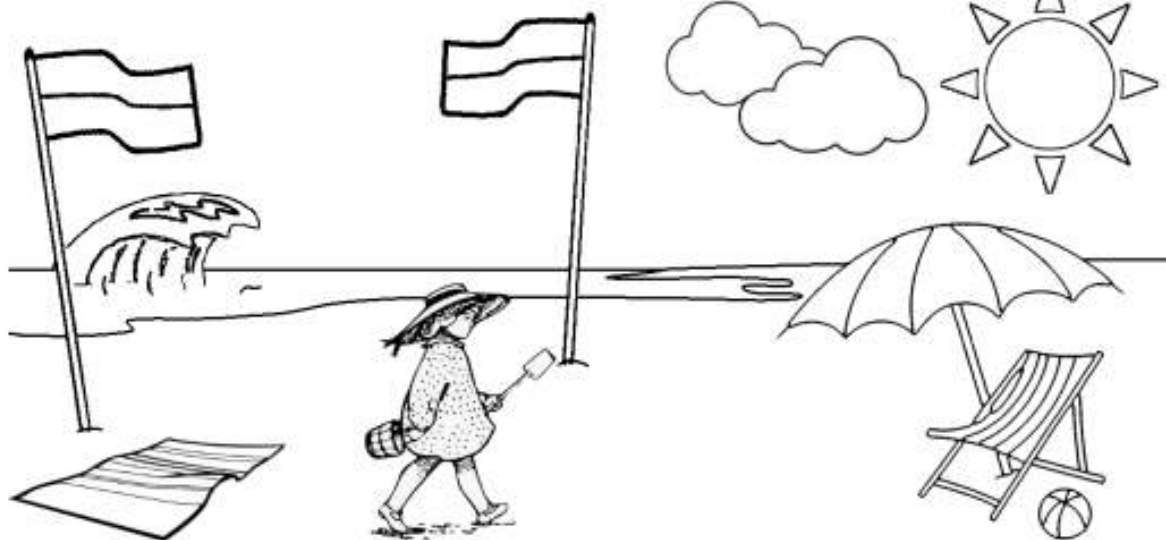


Across

1. Always do this around the pool (4)
4. You must swim between these (5)
5. Always swim with _____ supervision (5)
7. Always be careful around _____ (5)
9. Always check this before jumping in (5)

Down

2. An expert swimmer who supervises other swimmers (9)
3. A creature with tentacles that can sting (9)
6. Slip on a shirt, slop on sunscreen, slap on a... (3)
8. A strong flow of water pulling out to sea (3)





Pad Thai

SERVES: 4 | PREP TIME: 30MINS | COOK TIME: 10MINS | INGREDIENTS: 14

ingredients

- 250g packet rice stick noodles
- 2 tbsp lime juice
- 2 tbsp fish sauce
- 2 tbsp brown sugar
- 2 tbsp peanut oil
- 2 Lilydale Free Range Chicken Breast
- 500g green prawns, peeled, deveined
- 3 green onions, thinly sliced diagonally
- 2 small red chillies, deseeded, finely chopped
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 1 cup bean sprouts, tails removed
- 1/4 cup roasted peanuts, finely chopped, optional
- 1/2 cup coriander leaves
- lime wedges, to serve

directions

Step 1 - Place noodles into a heat-proof bowl. Cover with hot water. Stand until tender. Drain. Rinse under cold water.

Step 2 - Combine lime juice, fish sauce and sugar in a jug. Whisk with a fork to combine.

Step 3 - Heat a wok over high heat. Add oil. Swirl to coat. Add chicken. Stir-fry for 2 minutes until golden. Add prawns, onions and chillies. Stir-fry for 2 to 3 minutes or until prawns turn pink. Add noodles. Stir-fry for 2 minutes.

Step 4 - Add lime juice mixture to wok. Toss to combine. Slowly pour eggs over noodles. Stir-fry for 1 minute. Add sprouts. Toss well.

Step 5 - Spoon pad Thai onto plates. Sprinkle with peanuts and coriander leaves. Serve with lime wedges.

FOR MORE RECIPES, VISIT [HTTPS://WWW.TASTE.COM.AU](https://www.taste.com.au)



Murchison Dental Team Roster Meekatharra 2021

28th April - 7th May

23rd June - 2nd July

15th September - 24th September

10th November - 19th November

Contact Numbers

9981 0640

0427 386 647



MEEKA GYM

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Unmanned gym open 5am-10pm daily



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SERVICE TIMES NOVEMBER 2021

MASS

20th of Nov

LITURGY

6th of Nov

27th of Nov

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REQUEST BEFORE OR AFTER
MASS

CONTACT CATHY JONES ON
08 9963 4176



Meekatharra AA Meetings - Wednesdays 7.00pm

Seventh Day Adventist Church - Mc Cleary Street



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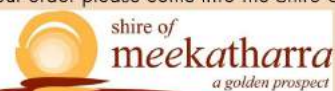
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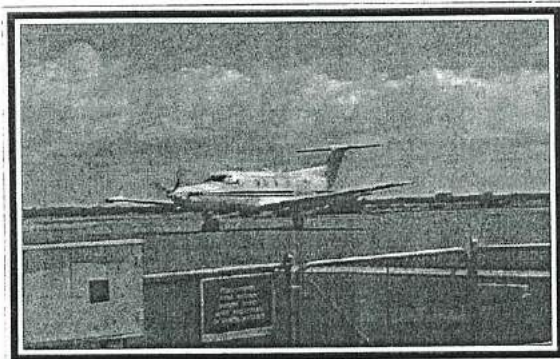
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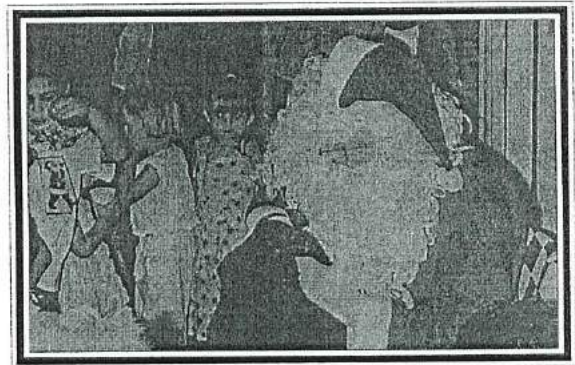
Above: A welcoming sight to see at the airport.

Skippers Aviation this week resumed a regular aerservice into Meekatharra. After the collapse of Ansett, which as we are all aware left Meekatharra with no regular air service.

But just in time for Christmas, Skippers came to the rescue and has commenced a twice weekly service (Mondays and Fridays) from Meekatharra to Perth. The service initially will be in one of their 9 passenger Cessna's with the intention to upgrade to a larger aircraft as demand increases.

Flight schedule advertised inside...

LOCAL BUSINESS CHRISTMAS PARTY EVEN SANTA WAS THERE!



Above: Santa being mugged by local children for his lollies.

The Local Business Christmas Party got into full swing at 5.30pm on Saturday the 8th of December at the Shire Hall.

Twenty five businesses contributed to what appears to be becoming a Christmas tradition with over 300 people attending.

More excited than the adults were the children who were waiting in anticipation for the arrival of Father Christmas.

More details inside...

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IMPORTANT DATES

November 2021

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1 Renal Nurse @ Clinic Pfizer COVID Vaccine Clinic @ GP Clinic	2 Pfizer COVID Vaccine Clinic @ GP Clinic	3 Youth Focus BBQ 1pm-3pm @ Yulella Community Hub AstraZeneca COVID Vaccine Clinic @ GP Clinic	4	5	6 Meeka Goes Green Recycling 9am-11am Upcycling Workshop 11am 	7
8 Yoga 6pm-7pm @ Town Hall WACHS Dietitian & Lions Outback Vision @ Hospital	9 Aboriginal Justice Open Day 8:30am-2:30pm @ Lloyds Plaza Conference Room	10 Youth Focus BBQ 1pm-3pm @ Yulella Community Hub Dentist @ Dental Clinic	11 Nominations for Appointments to Council (by Council) Close @ 4pm Dentist @ Dental Clinic	12 Quiz Night 7pm @ Town Hall Dentist @ Dental Clinic	13  Meeka Markets 9:30am-Noon Meeka Goes Green Recycling 9am-11am	14
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