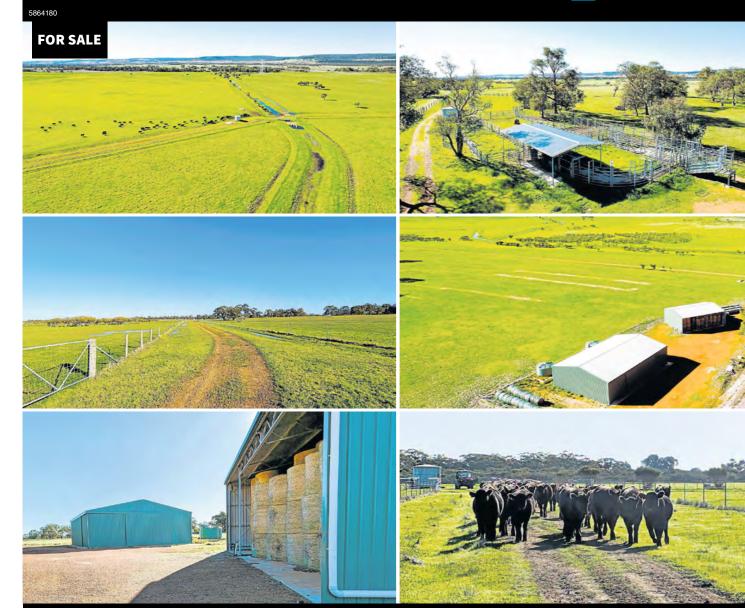


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Norma Gray has been busy growing Daffodils to sell and raise funds for the Gingin District High School breakfast club. Its great to see this local nonagenarian still giving to the community any way she can.

The team here at the Gingin CRC are excited to welcome Sue Clark as our new Case Coordinator for the Staying in Place Project. With her big smile and even bigger heart this position is ideal for Sue, helping to enrich the lives of our elderly home care residents.

In this issue, we are thrilled to advise of a new segment - Gingin Glimpses, Each month, we will be unveiling a historical image and asking for you to share your stories and memories to bring these images to life.

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In other news our sporting teams are gearing up for their upcoming finals. Refer to the calendar for match dates and locations and join us in cheering on our local teams.

And last but certainly not least, we extend heartfelt wishes to all the fathers as we celebrate Father's Day. May this day be filled with joy and appreciation for all that you do- whether you are a biological dad, stepdad, adopted dad, foster dad, grandad or any other kind.



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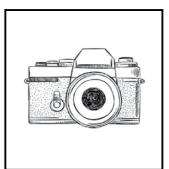
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Feature Story Norma Gray and her Daffodils

Another contribution by our nonagenarian.

In the July Edition of the Buzz an update was promised of what was happening to the 100 daffodils "potted" by Norma as part of her work in Norma's Patch - located in the Community Garden – and here it is.

It is pleasing to report that on the weekend of 19th and 20th of August two small stalls were very successfully held in the main street outside of Country Values and our local IGA.

Normas' daffodil pots were in full bloom, and along with some other small plants she had potted, inclusive of her favourite begonias, the total monies raised was \$302.60.

Sadly Norma was unwell on the morning of the sales, but she was thrilled with the amount raised.

The money has now been onforwarded to the Gingin District High School, and it

is earmarked to be spent on items for the schools "Breakfast Club". The Headmaster, Mr Brady, expressed his sincere thanks and hopes to meet Norma in person at a later date.

Norma has a long history of community fundraisers, particularly through her Open Garden and Pot Plant Sales, when she was living in her unit in Barlee Street. The Heart Foundation, the RFDS and the Cancer Council have been major beneficiaries of many dollars made through her efforts.

In 2018 Norma was honoured with the Community Citizen of the Year Award by the Shire of Gingin.

Norma wishes to extend her thanks to all who bought the daffodils and who made cash donations; and thankyou to Norma Gray for yet another contribution to the community.

Written by M.H. Cameron.



Mary Cameron manning the stall in support of Norma Gray and her efforts.





To confirm your attendance please contact: Michaela White / cdo@gingin.wa.gov.au / 9575 5176

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Gingin Community Bank's Cyber Resilience Webinar

Gingin Community Bank took a proactive step in bolstering cyber awareness within the community by hosting a Building Cyber Resilience webinar at the Gingin Community Resource Centre. The event not only highlighted the bank's commitment to safeguarding digital spaces but also emphasised the pressing need for individuals and businesses to strengthen their defences against the growing threat of cyber fraud.

In an age where technology drives convenience and connectivity, cyber fraud has become a looming concern. Recent statistics underline the severity of the issue, revealing a surge in cyber attacks targeting personal data, financial information and sensitive systems. These attacks include Phishing scams, ransomware, identity theft and more, costing billions of dollars globally.

During the webinar, participants were enlightened about identifying cyber threats. Key insights were shared, including recognizing suspicious emails or messages, verifying the authenticity of websites

and staying vigilant against unsolicited requests for sensitive data. Moreover, attendees gained valuable insights into actionable steps to shield themselves from cyber-attacks. Implementing password managers, regularly updating software, and employing reputable antivirus software emerged as essential practices to minimise vulnerabilities.

The event demonstrated Gingin Community Bank's commitment to community welfare, ensuring that individuals are fortified not only in their financial endeavours but also empowered with the knowledge and tools to navigate the complex realm of cyber security. As a proactive supporter of community growth, the bank expressed its willingness to offer more educational opportunities.

If there's a specific topic you'd like to delve deeper into, the bank encourages you to reach out and share your interests. Your input will help shape future informative sessions and contribute to a more resilient and informed community.



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Representation from the CRC recently shaped our residents' lives. met with members from InCasa at their The benefits of 'Staying in Place' are multiheadquarters in Beaconsfield. It is now faceted. Not only does it offer an alternative pleasing to note that a reciprocal agreement to the exodus of our senior population to and understanding has now been reached the city, but it also strengthens the bonds leading to the imminent signing of the within our community. Families need not be contract. separated during their loved ones' twilight As a follow from last months article in years and residents are empowered to explore funding avenues that might have otherwise remained obscured.

the Buzz the following elaborates on the Staying in Place program in order to pass on as much information as possible before implementation.

This program is a beacon of change in the landscape of aged care, one that As the population in our region ages, the champions local employment and local challenge of maintaining quality care while service provision. While the traditional preserving the essence of local living model relies on external employment, our approach extends an opportunity for our has become more pressing than ever. The 'Staying in Place' program offers a own community members to be gainfully employed by those they serve, fostering a transformative solution. By connecting cycle of support that enriches lives on both local workers with our valued ageing residents, we are ushering in an era of ends. personalized care that enhances lives, By aligning with Mable, InCasa and the fosters independence and maintains the Gingin CRC, you are not only endorsing a cherished fabric of our community.

At its core, 'Staying in Place' challenges the conventional norm. Instead of uprooting and relocating, our approach allows individuals to age gracefully within the confines of their own home. Through a network of dedicated local contractors, we ensure that professional assistance is readily available, integrating into the routines and surroundings that have



Staying in Place

transformative vision but also positioning your business as a stakeholder in the advancement of our community's welfare. Together, we can redefine the concept of aging, ensuring that the Shire of Gingin remains a cherished haven where people can age with grace, dignity and the unwavering support of their own community.

For more information or to explore partnership opportunities, please do not hesitate to contact us at sipcc@gingin. net. Let us embark on this inspiring journey together, as we make 'Staying in Place' a hallmark of the Gingin Shire.

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Older Persons Mental Health Course

It was wonderful to hear that the Older Persons Mental Health Course had such a positive impact on the attendees last Thursday and Friday. Committing to a course, even if it's just for a couple of days, can indeed feel daunting, but the benefits of gaining valuable skills and knowledge can far outweigh any initial hesitation.

Mental health education and awareness are crucial aspects of overall well-being, just like physical health. It's unfortunate that there still exists a stigma around mental health for some people. However, the more we openly discuss and address these issues, the better understanding and support we can create for individuals facing mental health challenges.

Engaging in conversations about mental health can be a powerful tool in breaking down these barriers. A simple conversation can indeed be a wonderful starting point for someone to express their thoughts and feelings. Just like physical health, seeking help when needed and having a supportive community can make a significant difference in maintaining good mental health.

It's important to continue spreading awareness and understanding about mental health and to create safe spaces where people feel comfortable discussing their experiences. Courses like this play a crucial role in this endeavour by providing education, skills, and a platform for open dialogue.



Gingin Red Cross Group

Last Month the Gingin Red Cross held an afternoon tea at the Lion's Den. They did a little craft, a little singing and a little dancing along with eating too much. It was a fun session. We will be all going to lunch at Seabird on Wednesday but I will tell you about that next time.

On Tuesday the 12th of September we will be holding a Preparedness evening at the New Gingin Fire station. The program will start at 7pm with Presenters from western power, DFES and the Red Cross. It will be

an informative evening on what to do in an emergency. Being that we are on the brink of the fire season it is a very important meeting to attend. Bring your questions to get your fami-



lies, properties and belongings prepared. This is relevant to those in town and out of town. A light supper will be served.

Save the Date, Friday 20th of October for a Stay on your feet workshop.

Gingin Scout Group

On World Scout Day, August 1st, all active and former scouts are encouraged to wear their Scout scarf in public to highlight scouting.

Each year the Gingin Scout Group choosognition Awards. es a person or group in the community to Gingin was thrilled to see Debbie Bandy "scarf up". This is to recognize the impact and Susie Dale included in this year's rethat person or organization has had in the cipients. community. This year the Gingin Scout Group were delighted to scarf up Helena, Scouts Invest WA was a statewide compethe School Chaplain. Helena works tiretition encouraging scouts groups to scarf lessly in the school and wider community. up/invest an iconic object in their community. Making boats from paperbark, and then Helena was presented with a scarf and woggle by Jarrah Trew and Tabitha Dale. sailing in the brook, along with a group wa-The presentation took place in Helena's ter on the bridge was a great way to enjoy this special place in Gingin. room at school, with a large number of jo-



One way to experience homelessness lucky we are to have warm beds, warm Week, is sleeping rough. Every night food and a warm shower nearby. One team over 9,000 people around WA experience game on washing clothes, highlighted the homelessness. The Gingin Scout Group value of volunteer run mobile showers and along with the Beechboro Scout Group, laundry services. Held in the Wannamal slept in cardboard boxes and dined in the Hall, boxes of all shapes and sizes, along with great imagination and interesting supsoup kitchen provided by the parents. Yes it was cold and yes it was hard, however it port structures were created, decorated was a great opportunity to understand how and slept in.





eys, cubs and scouts attending.

Scouts Australia uses this day to recognize the contribution adults make in scouting, with the announcement of their Adult recognition Awards.



Project Gingin

Why all the whispers about Project Gingin?

Whilst it may be considered that Project Gingin is a new concept, in the mid to late 70s there was the Granville Development Committee, a collaboration between community and Shire, from which the "Scenic Pool" was born and then again, in May 1990, the Gingin Shire formed a Townscape Committee comprising Councillors and community representatives. This committee considered several aspects of the Gingin Townsite and surrounds and identified areas of significant importance relative to history, tourism, access, planning and development. Even in those earlier times it was evident that funding for any project within these categories could not be borne by the Shire alone and would require grant funding. In more recent times the community once again come together to form a group, in conjunction with the Shire of Gingin, to develop part of the Granville Park area into the Gingin Outdoor Activity Space (GOAS). This project has drawn praise from across the community, far and wide, was partially funded through a grant process and local contribution and is a fine example of fulfilling a need and providing an asset to the community at large that the initial council budget could not have delivered.

Project Gingin has evolved as a further development of the models mentioned above and will "Collate community ideas to facilitate projects in Gingin in collaboration with Gingin Shire Council," that will ultimately benefit the community. Any project that is outside the parameters of the Shire of Gingin's planning and budget will necessitate the support of the community and more importantly will require funding from an external source. For this reason, Project Gingin has become a not-for-profit incorporated body giving us the appropriate status to seek finance via grant applications. A working relationship with the Shire of Gingin is an integral part of our ethos and demonstrates that whilst we are a committed community group our organisation reguires council approval prior to advancing with any given project.

Our Constitution was approved by the Commissioner in August 2021, the first AGM of the group was held in December 2021 and our annual Information Statements are up to date with the Commissioner for Consumer Protection. Covid may have slowed up our initial progress, but our enthusiasm remains and currently the group has eleven financial members comprising an executive of four, three committee members and four ordinary members. Should anyone be interested in joining the group to be part of the process, please contact our secretary Ron Pollard via email projectgingin@outlook.com for more information.

With the condition of the Scenic Pool pedestrian bridge, over the weir, leading to closure, our initial project has been embarked upon to reconfigure the area of Granville Park associated with the weir and the pedestrian bridge. The idea is to beautify the area with a new wider. more accessible bridge, make adjustments to the banks behind the weir to allow more interaction with the water and consider a third bridge closer to the sound shell. In addition, some amendments will be required to consider how storm water is filtered as it enters the pool and improve the efficiency of the water delivery to the water wheel. The first steps of this project have been undertaken, funded by the Shire of Gingin, which included repairs to the existing bridge structure, decking and railings, this will now allow us the time to get concept designs, construction estimates, approvals and funding to carry out the build if all goes to plan.

Another project is being considered to install a community digital notice board that can be used to notify our community and visitors alike of upcoming events and notices.

It is envisaged that as time passes, innovative ideas for projects from you the community, will be given consideration by the group and seen through to implementation with the assistance of the Shire of Gingin and all community members willing to be involved.



Debate set to get underway to repeal WA Labor's botched cultural heritage Act

The Opposition has been briefed on key changes that will come into effect following the WA Labor Government's spectacular backflip of their botched cultural heritage laws.

Member for Moore, Shane Love said the *Aboriginal Heritage Legislation Amendment and Repeal Bill* 2023 would restore the *Aboriginal Heritage Act* 1972, with key amendments.

"Just six weeks after their implementation, WA Labor have bowed to public pressure and announced their government will scrap their botched cultural heritage laws," Mr Love said.

"Whether you emailed, called, signed petitions or showed up to Katanning or Parliament, I would like to thank you for voicing your very real concerns at WA Labor's policy.

"Your voice is your power and, in a state where our voices can often be drowned out by Labor, you persisted and were ready for the fight."

Mr Love also said the Bill will repeal WA Labor's botched 2021 heritage act, with debate set to get underway in the coming weeks.

"The legislation from 1972 will undergo modifications to prohibit the inclusion of 'gag' clauses in agreements involving Native Title parties and will grant Native Title parties the ability to review Ministerial decisions. "Importantly, the Government have also promised to cover the cost of land surveys for ten years,

which will not be compulsory for landholders.

"These matters will be discussed in Parliament over the next few weeks. I strongly encourage people get in touch with me to ensure your questions and concerns are raised."

Leader of the Opposition and Leader of the Nationals WA, Shane Love, said the Premier still has questions to answer.

"WA Labor reeks of a government which listens to the polls, not to the people," Mr Love said.

"Only a matter of weeks ago, Premier Cook said his laws were 'not radical' and were 'ready to go'. Now, he says the laws "unintentionally caused stress, confusion and division in the community. "Questions still need to be answered by the Premier – Will regional Western Australia be treated with more respect in the future, and, after all the disturbance and amendments to the 1972 Act, will landowners be able to go back to business as usual?

"After weeks of ignoring a 30,000-person strong petition, overcapacity at every Government run education session, dozens of representations, labelling opponents as 'racist' and 'dogs returning to their vomit' and calls for the Opposition to 'get on the right side of history', WA Labor have retreated.

"It is because of your hard work WA Labor Government ate its words and crumbled. "What West Australians deserve now is more than an apology – we deserve a new Government. Our communities will not survive another term of Labor."A

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Shire President's Response to Coastal Management Planning

Shire of Gingin Residents and Ratepayers

Due to the disappointing and constant misinformation travelling around various social media platforms I will attempt to clarify Council's position on some of the matters raised.

As most of you would be aware, all Coastal Councils must prepare a CHRMAP to assist in planning for future issues surrounding coastal erosion and inundation. Without this, the Shire cannot seek funding for more detailed investigations that will help manage risks for our coastal communities, which is the ultimate aim of the CHRMAP. Council engaged various consultants, coastal engineers, coastal scientists, and the Department of Transport and Planning, Lands and Heritage to name a few to prepare the original CHRMAP and this draft document. As you would be aware, the document is nearing its preparation for final adoption and as part of that process Council will be deciding on actions and improvements that the public consultation period has raised.

Please be assured we understand the concerns and angst in the community to certain aspects of the report and will take all feedback and submissions seriously. I must also point out for those who have criticised Council for lack of consultation, these latest drop-in sessions are exactly that "CONSULTATION SESSIONS" and follow three separate in-person and two separate online feedback opportunities during 2021 and 2022.

My family have had a home in Guilderton for over 60 years and my immediate family have recently purchased a home in Ledge Point and have, like many others, launched our boat off the beach, fished and driven on the beach so I understand the concerns raised so far. Contrary to what some people have said no decision has been made to close beaches to 4WD vehicles or move existing boat launching areas. The recommendation from the report is that we consider these actions. I repeat, no decision has been made and no decision will be made until we have finalised this consultation phase, which may be extended, and received the document and the feedback and then receive recommendations for consideration and this can again be open for consultation. For example, if I look at the boat launching issue, I for one would agree that the recommendations for Lancelin and Ledge Point are problematic for many reasons, at least in the short to medium term, and likewise with beach access in some areas. However, as our towns grow and further environmental impacts occur, we may at some stage have to consider additional management practices.

Maybe instead of being angry and abusive towards Council some of you could direct your aggression towards the State and Federal politicians and lobby for safer and more appropriate boat launching facilities as we have nothing between Two Rocks and Jurien Bay, some 90 kms of coastline, Council can only do so much, we need your help.

I would also like to focus on the issue of the abuse Shire staff have been receiving. It is obvious that quite a few out there in social media world have no or very little understanding of local government processes. Yes, certain staff have appropriate delegated authority to make some decisions and are responsible for preparing reports for Council and they are obligated to consider all relevant information and make recommendations to Council.





However, in many instances, including the issues being raised above, after considering all information including the comments received during the consultation phase, it is Council, yes, the Councillors, who will make any decision, not staff.

In hindsight, some of the proposals in the reports were understandably quite confronting, however I believe somewhat better than being given a blank piece of paper and being asked to comment on that or Council taking action without consultation. Council is faced with having to consider reports prepared by experts in their field of expertise and if we ignore all the advice provided and they are proven to be correct then I know who the public will come after.

I appreciate many of you have opinions and especially those who have lived in the region for many years have much experience and knowledge on these issues. You are the people we want to hear from through your submissions. I note that there is also support for many of the recommendations by some community members. In most instances in cases like this, there is always some middle ground or a consensus which is able to be found, usually by having discussions in a civil and respectful manner.

In closing, on behalf of Council I would like to thank all those who participated in the two recent drop-in sessions and made a commitment to consult further if needed. This is a very important issue, and we need to get it right.

I would also like to thank Anna Kelderman and her team at Shape Urban for their time and work done on the reports and the workshops.

On behalf of my fellow Councillors, I simply say, we are listening.

Yours sincerely

Councillor Wayne Fewster Shire President

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Sports Corner

South Midlands Netball Association - Belmont Cup

On the 13th of August, the South Midlands Netball Association (SMNA) proudly displayed their netball prowess and sportsmanship at the highly anticipated Belmont Carnival. The day proved to be a resounding success for the association, with standout achievements and commendable teamwork taking centre stage.

The standout achievement of the carnival belonged to the SMNA 14's team, who secured the title of divisional champions through their strategic play and unwavering determination. The SMNA 8's team, though classed as a participation grade, also came away undefeated.

Securing second place, the SMNA Open team displayed exceptional skills and sportsmanship. Their efforts were rewarded with the prestigious SPIRIT AWARD, highlighting their commitment to fair play and camaraderie. The enthusiastic cheers demonstrated to the unity and passion within the SMNA community.

Both the 12's and 16's teams displayed ex-

ceptional skill on the court, finishing 3rd on the ladder after closely contested matches. Every member of the SMNA group showed dedication and enthusiasm, contributing to a memorable day of netball action.

A special mention is to be made of Brook-Lyn Draper who, very last minute, joined a team made of a mix of players and spectators to replace a team who unfortunately had to forfeit.

Basking in the warmth of the sun, the Belmont Carnival served as the perfect platform for SMNA to demonstrate their skill and dedication. Gratitude flowed towards the organizers, participants, coaches, and supporters who collectively ensured the event's success.

A big thank you to our own Alison Kenworthy for the countless hours and effort put in to coordinating SMNA's 5 teams for the day.

Thanks also goes to the Belmont Committee who put on a fantastic day, we will see you next year!



Another great month of golf for the Gingin ladies members.

The Avon Valley Championships were held in Quairading over 3 days with the 4BBB par competition on Wednesday. Winning the event was Robin Higgins and Kaye Bingham. Congratulations to Robin Higgins on once again winning the Helen Ward Memorial Cup 36 hole Gross Champion. Karen Pollard on winning the Polly Whitfield Rose Bowl 36 hole Nett competition and Kerry Fewster for winning best 18 Gross on Thursday.

The team of 6 who attended the 3 day event in Quairading also won the resplendent Oscar trophy for best skit. "Barbie" has never looked so good! Congratulations to the Quairading Club and community for putting on a very well organised and entertaining event.

> Photos from left: 1. Aug 16 winner, Kerry Fewster.

2. Robin Higgins AVLGA Champion 2023.

3. Robin Higgins and Marnee Pearse runner up in Kaye Bingham trophy Par competition.







Gingin Golf Club - Ladies

Our recent club day results:

19th July - Robin Higgins Winner and Marnee Pearse, runner up in Kaye Bingham trophy Par competition.

- 26th July The day was generously sponsored by Gingin Pharmacy, Winner Kathy Gobbart and Runner Up Carolyn Brodie-Hall
- 9th August 11 members played a Stableford competition in beautiful golf conditions. Thanking our very much missed trophy donor, Sheryl Lloyd. Well done Robin Higgins 40pts winner and Bev Moxham runner up on 34pts.
- 16th August Stableford competition and kindly sponsored by Gingin Trading. Congratulations to Winner Kerry Fewster on 40pts, Runner up Karen Pollard on 34pts and Novelty Winner (longest putt) Crystal Pascoe.

- Photos from left:
- 1. Skit Winners.

2. Winner Robin Higgins, Sheryl Lloyd sponsor.

3. Winners AVLGA Robin Higgins and Karen Pollard.

Gingin Hockey Club

The Gingin Hockey Club's season has concluded, with a commendable 5th place finish. While there were hopeful moments of securing a 4th position and the chance to play finals, fate had other plans. The roster of 24 players proved essential, as the collaboration of players from various clubs ensured a consistent team representation for Gingin throughout the season.

Sincere gratitude is owed to the dedicated individuals who stepped up to maintain the team's competitive spirit each week. Notably, Cheryl Watson's return to the club brought a wealth of experience. While not the official coach, her mentorship significantly enhanced the skills of our young players, drawing from her extensive years in hockey. Rochelle Van Blitterswyk's pivotal role as the interchange coordinator deserves recognition. Despite being sidelined by an injury, Rochelle's presence on the bench ensured smooth rotations and strategic transitions.

A special acknowledgment goes to Alicia, who arranged a small 12-seater bus through a friend, easing the travel logistics for several away games. Her efforts not only brought the team closer but also facilitated post-game camaraderie with well-deserved stops for food and drinks.

The culmination of the 2023 season, marking not only the conclusion of the Gingin Hockey Club's season but also the management of the Mortlock Hockey Association after being in this role for 2 years. Gingin acknowledges the willingness of club members, by Nadine Lang, President, Alicia Gomersall, Secretary and Alison McVee, Treasurer. The members acknowledge the time given on their behalf. This trio's dedication has been instrumental in ensuring the smooth functioning of the association.

As the season draws to a close, the Gingin Hockey Club extends its best wishes to every individual who lent their support on or off the field. The club eagerly anticipates the return of familiar faces and the emergence of new talents for the 2024 season. May the spirit of camaraderie and sportsmanship continue to thrive as the journey of hockey continues.



Gingin Eagles Junior Football

Congratulations to Max Martinez on his 50th game with the Gingin Eagles Juniors on the 5th of August against Dowerin in Dowerin. Reaching this milestone is a fantastic achievement and highlighted with a "Player of the Day" award. Best of Luck to Max and the team as they head in to the finals. May their hard work and teamwork pay off!



Gingin Glimpses

Dive into the captivating history of Gingin as the Gingin Buzz, with support from the History of Gingin Group, introduce an enthralling new monthly piece – "Gingin Glimpses".

Kicking off this new segment we present the 1957 Football team, this snapshot of history couldn't be timelier as our Gingin Eagles football teams face their finals series this month. As we cheer on our modern day teams, let's pay homage to those who have paved the way with their passion, teamwork and camaraderie.

Now we need YOUR voices. add some colour and depth to this image. Share your memories and anecdotes



related to the 1957 football season. Were you in the stands, cheering your heart out?

Stay tuned Gingin! The upcoming issue will Or perhaps you've heard stories from relatives who witnesses these men in action? unveil a fresh photo and a new chapter in Whatever the tale, your narrative matters. Gingin's history, waiting for YOUR tales to bring it to life. In the meantime, pop over Join us in reliving these glory days by to the History of Gingin Western Australia sending you responses to gcn@gingin.net Facebook page to see what has been said or visiting the CRC to chat in person. Let's previously about this image.

Become a Member of the Gingin CRC

Our centre offers a wide range of resources and services for individuals, families, and businesses in the Gingin area. From computer access and printing services to community events and workshops, we are dedicated to supporting our local community in any way we can.

By becoming a member of the Gingin Community Resource Centre, you will receive Member's priority invitation to all events and activities held at the CRC during the year, a Community Resource Centre gift voucher to the dollar value of the paid membership. This can go towards services provided at the CRC, such as printing and photocopying, and a digital copy of the monthly Gingin Buzz magazine sent to your nominated email address. Membership period being 1 July - 30 June each year.

Becoming a member of the Gingin Community Resource Centre is the perfect way to connect with your community and access valuable resources and services, while supporting a community minded not-for-profit organisation and charity. Contact us today to learn more about our membership options and start enjoying all that our centre has to offer!

make this piece a tribute that transcends time and connects generations.



Celebrate the history, beauty and prosperity

10 & 11 November 2023

Friday 10 November 2023 Long Table Dinner (ticketed event) Saturday 11 November 2023 10am - late | Granville Park, Gingin

Produce Pavilion, Artisan Markets, Entertainment, Bar, Live Music, Fireworks & much more

For more details visit our website www.flavoursofgingin.com or email flavours@gingin.wa.gov.au













COUNCIL TO COMMUNITY

Dog & Cat Registrations Reminder

Dog and cat registrations are coming up for renewal on the ${\bf 31\,October.}$

All dogs and cats within the Shire of Gingin are required by law to be registered as follows:

Dogs - Age 3 months and over

Cats - Age 6 months and over

A few things to be mindful of:

- If you are a new resident to the Shire of Gingin, you need to carry out a Registration Transfer for your pet.
- · Let us know if your pet has passed away.
- Ensure that your contact details are up to date. Please advise us of change of address in writing by emailing mail@gingin.wa.gov.au.

If you are a **stock owner**, please make sure our Rangers Department has your NLIS tag number and your contact details in case of an escapee as this makes it far easier for Rangers to locate the owner of lost stock.

Greenwaste Kerbside Collection

Each year the Shire of Gingin undertakes a green waste kerbside collection service for Residential and Rural Residential properties. This year's collection is scheduled to follow the King's Birthday Long Weekend which falls on 23-25 September. Residents wishing to take advantage of this service will need to have green waste placed on the verge no later than **Monday 25 September 2023**. Please remember there are conditions for collection which include that piles must not be contaminated or be larger than 5m³. Visit **gingin.wa.gov.au** for all collection criteria information.



Granville Park, Gingin. Go to flavoursofgingin.com to register your attendance.

Flavours of Gingin - Saturday 11 November 2023 Granville Park, Gingin

Seniors Movie Matinee - Wednesday 29 November 10:30am - 2:30pm, Granville Civic Centre, Gingin

Green Waste Kerbside Collection - Monday 25 September 2023 (residential and Rural Residential properties).

For more information on events in the Shire, please go to the Events Calendar on **gingin.wa.gov.au**.

If you have a community event to promote in the Shire, please email our Community Development Officer, Michaela White at **cdo@gingin.wa.gov.au** and we will include it on our Events Calendar and promote it on our Facebook page.

Do you know someone who is making an outstanding contribution to the Shire of Gingin Community?



Nominations are still open for the 2024 Community Citizen of the Year Awards which will be presented on Australia Day, 26 January. To nominate go to: citizenshipawards.com.au/nominate.

Closing Date: 31 October 2023.

Local Government Reform

The State Government is introducing the most significant reforms of local government in 25 years. These reforms will strengthen the transparency, accountability, and efficiency of local governments, enabling stronger local democracy while ensuring a better response to the needs of ratepayers and residents.

Some of these reforms will have a direct impact on voting in the October 2023 local government elections.

You will find details of the reforms on the Department of Local Government Sport and Cultural Industries website at www.dlgsc. wa.gov.au/lg-act-reform or scan the QR code.



VacSwim Enrolments Open!

VacSwim enrolments are now open for the 2024 summer season. In summer, VacSwim is a terrific activity during the long break. Whether your children are learning to swim, building their skills, or aiming for their Bronze Medallion, there is a program that is suited to them.

VacSwim summer programs will be held on the following dates: January Program 1 2024: 03/01/2024 to 12/01/2024 (8 days) January Program 2 2024: 15/01/2024 to 25/01/2024 (9 days) Enrolments are required. Enrolments close: Thursday, 26 October 2023

Find out more about locations and how to enrol on the Department of Education website.



Firebreaks Reminder

Have you started thinking about your firebreaks yet?

Owners and/or occupiers of land within the Shire of Gingin have a legal requirement under the *Bush Fires Act 1954* to install and maintain your firebreaks from **1st November** to **15th May every year**.

Don't leave your firebreaks until the last minute, start maintaining them now.

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Resident Perception Survey 2023

As a thank you for completing the comprehensive survey, five randomly selected participants have each won 100.

The results of the survey will be used to inform the minor review of the Shire's Strategic Community Plan 2022-2032, planned for early next year.

Thank you to all that participated in both the simple and comprehensive survey options.







Council Decisions

The following decisions were made by Council at the Shire's August Ordinary Council Meeting:

- Guilderton Country Club Renewal of Lease Adopted by Council.
- Adoption of 2023/24 Shire of Gingin Budget Adopted by Council.
- Club Night Lights Program Application Gingin Community Recreation Group - Adopted by Council.
- Lancelin Bowling Club 10 Rink Synthetic Green CSRFF Application - Adopted by Council.

In addition, 5 other items were presented to/deliberated by Council.

Please note that the commencement time for the next Council meeting scheduled for 19 September has been changed from 3:00pm to 5:00pm.

More information on the decisions from this Council meeting can be found in the Meeting Minutes which are available for viewing at gingin.wa.gov.au/council-meetings, or in person upon request at either the Gingin Administration Centre or Lancelin Office.

Upcoming Projects

Our Operations teams will be undertaking the following works and projects in the next couple of months.

- CWA floor replacement project.
- New limestone border to Seabird swing set at Frank Douglas Park.
- Renovation of the gazebo next to ablution block at Seabird.
- Guilderton Cafe freezer upgrade.

Annual Rates Mailout

If you are a ratepayer in the Shire of Gingin, please note rate notices will be posted early September, so keep an eye on your post box or letter box in the coming days.

Inside your envelope with your Rate Notice and Budget Bulletin are the following IMPORTANT documents you need to keep:

- Firebreak Order and Bush Fire
 Information
- Tip Pass & Guilderton Foreshore Parking Pass
- Waste Recycling Calendar

If you have any questions regarding this year's rates mailout, please contact our Rates Team on 9575 5100 or mail@gingin.wa.gov.au.





(08) 9575 5100 mail@gingin.wa.gov.au PO Box 510, Gingin WA 6503 www.gingin.wa.gov.au



To register your interest or for more information on the Community Car Service contact Sylvia Kelly, Gingin Care Group on 0438 575 254 or the Gingin CRC on 9575 1253 or crc@gingin.net





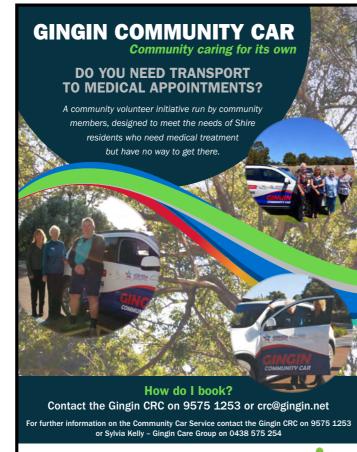
GINGIN COMMUNITY PANTRY

Located on the back veranda of the Gingin Community Resource Centre

Food is a human right and is an immediate and tangible way to help someone. Every donation of food helps. We accept donations of non-perishable food in jars, cans and sealed packets. We recommend sauces, soups, beans, vegetables in cans or jars, honey, peanut butter, boxed juices, long-life milk, coconut cream, fish in oil, baby products and pet essentials.

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A community initiative by the community for the community. Take what you need, give what you can.











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Citizen of the Year

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Nominate





If you know someone, or a group, doing great things in our community, nominate them for a 2024 Community Citizen of the Year Award, in our four categories.

> Youth Citizen of the Year > Senior Citizen of the Year > Active Citizenship (Group or Event) To nominate visit: citizenshipawards.com.au/nominate

CLOSING DATE: 31 October 2023

Local Government Recognising Community Champions.

Letters to the Editor

Response - Senior Citizens Gathering Place

Since people are jumping to conclusions on rumours, we need to clarify the proposed plans for a dedicated building in Gingin. Research has shown that connection with people is better than medication (for any one), but especially for older people. The other critical need is good food and shared eating time. Ask any isolated person about this factor.

So, what is needed greatly (there are 900 people over 70 in our Shire) is a permanent daytime place where older people who have care in home but who find the days very long and can't really cook any more, can come together for as many days as they want, to get top quality fresh food, play games, share coffee, have some gentle exercise with others, get a nurse to check the many slight scrapes and cuts that happen with older skin, sit in a garden with others and just chat and watch birds in a bird bath, have a computer person (with a computer) to help with all those computer things that are too hard.....all in the one place.

This can't happen in current buildings that get used spasmodically by various groups and the CRC room is too small and too expensive for rent.

A very caring local man who has gone through the horrendous journey of aged care until death with 2 family members and knows firsthand the issues involved. has volunteered to build a dedicated building in the new development right near the Medical Centre, the CRC, the library and all the facilities that older people use. Other people are considering contributing in various ways. And there ARE caring people in Gingin who would pick up people without a car/licence and bring them in!!!!

It is envisioned that it will be run as a not-

for-profit organization, vested in a committee of people who are volunteers, but have years of business experience...much like the CRC operates, as an Incorporated body in case grants are needed. As a notfor-profit organization charity status can be applied for and any donations would be tax free. I believe there are enough successful businesses in our Shire to give some support if it is needed. Costs would be minimal, as the food would be on a business basis with some rent to be paid and meals paid from package money. No rent would be payable, for the building, as the building would be donated to the community. We have already been offered some "gentle exercise" equipment and qualified people could run sessions for many more people than are currently doing some sessions, on a small business basis...paid for from the packages.

We already have a chef keen to start, 2 really good people willing to be on the management committee. A plan has been drawn and it is being costed. The new developer is working on including it in the commercial planning section. Gingin has really good people here and others coming into our "Heaven" as many of them are saying. Many of them are retirees with long business experience who could contribute in a very valuable way to their new home community. We need suggestions for a name for this community hub, and we are open to any offers of help in lots of ways.

There are virtually no aged facilities in our town because previous generations did nothing to ensure they were built. Pingelly has 39 small units to keep their older people in their home community. Ours get tipped out to go to Perth where they know no-one, feel like strangers, and don't live very long.

Our older people have made Gingin what It goes without saying that time is a factor in it is and they deserve to be looked after any development, but we are doing everyin their declining years. This generation thing possible to get it happening as soon as all the legal steps are taken. needs to do it....or they will find when they are old there is no-where for them either. Sylvia Kelly We all imagine we won't "get old" ... but it **Gingin Care Group** happens!!!!!

Christmas in July at the Trackside

The Trackside Railway Café and Station lots of prizes. Big thank you to Teresa and volunteers for making this day such a sucput on a Xmas in July roast dinner and deserts for the community. Everyone received cess. a free gift. There was also a free raffle with Charlee Fyfe





Gingin District High School News

Creating a positive, uplifting community where students succeed!

YEAR 8 ENGLISH



The Year 8 students spent time outside decorating a pavement slab with Shakespeare quotes. Each group had researched a different play, chose symbols to represent the themes of the play and selected quotes. I think you will agree that they did a colourful job!

CLASSROOM KOGA



In addition to our weekly KOGA support program, this term all students across the school will have the opportunity to experience KOGA as the amazing Roxanne travels to classrooms to deliver this experience.

Practicing yoga can increase confidence, build concentration, and strengthen growing bodies. For children with behavioural issues, yoga can improve their impulses in a positive direction and provides them with an outlet to manage their behaviour.

PERTH SKILLSWEST CAREER & EMPLOYMENT EXPO

Year 9 & 10 students, as part of their Career & Enterprise class, recently went on an excursion to the Perth SkillsWest Career & Employment Expo at the Perth Convention Centre. There were over 120 exhibitors representing careers, industry groups, tertiary education and more. The students really enjoyed the self-directed exploration of the exhibits and took advantage of the many links and resources available. There were lots of hands-on activities from helicopters, makeup, music production, art, and building and construction. Our students represented themselves and the school with pride and showed their responsibility and maturity. Mr Cowell & Mrs Fennell also collected a heap of resources to build into the curriculum.



SCOUTS WORLD SCARF DAY

On the 1st of August, past and present Scouts from around the world wore their scarves to highlight the Scouting movement. There was a focus on the work done by Scouts of all ages in their communities.

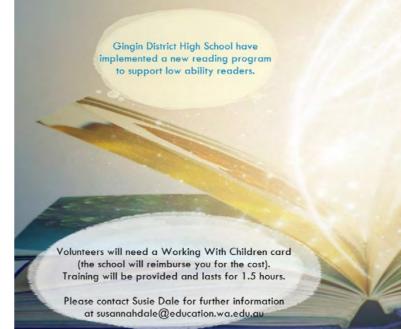
Each year the Scouts choose a person in the community to 'scarf up'. This is to recognise the impact that person or organisation has had in the community. This year Gingin Scout Group, comprising of Scouts, Cubs and Joeys, were delighted to scarf up Helena, the School Chaplain. Helena works tirelessly in the school and community beyond, bringing assistance and support.

Scout leaders Possum (Gloria Hyne), Hathi (Annette Howard) and Kookaburra (Debbie Bandy) were present. Helena was presented with her scarf by Jarrah Trew and Tabitha Dale. **Congratulations Helena!**



YEAR 1 INDONESIAN

This term in Indonesian, the Year 1 and 2 students are learning to read and write the names of animals (binatang) and pets in Bahasa Indonesia. They have been having great fun making 'ikan' (fish), 'tikus' (mouse), 'ular' (snakes) and 'kodok' (frogs). They all deserve to be proud of their fantastic work!





Gingin District High School KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS Now open for 2024

Please telephone or email the School Off or visit the school website to downlo enrolment forms

Birth Certificate & Immunisation History Statements required.

T: 9575 5300

E: gingin.dhs@education.wa

We need community volunteers to come in for 1 hour per week on a Monday. Tuesday or Wednesday to listen to children read.

Social Notes

Births

Introducing Henry Paul Grant, born on August 14th 2023, at 11:40pm. Weighing 4.08kg and measuring 38cm in head circumference and 54cm in length. Warmest congratulations to Jessica and Edward on the joyful addition of their third son, a little brother to Arthur and Frederick.



Gardening Group

On Friday 11th August, 8 Garden Group ladies and 2 men set out for a surprise road trip.

We departed Gingin at 10.15am, and with 3 four-wheel drive vehicles, headed for the Julimar State Forest.

We followed the boundary fence line, stopping several times in search of wildflowers. It was a little early for some, but the ones that were found, were pretty, bright and interesting. Being in the bush was so peaceful and relaxing. It was good to see the difference in the undergrowth, with the bush that had been burnt, and the unburned areas.

When we stopped, our guide Barry, talked and showed us a variety of things. Many

new bird nesting boxes have been installed high in trees and were very impressive.

Our 3 drivers expertly mastered the art of large water crossings and dodging rocky outcrops.

We stopped for a picnic lunch in the centre of the forest. Some of us sat in chairs, some sat on logs and the rest milling around. A great stop and a lot of chatter.

Before heading home, our last stop was to look at large anthills, where echidnas had scratched in to get the ants.

Thanks to Ann and Barry for organising a lovely day, enjoyed by all. Their extensive knowledge of the bush added to the day. We arrived home at 3.15pm.

Carolyn Brodie-Hall



Past Gingin News

In this day and age where digital equipment is part and parcel of life, it is hard to imagine a time where everything was recorded by hand. It was interesting to read that the Shire of Gingin took its first possession of a computer system 39 years ago.

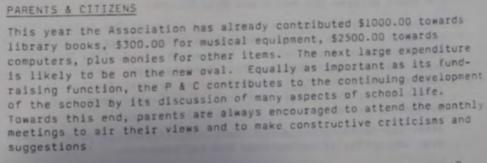
From the Gingin News Edition 21: August 1984:

ADMINISTRATION
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The school also started to move into the computer age with the Parents and Citizens Association (P&C) contributing funds towards that end as well in 1984.

An integral part of the School Community is the P&C and the continuing work the group does must be commended for the vital resources and projects it helps fund. Many of us, our children and even grandchildren attended Gingin Primary, later becoming Gingin District High School and know what a vital part of the community a good school, means.

From the Gingin News Edition 21: August 1984:



Its amazing the titbits of information that can be found in the old Gingin News. I was aware of the armed forces being camped around Gingin during the Second World War but never knew of people utilising the old projector room as a look out for enemy planes.

What a frightening time it was for our parents, grand parents and great grand parents who lived through this conflict.

Another 35 years on and our Red Cross Unit still works tirelessly for those in need.

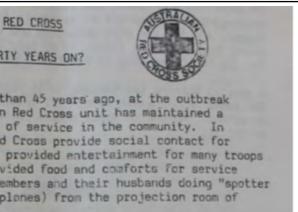
From the Gingin News Edition 24: August 1985:



FORTY YEARS ON?

Since it's formation more than 45 years ago, at the outbreak of World War II, the Gingin Red Cross unit has maintained a very active and vital role of service in the community. In early days not only did Red Cross provide social contact for women in the district, but provided entertainment for many troops stationed in the area, provided food and comforts for service personnel overseas, with members and their husbands doing "spotter duty" (watching for enemy planes) from the projection room of the old Agricultural Hall.

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1A Lily King Place

Ph: 95751253

directorysales@gingin.net

Gingin Regional Directory Authority to Include Residential Contact Details

We are compiling and collecting contact details for the Residential listings to be included in the the Regional Community Directory for all residents within the Gingin Shire. Please provide us with the following details, if you would like to be **included into the Residential section**, or wish to have changes made to a current listing in the production. If you are currently in the Directory and don't have any changes, there is no need to fill out this form.

Surname:	Ch	nristian Name(s): _	
Residential Address	5.		
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	Home Phone:		
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Disclaimer: Changes to the Privacy Act affected the providers of telephone listings who were charging for services they were not, or should not have been providing. Residential and phones listing (as available through the white pages) are considered to be in the public domain and are not subject to the Privacy Act. We are legally allowed to gather your private contact details as long as we send out an authorization requesting your signed permission to use this information in our Directory. On receipt of your permission we can create our own data base. But very importantly we cannot on-sell this database to anyone, it must not be accessible to the public (in data base form), and cannot be used for anything other than what we originally requested. The publishers will make every effort to ensure this listing is as accurate as possible. However, no responsibility is accepted by the publishers or anyone acting on their behalf for the accuracy of any or all of the material supplied by you for this purpose.

I have read and understood the above disclaimer and accept conditions thereof. I authorize the use of my contact details for the Regional Community Directory.

Signature

Date

Please return this form at your earlist convenience to the: Gingin Community Resource Centre

Gingin Community Resource Centre
 1A Lily King Place
 Gingin WA 6503
 Email: directorysales@gingin.net

<u>Businesses please note</u>: We can include your business phone listing by completion of this form for a cost of \$27.50. This is not required when you book and pay for a graphic advertising space as your business phone number is then automatically included in the listings.

Gingin Library

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Dean Yates was the ideal warzone correspondent: courageous, compassionate. dedicated. After years of facing the worst, though, including the Bali bombings and the Boxing Day tsunami, one final incident undid him. In July 2007, two of his staff members were brutally gunned down by an American helicopter in Irag.

Science Fiction THE BOOK THAT WOULDN'T BURN by Mark Lawrence The greatest story can reach the stars... Evar has lived his whole life trapped within a vast library, older than empires and larger than cities. Livira has spent hers in a tiny settlement out on the Dust where nightmares

stalk and no one goes. The world has never noticed them. That's about to change.



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Do you love storytelling, reading, writing or drawing?

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We run lots of events for aspiring storytellers, including an amazing festival in the Perth CBD during October, a writing competition, the Golden Feather Hunt, and a Scribblers on the Road travelling program. Follow us on socials @scribblersfest subscribe to our newsletter or take a look at our program at



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Almost Famous by Alan Gent

When I was a lot younger, I really wanted to be rich and famous! Well, I've never been rich, so far, and I certainly haven't become famous - but at least I tried!

It was the 60's, and based on a few 'A' level GCE passes, I was able to go to 'University'. Battersea College of Advanced Technology certainly wasn't my first choice, but thanks to a Headmaster who couldn't see the funny side of avoiding sport by playing cards in a grounds man's shed, his bad report sort of steered me onto a path less salubrious. At least the BSc Electronics degree for which I studied was from 'London University'.

Of course, it's difficult to put an 'old head on a young man's shoulders' and I quickly found that it was far more fun to play quitar and compose teen songs than to study. In the course of this detour from academic excellence, I managed to obtain a little paperback book by 'The Hollies' (a very popular rock group of the day): "How to Form a Beat Group". In the back of the book was a list of all the music publishers in London's West End. Since I was in 'digs' in London I was well placed to catch the train up and wander around these places.

I soon developed a sort of 'routine'. I would type out the lyrics of three songs on my little Hermes typewriter and record the songs on a 3" tape on a small Philips portable tape recorder. Apparently, that was the recommended number of songs you could inflict on the publisher! I think the motivation was to see these similarly aged teenagers apparently having a really good time and earning lots of money doing it. The money was in the song-writing, not so much in the singing – at least, first off.

I would get off the train and armed with my 'address book', I would wander around all these little music publishers. They would listen to a few bars of each song, inevi-

tably pushing 'Fast Forward' on the tape when they didn't like the song. I asked one of them once what he was looking for. He said: "Well, if I don't hear a 'Hit' in the first eight bars, I don't accept the song".

At one point I found myself climbing up a narrow set of steps in a very run-down part of Dean Street in the West End, and at the top there was a smokey little room in which a couple were banging out the words for a French (or was it German) version of 'Puppet On A String". My songs didn't get anywhere of course, but it was interesting to see the background of so-called 'hits'. Another publisher said my songs were 'too nice'. I asked him how he would judge the Herman's Hermits song 'Silhouettes', and he admitted that if it had not been from Herman's Hermits, he wouldn't have accepted it!

Having been around so many little publishers it was with some surprise that I found myself in a very posh establishment. I sat down on a comfortable settee in a plush reception area and an attractive young lady came over and asked me if I'd like tea or coffee while I waited. It was Dick James Music, and they were the publisher at the time for the Beatles!

Finally, I got three of my songs accepted by Chappell Music. They were 'Country and Western' songs. They told me they would 'do a demo disk' of them. They also suggested that they would have a word with a bloke by the name of Tom Springfield, saying that he may be open to collaboration, since the words of my songs were 'pretty good', and Mr Springfield 'didn't like writing the lyrics', apparently. Of course, nothing came of it. Chappell Music moved premises shortly afterwards, and my songs were consigned to rubbish I suppose.

Fast Forward to 2023 and we have Facebook! And YouTube! Perhaps you'll see me singing those songs after all! We'll see.

I was also 'nearly famous' in an advert for the R&I bank in WA. I'd been in a play

sit down and chat with John Howard quite at Castle Hill and there was a guy there named 'Parker' – don't know his first name recently in Penrith Plaza in NSW when he - and he'd been in an advert for Kodak I was assisting the Liberal Candidate there. think. He was a chubby chap, and his kids I was able to thank him for his 'input' for my had 'dared him' to do an advert for TV. He Post-Grad degree (Doctor of Science Eduauditioned and got the part – he was to cation). It gave me some sort of 'closure' in hold up a fish and pose for a photo when a each case. In some ways, being 'almost famous' is shark would jump out of the water and grab the fish. He earned a fair bit of money from good enough. Fame and Fortune do not that, as it was shown quite a few times. I always auger well for us mere mortals. Huthought: 'Well, if he could do it, so could I'! man nature seems to result in a bad out-I was also on TV – Channel 10 - with Kerry come for some, although we always say Anne Kennerley showing off an 'Eye-blink' 'That won't happen to me!" sensor device for Cerebral Palsy sufferers. After the first play in which I performed, called 'Re-Electing Roger' at the Henry Lawson Theatre group, I was introduced to Gough Whitlam and his wife. He said my performance as a drunk (I don't drink, by the way) was the best he'd seen outside Parliament! At least I was able to thank him for abolishing Tertiary Education fees that allowed me to complete my Bachelor of Engineering degree. Incidentally, it was guite coincidental that I was able to

WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT ELECTRIC VEHICLE (EV) OWNERSHIP

Following the first successful informal gathering of EVs at the Gingin Historic Railway Station (Lot 500 Jones Street, Gingin) on the 28th May, I am organising another event on Sunday 15th October 10:00am - 2:00pm at the same location.

So why not come along and get the 'Facts' about EV Ownership from those who have owned and driven their EVs for some time (Rural and Suburban).

I am again expecting Local and Perth based owners to attend (so there should be a good cross section of makes) and am currently talking to a company called Unique EVs, who have been converting Classic Vehicles to electric for some time about the possibility of bringing something along - watch this space.

Barry Callen







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Biosecurity Blitz



Looper Caterpillar on tomato (©John Tann, Flickr)

Wherever you live and whatever the size of your backyard, you can help protect WA's agriculture, forests, and natural ecosystems into the future.

The Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development's (DPIRD's) Biosecurity Blitz is back in 2023, with a special focus on reporting backyard pests and diseases.

The Biosecurity Blitz aims to protect Western Australia's backyards and agricultural industries from an increasing number of exotic threats, such as the recent incursions of polyphagous shot-hole borer (PSHB), myrtle rust and Queensland fruit fly (Qfly).

By checking your backyard for pests and diseases and reporting what you find, you'll learn about these organisms, help protect your garden, regional biodiversity and the local food and nursery industries in Western Australia.

Every report helps!

Your report helps to increase the likelihood that serious pests and diseases will be detected early, providing the best opportunity to eradicate or contain them.



Report your observations

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Backyard Buddies Your monthly guide to pests, weeds and diseases

September 2023



Myrtle rust, a threat to Myrtaceae plants (©Louise Morin CSIRO)

If your report turns out to be a common pest, that data may be used to support WA's export trade.

Look – snap – report

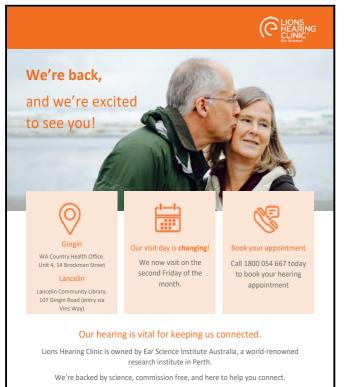
This year the Biosecurity Blitz runs from 16 October to 16 November – that's 31 days to look for, take a photo, and send in a report of every pest and disease in your backyard.

To participate in the Blitz:

- register at agric.wa.gov.au/biosecurity-blitz
- download the free MyPestGuide[®] Reporter app
- check your backyard for pests and diseases.
- take photos of any pests or disease signs you find
- report using the app or online at mypestguide.agric.wa.gov.au

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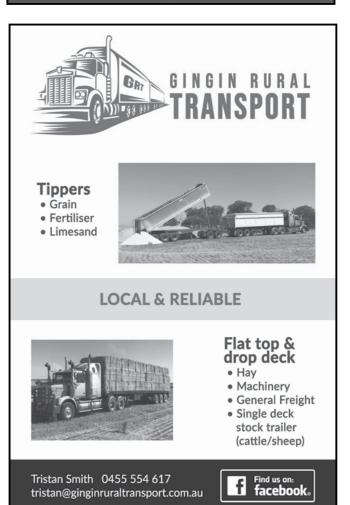
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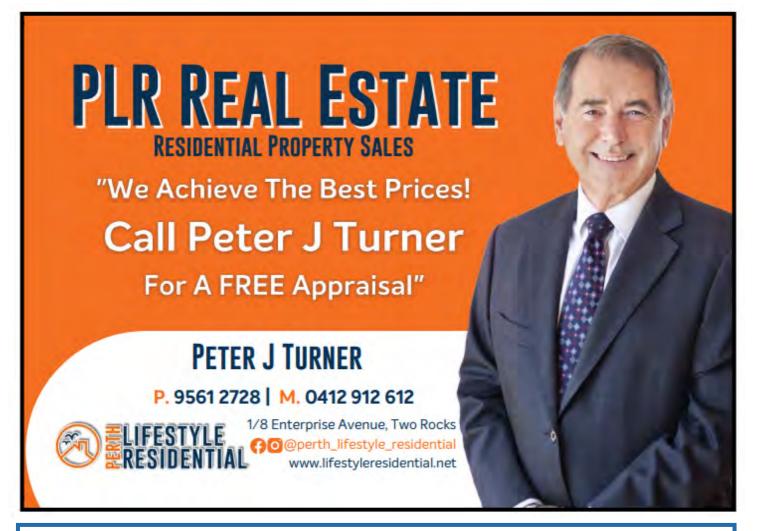




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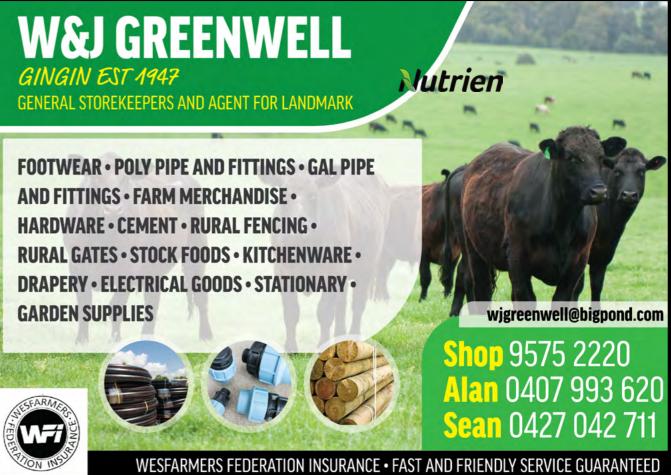


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