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MESSAGE FROM THE Shire President



PRESIDENT'S REPORT AUGUST 2023

On Sunday 30 July, Cr Jill Dwyer and I travelled to Kalgoorlie to attend the State Government Community Cabinet Meeting. Prior to that meeting, the CEOs, Presidents/Mayors and some elected members from the Shires of Leonora, Laverton, Dundas, Coolgardie and City of Kalgoorlie Boulder met with the new Minister for Local Government, the Hon. David Michael MLA, for a brief meet and greet. We discussed the new regulations and concerns from the Goldfields region.

Those who were invited to attend the Community Cabinet Meeting heard from the Premier Roger Cook MLA and from each Minister of Cabinet regarding their portfolios. An opportunity then arose for the community to ask questions, which were answered by the responsible Ministers. From the North Eastern Goldfields, a question from Laverton President Patrick Hill regarding the hospital in Laverton, and the Health Minister Amber-Jade Sanderson MLA responded that a tender for the construction of the new hospital was being assessed. A wide range of questions was put to the Ministers which also led to the Ministers being available after the session to discuss further with those persons over drinks and snacks.

On 11 August, I chaired the General Meeting of the Golden Quest Discovery Trail Association. We discussed finances and general business, and we set the Annual General Meeting for November, following the Local Government Elections and shires' appointment of delegates for GQDTA.

I responded to a request to do a photo shoot at the Menzies School at 10.30am on Wednesday 9 August, for an article to be featured in the Kalgoorlie Miner newspaper. The children and teachers are embarking on an adventure to the Gold Coast, Queensland, in the last week of August. The Council allocated funds in the 2022/2023 Budget to assist with the program, providing the students with 'a trip of a lifetime'.

At the Midwest Yilgarn Infrastructure Group (MYIG) General Meeting on 16 August, the group received a briefing from Sarah Fletcher of GEDC on the proposed Kalgoorlie Rail Bypass. MYIG had discussed the proposals beforehand. The Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act generated little discussion considering the Government had withdrawn the new Act. The next meeting will be held on 20 September, following WALGA's Local Government Conference and Exhibition in Perth.

At 6pm Tuesday 22 August 2023, a Memorial Service was held in the Town Hall celebrating the life of Barkley Blizzard, an extremely well-known local identity and loved and respected family member. The service was conducted by Pastor Jarrod Dimer before an assembly of around 120 people in the Hall and 30 or so outside. Barkley was known for his loud music, mainly Country and Western, in some cases for the extended hours and for its repetitiveness.

On Wednesday 11am, a Funeral Service was conducted by Pastor Jarrod Dimer in the Town Hall. This was followed by a drive by at the rear of Marmion Village, Barkley's home, to the Menzies Cemetery. A large crowd were in attendance at the Menzies Cemetery to pay their respects to Barkley, who will be dearly missed. The CEO Selection Committee has been meeting with the Consultant from Beilby Downing Teal and progressing with assessments from a list of candidates.

MESSAGE FROM THE CEO



SHIRE NOTES:

The following items were considered by the Council at its Ordinary Meeting held on 31 August 2023:

- Appointed Cr Jill Dwyer as the Council Representative for the Golden Quest Discovery Trail
- Request the Regional Manager Goldfields-Esperance Region Main Roads WA to begin the process to reduce the speed limit in Shenton Street Menzies
- Endorsed the contribution of \$32,314 (plus GST) towards the funding of the Goldfields Tourism Development Manager

Rob Stewart
Acting CEO

CEO Selection Committee Meetings

Over the last several weeks, the CEO Selection Committee, made up of four councillors and former Mayor of Kalgoorlie-Boulder Mr Ron Yurevich, has been diligently reviewing applications for the position of permanent CEO with the Shire of Menzies.

A large field of candidates applied for the position and preliminary interviews have been held.

As diligent readers of Menzies Matters know, the recruitment of a CEO in local government is a heavily legislated area, with confidentiality being paramount.

Over the coming weeks the Committee should be in a position to make a recommendation to the Council about an appointment.

SHIRE Updates



Ordinary Meetings of the Council 2023

The public is advised that pursuant to Regulation 12(1)(a) of the *Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996*, the following dates, times, and locations have been approved by the Council for Ordinary Council Meetings for the period ending 31 December 2023.

Date	Time	Location
Thursday 28 September	1 pm	Tjuntjuntjara
Thursday 26 October	1 pm	Menzies
Thursday 30 November	1 pm	Menzies
Thursday 21 December	1 pm	Menzies

Audit and Risk Committee Meetings 2023

The following dates and locations have been approved by the Council for Audit and Risk Committee Meetings for 2023.

Date	Time	Location
Thursday 28 September	10.30 am	Tjuntjuntjara
Thursday 14 December	11 am	Menzies

Council meetings are open to the public, except when stated, and prior notice will be given of any Special or Committee Meetings that are called, should time permit.

Robert Stewart — Acting Chief Executive Officer



Department of
Local Government, Sport
and Cultural Industries



Notice to Residents Local Government Reform and the October 2023 Local Government Elections

Dear Resident,

As the new Local Government Minister, I am honoured to oversee the implementation of the Government's major reforms of the local government sector, the most significant in 25 years. At the heart of these reforms is our aim of increasing the transparency, accountability and efficiency of local government in WA.

Some changes will be introduced at the upcoming October local government elections which will give ratepayers a greater say on who they elect to represent them on council. All electors will need to be aware of these changes when casting their vote.

One important change is the switch to Optional Preferential Voting (OPV). This will bring local government elections in line with state and federal government elections. Under OPV you will be able to choose one or more candidates by numbering them in order of your preference.

For many smaller councils, reforms will also see changes to council representation, with the removal of wards and standardisation of the number of councillors aligned to the population of the districts they serve.

These changes will strengthen local democracy and give ratepayers a greater choice of candidates. As a result, the reforms will increase community confidence in local government and make councils more representative and responsive to ratepayers' needs.

For 12 years, I served as a councillor and later as Deputy Mayor at the City of Stirling so I have first-hand experience and an appreciation of the importance of local government and how it impacts the lives of residents in many ways. So it is vital that people get involved in their local government, either by nominating to be a community representative or by voting to have a say on who represents you on council.

You can find more information on the reforms to the local government sector on the DLGSC website at www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/lg-act-reform or use the QR code.

David Michael

Local Government Minister





Department of
Local Government, Sport
and Cultural Industries

Local Government Reform

Voting in the October 2023 Local Government Elections

The State Government is putting into action the most significant reforms to the local government sector in 25 years. The reforms will increase the transparency, accountability and efficiency of local government in WA.

One of the key reforms is the change from "first past the post" system of voting to optional preferential voting (OPV).

This change will be introduced for the October 2023 local government elections which will now be in line with state and federal elections.

OPV will strengthen democracy by giving ratepayers a greater choice of candidates.

You can find more information about the reforms to the local government sector on the DLGSC website at www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/dlg-act-reform or use this QR code.



How to vote under the optional preferential voting system

It is really easy and it is all about choices – your choices. Just imagine there are three candidates. You can:

1 Vote for just one candidate

Just put a number 1 next to the name of that candidate.

SMITH, John ☐

DOE, Jane ☐

CITIZEN, Neville ☐

2 Vote for some

Just put a 1 next to the name of the candidate you like best and a 2 next to your second choice.

SMITH, John ☐

DOE, Jane ☐

CITIZEN, Neville ☐

3 Vote for all

Put a 1 in the box for the candidate you like best and then a 2 for your second choice and a 3 for your third choice. If there are more candidates you just keep numbering if you want.

SMITH, John ☐

DOE, Jane ☐

CITIZEN, Neville ☐



GOLDFIELDS INTEGRATED PRIMARY MENTAL HEALTH (PORTAL) SCHEDULE

CENTRE CARE WILL BE IN
MENZIES
ON THE FOLLOWING DATES

August 2023 Monday 14, 28
September 2023 Monday 11, 25
October 2023 Monday 9, 23



GOLDFIELDS MENTAL
HEALTH PORTAL

Portal program is a fee free service that provides counselling and clinical care coordination to individuals experiencing and at risk of developing mental health issues or distress.

GP referrals, Provisional, self-referrals accepted.
Ages 6 years old and above.

FEEL FREE TO DROP BY FOR A YARN.

WHERE: NGALIPALU BUILDING YOUTH CENTRE, MENZIES

TIME: 10:30AM - 2:30PM

For children, youth, parents and/or carers, please feel free to drop by at the Community School Library for a chat with Ella between 12:20-12:50.

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COUNTRY WA
An Australian Government initiative



Menzies
Community Resource Centre
Your local connection

Centrecare acknowledges WA Primary Health Alliance (WAPHA) for providing funding in its role as the operator of the Country WA PHN.

For more information please
contact Ella on 9080 0333 or
email kalgoorlie@centrecare.com.au



PUBLIC NOTICE



Services
Australia



Enhanced Income Management and support services

If you are on enhanced Income Management, support is available to you.

Help with managing money

If you need help with managing your money, free financial support is available to you.

Go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/managing-your-money for information to help you budget, deal with debt and manage your money.



Services Australia's Financial Information Service (FIS) is a free service that can inform and educate you about financial matters.

You can talk to a FIS Officer over the phone, by a video chat appointment or a personal appointment.

Find out more, go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/fis

Free financial counselling

These services are voluntary, free and confidential.

Financial counsellors are available in community and local government organisations to help you and your family with:

- budgeting
- understanding your money situation
- planning for the future.

Financial counsellors can also help to:

- negotiate with creditors if you are having difficulty maintaining your loan or credit card repayments
- advocate with government or non-government organisations
- explain options if you are not able to pay bills
- explain the debt recovery process if you are not sure what to do next
- develop a budgeting plan to suit your circumstances.

Financial counsellors can refer you to other services for assistance, if necessary.

To get help with financial counselling, managing your money, and other financial support:

- Department of Social Services support services directories are at dss.gov.au/supportservices
- the free National Debt Helpline opens from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm, Monday to Friday, call **1800 007 007** or go to ndh.org.au
- MoneySmart's financial counselling page moneysmart.gov.au/managing-debt/financial-counselling
- free legal advice service about money matters for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples by calling the **Mob Strong Debt Helpline 1800 808 488** or go to financialrights.org.au/getting-help/mob-strong-debt-help



IMPROVED INCOME MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT SERVICES

Contact information and support

Disability Gateway

Disability Gateway is a free service to help people with disability, their families and carers.

Go to disabilitygateway.gov.au or call **1800 643 787**, Monday to Friday, 8 am to 8 pm AEDT/AEST.

Help with food and bills

You can ask these places for help with food and bills:

- Salvation Army **137 258**
- St Vincent de Paul Society **131 812**
- your local community centre, church or community organisation.

Emotional support

You can get emotional support too with the following services.

Crisis support

For support either:

- call **Lifeline** on **131 114** at any time. You can use the Lifeline crisis support online chat at lifeline.org.au/crisis-chat at any time.
- call **13YARN (13 92 76)** at any time, for free confidential support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people.

Depression or anxiety

For support either:

- call **Beyond Blue** on **1300 224 636** at any time
- use the Beyond Blue web chat at beyondblue.org.au/support-service/chat from 3 pm to 12 am.

Domestic or family violence counselling

Call **1800RESPECT** on **1800 737 732** at any time.

Alcohol or other drug use

Call **Family Drug Support Australia** on **1300 368 186** at any time.

Gambling

Call the **National Gambling Helpline** on **1800 858 858** at any time.

More information and support

To find out more:



go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/smartcard



call the **SmartCard eIM hotline** on **1800 252 604**

Let us know if you need an interpreter and we will arrange one for free.

call the **Traditional Credit Union** on **1800 828 232 (NT only)** if you have a TCU SmartCard



visit a **Services Australia service centre**.

For information to help you budget, deal with debt and manage your money, go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/managing-your-money

You can find support available through the Support Services Directory, go to dss.gov.au/supportservices

Calls to 1800 phone numbers from a fixed phone line or Telstra payphone are free. But there may be charges for calls from mobile phones depending on the provider and call length.



Services
Australia



Volunteer for enhanced Income Management and SmartCard

If you want help managing your money, you can volunteer for enhanced Income Management if you are eligible, and live in:

- Bundaberg or Hervey Bay region, or Cape York or Doomadgee region, Qld
- Kununurra or Wyndham in the East Kimberley region, WA
- Goldfields region, WA
- Ceduna and surrounds, SA.

To volunteer for enhanced Income Management, you can:

-  call the SmartCard eIM hotline on **1800 252 604**
-  visit a Services Australia service centre
-  call the Family Responsibilities Commission on **1800 004 973** in Cape York and Doomadgee region only.

You'll get a SmartCard to access your enhanced Income Management account.

You can use your SmartCard all of these ways:

- shop in store using your PIN or tap to pay
- shop online
- pay bills with BPAY.



Find out more



servicesaustralia.gov.au/smartcard
smartcard.com.au
dss.gov.au/supportservices

If you are living with disability and you need other support, call the Disability Gateway on **1800 643 787**.



Enhanced Income Management and the SmartCard

Enhanced Income Management gives you access to an enhanced Income Management account with a SmartCard.

Using your account and your SmartCard



You can use your account and SmartCard:

- ✓ at over 1 million EFTPOS terminals across Australia
- ✓ for online shopping
- ✓ to make BPAY® bill payments
- ✓ to set up direct debits for bills like rent, electricity and water
- ✓ with 'tap to pay' payment options once you set it up.



NT only

You can go online or log into your app, for help with:

- getting a new or replacement SmartCard
- checking your account balance
- transferring money from your enhanced Income Management account to another enhanced Income Management account
- setting up BPAY® or direct debit for regular payments such as rent, electricity or water bills.

Checking your account

You can check your account balance in the following ways:

- use the Smartcard eIM mobile app or TCU Smartcard eIM mobile app, available from the App Store or Google Play
- log into the SmartCard or TCU online portal
- use the SMS balance checking options on the back of your SmartCard
- at any Westpac, Commonwealth, ANZ or NAB ATM
- at other participating ATMs across Australia
- call the SmartCard eIM hotline on 1800 252 604
- call the TCU SmartCard call centre on 1800 828 232 if you have a TCU SmartCard.

What you cannot do with your SmartCard or account



You cannot use your SmartCard or enhanced Income Management account to:

- ✗ buy tobacco or tobacco products
- ✗ buy pornography
- ✗ buy alcohol or homebrew kits
- ✗ gamble
- ✗ buy gift cards and cash-like products
- ✗ get cash out.



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UPCOMING Events



Join veteran Stand Up Comedian Anthony Lamond as he delivers a stand up comedy workshop that will help you unlock your funny side

Friday 22 September 2023

Time: 10am

Town Hall

Register your interest today at the CRC

Lamond will be visiting Menzies on Friday the 22nd of September and he would love to help you take your real life stories and mishaps and turn them into a funny comedy routine... This workshop is for all levels and upon completing it the graduates have found a whole new level of self belief and confidence as well as building their resilience and making new friends...

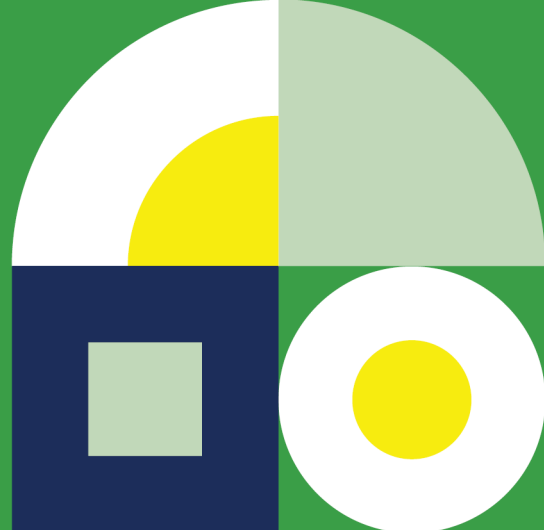
Growing up in a small town of Balaklava, regional S.A, Lamond was heavily involved in all sporting programs and the arts giving him a good all rounded view of the community. Teaching was his passion, coaching local Football Teams and mentoring young men and women, he would help unlock their passion, acknowledge their weaknesses and developing their strengths. He has huge respect and understanding on the craft of Stand-Up Comedy as in his eyes it is one of the last forums of free speech and laughter brings our communities together. The audience always leaves happier than when it arrives. His Comedy Workshop & Graduation Performance is not a competition to find the funniest comedian rather it's about helping and developing each individual becoming more confident and having more self belief and building better resilience.

How Will the workshop benefit me?

- Self Belief & Confidence
- Growth & Development Expression
- Building Resilience
- Connection & Making New Friends Learning
- How To Present & Influence Others



UPCOMING
Events



COMEDY WORKSHOP FOR KIDS

- GAIN SELF BELIEF & CONFIDENCE
- GROW & DEVELOP
- BUILD RESILIENCE
- MAKE NEW FRIENDS

SAVE THE DATE
22ND SEPT



UPCOMING Events



FAMILY FUN

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COMMUNITY News & Updates



The Shire of Menzies and the Menzies Community would like to congratulate Asoncion Tambis (Shony) on her Australian Citizenship.
On 31 August 2023

COMMUNITY News & Updates



COMMUNITY News & Updates

Introducing Mr and Mrs Munro. On the 13th August accompanied by several members of the town of Menzies , Garry and Maria travelled to the City of Boulder to make the commitment of Marriage. In true Aussie style there were some moments that they will cherish forever. Their new life together began with sunshine followed by rain (said to be lucky) and of course one of the best rainbows over our town as they returned home to begin the reception. May they find the gold at the end of it. Special thanks to those that helped make their day (you know who you are one and all). It was such a fantastic community effort to ensure that Garry and Maria felt the love of their Friends in the absence of family.





Employee Appreciation

The Shire of Menzies staff and Caravan Park patrons would like to compliment Irene on the dedication to her work at the caravan park.

Every week, we have caravan park patrons complimenting on the cleanliness of the caravan park. They say that Irene should be very proud of herself for the hard work she put in to her cleaning and that she is always happy and smiling.



Customer Feedback Form

How satisfied were you with the product/service you received?

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Did the product/service meet your expectations?

1 2 3 4 5

How likely are you to recommend our product/service to others?

1 2 3 4 5 10

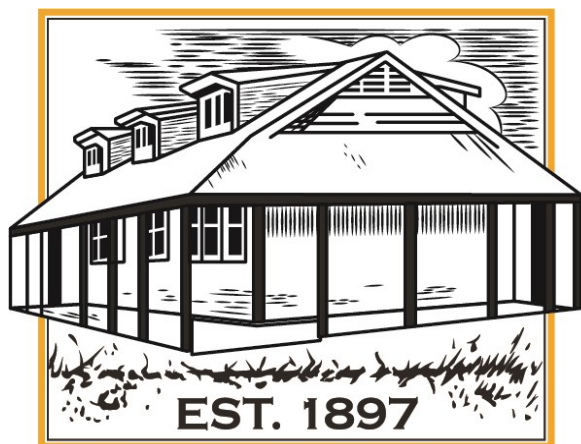
Is there anything else you'd like to share about your experience with us?

Very clean caravan park

Thank you for your time and feedback

Menzies Community School

Newsletter



MENZIES COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Pukulpa Nintirrinkula
Happy Learning

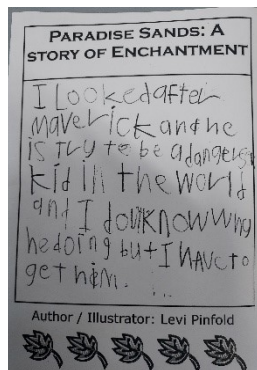
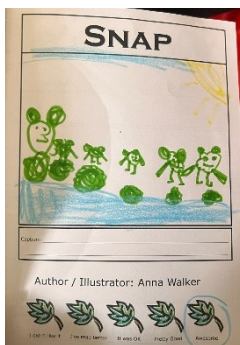
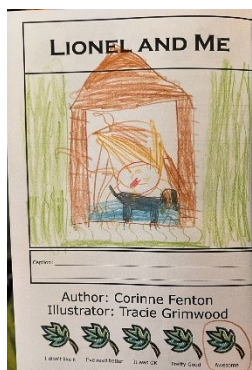
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Menzies Newsletter

Celebrating Book Week

Menzies Community School celebrated this year's Book Week theme of: *Read Grow Inspire* through a variety of interesting activities.

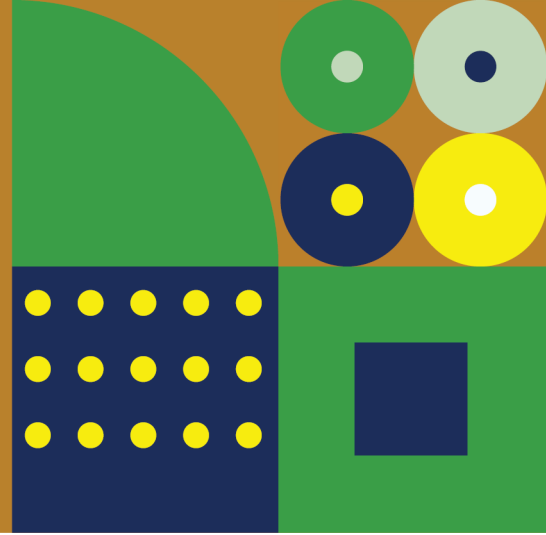
Through the week, students read a selection of picture books like Farmhouse by Sophie Blackall and Paradise Sands by Levi Pinfold. Some of the activities included drawing a picture about your favourite part of the book, predicting what the story would be about and reflecting on the theme of the story and how the theme can be important to readers.



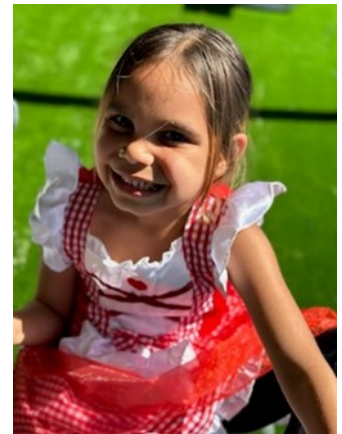
On Thursday of Book Week, students were invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book characters. So, GI Joe, Elsa (from Frozen), The Flash, Wally (from Where's Wally), Spiderman and Optimus Prime, to name a few, came to school that day. After a Costume Parade, Rob Stewart, Shire CEO, chose the best dressed student for each class. Congratulations to Elsa, Jink and Optimus Prime. Winners received a book voucher from Boulder Book Boutique.

Menzies Community School

Newsletter

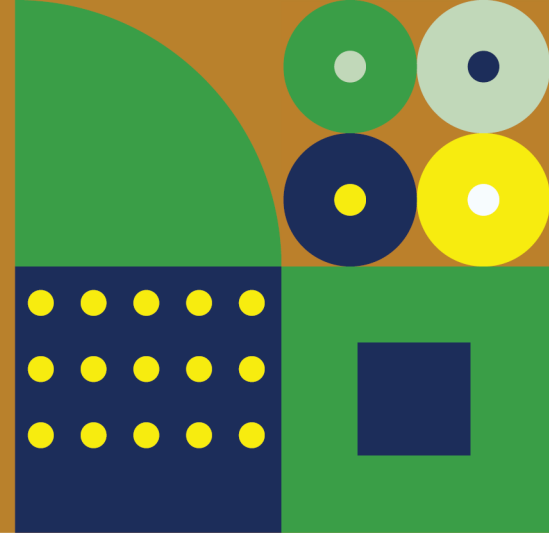


Later that day, community members were invited to share lunch with the school. What a great turnout! We had nannas, mums, dads, and cousins enjoy a meal together.



Our thanks go out to everyone who helped make Book Week 2023 as memorable as it was. Special thanks to Rob Stewart, the Shire CEO, for coming to Menzies Community School to judge the winners of the Book Week prizes; our sponsors: Nurse Joy, the MAC and Boulder Book Boutique; and out families for coming to enjoy the day with us.

In the Gardens



Welcome to the new monthly feature of gardens around our Shire.

Each month we hope to provide the readers with an inspiring look at what is in season , what to be planting now and answer any questions to help in getting you on track to create your own paradise in the desert.

The invitation is there for anyone based in Kookynie and Tjuntjuntjara to add their own page. It can contain up to 6 images of flora or indeed Fauna in your garden or in the wild. With Spring officially here there will be no shortage of Wildflowers on show.

Submit your photos and any text to accompany the images direct to the CRC office via email cso@menzies.wa.gov.au. It is not a requirement to attach the address the image was taken if it is a private home however I encourage you to give some thought to the location being included.

So here is our first foray into In The Garden.

Wicking beds are a great water saver with stunning growth results. Just 5 weeks in cabbage, snow peas and coriander grown from seedlings are providing some taste to the kitchen.

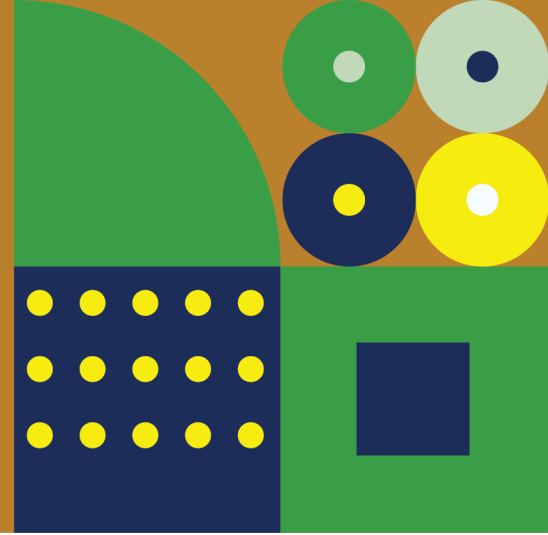
This artichoke was planted as one of the first ornamental plants in the front garden. Mind you I did not realise they grew SO Large. The grey foliage a welcome display.

Only 9 months and I am so excited awaiting the flowers that will follow. Time to get those Tomatoes on the go. Several varieties planted and all in the ground. Handy hint. Put the garden stakes to support the weight of your crop

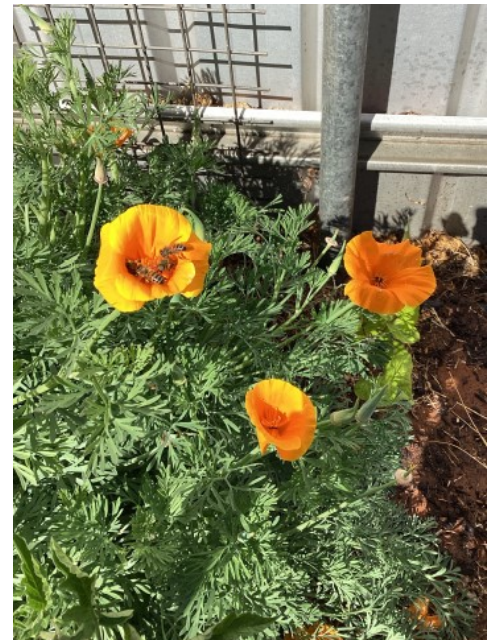


The first pick of the snow peas. What a saving! \$30 a kilo in the stores and such a easy plant to grow. Not too late to plant yet but better get a wriggle on before the heat arrives. Snow peas do not do well in my garden after the temperature warms to 28C .

In the Gardens



I now understand why they call this Wild Rocket. Talk about value for money. One of the best self seeders in the garden over the past year. It is an annual that grows up to 1 metre tall. Known for it's peppery taste, ideal for soups, salads and stir fries. A Mixture of white and yellow flowers which really attracts the bees and other beneficial insects into the garden. The more you prune the more younger leaves appear ready for the dinner table.



Not to be outdone as a bee attractor these Californian Poppies have the bees in a frenzy. As soon as they open for the day the race is on . 4 bees all in one flower.

I have just been given some Flanders Poppies seeds and scattered them around. Keep your eye out as they have been planted in the front garden, after all it was our neighbour that shared them with us.



Young seedlings ready to transplant today.
Birdhouse Gourd.

Fast growing climbing vine native to Northern Africa , cultivated by humans some 10,000 years ago. It really is a hard shell Squash and once they are dried out I hope to carve them out and make them into a "birdhouse" with an opening for the smaller birds in the area. Obviously still some months away but I trust that if they can handle the heat to come there should be lots of "Gourds " to share around for you to make your own "art birdhouse".

In the Gardens

Fingers crossed and any tips for successful growing from your experience would be very welcome in September's Issue.



Gaye Money is very pleased to provide the images of your first Violets in Town. A most treasured gift that is providing daily enjoyment with the scent we all remember .

Along with the majestic display of her Double Jonquils in pots with roses. You can all imagine the perfume that must greet her everyday through the blooming season. Already put my hand up for some bulbs when they enter the dormant stage.

Licence 2 Thrill



Letter to the Editor



Letters will be published as space permits and may have to be edited. So if you have something on your mind, write a letter to the Editor and we will do our best to publish it. If the letter is about the Council, we will do our best to respond in the same edition if time allows.

Two items of news that have become known. First the re-opening of an old gold mine in Menzies. Probably because the price of gold has reached \$2000 an ounce, according to the article that I read. The ore is to be mined, stockpiled and sent North to either Gwalia or Laverton. The information was contradictory. Let us hope there will be a benefit for Menzies.

Second, I noticed that there is a Netball group playing Tuesday evenings. All this is good news for the town in developing a 'Vibrant Community'.

A community member once told me that behind the scenes of Menzies there is plenty of business going on. I'm sure there is. Menzies, being located on the Goldfields Highway, is probably the reason the town has survived for many years after the initial gold rush. Another piece of news behind the scenes is about the Culture Vultures Group of volunteers. They have formed an Association to allow them to develop their interests for the community. A community meeting place is to be developed for those who don't use the Hotel to socialise. Those persons will have a place in town to meet and participate in their particular interests.

Another piece of news that has surfaced is the old story of the Loch Ness Monster in Scotland. This story is quite humorous, and one realises that it is just a ploy to attract tourists to the Loch Ness Hotel. What could we create to attract tourists? What if we advertised that Lasseter's lost gold is located East of Menzies? Could be a ploy for the benefit of the town's businesses.

A tragic piece of news is the number of people who will lose their homes due to the increase in mortgage payments. I'm appalled to think that our economists cannot find another way to reduce inflation. The problem is that there is a considerable amount of economic activity from businesses that are self-funded and don't use borrowings, such as mining companies that are financed by investors. These new businesses are created because of the high value of gold due and the uncertainty in the World at the moment.

Letter to the Editor



This tragic event need not have happened, and it is due to the selfish politicians who put themselves first instead of the people of Australia. They don't want to change the tax system because they can use the current system to increase their wealth.

In Australia we have an old-fashioned taxation system that can be taken advantage of, and many do with negative gearing. Most politicians have a negative geared property portfolio. Michaelia Cash admitted that she has ten houses. This activity increases the cost of housing. If the negative geared activity re-opens a gold mine and employs workers that is not so bad. The increase in the value of gold also influences inflation.

The pity is that there is an alternate system of taxation, that has been known since the Bob Hawke days. The alternative is known as 2% tax. One of the natural advantages of 2% tax system is that it obliterates tax evasion, and we would all be 40% better off.

All for now. Roy Parfitt

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Date	Time
Wednesday 4 October	9.30am
Wednesday 1 November	9.30am
Wednesday 6 December	9.30am

Call 08 9080 4370 for Community Nurse

EMERGENCY

24 HOURS - CALL 000

POISON INFORMATION

24 HOURS - CALL 13 11 26

**If Centre unattended & in need of
immediate health advice**

24 HOURS HOTLINE - CALL 1800 022 222



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FREE DELIVERY SERVICE TO MENZIES

Phone, fax or email your scripts / order to Leonora Pharmacy direct or ask at the Visitor Information Centre to fax your scripts / order through to the pharmacy (this includes non prescription items).

Collect and pay for your order at the Menzies Visitor Information Centre after 2pm the following day.

LEONORA PHARMACY RESPECTS YOUR RIGHTS TO PRIVACY

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Leonora Pharmacy Phone: (08) 9037 6820

Email: leonorapharmacy@iinet.net.au



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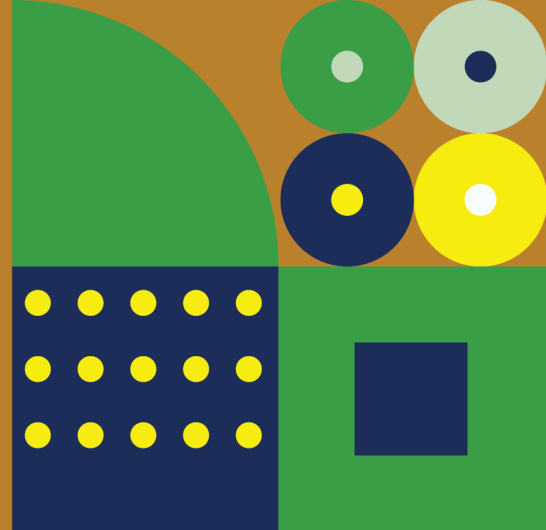
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Caravan and Camping

The Menzies Caravan Park is conveniently located next to the Visitor Centre which is also the booking agent. Entry via Brown Street Menzies. Modern amenities including twenty six powered sites, 6 unpowered sites, two self contained cabins one having disabled facilities, two ablution blocks, disabled access ablution and Camp Kitchen .

There is a black water dump point within the park and pets are welcome but must be on a lead at all times.

For bookings and enquiries call 08 9024 2702 Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm. All other hours, call our caretaker on 0473 633 149 or email bookings@menzies.wa.gov.au Bookings can now be done online via the shire website or scan:



Free camping sites are provided by the shire of Menzies at Lake Ballard (51kms West of Menzies) and Niagara Dam (65kms North East of Menzies) Facilities at these sites include toilets, BBQs and rubbish bins. Non potable water is provided at Lake Ballard.

Please respect these facilities and put rubbish in the bins provided, and use facilities for the purpose they are intended.

TRAVELLING WITH PETS

Please be aware that there are regular aerial drops of 1080 poison baits in the Goldfields area in attempt to combat feral animals. Please use caution and take care when in these areas.

AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR

Located on Shenton Street outside of the Community Resource Centre .





Menzies Community Resource Centre (CRC)

Located at the corner of Shenton and Brown Streets Menzies is your local access point offering a range of services.

Opening hours Monday to Friday
9am to 4pm

Call us today on (08) 9024 2702
Or email: cso@menzies.wa.gov.au

Services Include:

- Visitor Information
- Public Library
- Community Postal Agency
- StarTrack Courier
- Toll Freight Line Agency
- Free Government Access Point
- Internet Access Point
- Conference and Meeting Room Hire

1080 BAITING in this area is a risk to domestic pets

Using 1080 poison are carried out across Western Australian, including this area, and are aimed at controlling wild dogs, feral cats, feral pigs, foxes and rabbits. The poison baits remain toxic for many months. You need to exercise caution. Domestic pets should be kept close and under control at all times. Owners may consider the use of leads and muzzles for their domestic pets.

**DO NOT RELY ON WARNING SIGNS
WARNING SIGNS ARE PLACED WHERE
APPLICABLE HOWEVER THEY MAY BE
DAMAGED, REMOVED, VANDALISED OR
DESTROYED.**

1080 baiting is part of an integrated pest management program protecting livestock from death

and injury reducing the impact on pastoral and agricultural production, and helping to preserve the unique flora and fauna of WA. Baits are not intentionally laid in public areas such as road reserves, parking bays, rest stops or roadhouses however can be inadvertently moved into these areas by animals and birds.

1080 is an S7 Poison



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GRT EXPRESS TIMETABLE

Kalgoorlie to Laverton

Express	Time
Kalgoorlie Railway Station	10am
Kalgoorlie Visitor Centre	10:15 am
Menzies	11:40 am
Kookynie Turnoff	12:05 pm
Leonora - arrive	12:45pm
Leonora - depart	1:00 pm
Murrin Murrin Turnoff	1:45 pm
Mt Morgan Turnoff	1:55 pm
Laverton	2:30 pm

Laverton to Kalgoorlie

Express	Time
Laverton	10am
Mt Morgan Turnoff	10:30 am
Murrin Murrin Turnoff	10:40 am
Leonora - arrive	11:15 am
Leonora - depart	11:30 am
Kookynie Turnoff	12:00 pm
Menzies	12:30 pm
Kalgoorlie	2:00 pm

BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES 1800 620 440 or (08) 8982 6000
PURCHASE TICKET ONLINE www.goldrushtours.com.au



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MENZIES MATTERS deadlines for publication

If you have anything you would like to have included in the MENZIES MATTERS please contact Debbie Pianto at the Menzies Visitor Centre on 9024 2702 or email to cso@menzies.wa.gov.au

The deadline for each month is the LAST DAY OF THE MONTH

General Information notices are welcome, as are notification of upcoming local events.

If you have recipes, gardening tips or ideas for any other page are all welcomed.

The Menzies Matters is available online through the Shire's website and Facebook page.

Hardcopies are distributed at the Admin Office reception, CRC reception, Kookynie Hotel, Menzies Hotel, and in every private mail box at the Post Office.

The Shire also sends an electronic copy to community members who request to their personal email. If you would like to receive a electronic copy please email cso@menzies.wa.gov.au.

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Happy Birthday

If someone in your family or someone you care for is celebrating a birthday, we would love to share your special birthday message.

Please send to cso@menzies.wa.gov.au or come and see us at the CRC and we'll do our best to publish them and help make their day!

Community Catch up



As a result of a query at the General Meeting of Electors, the Acting CEO has resurrected the practice of Community Catch Up Meetings once per month.

The format is a little different from what was held in the past, but will still present an opportunity for ratepayers and residents to have a 15-minute meeting with the Acting CEO. A meeting

with the Acting CEO could be about anything for which the council has influence over. Maybe it's an idea that has been churning around for a while and which hasn't quite had an outlet. It might be a message to the council as to how to better influence economic development. It might be about the new changes to the Local Government Act many of which have come into force. A person may even want to come in to tell the Acting CEO how better to do his job.

The meetings will be held on the first Wednesday of every month between 9am and 12 noon in 15 minute blocks. They will be held initially in the CEO's office but will possibly move to the Lady Shenton Building when refurbishments are completed. Bookings are essential by email to Maureen (ea@menzies.wa.gov.au).

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WHERE TO COLLECT: MENZIES CRC

WHEN: MONDAY - FRIDAY

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An abstract geometric composition featuring large, curved, organic shapes in a palette of green, yellow, and dark blue. The shapes are layered and overlap, creating a sense of depth and movement. The green forms the background, while the yellow and dark blue shapes are layered on top, creating a vibrant and modern aesthetic.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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		RFDS				
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Centrecare						
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
			Audit & Risk Committee Meeting	Anthony Lamond		
25	26	27	28	29	30	1
			Ordinary Council Meeting (Tjuntjuntjara)			