

MENZIES MATTERS

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MESSAGE FROM THE Shire President



Following the conclusion of the Christmas and New Year holidays, the community came together to commemorate Australia Day. The Shire prepared a great breakfast, cooked, and prepared by their dedicated staff. The event garnered a significant turnout, with residents from Menzies and Kookynie participating.

The morning unfolded with a spirited game of cricket, fostering a sense of camaraderie among attendees. Subsequently, a lunch was served, creating an enjoyable continuation of the celebratory atmosphere. The event extended to the waterpark, providing a refreshing and entertaining experience for all.

Appreciation is extended to the shire staff for their commendable efforts in the preparation of food and the seamless organisation of the Australia Day celebration.

A welcome amount of rain graced the region in late January, contributing to the replenishment of water levels in Niagara.

President Paul Warner





AUSTRALIA DAY

Many people from the community and visitors to the Shire of Menzies gathered at the town hall for Australia Day breakfast on 26th January. They were treated to a breakfast of sausages, rissoles, bacon, eggs, tomato and onion, spaghetti, baked beans, toast and coffee and juice. Thank you to the staff for serving this breakfast.

After breakfast and a chat, everyone moved over to the basketball courts for a game of cricket. It was great to see people staying in the Caravan Park joining in the activities. The team consisted of a mixture of older men, (replacement hips, knees, and bad backs) younger men and kids. There were plenty of spectators to cheer them on.

When it was rest time, drinks were provided.

After the heat got the better of the players, everyone moved on to the water park to enjoy watching the kids have fun under the water sprayers.

CEO Glenda Teede





Works Report to 22nd January 2024

Contract Grading.

Only a few days of grading was carried out in early December. Operator has been away and will start back today, but will be working directly with our own crew.

Heavy rain in January resulted in severe damage to Malcolm Road and Mt Remarkable Road.

The damage has been coned off, but is still a danger to traffic. Gravel will be hauled from Kookynie Tip using our truck and then graded out with contract grader. Our roller will be used for crushing.

Shire Grader

Work has been carried out on Menzies NW Road and on Mt Ida Road. This will be continued in the near future, but for the present our operator will assist with Malcolm Road and Mt Remarkable Road when he returns on Wednesday 24th January.

Town Work

Heavy winds has caused damage to some infrastructure. Sails have been torn off the water park and children's playground and at seating area near hotel. The one near the hotel has been re-fastened, but a pole at the water park has been damaged and will need replacing. New sails will be ordered once the new pole is erected.

Garbage collection was carried out over Christmas without any problem and has now resumed as normal. The garbage truck has had a small problem with the hydraulics which appears to be connected with a worn pump and hot oil. However, normal operation occurs when oil is not too hot. If the problem persists we will need to replace PTO pump.

There has been plenty to do with cleaning up wind blown rubbish, leaves and some trees and branches.

Recent heavy rain has promoted growth and there is always weed control necessary.

Protective Bollards have been placed at the café and arrangements have been made for large gas tanks to be installed.

Other

The new vehicle ordered to replace Prado 1MN is being collected presently. A decision on what to do with old vehicle, eg auctioning, will need to be made.

The new drop deck trailer for the grader camp has been ordered and will take several months to arrive. Side Tippers Australia are seeking permission to haul ore on Mt Celia Road, Pinjin Road and Yarri Road. I have no problems provided they have a firm agreement to maintain Roads and grids in good condition. The matter is before Main Roads.

Power has been laid to the new staff house, but we are still waiting on final connection to the houses and also on water meters to both houses. This has been discussed with relevant persons.

Garth Marland - Works Manager 22nd January 2024.





Ordinary Meetings of the Council 2024

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 2024.

Date	Time	Location
Thursday 29 February	1 pm	Menzies
Thursday 28 March	1 pm	Tjuntjuntjara
Wednesday 24 April	1 pm	Menzies
Thursday 30 May	1 pm	Menzies
Thursday 27 June	1 pm	Menzies
Thursday 25 July	1 pm	Menzies
Thursday 29 August	1 pm	Menzies
Thursday 26 September	1 pm	Tjuntjuntjara
Thursday 31 October	1 pm	Menzies
Thursday 28 November	1 pm	Menzies
Thursday 19 December	1 pm	Menzies

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

The location of March meeting will be confirmed during the February Council Meeting.

Glenda Teede — Chief Executive Officer

SHIRE









We are excited to announce the opening of submissions of our Community Financial Assistance Grants for the 2024/2025 Financial Year, aimed at supporting initiatives that contribute to the well-being and development of our community. Applications for the program will be accepted starting from Thursday, 1 February 2024, with the deadline set for Thursday, 29 February 2024.

For details, please visit the Shire website more at www.menzies.wa.gov.au

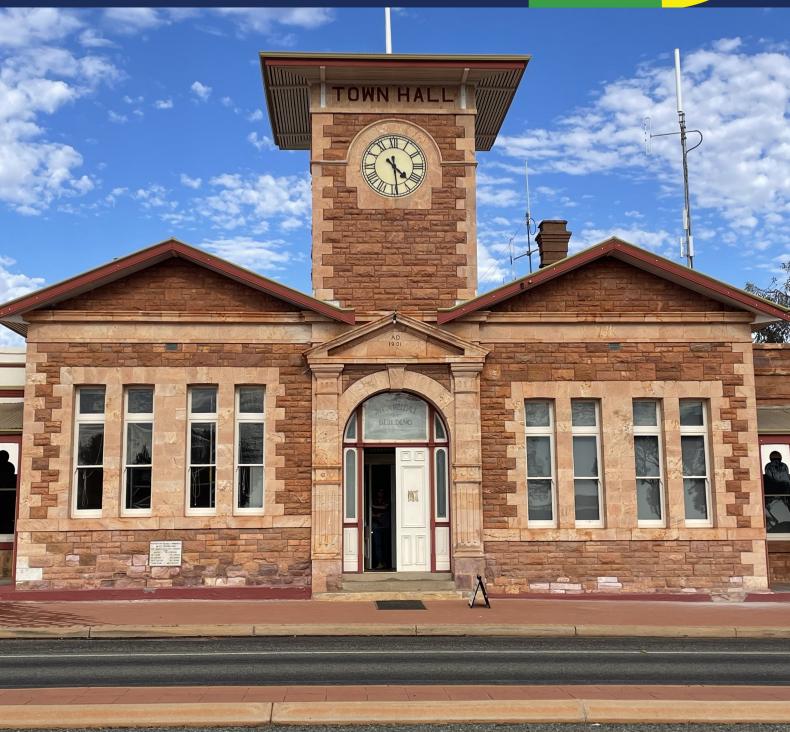












THE ORIGINAL ENTRANCE/RECEPTION TO ADMINISTRATION BUILDING HAS RE-OPENED.







Bus Driver

We are seeking several volunteer bus drivers who can dedicate one day or more each month to transporting community members into Kalgoorlie-Boulder once per week on Tuesday mornings for shopping, appointments and errands.

No heavy vehicle licence required.

Please forward expressions of interest to Sean McGay:



cdm@menzies.wa.gov.au







Community Bus Service

The Community Bus Service to Kalgoorlie-Boulder will be running every Tuesday morning, commencing from February 2024.

The bus will leave from the Shire Administration building car park at 7am

Bookings should be made at Menzies CRC by the previous Monday, 4pm.

The cost of a one-way ticket is \$5.00. Return on the same day is \$10.00.

Drop offs include - Kalgoorlie Regional Hospital/Medical Centre, St Barbara's Square, Woolworth, and Coles.

Pick ups include – Kalgoorlie Regional Hospital/Medical Centre, Woolworth, and Coles.

The bus will return from Kalgoorlie-Boulder at 12pm.





UPCOMING

Valentine's Day



WELCOME ADULTS AND KIDS

VALENTINE'S DAY

FEB 6.00 PM

MENZIES TOWN HALL
BYOD & SELF-ORDERED MEAL FROM LAURIE'S CAFE

<u>Please order special your meal from Laurie's cafe prior to Wednesday 7th Feb</u>

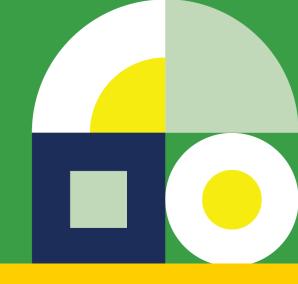
SPECIAL MENU FROM LAURIE'S CAFE

1. Fish & Chips— \$20

2. Hamburger & Chips—\$20

Please place your order at Laurie's cafe by 7th of February.

ITea Time



ITea Time





















If you need help with any digital technology issues, come to see us at CRC on Monday from 10am - 12pm. You can enjoy some tea while we assist you.







FEBRUARY SPECIALS:

EVENING MEALS AVAILABLE:
(GIVE US CALL IN THE MORNING TO ENSURE AVAILABILITY)

HONEY SOY OR BUTTER CHICKEN & RICE LAMB CHOPS CHIPS & SALAD PORK CHOPS MASH & VEGIES

NEW SPECIALS:

FRESHLY MADE DAILY MIXED SALADS
FROZEN MEALS AVAILABLE
NEW! KIDS LUNCH PACKS

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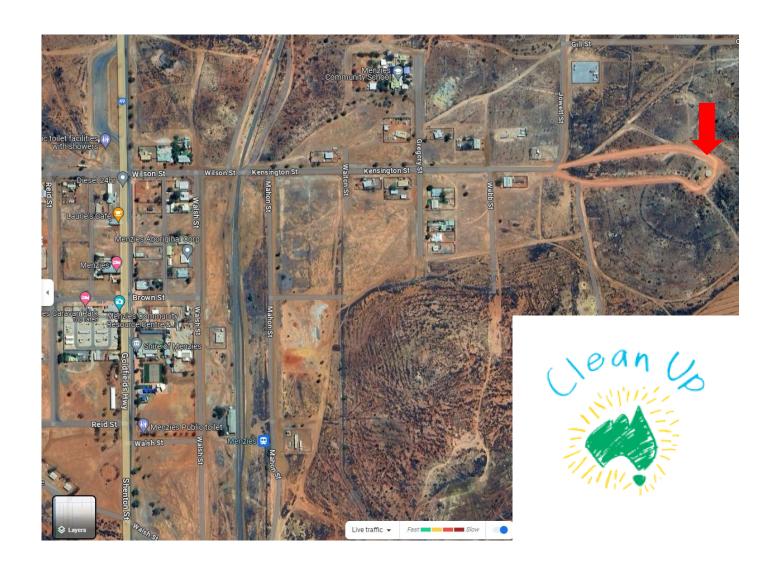
Why not pop in on your way past and check out the New Truckies
Lounge/Restaurant.



Let's join with Shire's staff on Clean Up Australia Day 2024

Date and Time: Sunday 10th March at 9:00am

Location: Menzies Tank Hill





Rays Retirement



The Shire councilors and staff came together to help Ray celebrate his well-deserved retirement and would like to wish Ray all the best in the future





















Rays Retirement

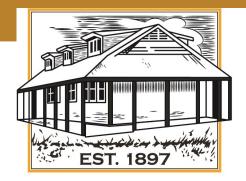


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FREEDOM TO EXPLORE RELAX
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ARETINGS No Stress READ
Learn to Live without a Watch
TAKE Put Your Feet Up
DON'T WORRY BE HAPPY TRAVEL
TIME \$ FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS

Menzies Community School

Newsletter



MENZIES COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Pukulpa Nintirrinkula Happy Learning

Menzies Newsletter Term 1 Week 1

From the principal:

Welcome back to another year at Menzies Community School. To our new families, welcome. We have two new teachers this year. Mrs Morgan, who will teach in Yilpa (K-1), comes from Geraldton, and Miss P, who will teach in Wanampi (3-5) is from Perth. Ms Gregory will be in Marlu (6-12) again.

Mrs Doble will be leaving us at the end of the week to have her baby. We wish her and Mr Doble all the best and can't wait to see photos.

Just a few reminders:

- Breakfast club is from 7:30—7:50 am and school starts at 8:00 sharp.
- It is an expectation that all students wear closed in shoes and school uniforms. School shirts are \$50.00 each and can be bought at the office.
- Change of details—if any parents have changed their phone number, can you please let the office know.

Here is to another positive year at Menzies Community School.

Menzies Community School



From the Yilpa Classroom:

Hello! I am Mrs Carla Morgan and am the Yilpa classroom teacher.

I moved to Menzies, from Geraldton, a few weeks ago and am excited to be back in the Goldfields as I grew up in Kambalda and lived in Kalgoorlie for many years. It is so nice to be back on red dirt!

I previously taught at East Kalgoorlie Primary School before moving to Geraldton in 2019.

I am looking forward to working with and getting to know the children, families and community of Menzies.!

From the Marlu Classroom:

Exciting news from the Marlu Class—we have grown. Last year Marlu started with four students, this year we seven students. Welcoming two students in Year 6, following a 'Transition to High School Program', we also have two students in Year 7, two in Year 11 and one student completing Year 12. As usual, our Marlu students have stepped up and impressed us all with their leadership skills while helping our new classmates learn our routines. Well done to you. Here is an example of students learning from each other during our baking session.







Menzies Community School



From the Wanampi Classroom:

Hello families, I am Miss Panagopoulos (Miss P) and am excited for a great term in Wanampi!
I have spent the past year teaching in the Pilbara and look forward to seeing what exciting adventures the Goldfields Region has for me.

Every Thursday afternoon I will be taking the whole school for Physical Education. If your child would like any at home tasks to practice skills outside of school, be sure to let me know.

In Health we are learning about the Zones of Regulation to help students identify when they are in a ready to learn state. In English we will begin to look at Narratives. In math's we are focusing on Number and Algebra, particularly adding and subtracting. The theme for science this term is reptiles and we will be integrating this knowledge with our next bush day.

Coming up

8 February—Ear bus

26 February—High School students camp to SIDE.

School Council

We need parents and community members to join the school council. The council meets once a month and discusses plans, finance and other issues relating to the school. If you are interested, please let Mrs Irving know.

COMMUNITY Photos

Australia Day Breakfast in the Town Hall













COMMUNITY Photos

Australia Day Cricket match in the Basket courts



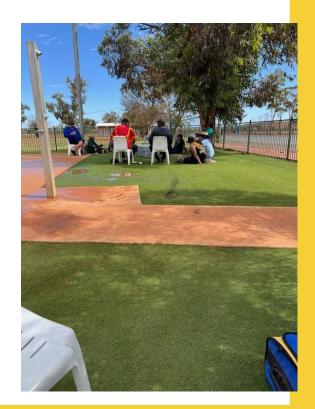




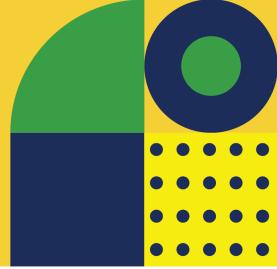


Australia Day After the big breakfast it was now time for the cricket match in the basket courts. The players did have a few drink break.

Then it was off to the water park to cool off with some nice cool drinks and watch the children having fun under the water.



COMMUNITY BIRTHDAYS







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.

As we move on from Christmas and New Year Celebrations, known as the festive season and holidays. Is a time when we can relax our minds and catch up with family and friends and think of New Years resolutions, such as ending a bad habit and starting a new good habit.

I recently did just that and shared some of the issues in Menzies with a learned friend of mine about the dilapidated buildings and broken down cars. His answer was "perhaps it is what the community wants". I have only met one member of the community who wants the status quo to remain.

Yes, perhaps and after all I want Menzies to be a tidy town for my own selfish reasons. To have my wife with me when I'm in Menzies and her daughter who made a derogative statement in her description of Menzies that was an embarrassment to me.

I'm sure the people who I know in Menzies would like improvement but find it difficult to go about it. They think it is the Shires responsibility and I think it is as well.

The Shires web site is impressive but the results are disappointing.

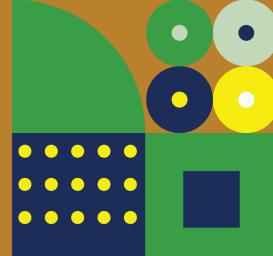
Investigation into the internet took me to an address <u>communityfirstdevelopment.org.au</u>. Although the text was dated the 30 October 2021 the information proved that the community want to improve the Town of Menzies. Once again it seems that the community can't achieve what is necessary.

Even the sub committees of the council don't seem to have achieved much. What has the Shire done for the town last year? The building of 2 houses and allocated an area for towed caravans to park on the South side of town and hold the event known as Discovery Day. I hope the events committee is considering the date so the day does not clash with other events on the same day.

The improvements of the Hotel and the Diner came from Private enterprise and that is what we have to encourage. If we are to re-invent the Rodeo we have to ask our selves who are going to benefit. Menzies has only has 2 proprietors. The only answer to that question is that we must charge the stall holder's a fee and a participants entrance fee if that can be engineered.

It is all very well for me to be a critic. It is easy but what is required is to provide a plan towards success and I will do that the next time I attend a council meeting,

All for this month.





Date	Time
Wednesday February 14	9.30am
Wednesday March 13	9.30am
Wednesday April 10	9.30am
Wednesday May 08	9.30am
Wednesday June 05	9.30am
Wednesday July 03	9.30am
Wednesday July 31	9.30am
Wednesday August 28	9.30am
Wednesday September 25	9.30am
Wednesday October 23	9.30am
Wednesday November 20	9.30am
Wednesday December 18	9.30am

Call 08 9080 4370 for Community Nurse

EMERGENCY

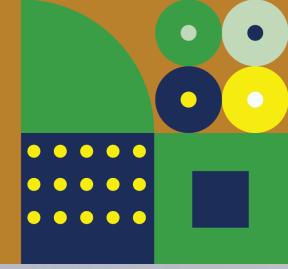
24 HOURS - CALL 000

If Centre unattended in need of immediate health advice
24 HOURS HOTLINE - CALL 1800 022 222

POISON INFORMATION

24 HOURS—CALL 13 11 26







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).

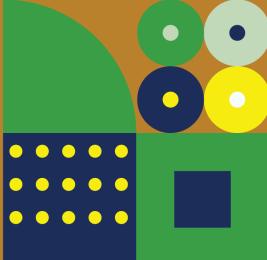
Collect and pay for your order at the Menzies Visitor Information Centre after 2pm the following day.

LEONORA PHARMACY RESPECTS YOUR RIGHTS TO PRIVACY

Please be assured that all prescription and nonprescription items will be sent in a sealed bag.

Leonora Pharmacy Phone: (08) 9037 6820 Email: leonorapharmacy@iinet.net.au







HELP YOURS BY BECOMING A ST JOHN AMBULANCE WA VOLUNTEER TODAY.

Volunteers are important people who donate their time to help others. Your community relies on local volunteers to keep this vital service running.

To find out more about making a real difference in your community visit www.stjohnchangelives.com.au or call 1800 069 393.

Advertisements



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 prison 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 and injury reducing the 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 excise 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.

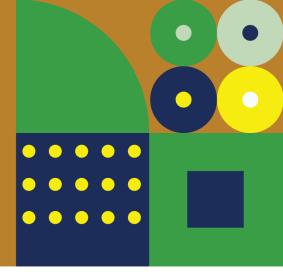
DO NOT RELY ON WARNING SIGNS WARNING SIGNS ARE PLACED WHERE APPLLICABLE HOWEVER THEY MEY BE DAMAGED, REMOVED, VANDALISED OR **DESTROYED.**

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

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



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

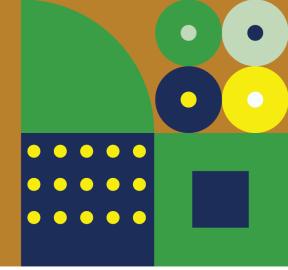
Laverton to Kalgoorlie

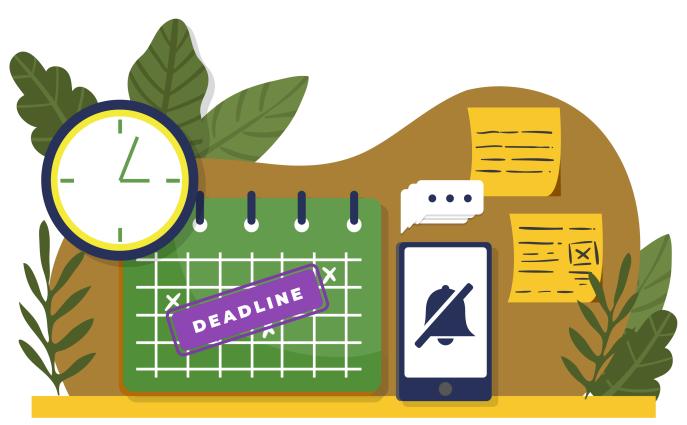
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Laverton	10am
Mt Morgan Turnoff	10:30 am
Murrin Murrin Turnoff	10:40 am
Leonora - arrive	11:15 am
Leonora - depart	11:30 am
Kooynie Turnoff	12:00 pm
Menzies	12:30 pm
Kalgoorlie	2:00 pm

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









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.

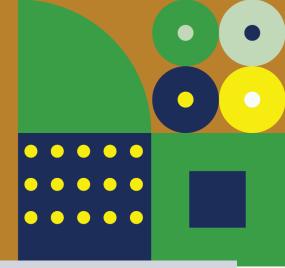
If you have recipes, gardening tips or ideas for any other pages, all ideas are welcome.

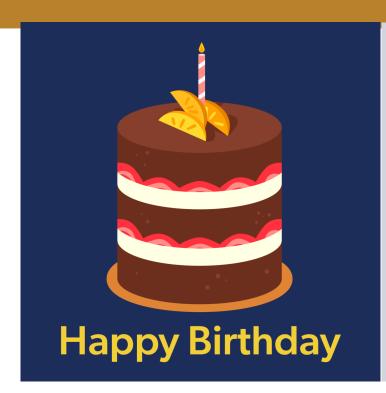
The Menzies Maters is available online through the Shire's website.

Hardcopies are distributed at the Admin Office reception, CRC reception, Grand Hotel Kookynie, Lauries café, 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.

Advertisements





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

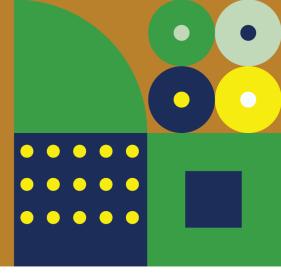
On the first Wednesday of every month, the CEO of Shire of Menzies, Glenda Teede, will be available to meet with community members to discuss any concerns that the council has influence over.

This could be 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.

Meetings run from 9am to 12 noon in 15-minute blocks, every first Wednesday of the month, continuing from 7 February 2024. They will now be held in the conference room of the Menzies CRC at 37 Shenton St.

Bookings are essential by email to Maureen: ea@menzies.wa.gov.au





February In The Garden

The best way to start this article would be to state the obvious.

It's been too darn hot for too long in the gardens without the rains we so desire.

I along with most garden lovers are in mourning for things that simply just could not tolerate the heat without withering away. Suffering from the long days of sun, wind and above average scorchers that burnt the leaves and roasted the roots.

No amount of water could save some poor plants as the soil temperatures rose to over 50C.

There is nowhere better to see the results of this than out in the bush, where this year the Sandalwoods in our area have failed to flower or fruit and are dying back. We really do need to see some significant rain this season or we will be losing them in large numbers.

The additional stress of relentless winds over January adding to the garden woes.



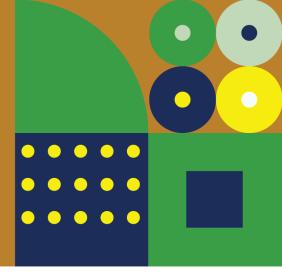
There were some stand out survivors in the early part of the month like the Capsicum and Cucumbers and the old standby Zucchini. Red Hot Chilli peppers as well in abundance.

I would love to add tomatoes to the food bowl but they are in the deceased category and any that may have looked like a possibility have been raided by the Bower Birds.

I must confess I do find these birds attractive in colour, rather shy even. We do enjoy them visiting the bird baths and water stations around the garden.

Water just makes for great reconnaissance missions by the family of 5 that visit here, seeking out what is ready to eat. The colour "Red "when it shows on the capsicum means that they are eaten or tasted by these loveable rogues.





The flowering Hibiscus have provided some joy and food for the bees over the Summer and they have put on quite a show along with the Bougainvillea around the neighbourhood. Hibiscus are standout performers all through Summer with several flushes of flowers and a wide variety of colours to choose from. Well worth seeking them out for your garden. Also worth trying is the many recipes for Hibiscus Tea.

Let's hope we can add to the rainfall this month.





Just an update on the rainfall for January.

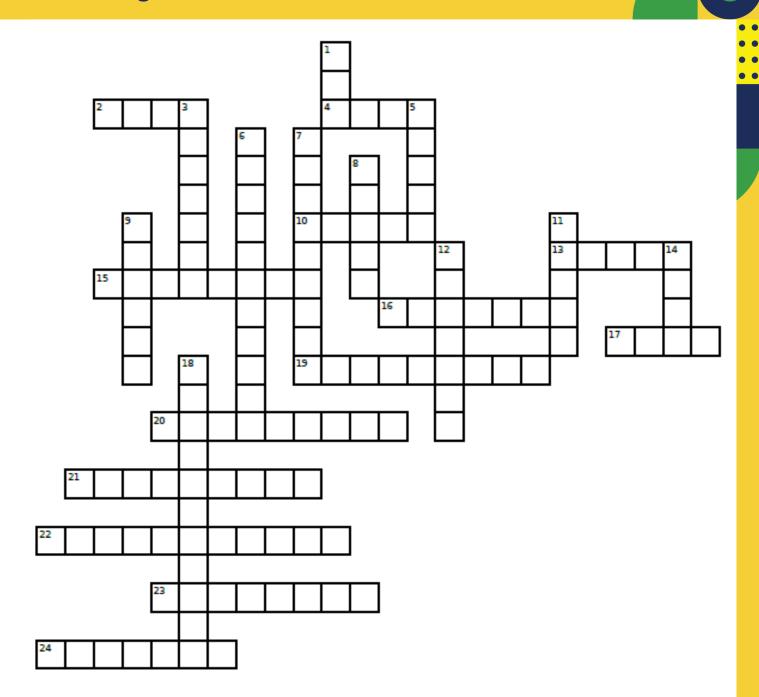
We had some rain that added up to around 11mls over three events.

Enough to fill my 4 IBC containers. Fingers crossed for more in February.



Male Western Bower bird

Puzzle Page



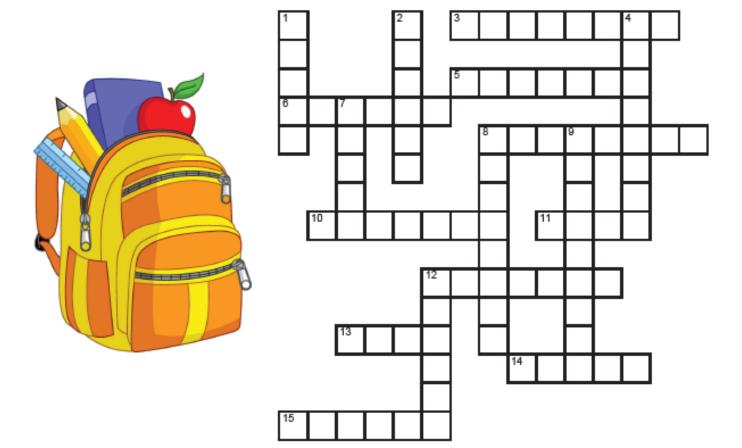
Down:

- 1. Woolly mat
- 3. Japanese warrior
- 5. Eater or cafe
- 6. the place of 51 sculptures locates
- 7. Bridge & road building professionals
- 8. Exaggeratedly masculine
- 9. Spanish holiday
- 11. Donald Duck's sweet heart
- 12. Shakepeare's ... Night
- 14. Mature
- 18. Food or sustenance

Across:

- 2. & Dads
- 4. A yellow precious metal
- 10. Bring upon oneself
- 13. Church table
- 15. A special or individual possession
- 16. Very demanding (task)
- 17. Cricketing extra
- 19. Meets (requirements)
- 20. Suggested procedure
- 21. The original name of Youth Centre
- 22. the central road in Menzies
- 23. Proof of payment
- 24. King' title, Your

Back to School



ACROSS

- 3. What school is all about.
- Someone who goes to school.
- A small tool to undo mistakes.
- A colorful container to keep your sandwiches and snacks.
- The person who guides and helps you in class.
- A place to sit and study in your room or at school.
- 12. Use this to stick things together.
- A subject that involves numbers.
- Mark on an exam or in a class.
- Writing utensil made of wood.

DOWN

- It helps you measure and draw straight lines.
- Time to play outside during a break in the school day.
- A pad made of bound sheets of paper for taking notes.
- Present for the teacher.
- Where you go to enjoy stories and explore new worlds.
- Place where you might eat your lunch at school.
- 12. A place where you learn and have fun.

Puzzle answer will be revealed in the next Menzies Matter.

Events Calendar February 2024



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
			Electors General Meeting			
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
ITea Time	Youth Activities					
	Community Bus To Kalgoorlie					
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
ITea Time	Youth Activities	Valentine's				
	Community Bus To Kalgoorlie	Day Movie				
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
ITea Time	Youth Activities					
	Community Bus To Kalgoorlie					
26	27	28	29	1	2	3
ITea Time	Youth Activities Community Bus To Kalgoorlie	Admin and CRC closed in afternoon	Ordinary Council Meeting			

Events Calendar March 2024



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
26	27	28	29	1	2	3
						Clean Up Day
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Youth Activities					
	Community Bus					
	To Kalgoorlie					
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Youth Activities					
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	To Kalgoorlie					
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
	Youth Activities		Ordinary			
	Community Bus		Council			
	To Kalgoorlie		Meeting			