



Menzies Matters

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Shire President's Report

The Works Manager, Garth Marland, Cr Ian Baird, Cr Sudhir Sudhir and myself travelled to Cairns from 24–26 August 2026 for the

National Local Roads,

Transport & Infrastructure Congress. The

Congress focused on the infrastructure councils need to support housing growth, safer and more connected communities, resilient supply chains and stronger local economies.

In the opening session, Cairns Mayor Amy Eden welcomed delegates and highlighted the region's priorities and ambitions for resilient, well-planned growth. Senator Susan McDonald, Shadow Minister for Resources and Shadow Minister for Northern Australia, and Matt Smith MP also addressed the Congress, reinforcing the importance of strong partnerships with local government to deliver the infrastructure, services and economic opportunities communities need.

The Commonwealth Treasury session on enabling infrastructure highlighted that achieving national housing and productivity goals depends on local roads, water, drainage and community facilities being properly funded and sequenced. Councils must be engaged early in planning and supported with sustainable, predictable funding to deliver infrastructure in the right place at the right time. Paul Warner

Road safety remained a central priority. Sessions highlighted how road design, speed management and safer intersections can influence driver behaviour, as well as the responsibilities of road managers at level crossings and the importance of strong temporary traffic management, asbestos and silica safety practices.

With a quick reflection from Cairns, where the Cairns Festival was just beginning to unfold. The Queensland Symphony Orchestra hosted a beautiful Night Under the Stars, and it was a powerful reminder of how important community events are — not just for entertainment, but for connection.

Back here at home, the Council convened a Special Meeting on Wednesday the 2nd of September to consider the CEO Selection Committee's recommendation. After careful review, the Council has now made a decision, and we have appointed a new permanent CEO. This marks an important step forward for stability and leadership across the organisation.

I also want to acknowledge some staff changes. Our cleaner, Tammie, has moved on to bigger and better things. We thank her sincerely for the great work she's done and wish her all the very best in her next chapter.

On the machinery front, our new excavator has arrived — and it hasn't wasted a moment. It's already out there working hard and strengthening our capacity on the ground.

And finally, with the second round of tree planting now complete, the rain has been doing us a favour. The steady falls are giving those new trees exactly the start they need, and it's good to see nature lending a hand.



Acting CEO's Message

It is great to be back in Menzies again, albeit for a short time only.

The Council at the Special Meeting on 2 September 2026

agreed to offer the full time permanent Chief Executive Officer position to the preferred applicant recommended by the Chief Executive Officer Selection Committee.

Subject to finalisation of the Contract of Employment, the new Chief Executive Officer will take up the position in early October.

Details of the appointment will be announced by the Shire President in due course.

Many thanks to Rob Stewart and Peter Bentley before him for their work over the past two years in the Chief Executive Officer role. Whilst a permanent appointment will give stability to the organisation it is good to see that the Shire of Menzies is meeting all its statutory obligations and many projects have been progressed and completed during the tenure of the Acting CEOs.

Looking forward, the 2026/2027 financial year will be a busy one for the Council and staff. Tenders will shortly be called for the shire road construction program of \$5 million. The Town Tree Planting program will continue. This has been very successful to date, particularly as council has now secured an adequate water supply. It is hoped also that progress can be made with the Town Streetscape project, which has been on the books for a couple of years. \$100,000 is available for this project.

The Court of Disputed Returns has not made a decision on the allegation that the polling booth of Tjuntjuntjara closed early during the October 2025 Local Government Election. It is expected that a decision will be handed down in late October 2026.

The Menzies Astrotourism site has been closed temporarily due to possible asbestos contamination on the site. Action is currently underway to resolve the matter.

On a sadder note — the Council would like to acknowledge the passing of the late Leslie Peter Strugnell SC. At its Special Meeting on 2 September 2026, the Shire President read the following tribute:

Council would like to acknowledge the passing of Leslie Peter Strugnell SC and on behalf of the Shire of Menzies we extend our condolences to Peter's family and friends.

Peter served the Local Government industry with distinction both as an administrator and Elected Member. His participation in local government in the Goldfields Region was extensive and over the years he served as a Chief Executive Officer for a number of local governments in the region, including the Shire of Menzies as Acting CEO during a period of transition in 2011.

Peter was a considerate and likeable person who helped many communities through his journey in life.

Vale Peter

Pascoe Durtanovich

Ordinary Meetings of the Council

Date	Time	Location
Thursday, 15 October 2026	1PM	Menzies
Thursday, 19 November 2026	1PM	Menzies
Thursday, 17 December 2026	1PM	Menzies

Council Meetings are open to the public, except when otherwise stated, and prior notice will be given for any Special or Committee Meetings that are called.

Recording of Meetings

- All Council Meetings are digitally recorded, for audio only, except for Confidential Agenda Items (in accordance with Section 5.23(2) of the Local Government Act 1995) during which time recording ceases.

- Following publication and distribution of the meeting minutes to Council Members the

digital audio recording will be available on the Shire's website.

Defamation - cl 14K Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996

(1)A local government is not liable to an action for defamation in relation to any of the

following done by the local government as required or authorised under this Part-

- (a) publicly broadcasting a meeting;**
- (b) making a recording of a meeting;**
- (c) making a recording of a meeting publicly available;**
- (d) retaining a recording of a meeting or a copy of a recording;**
- (e) providing a copy of a recording of a meeting to the Departmental CEO.**

Pascoe Durtanovich
Acting Chief Executive Officer

MENZIES NURSING POST

September 2026 Hours

Monday 31/08/26 – 9:30 am – 4:00 pm
Tuesday 1/09/26 – 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Wednesday 2/09/26 – 8:30 am – 2:30 pm
Doctors Clinic 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Monday 7/09/26 – 9:30 am – 4:00 pm
Tuesday 8/09/26 – 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Wednesday 9/09/26 – 8:30 am – 2:30 pm

Monday 14/09/26 – 9:30 am – 4:00 pm
Tuesday 15/09/26 – 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Wednesday 16/09/26 – 8:30 am – 2:30 pm

Monday 21/09/26 – 9:30 am – 4:00 pm
Tuesday 22/09/26 – 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Wednesday 23/09/26 – 8:30 am – 2:30 pm

Monday 28/09/26 – 9:30 am – 4:00 pm
Tuesday 29/09/26 – 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Wednesday 30/09/26 – 8:30 am – 2:30 pm

Menzies Nursing Post

Located at:

52 Archibald St, via Mercer St, Menzies

Weekly Visits from the Community Nurse,
available Monday, Tuesday and
Wednesday with monthly visits from the
Doctor.

Call 08 9024 2044 or 0409 107 016 for more
information.

If the Nursing Post is unattended and in
need of immediate health advice call:

24 HOURS HOTLINE – 1800 022 222

POISON INFORMATION:

24 HOURS—CALL 13 11 26

ALWAYS CALL 000 FOR EMERGENCIES

Wednesday 16 September 2026 10:00

File Edit View

Menzies Resource Centre

Computer Room hub for digital inclusion

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printing, scanning & photocopying

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Add to cart
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Did you know the Menzies Community Resource Centre has amazing resources just for you?

Come in to see the Menzies CRC in action, meet staff and find out how the services can specifically benefit you.

Community Bus

Menzies Community Resource Centre
Your local connection

We're hitting the road!
Need to stock up on
groceries, attend an
appointment or just fancy
a change of scenery,
we've got a seat for you!

Please call the CRC - 9024 2702
to put your name on the list by
4PM Wednesday afternoon

**Departs 8AM from
Menzies Town Hall
every Thursday**

SEPT 10

5:00 PM

MENZIES OUTBACK HOEDOWN



Yeehaw! Dust off your boots and grab your hats - it's time for a rootin' tootin' GOOD TIME!
Line Dancing · Karaoke · Games · BBQ

Ngalipaku Rec Centre

If you're thinking it...

Ask RUOK? ANY DAY



1 in 3

people underestimate
the power of an
RUOK? Conversation.

90%

of people who were asked,
"are you OK?" felt grateful,
cared about and supported.



Source: (March 2020) RUOK? Impact Tracker Australia

Show someone you care. Start the conversation and be there to listen.

Visit ruok.org.au

Saturday Mass & Morning Tea

Saturday

12 September

Service Time: 10am
by St. Mary's Parish
Goldfields Catholic
Community

Morning Tea: 10:45am
provided by Menzies CRC

Community Building
on Shenton Street Menzies

All Welcome

CRC COFFEE CLUB



WEDNESDAY MORNINGS FROM 10AM POP IN FOR A CUPPA, CAKE AND CONVERSATION



Menzies

Milestone Mates

Sports Day!

Wednesday 23
September 2026
Ngalipaku Rec Centre

 **Menzies
Community
Resource
Centre**

 **Department of
Primary Industries and
Regional Development**



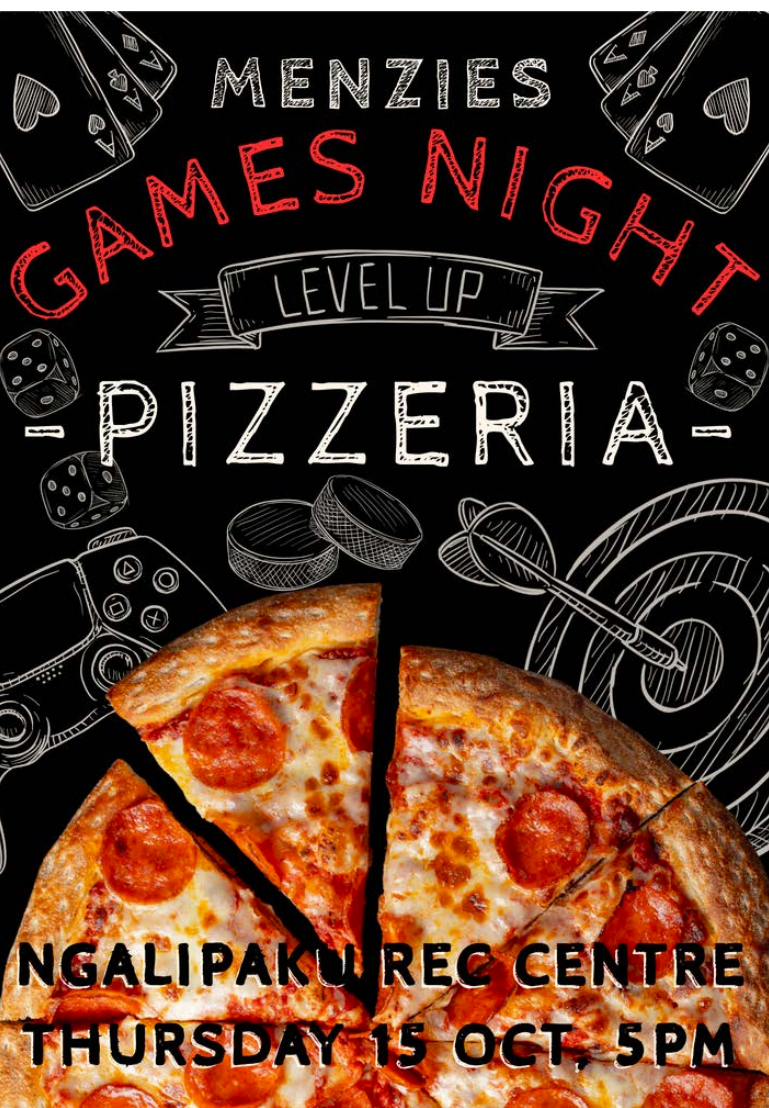
Chess with Roland and Other Games

NGALIPAKU REC CENTRE

THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2026 | 05:00 - 7:00 PM

 **Menzies
Community Resource
Centre**

 **Department of
Primary Industries and
Regional Development**



MENZIES GAMES NIGHT

LEVEL UP

-PIZZERIA-

NGALIPAKU REC CENTRE
THURSDAY 15 OCT, 5PM



HALLOWEEN

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT
UNDER THE STARS

NGALIPAKU REC CENTRE
FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER, FROM 5:30PM



BEWARE FUEL SUPPORT PAYMENT SCAMS ⚠

Have you been contacted via text, phone or social media by someone claiming to help you apply for the WA Government's \$100 Fuel Support Payment?

This is a scam if they are asking you for personal details, bank details or claim they can help you get the \$100 support payment quicker if you pay a fee.

It is important to know you should never pay money to receive your fuel support payment.

Tips to protect yourself

- ✓ If anyone contacts you saying they're from the Government and they will help you get your fuel support payment - hang up immediately or block the contact on social media.
- ✓ Consider adding a block on your driver's licence to protect yourself from identity fraud. Putting a block on your driver's licence or learner's permit means if a scammer tries to use these documents for identity verification through the Australian Government's Document Verification Service, it will be declined. Find out more: [Identity security](#) | [Transport WA](#)
- ✓ If you think you've been scammed, it's important you report it to WA ScamNet straight away. You can do this by calling 1300 30 40 54 or [report a scam online](#). There's no shame in reporting it. We're here to help.

If you do require assistance to claim the Fuel Support Payment please contact ServiceWA Customer Care on 13 33 92 (available 24/7) or email support@digital.wa.gov.au (monitored 8:30am-4:30pm weekdays)

Stay informed

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Report a scam

Scam reporting is vital to disrupting scammers. The best way to tell us if you have encountered a scammer is to complete the Report a scam form or you can ask for further advice by contacting WA ScamNet on 1300 30 40 54

If you need assistance completing your form, the Menzies CRC is here to help. You can visit us in person to grab a paper copy and get staff support or use our public computers to submit your form online.

What's Up in the Night Sky?



What's Up in the Night Sky?

What's That Bright Light in the Night Sky?



Venus is a dazzling display all through September, from 7pm in the west. Image provided by SkySafari, a Simulation Curriculum Company, All rights reserved www.simulationcurriculum.com.

Venus is certainly the "star" of the early evening show right now. Of course, it's a planet and will be at "greatest brilliance", on 23rd September.

But what if there was something brighter than Venus or even brighter than the full moon in our night sky? Soon there may be brighter objects in orbit around Earth.

An American company, Reflect Orbital, has approval to trial an 18m x 18m mirror in space to reflect sunlight into Earth's night. The company's plan is to eventually have 50,000 mirrors, each measuring 54m x 54m, beaming reflected sunlight onto Earth on demand for more solar power generation and food growing capacity.

DarkSky International has gathered modelling from researchers at Princeton and the Slovak Academy of Sciences indicating that a single 54m mirror will shine at magnitude -16.7, about 40 times brighter than the full moon, erasing even the brightest stars for anyone beneath it. Calculations say that the glow will still outshine a full moon night from 14km away, and stays brighter than moonlight at 34km.

Our night and natural darkness is fundamental to life on Earth. DarkSky International is asking that proper environmental assessments are conducted before Reflect Orbital's satellite is authorised to operate. Visit www.darksky.org to read more. It's also easy to become a member and show your support for their wonderful work they do to reduce light pollution and promote responsible outdoor lighting.

What's up in the night sky? Visit www.astrotourismwa.com.au.

Happy stargazing!



MENZIES COMMUNITY SCHOOL

Pukulpa Nintirrinkula
Happy Learning

What a busy and exciting term it has been at Menzies Community School! Our students have been involved in so many wonderful learning opportunities, both inside and outside the classroom. From Two-Way Science, STEM and hands-on learning, to literacy, numeracy, art, cooking, incursions and excursions, our students have continued to learn, explore and challenge themselves.

It has been particularly wonderful to see students sharing their learning, developing confidence and having opportunities to learn from our community and visiting organisations. These experiences are an important part of what makes Menzies Community School special.

A huge thank you to our staff, families, community members and partner organisations who continue to make these opportunities possible.

Coming Up at Menzies Community School, we still have plenty happening before the end of term, so please pop these dates in your calendar:

Monday 31 August** – Tennis West visit 🎾

Wednesday 2 September** – Menzies Community School Sports Carnival 🏃

Thursday 3 September** – MAC Art Gallery Re-opening 🎨

Friday 4 September** – Father's Day Breakfast ❤️

Thursday 10 September** – Interschool Sports Carnival in Leonora 🏆

Monday 14 September** – Pink Sugar Crafts visit 🍬

Wednesday 16 September** – Assembly and Morning Tea ☕

Thursday 24 September** – Attendance Reward 🌟

We encourage our families and community to join us whenever possible. Our students love having you here to celebrate their learning and achievements with them.

There is still plenty more learning, fun and celebration to come as we finish Term 3 strongly!

Mrs Megan Irving
Principal

Karlaya

This term in Karlaya, students are exploring Native Australian Birds through our Two-Way Science program, learning from both Aboriginal and Western scientific perspectives. In Technology, students will then use their research to create digital posters about Australian birds, developing their knowledge while building their digital skills.

Yilpa

It has been a busy and exciting time in Yilpa!

We have continued working hard with our Literacy Program. Our Year 2 students also had the chance to become authors and illustrators. They created their own stories, using their imaginations to write and draw independently.

Puzzle building has helped us develop our problem-solving skills, concentration and focus. We have enjoyed working out where the pieces belong and persevering when things get tricky!

We have been learning about multiplication through hands-on, real-life activities. This has helped us understand how multiplication can be used in everyday situations.

Our visit from Scitech was a highlight! We explored the world of light and sound, asked lots of interesting questions and discovered how things work. Our curiosity was definitely shining bright!

We are proud of the way our young learners are thinking, creating, questioning and solving problems every day.

Wanampi

Can you believe we're already five weeks into Term 3?

So much learning and growth has taken place in that time, but if the past five weeks could be summed up in one word, it would be RESILIENCE! The Wanampi children have shown an immense amount of resilience, and they're fast becoming a strong and supportive learning community.

Learning their times table facts may have been a little rocky at the start, but the children have taken the bull by the horns and tackled every aspect of their learning with determination. They are well on their way to becoming times table whizzes!

This week, we have been learning how to locate positions on maps and move along pathways by giving and following directions. The children have thoroughly enjoyed putting their learning into practice! A special thank you to Mr Barry for pretending to be a robot who needed the children's directions to navigate his way around the school. This created a fantastic learning moment, as the children were able to immediately take their Maths learning beyond the classroom and apply it in a real-life context.

This learning has also linked beautifully with our Geography work on Places and Maps. The children have been exploring how maps represent places and are beginning to see how the skills they learn in one subject can help them understand and navigate the world around them.

Marlu

On Tuesday, 11 August, we enjoyed a Career Taster – Cooking in the Marlu classroom. We had three professional chefs teach our students more about what a chef does and then worked with our students to prepare a gourmet meal for everyone at school.

On the menu was: Thai red duck curry, roti, wattle seed rice, cucumber salad, quandong flavoured panna cotta and refreshing lemon juice. What a delicious spread!

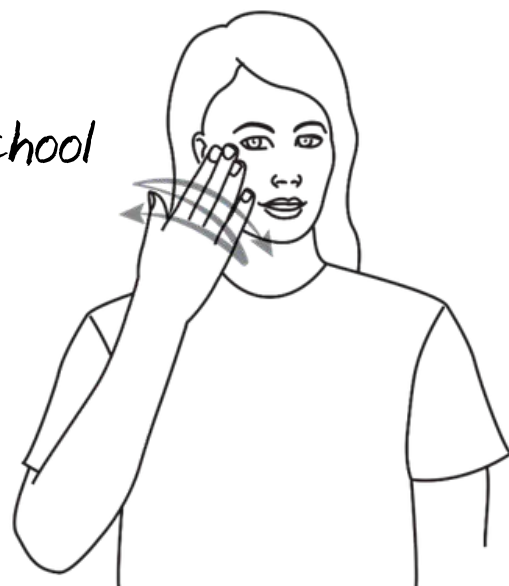
Key Word Sign

In the second half of this term in Key Word Sign, students will learn signs for the important people in their lives. We will explore signs for family members, friends and familiar staff members within our school. Students will practise these signs through a range of activities and conversations about the people around them. Learning these everyday signs will continue to promote inclusive communication and help students connect with others in our school community.

Family



School



WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

ROBBERY UNDER ARMS. PERTH, Monday.

A case of robbery under arms took place in Menzies post office on Saturday evening. A man named Owens, with a loaded revolver, marched in on Mr. J. Fisher, the telegraph operator, and after a stand and deliver performance, secured four £1 notes, and made off. Fisher pluckily gave chase, with the result that Owens was captured after a run of about half a mile, the police joining in the pursuit.

The Age (Melbourne, Vic. : 1854 - 1954) Tuesday the 5th June 1900

MENZIES POST-OFFICE MARAUDER. OWENS BEFORE THE COURT.

At the Menzies Police Court yesterday, the accused made the following statement :—All day last Friday I was drunk. On Saturday afternoon I was drunk also, and in the evening at the time of the robbery I was half mad with drink. I wouldn't think of doing such a thing if I was in my proper senses. Owens was then formally committed for trial at the General Sessions at Kalgoorlie, commencing on Wednesday 20th

North Coolgardie Herald and Miners Daily News, Saturday 9 June 1900

An Armed Robbery Took Place at the Menzies Post Office during the Western Australian Gold Rush Era, dated 2nd June 1900. Details of the brazen hold-up were transmitted via telegrams to the Postmaster-General of Western Australia, documenting a dramatic criminal episode in the remote Goldfields town. News had spread all over the country and was mentioned in Melbourne's the "Age" Newspaper on Tuesday the 5th June 1900 Pictured Left and Norseman Times W. A. on Wednesday 6th June 1900, Pictured Below.

DARING ROBBERY.

Menzies, Monday.

Great excitement was caused here on Saturday evening about 6.30, when a man named Harry Owens entered the post office while Mr. Fischer, the postmaster, was counting the day's takings. The thief pointed a revolver and snatched four one-pound notes. He was hotly pursued by the police, and many times threatened to shoot his pursuers, who eventually secured their prisoner. He hails from Kalgoorlie.

Norseman Times W. A. on Wednesday 6th June 1900

Above article and image supplied by the Eastern Goldfields Historical Society.

Since its formation in 1946, the Eastern Goldfields Historical Society has been recording, preserving, researching and promoting the history of this region with one goal – ensuring that our shared heritage and ghost town memories live on. Come and view the displays and explore the extensive collection of historical photographs, reference materials, books and significant objects.



EASTERN GOLDFIELDS
HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.
Preserving & promoting Goldfields history

Where we are: Old Boulder Municipal Power Station Building, 49 Hamilton Street, Boulder (next to Loopline Park) **Opening times:** Weekdays: 9.00am to 2.00pm

For more information please visit www.kalgoorliehistory.org.au

SHIRE OF
Menzies



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BOOKINGS & ENQUIRIES

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PURCHASE TICKET ONLINE

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**Kalgoorlie to Laverton
THURSDAYS**

Kalgoorlie (Railway Station)	10 am
Menzies	11:40 am
Kookynie Turnoff	12:05 pm
Leonora - arrive	12:45 pm
Laverton	2:30 pm

**Laverton to Kalgoorlie
FRIDAYS**

Laverton	10 am
Leonora - arrive	11:15am
Kookynie Turnoff	12:00 pm
Menzies	12:30 pm
Kalgoorlie (Railway Station)	2:00 pm

MENZIES CARAVAN PARK

GATEWAY TO THE NORTHERN GOLDFIELDS,
HOME TO LAKE BALLARD INSIDE AUSTRALIA



Looking for a comfortable place to rest and explore?
The Shire-operated Menzies Caravan Park has everything you need for a relaxing stay! Perfectly positioned to explore the pioneering Goldfields and only a 30-minute drive to the iconic Lake Ballard, Inside Australia, it's the perfect outback stopover!

You'll enjoy modern, clean facilities, accessibility friendly and equipped with traveler essentials including free WIFI, air-conditioned communal camp kitchen, on-site laundry and handy black water dump point. Each spacious Powered Sites has concrete pad, access to power, fresh water and sullage point for grey water. Pet-Friendly, welcome on our powered and unpowered sites, though we ask that you please ensure they are kept on a lead.

Upgrade your stay, treat yourself to extra luxury in one of our fully self-contained modern cabins, each with a queen bed and king single, perfect for couples or families wanting a comfortable stay.

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EMAIL - BOOKINGS@MENZIES.WA.GOV.AU
OR SCAN THE QR CODE
WWW.MENZIES.WA.GOV.AU/VISIT-MENZIES



LAVERFEST 2026

Program of Events

Monday 31st Aug	Laverfest Art Prize Opening Night	Laverton Aboriginal Art Gallery	6pm
Tuesday 1st Sept	The Laver Legacy: An Exhibition Evening	Great Beyond Visitor Centre	3pm
Tuesday 1st Sept	Student ZAP Circus Workshop	Laverton School	Private Event
Tuesday 1st Sept	Cycling Development Foundation Health & Wellbeing Workshop	Laverton Sports Club	5.30pm
Wednesday 2nd Sept	LYNAS Minesite Tour	Great Beyond Visitor Centre	10am
Wednesday 2nd Sept	Comedy Night	Laverton Sports Club	6pm
Thursday 3rd Sept	ZAP Circus Performance	Laverton Shire Hall	6.30pm
Friday 4th Sept	Traditions at the Table	Great Beyond Visitor Centre	6.00pm
Saturday 5th Sept	Art Prize Exhibition	Laverton Aboriginal Art Gallery	10am - 12.30pm
Saturday 5th Sept	Opening of Time Capsule	Laverton Shire Hall	1pm
Saturday 5th Sept	Market Day	Laverton Town Centre	12pm
Saturday 5th Sept	Community Concert- Gemini	Laverton Town Centre	5pm
Sunday 6th Sept	Pedal through the Past Cycling Tour	Great Beyond Visitor Centre	9am

Address: 5 Augusta St, Laverton WA 6440

Phone: (08) 9031 1361

Opening Hours: 9am-4pm Week Days

9am-1pm on Weekends

Email: laverfest@laverton.wa.gov.au

Facebook: Laverfest





MAC Centre:
Reception &
Centrelink Agent

**Office Hours -
9am - 12noon.
Weekdays
(except Public Holidays)**

All enquiries
Phone: 9024 2020 Fax: 9024 2191
Email: admin@menziesac.org.au
43 Walsh St, Menzies WA 6436

Puntu Pirni Palya

GOLDFIELDS FIRST NATIONS
MEN'S WELLNESS PROJECT

The Puntu Pirni Palya (PPP) Project is here in

Menzies

Monday 31 Aug- Thursday 3 Sept

PPP is a project by First Nations men, about First Nations men, for First Nations men. Language, culture, tradition, and connection is core to this project.

You can come along and create artefacts alongside your local Men, who will be working on the project in your community.

The truck and staff will be at Menzies for a few days.

When the project is at Leonora there will be;

- A portable fully equipped workshop truck,
- materials and resources, and
- workshop coordinators.

**The project provides a safe space
for men to connect, share, and
use wellbeing.**

Workshop Coordinators:



Sean



Dave



How can you get involved?

The PPP Project is for **First Nations men aged 18 years and up.**

If you are based around **Menzies** you are invited to come along.

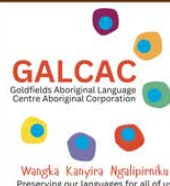
If you have any questions you can contact the PPP Coordinator on the below details.

Who can I contact?

PPP Men's Coordinator

PHONE (08) 9021 3788

EMAIL menscoordinator@wangka.com.au



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DISCOVERY TRAIL**

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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.

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

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Goldfields Integrated Primary Mental Health Care (IPMHC) Schedule



Centrecare will be in **MENZIES** on the following dates in 2026

MONDAY

3 August	12 October
17 August	26 October
31 August	9 November
14 September	23 November
28 September	7 December
	21 December

The IPMHC 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.
16 yrs and above

Feel free to drop by for a yarn.

Where: Ngaliipaku Recreation Centre, 124 Shenton St., Menzies

Time: 1pm - 3pm



Supported by

For more information contact:

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Government of Western Australia
North Metropolitan Health Service



When did you last have a FREE breast screening mammogram?

Once is not enough



Artwork by Chloe Calyon

It is important for women 40 years or over to have a FREE breast screening mammogram at least every two years.

Early detection is your best protection.

Visiting yearly

BreastScreen WA's mobile will be at:

Kalgoorlie

Ray Finlayson Sporting Complex, Marshall Street,
West Lamington

18/09/2026 - 22/10/2026

Dates may be subject to change

Book online at breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au or phone 13 20 50

HAVE YOUR SAY

Access to and Affordability of Medical Specialists in the Goldfields Esperance Region

We want to hear about your experiences
accessing medical specialist care in our region.

Your feedback will help inform advocacy to governments
and contribute to evidence provided to the House of
Representatives Standing Committee on Health,
Aged Care and Disability *Inquiry into the Access to and
Affordability of Medical Specialists*.



YOUR EXPERIENCE **MATTERS**

Help us build a stronger case
for better specialist care in
the Goldfields Esperance
region.



WHY IT MATTERS

- ✓ Long wait times
- ✓ High travel and out-of-pocket costs
- ✓ Limited local services
- ✓ Impact on health and wellbeing

Your input will help highlight the real challenges
faced by our communities.



WHO SHOULD COMPLETE

Anyone who lives in the Goldfields
Esperance region and has:

- accessed a medical specialist
- tried to access a specialist
- or support someone who has

Every experience helps.



TAKE OUR QUICK SURVEY

It takes about 5 minutes
and your voice can help
drive change.

COMPLETE ONLINE HERE
WITH THE CODE:

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Thank you for helping us make a difference!



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CLOSES

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complete the survey by
5 OCTOBER 2026.



QUESTIONS?

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FAREWELL TO CLAIRE & THE LAURIE'S CAFE FAMILY!



Catering for the crowds: Claire and her team hosted and fueled the 2025 Westcarpade Rally.



Community celebrations: Transforming the cafe for the recent Christmas in July lunch.

A HEART OF GOLD

For the last 3 years, Laurie's Cafe has been the reliable go-to spot on Shenton Street for a hot meal, fresh groceries and warm hospitality.

Running a business in a small regional town takes serious dedication. Claire and her team kept our township supplied with essential daily goods and takeaway feeds, ensuring locals, workers and passing travellers always had a reliable place to stop.

Beyond the everyday counter service, Claire and her team have consistently gone above and beyond for major events. Whether catering for big crowds like the 2025 Westcarpade Rally, putting together functions or transforming the cafe for special community gatherings like the recent Christmas in July feast, the team always pulled together to deliver for Menzies.

We want to extend a sincere thank you to Claire and the Laurie's Cafe Family for their years of hard work, long hours and commitment to serving our town.

The Shire and the entire Menzies community wish Claire and family all the very best in their future endeavors!

MURAL PAINT DAY A HUGE SUCCESS!

HANDS-ON HISTORY: LOCALS OF ALL AGES BRING MELSKI & LILSISKI'S DESIGN TO LIFE SECTION-BY-SECTION

The Menzies Water Park was buzzing with energy on Sunday, 9 August as community members gathered to put their mark on our newest piece of town art! Guided by renowned WA artists Melski & Lilsiski, locals of all ages grabbed paintbrushes to fill in the stunning design featuring native Zebra Finches and vibrant Goldfields wildflowers, Mulla Mulla, Pigface and Native Cornflowers. Melski & Lilsiski spent the next days completing the final touches and sharp outlines on the wall and the mural is officially complete!

A massive thank you to everyone who showed up to lend a hand to bring this fantastic project to life and to our event partner, Horizon Power, whose Community Partnerships program has helped fund this project for Menzies!

Next time you're down at the Water Park, pop over and check out the brushstrokes you helped create!

Right: Community members working together.





Left: Jaxon's impressive detail and care. Right: Claraleigh's gorgeous, vibrant colour choices.

COMPETITION WINNERS!

A huge congratulations to everyone who picked up a colouring sheet from the Visitor Centre or Menzies Matters! The response from the community was absolutely incredible! Because the quality of all the entries was so high, the artist Melski actually found it impossible to pick just one and decided to select two winners! Well done Jaxon and Claraleigh! Their double win was announced live during the event on Sunday morning. A massive thank you so much to everyone who got involved and showed off their artistic talents!

CREATIVITY ON CANVAS: PAINT & SIP

Local artists also had a chance to flex their creative muscles at a recent Paint & Sip evening. Guided by brushes and good conversation, everyone took to the canvas to create their own custom artwork while enjoying a relaxing evening out!

GET READY FOR FESTIVE CREATIVITY!

Save the date! We are excited to welcome Sandy King from Pink Sugar Crafts for a fun-filled day of holiday crafting on Tuesday, 24 November 2026. **Kids Christmas Craft Session** 3pm – 4pm. Join Sandy and Lucy at the afterschool club for a fun, hands-on afternoon creating custom wooden reindeer!

Adult Christmas Wreath Workshop 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Handcraft your very own custom holiday wreath to take home! Limited to 15 places, bookings are essential! Includes all materials, grazing platters & refreshments. Contact Lucy at the CRC on (08) 9024 2702 or email community@menzies.wa.gov.au to secure your spot early!



Gaye showing off her canvas at Paint & Sip night



Artist Gary Tucker displays his woodwork

LOCAL ARTIST GARY TUCKER ACHIEVES OFFICIAL FIRST NATIONS CERTIFICATION

Massive congratulations to local creator Gary Tucker, who has officially been certified as a First Nations Indigenous Artist!

Gary's professional certification is now formally registered through the Goldfields Aboriginal Language Centre, marking a fantastic milestone for both his personal creative journey and our local community.

For a long time, Gary has been a key part of Puntu Pirni Palya—which translates beautifully to "Many Good Men". Operating as a mobile men's wellbeing initiative, this vital project functions like a travelling Men's Shed. It brings tools, timber and a supportive cultural space directly to local communities so First Nations men can safely connect, yarn and craft traditional pieces together.

Gary's deep dedication to his craft, his artistic talent and his great work with the project have truly paid off with this well-deserved recognition. Make sure to give Gary a huge congratulations when you see him around town and keep an eye out for his incredible certified artwork!

MENZIES ART GALLERY SCORES BIG WIN FOR THE COMMUNITY!

Exciting times are ahead for our local art scene! The Menzies Aboriginal Corporation (MAC) art gallery is getting a fantastic upgrade after winning a share of the Anglicare WA 50 Years of Community Service grant.

The successful funding application was a team effort between Tim Ayam & Hayley Harris from Goldfields StandBy and Laurice Gaitau from MAC. They teamed up to write the grant proposal, focusing on expanding the town's art workshop space.

Tim is thrilled about what this means for the town. "I believe the art workshop will serve everyone in the community, including the school students and travelling visitors," he said. Laurice shared the excitement, highlighting how much the support means to the team. "The MAC are extremely grateful and appreciative for Tim and this fantastic opportunity for the community," she said.

So, where is the money going? The grant is already being put to excellent use at the Pioneer Store Gallery. Keep an eye out for brand-new furniture, plus stacks of fresh art supplies like new canvases and paints.

To celebrate, the Art Gallery hosted a brilliant appreciation ceremony on Thursday, 3 September, to thank everyone who helped make this happen. It was an awesome turnout! The community, local school kids, Shire staff and even passing travellers stopped by to share in the excitement!



Laurice Gaitau and Tim Ayam at the Pioneer Store Gallery ceremony.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Fourteen months ago, I arrived in Menzies as a girl from Melbourne, not really knowing what I had signed myself up for. I knew I was coming to a small town to be a cleaner and would be a long way from home, but I never expected this tiny little place to take up such a big place in my heart.

When I first arrived, I thought I was here for an adventure. I'd work, save some money, experience something completely different and eventually move on. What I didn't expect was to become so attached to the people, the familiar faces, the stories, the laughs and all the little things that make Menzies what it is.

I knew from the moment I stepped into the pub on my first day and was welcomed and treated as though I was already part of the community that this place was going to be something special.

I've learnt that community isn't about how big a town is, but how big the hearts of the people in it are, and Menzies has some of the biggest hearts I've ever known.

It's knowing the kettle is always on, there's always a cold beer waiting, and if you need a hand,

someone will be there to give it, even if you don't ask.

Living remotely hasn't always been easy. There have been lonely days, frustrating days and plenty of moments when I've missed home. But somewhere along the way, Menzies stopped feeling like somewhere I was staying and started feeling like somewhere I belonged.

To everyone who has welcomed me, checked in on me, shared a laugh or simply made me feel at home, thank you!

I'm leaving with a very full heart, an enormous amount of gratitude, some incredibly special friendships... and enough red dirt to probably follow me wherever I go.

Thank you, Menzies, for the memories, the lessons, the laughs and for giving me a little piece of home in a place I never expected to find it.

I'm going to miss you all more than I probably know how to say.

Except the flies, won't be missing them!

All my love and gratitude,
Tammie



Events Calendar — September / October 2026

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
Week 1	31	1 AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES 2:15 TIL 4 PM	2 CRC COFFEE CLUB	3	4	5	6
Week 2	7	8 AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES 2:15 TIL 4 PM	9 CRC COFFEE CLUB	10 MENZIES OUTBACK HOEDOWN	11	12 Morning Mass	13
Week 3	14	15 AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES 2:15 TIL 4 PM	16 CRC COFFEE CLUB	17	18	19	20
Week 4	21	22 AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES 2:15 TIL 4 PM	23 Menzies Milestone Mates	24 Chess with Roland	25	26	27
Week 1	28 HOLIDAY	29	30 CRC COFFEE CLUB	1	2	3	4
Week 2	5	6	7 CRC COFFEE CLUB	8	9	10 Morning Mass	11
Week 3	12	13 AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES 2:15 TIL 4 PM	14 CRC COFFEE CLUB	15 MENZIES GAMES NIGHT LEVEL UP PIZZERIA	16	17	18
Week 4	19	20 AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES 2:15 TIL 4 PM	21 CRC COFFEE CLUB	22	23	24	25
Week 5	26	27 AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES 2:15 TIL 4 PM	28 Menzies Milestone Mates	29	30 HALLOWEEN FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT UNDER THE STARS	31	1
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