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# Menzies Matters



*Wishing you Health, Wealth  
and Happiness for 2014*



## Shire of Menzies Information

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Menzies WA 6436

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Fax: (08) 9024 2110  
Email: [admin@menzies.wa.gov.au](mailto:admin@menzies.wa.gov.au)  
Website: [www.menzies.wa.gov.au](http://www.menzies.wa.gov.au)

Menzies CRC  
Menzies Caravan Park

Phone: (08) 9024 2702  
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(a/h) 0448 242 041

### ORDINARY MEETINGS OF COUNCIL

Council Meetings are usually held in the Shire of Menzies Council Chambers on the last Thursday of each month at **10.00am** unless otherwise advised.

Please note that the date for the next meeting is:

**Thursday 27 February 2014 @ 10.00am**  
**Shire of Menzies Council Chambers**

### Shire of Menzies Fire Notice

Please ensure you observe all local fire laws for your own safety and the safety of others.



**Please note that the Prohibited Burning Time for the Shire of Menzies is from 1 November 2013 to 31 March 2014**



*Take a look around!*



### **Incorporating**

- **Menzies Community Postal Agency**
- **Menzies Visitor Centre**
- **Spinifex Art Gallery**
- **Public Library**
- **Internet Access Point**
- **Menzies Caravan Park Booking Agency**
- **Conference and meeting rooms**
- **Goldfields Express Bus Service**
- **Startrack Courier Agency**
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**Opening hours: 8.30am to 4.30pm  
Monday to Friday  
(Weekend opening hours to be advised)**



Government of Western Australia  
Department of Regional Development



ROYALTIES  
FOR REGIONS



**Phone: 9024 2702 Fax: 9024 2775  
Caravan Park (After Hours):  
0448 242 041**



## SHIRE OF MENZIES



From the Ordinary Meeting of Council held Thursday 31 October 2013

**POLICY – INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY – ACCESS AND USE:** Council has formally adopted a policy on the access and use of information technology with Shire owned facilities. This policy will be included in Council's Policy Manual and sets the standards for Councillors and employees using Shire computer equipment.

**LOCAL LAWS – NIAGRA DAM RESERVE:** Council has gone through the process of making a local law and has now formally adopted the law. The proposal will now be forwarded on to the Minister for his approval. Once that has been provided, the law will be advertised in the Government Gazette and will then become a legal law. The law has been created to control the use of firearms and motor cycles in the Niagara Dam Reserve.

**POLICY – HOUSING BONDS AND KEEPING OF PETS:** This policy has been made to ensure that Shire employees or persons occupying Shire housing pay a special bond when keeping pets, specifically dogs. It will have the power to recoup cleaning costs from exiting tenants if the house is not cleaned properly, thereby protecting Council from undue costs.

**LORD MAYOR'S DISTRESS RELIEF FUND:** Council has agreed to donate \$1,000 to the Perth Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Fund to assist Western Australians in times of emergencies. Many persons have been the recipients of this fund when they have been devastated by floods or bush fires.

**APPOINTMENT OF COMPLAINTS OFFICER:** Council has appointed the Chief Executive Officer as a Complaints Officer. This is a requirement under the *Local Government Act 1995* and is designed for administrative processes when there have been perceived breaches of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

**APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC INTEREST DISCLOSURE OFFICER:** Council has appointed the Deputy Chief Executive Officer as the Public Interest Disclosure Officer in accordance with the *Public Interest Disclosure Act 2003*. This *Act* provides a contact person for the disclosure of public interest and also ensures that the identity of the person making the a public interest disclosure is not made public.

**MAIN STREET MEDIAN STRIP UPGRADE:** Council has now approved a final design for the upgrade of the median strip in Shenton Street. Construction of this project will be completed before 30 June 2014 and will complete the main street upgrade started a few years ago.

**PETER CRAWFORD**  
Chief Executive Officer







## **SHIRE OF MENZIES**

### **STAFF APPOINTMENTS**

It is hereby noted for public information that the following appointments were made at the Ordinary Meeting of Council held Thursday, 28 November 2013:

That Council appoints the Chief Executive Officer Mr Peter Crawford as "Complaints Officer" in accordance with Section 5.120 Local Government (Rules of Conduct) Regulations 2007 of the Local Government Act 1995.

That Council appoints the Deputy Chief Executive Officer Ms Brooke Povah to the position of "Public Interest Disclosure Officer" for the Menzies Shire Council

Should any persons have any questions regarding either the appointments or responsibilities of the officers, please see the undersigned

**PETER CRAWFORD**  
Chief Executive Officer



## **SHIRE OF MENZIES**

### **ORDINARY MEETINGS OF COUNCIL**

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 appointed as Ordinary Council Meeting dates for the period ending 30 June 2014:

Thursday 27 February 2014	10.00 am	Teleconference
Thursday 27 March 2014	10.00 am	Teleconference
Thursday 24 April 2014	10.00 am	Menzies
Thursday 29 May 2014	10.00 am	Tjuntjuntjara
Thursday 26 June 2014	10.00 am	Menzies

The public is reminded that Council Meetings are open to the public and prior notice will be given of any Special or Committee Meetings being called.

**PETER CRAWFORD**  
Chief Executive Officer



# Menzies Health Centre

**Mercer Street  
MENZIES WA 6436**

**Phone: 90242044**

## EMERGENCIES ONLY: 000

**Poisons Information available 24 hours: 131126**

**If the Clinic is unattended and you need immediate health advice, call  
HEALTH DIRECT 1800 022 222 any time, day or night.**



### Next RFDS Doctor's Clinic

**Date: Tuesday 17 December 2013**

**GP: TBA**

**Time: 9.00am –2.00pm**

**Place: Menzies Health Centre**

**Phone: 90242044 for appointments**

Monday 6 January Clinic Open 1.00pm to 4.30pm	Tuesday 7 January Clinic Open 8.30am to 4.30pm	Wednesday 8 January Clinic Open 8.30am to 4.30pm	Thursday 9 January	Friday 10 January
Monday 13 January Clinic Open 1.00pm to 4.30pm	Tuesday 14 January <b>RFDS CLINIC</b> Clinic Open 8.30am to 4.30pm	Wednesday 15 January Clinic Open 8.30am to 4.30pm	Thursday 16 January	Friday 17 January
Monday 20 January Clinic Open 1.00pm to 4.30pm	Tuesday 21 January Clinic Open 8.30am to 4.30pm	Wednesday 22 January Clinic Open 8.30am to 4.30pm	Thursday 23 January	Friday 24 January
<b>Monday 27 January</b> <b>Clinic Closed</b> <b>AUSTRALIA DAY PH</b>	Tuesday 28 January <b>To be advised</b>	Wednesday 29 January <b>To be advised</b>	Thursday 30 January	Friday 31 January

**Welcome to Menzies Glenn, Tracey, Dylan and Rachel Casley.**  
**Glenn has commenced work as the Works Supervisor for the Shire of Menzies.**

**We wish you well in your new home and hope that you enjoy your time here.**



Please remember to water only on your designated days.

**North of Kalbarri & Kalgoorlie Watering Days**

Last digit of your lot or house number	Your scheme watering days are:
1	1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, 11th, 13th, etc
2	2nd, 4th, 6th, 8th, 10th, 12th, 14th, etc
3	1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, 11th, 13th, etc
4	2nd, 4th, 6th, 8th, 10th, 12th, 14th, etc
5	1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, 11th, 13th, etc
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Which hard working Council employee recently had the good fortune to pick up a \$50 note whilst doing his work? It just goes to show that every job has its benefits!



**2014**  
YEAR OF THE HORSE



癸巳新年





Coming together  
as a nation to  
celebrate what's  
great about Australia  
and being Australian

## Australia Day 2014

**SINCERE CONDOLENCES ARE EXTENDED TO THE FAMILY OF FORMER MENZIES RESIDENT LES PURDUE WHO PASSED AWAY IN KALGOORLIE RECENTLY AFTER A LONG ILLNESS.**

**LES WILL BE REMEMBERED PARTICULARLY BY STAFF AND STUDENTS FROM THE SCHOOL WHERE HE WORKED AS THE GARDENER FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS. MORE RECENTLY LES LIVED AT THE OLD STATION MASTER'S HOUSE AT GOONGARRIE.**



**REST IN PEACE, LES**





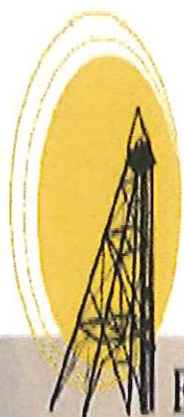
# DRESSMAKING AND ALTERATIONS



**PHONE KERRI  
08 90242086**

**Menzies Achievable Outback Café**  
**Open from 8.30am to 4.30pm**  
**EVERY DAY!**

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## **SHIRE OF MENZIES**

### **ANNUAL REPORT AND ELECTORS MEETING FOR 2011/2012**

Pursuant to Section 5.55 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, notice is given that the Shire of Menzies has received the Annual Report for the year ended 30 June 2013.

A copy of that Annual Report is available for viewing at the Shire Administration Centre during normal office hours.

In accordance with Section 5.29 of the *Local Government Act 1995*, notice is given that an Electors Meeting is to be held at 11.00 am on Thursday, 30 January 2014. Business to be conducted at that Meeting will be:

- To received the Annual report for the year ended 30 June 2013
- To receive the Shire President's Report
- To receive the Chief Executive Officer's report
- Other business as deemed relative to the Meeting by the Presiding Member

Any questions requiring research should be directed to the CEO prior to close of business on Friday, 24 January 2014 in order for that information to be available at the Meeting.

**PETER CRAWFORD**  
**Chief Executive Officer**  
**Shire of Menzies**  
**PO Box 4**  
**MENZIES WA 6436**



## Fun with a Telemarketer ...

The phone rang as I was sitting down to my evening meal, and as I answered it I was greeted with 'Is this William Wagenhoss?'

This didn't sound anything like my name, so I asked, "Who is calling?"

The telemarketer said he was with the Rubberband-Powered Freezer Company or something like that and then I asked him if he knew William personally and why was he calling this number. I then said off to the side, "Get really good pictures of the body and all the blood".

I turned back to the phone and advised the caller that he had entered a murder scene and must stay on the line because we had already traced this call and he would be receiving a summons to appear in the local courthouse to testify in this murder case.

I then questioned the caller at great length as to his name, address, phone number at home and at work, who he worked for, how he knew the dead guy and could he prove where he had been about one hour before he made this call.

The telemarketer was getting very concerned and his answers were given in a shaky voice. I proceeded to tell him we had located his position at this work place and the police were entering the building to take him into custody. At that point, I heard the phone fall and the scurrying of his running away.

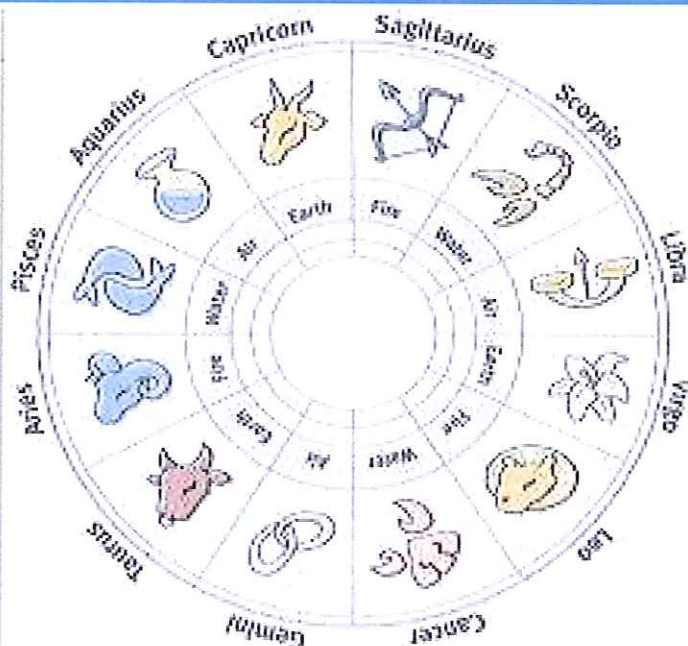
My wife asked me, as I returned to the dinner table, why I had tears streaming down my face and so help me, I couldn't tell her for about fifteen minutes.

My meal was cold, but oh so very enjoyable!



### Zodiac Sign Indicator

Zodiac Sign	Birth Date Range
Aries	Mar 21 - Apr 20
Taurus	Apr 21 - May 20
Gemini	May 21 - Jun 21
Cancer	Jun 22 - Jul 22
Leo	Jul 23 - Aug 23
Virgo	Aug 24 - Sep 23
Libra	Sep 24 - Oct 23
Scorpio	Oct 24 - Nov 22
Sagittarius	Nov 23 - Dec 21
Capricorn	Dec 22 - Jan 20
Aquarius	Jan 21 - Feb 18
Pisces	Feb 19 - Mar 20







# MENZIES HOTEL AND STORE

**Shop hours:** 6.00am—6.00pm  
**Hotel hours:** 11.00am – 9.00pm  
**Hot Counter Meals:** 12.00pm to 2.00pm and  
 6.00pm to 8.00pm

Fresh Sandwiches and Rolls

Soft drinks

Juices

Coffee

The MENZIES TOASTY

Cakes

Ice Creams

Flavoured Milks

Cold Beer - ALL DAY!

General Stores

Accommodation

Fast foods

Ice

Pies, Pasties, Sausage Rolls

**IF YOU'RE IN A HURRY – DON'T WORRY**

**PHONE ORDERS WELCOME 90242016**

*KLEENHEAT GAS is available from Menzies Hotel Shop or Bar—EFTPOS available*

<b>Pricing:</b>	<b>Exchange</b>	<b>8.5Kg</b>	<b>\$45.00</b>
	<b>Buy</b>	<b>8.5Kg</b>	<b>\$95.00</b>
	<b>Exchange</b>	<b>45Kg</b>	<b>\$157.50</b>
	<b>Delivery fee</b>		<b>\$10.00</b>

**Delivery time:** *Wednesday afternoon between 2.00pm and 4.00pm*  
*Saturday morning between 10.00am and 11.00am*



## Public Holidays 2014

**Australia Day—Sunday 26 January**

**Labour Day—Monday 3 March**

**Good Friday—Friday 18-April**

**Easter Monday—Monday 21 April**

**ANZAC Day—Friday 25 April**

**Western Australia Day—Monday 2 June**

**Queen's Birthday—Monday 29 September**

**Christmas Day—Thursday 25 December**

**Boxing Day—Friday 26 December**

## School Terms 2014

**Term 1—3 February to 11 April**

**Term 2—28 April to 4 July**

**Term 3—21 July to 26 September**

**Term 4—13 October to 18 December**



Articles for the February 2014 edition of the Menzies Matters are required by Friday 24 January 2014.

Please email articles and photos to [mcd@menzies.wa.gov.au](mailto:mcd@menzies.wa.gov.au) or drop them off to the Visitor Centre or the Shire Office.

Remember—this is OUR community newspaper and your input is always welcome as members of OUR community.

**On Australia Day, 26 January 2014, turn red and host a Big Red BBQ in support of Kidney Health Australia!**



Big Red BBQ is a fun campaign bringing individuals, work places and organisations together to host a barbeque with your family, friends and colleagues. Big Red BBQ includes an exciting new challenge to incorporate five secret ingredients to promote healthy eating. You will be told these ingredients just five days before your BBQ - it's a cooking challenge with healthy eating twist!

Why not do what you do best on Australia Day by hosting a Big Red BBQ and make a difference to Australians affected by kidney disease?

Registration is free to host a BBQ, just sign up today. The first 100 registrations receive an official Big Red BBQ apron in the mail!

So dust off your recipes and get ready to get cooking on Australia Day!





## **The Railway Man (M)**

**2.5 stars**

**Starring: Colin Firth, Nicole Kidman**

**Director: Jonathan Teplitzky**



Eric Lomax, a psychologically damaged survivor of the Thai-Burma Railway who confronted one his Japanese torturers, has a fascinating story to tell, a story of forgiveness and reconciliation that speaks to a world forever changed by the example of Nelson Mandela.

Unfortunately, Australian director Jonathan Teplitzky has not found a way to give Lomax's tale the dramatic weight, narrative tension or emotional charge it deserves. Such a pity because Colin Firth gives a powerful performance as the older Lomax, subtly embodying a man tormented by the horror of what happened to him while enslaved with thousands of other British soldiers in the wake of the taking of Singapore, yet a military man with enough steel to face up to one of his captors. Teplitzky spares us little in the depiction of the building of the railway, with dozens of painfully emaciated men struggling to stay alive in the face of the breathtaking cruelty of their overlords.

But in moving between scenes of the young Lomax (Jeremy Irvine) being punished relentlessly for a relatively minor crime, and the post-war story in which Eric's wife Patti (Nicole Kidman) struggles to cope with her husband's nightmares, the film struggles to establish a satisfying suspense and momentum.



# LAMINGTONS FOR AUSTRALIA DAY

Any type of plain cake can be used for these lamingtons - sponge cake, pound cake or Madeira cake. Ideally, make the cake the day before for best results, but the important thing is that the cake is completely cooled before icing. Serves 24

## Ingredients

- **Cake**
- 2 cups plain flour
- 4 teaspoons baking powder
- pinch of salt
- 125g butter
- 3/4 cup white sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla essence
- 2 eggs
- 1/2 cup milk
- **Icing**
- 4 cups icing sugar
- 1/3 cup unsweetened cocoa
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1/2 cup milk
- 500g desiccated coconut for rolling

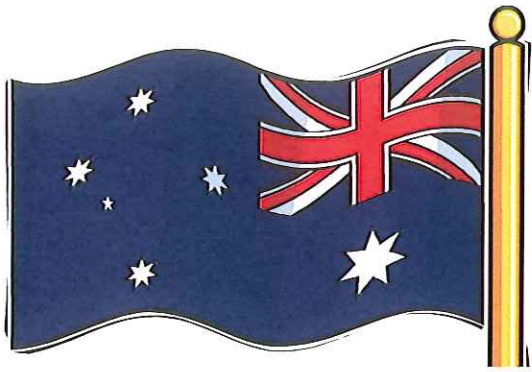


## Directions

**Preparation:** 45min **Cooking:** 40min **Ready in:** 1hour25min

1. Preheat oven to 190 degrees C.
2. **Cake:** Grease and flour a 20x30cm rectangular cake tin or lamington tray. Sift together the flour, baking powder and salt. Set aside.
3. In a large bowl, cream together the butter, sugar and vanilla essence until light and fluffy.
4. Add the eggs one at a time, beating well with each addition. Add the flour mixture alternately with the milk and beat well.
5. Pour the mixture into the cake tin or lamington tray and bake in preheated oven for 30 to 40 minutes or until a fine skewer inserted into the cake comes out clean.
6. Let stand 5 minutes, then turn out onto a wire rack and cool completely. Store overnight to give the cake a chance to firm up before icing.
7. **Icing:** In a large bowl, combine icing sugar and cocoa. In a saucepan, heat milk and butter until the butter is melted. Add the milk to the sugar mixture and mix well to create a fluid icing (not too runny).
8. **Procedure:** Place coconut in a shallow container. Cut the cake into 24 squares. Using a fork, dip each square completely into the icing, then roll it in the coconut. Place onto rack to dry.
9. Continue for each piece. The icing will drip, so place a sheet of baking paper under the rack to catch the drips.



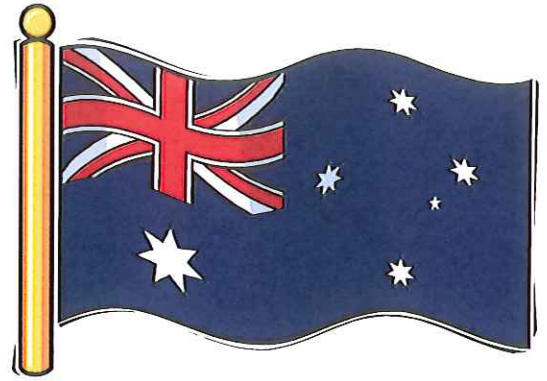


# K.I.D.S.





# PAGES



## Australia map puzzle

An educational craft that's celebratory? Why not! This Australia Day try this map activity. This puzzle teaches kids about our country, before letting them go crazy colouring in and cutting out each state. They can then put Australia back together again!

### What you need:

- A computer
- A printer
- Printer paper
- Coloured pencils, crayons or textas
- Scissors
- Glue
- Thin cardboard to stiffen the pieces

### Activity:

**Step 1:** Print out a map of Australia onto A4 paper. Tell your children the states and a little about each one - famous landmarks or the state flower.

**Step 2:** Let your kids get artistic, and colour in and decorate their map however they like.

**Step 3:** Glue all over the cardboard, evenly.

**Step 4:** Press the A4 sheet of paper onto the cardboard and smooth out any bumps.

**Step 5:** Cut around Australia as well as the state lines and Tasmania.

**Step 6:** Now it's time to put Australia back together! Get your kids rearrange the puzzle back into our nation's signature shape.





## Local Information

### FREE CAMPING



Free camping sites in the Menzies area are available at **Lake Ballard** (51km west of Menzies) and **Niagara Dam** (65km north east of Menzies).

Facilities at these sites include toilets, barbecues and rubbish bins. ***Potable water at Lake Ballard only.***

Please remember to preserve these areas for future generations and  
**'Take nothing but photographs, Leave nothing but footprints'**

## MENZIES CARAVAN PARK



Situated on the corner of Shenton and Brown Streets, Menzies (entrance from Brown Street).

Recently refurbished sites (powered or unpowered), new camper's kitchen, lawn area for camping, laundry (with coin operated washing machines), new ablution blocks.

Rates start from \$12.00 per night.

Bookings can be made through the Menzies Visitor Centre (90242702) during business hours or after hours 0448 242041 (Park Manager).





# Happy Birthday

## January

8th	Keith Purchase
11th	Brooke Povah
14th	Qwanesha Johnson
18th	Melissa Johnson
23rd	Jameelah Williams
31st	Shakira Tucker

**If you would like your birthday (or the birthday of a family member or friend) included on this list, please drop details in to staff at the Shire Office or the Visitor Centre.**



17—26 January



1-31 January



**Mon**

**Tue**

**Wed**

**Thu**

**Fri**

**Sat**

**Sun**

30 December	31 December New Years Eve 	1 January New Years Day 	2	3	4	5
6 Shire Office re-opens for business	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 RFDS Clinic at Nursing Post	15	16	17	18	19
20 World Day of Social Justice 	21	22	23	24	25	26 Australia Day 
27	28	29	30	31 Chinese New Year (Horse) 	1 February	2 February

