



# Menzies Matters

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## Spring Time Around Menzies



Many varieties of native trees, shrubs, perennials and annuals are in bloom around the goldfields this spring. The main reason being the consistent winter rain we experienced and it is all now coming to fruition. Get out and about and there is more to see before the weather warms up and dries them out. After flowering they will all be setting seed to ensure future generations of their species have a chance to germinated after another good rainy season.

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## Shire of Menzies Information

### SHIRE OF MENZIES

#### Bush Fire Burning Periods for 2009/2010

The following times are the Burning Periods for the Shire of Menzies for the forthcoming financial year 1/07/2009

to 30/06/2010 Prohibited Burning Periods:

December 15<sup>th</sup> 2009 to April 14<sup>th</sup> 2010

*Restricted Burning Periods:* November 1<sup>st</sup> 2009 to December 14<sup>th</sup> 2009 & April 15<sup>th</sup> 2010 to May 14<sup>th</sup> 2010

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### SHIRE OF MENZIES

#### Council Meetings 2009

Council Meetings are usually held in the Council Chambers at 9:00am in the Menzies Town Hall

Next 3 Ordinary Meeting of Council will be -

October - Thursday 22nd &

November - Thursday 26th.

December 17th -

Please note that for 2009 all Council Meetings will be held on the 4th Thursday of each Month. The general public are welcome for question time at the start of each months Council Meeting.



## Local Government Elections

Held 8am – 6pm on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2009 at Kookynie

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OFFICES VACANT AND TERMS OF OFFICE:

Kookynie Ward: Two Vacancies 4 year terms.

BANDRY Maria

DWYER Jill

McGREGOR Iain

CHIEF POLLING PLACE: Grand Hotel Kookynie.

KOOKYNIE WARD ELECTORS: Eligible to vote only.

EARLY VOTING PLACES: Lot 124 Shenton Street MENZIES WA 6436

CANDIDATES ELECTED UNOPPOSED: No Election Required for Menzies

Menzies Ward

TUCKER Ian 4 year term

KELLY Aileen 4 year term

Notice for – Shire of Menzies

INTERAGENCY Committee Meeting

11:30am Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2009 @ 'Former' Lady Shenton Hotel Visitor Centre, Menzies. Further info Justin Lee Ph: 90242702



Matters arising from the Ordinary Meeting of Council held  
Friday September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009 in the dining room of the Grand Hotel in Kookynie.

**1. REPORT INTO THE ENQUIRY INTO LOCAL GOVERNMENT SERVICE DELIVERY TO INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES.**

This report was received and embraced by Council and will address the specific areas of Strategic planning required to make progress in this area of shire obligation. This is a great step forward for the State of W.A.

**2. WARD BOUNDARY REVIEW.**

Council finalized their part in this matter with the rejection of a reduction of elected membership and retained the numbers at seven as is at present. Furthermore, the Council will reduce from three wards to two with the Menzies Ward merging with the Kookynie Town site as the Towns ward, with the remainder of the Shire becoming the Rural ward.

**3. MENZIES AIRFIELD DEVELOPMENT.**

This very significant project has hit an obstacle which will require some time to address in that there appears to be some indigenous artwork there requiring protection and also the area is the subject of mining exploration. Accordingly whilst Council has some hurdles ahead of itself, we pursue this important project for the Council.

**4. IDA CEMETERY RESTORATION PROJECT.**

This item also received support from Council in that the cemetery requires some general care and maintenance and the work men will attend to that task shortly.

**5. "FAREWELL" - PRESIDENT TONKIN.**

Indeed a sad day in chambers where the Councillors bid their 'good byes' to Councillor Tonkin as President for the Shire and as a Councillor after fifteen years.

Whilst Cr. Tonkin will continue to show a great deal of interest in this shire well into the future, his service has been exemplary and the community and Council are saddened at his leaving Council.

To Joanne, Cr Tonkin's wife, we extend our appreciation and gratefulness for her support throughout the years.

Accordingly in a united voice, we all wish President Tonkin much peace and joy for the future with much gratitude for the guidance and management over an extended period in Government.

Thank you to President Tonkin for your service to the community of Menzies. We will all miss you.

**6. CULTURAL MAPPING.**

This issue is quite important and although addressed, it appears to have already been addressed in the past and thus we may not need to engage a consultant at this time for this purpose.

Accordingly further advice will issue to Council in the future in early to progress this concept.

**7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT REFORM.**

Council embraced a report, subject to some adaptations in readiness for presentation to the Minister in fundamentally opposing the Amalgamation Issue with cogent justification for retaining its' sovereignty in Menzies. Accordingly, we understand the Minister will make an announcement in December in the reform issue and where we await those advice with much interest...



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Matters arising from the Ordinary Meeting of Council held Friday September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2009

#### **8. RADAR TRAILER.**

Council has entered into a joint arrangement with Leonora and Laverton to buy and share a Radar trailer to assist in the reduction of vehicles speeding through town.

Thus this is a great step forward for road safety for Menzies.

#### **9. RANGER POSITION.**

Council approved the position of a Ranger as a fulltime employee position to be included in the shire Organisational structure and where an applicant is planned to commence shortly.

This officer will maintain controls at Lake Ballard and Niagara Dam and should avert some of the anti-social behaviour being exhibited at those sites.

#### **10. NEW DEPOT PERSON APPOINTED.**

Council also approved of a new position of Depot Person and where John McCarthy was the successful candidate and has commenced duty already.

Thus, this appointment will be a great assistance to the Works Manager in the administration of the Shires Works programme.

#### **11. CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR HERITAGE.**

This huge document was also embraced by Council as a "Blue Print" only for the heritage restoration work required for the four primary premises in Town, being the Tea Rooms, Old Post Office, Town Hall and Lady Shenton premises.

This plan will now enable the administration to apply for Grant funding and progress the restoration of the premises in line with Council direction. This is very significant as the funding bodies require evidence that Council has got a plan as designed by a Heritage consultant and thus we can now make progress.

#### **12. OPERATIONAL PLAN.**

Similarly, Council also embraced with approval the operational plan which is the practical application of the issues adopted under the Corporate plan which sets the picture for the future well into the distance and provides a great vision for us to follow. Accordingly, the operational; plan will commence shortly and great things should emerge.

#### **13. INDUSTRIAL PARK.**

This innovative concept was also embraced and approved by Council and enables business to develop with the release of land for businesspersons to commence a venture and represents a huge potential for growth and development for the Shire. This is indeed exciting news.

#### **14. MINING VENTURES APPLICATIONS –**

Council is in receipt of five requests resulting in applications for fifteen licenses for prospecting, exploration or miscellaneous licenses in the last month alone, which is a great sign of confidence and we remain most encouraged.

Brian W. Seale J.P. Chief Executive Officer

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# Shire of Menzies Tidy Town Meeting



## Menzies – A Tidy Town

The next meeting is to be held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October at 4.00pm. in the 'Former' Lady Shenton Hotel to focus on current & future activities.

Tidy Towns encourages activities based around the following categories...

*Community Action*

*General Appearance*

*Recycling and Waste Management*

*Natural Heritage Conservation*

*Enhancing Cultural Identity*

*Water Conservation*



***The Shire of Menzies has been engaged in many of these activities over the past twelve months and has recently prepared a submission to the Department and Environment & Conservation.***

### ***Current activities***

- *Fruit Trees & food garden project*
- *Regional Tidy Towns Awards @ Tjukayirla Community – Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November*
- *Further tree planting & watering with summer coming on*
- *Mulching*
- *Follow-up to Great Gardens workshop held in September*
- *Other...*

***Come along and be part of making Menzies a better place to live and work...***

**For further information...**

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## Community Fundraising



# St John Ambulance Menzies Sub Centre Thanks You all!

**With appreciative thanks to Jackie Carr, who raised "\$132.00" for the Menzies - St. Johns Ambulance who raised this money from selling her handcrafted butterflies**

**A wonderful contribution to Menzies - St. John's Ambulance of \$464.00 received from the Men of Song – Bunbury**

**Thank you to all the people who attended the Bootscooting night which raised an additional \$1,100.00 and sincere thanks to all who came and had fun resulting in the total raised by raffles, auctions, etc.**

**The generous help from Jerry Lenane, Marina Bauer, Debbie Pianto, Katie Lenane, Lloyd Lansdown and anyone else who helped to make this night a success our sincere thanks...**

### **Acknowledgements of Donations from:**

**Menzies Roadhouse**

**Menzies Hotel**

**Westrac - Kalgoorlie**

**UHY Haines Norton – Osborne Park**

**Red Ochre Consulting - Bunbury**

**Total Eden - Kalgoorlie**

**J A & R Hersley – Jandakot**

**Sam Mazza – Menzies Nursing Post**

**Hartac Sales and Distributions – Perth**

**Gratefully received, without which we could not have raised the fantastic amount to help furnish the new ambulance which has been in constant use since being received. Debra Seale**

# Northern Goldfields Perth Royal Show Report



Justin Lee, Shire Community Development Officer and his family went to the Perth during the School Holidays where Justin attended the Northern Goldfields display stand at the Perth Royal Show featuring tourism, products and services unique to the Northern Regions. Menzies featured artwork from the Spinefex Art Gallery and a Shire commissioned art piece by Robyn McCarthy. The photos Justin took at the show explain why this display won three awards.

See the article below from Rosanne Rogers, Kalgoorlie Visitor Centre for more on the awards and the show.



Hi All

Thanks for all your input to this years Smoke Free Perth Royal Show. Great news - we won three awards!

**Best overall visual display – for which we won a trophy**

**Best display of gemstones for the Northern Region**

**Best arrangement for Northern Region**

This years display, as you may be aware, centred around the theme “Expect the Unexpected” with many of the regions unique “treasures” showcased.

I will be able to forward you photos of the display shortly. But in the meantime, thanks to all your hard work and contributions to what was a very successful outcome. The Perth Royal show attracted in excess of 400k visitors – with many of them passing through the Centenary Pavilion to look at the displays. The displays are a great promotional tool for the region. We were also able to distribute Holiday Planners on the region, which attracted great interest.

Thanks again for your contribution, and to those that volunteered on the stand. I look forward to sending you some photos as soon as they are available.

With Kindest Regards, Rosanne Rogers / Marketing and Special Projects / Phone: (08) 9021 1966

Fax: (08) 9021 2180 / [www.kalgoorlietourism.com](http://www.kalgoorlietourism.com)



## Northern Goldfields Sports & Recreation News

### **Basketball Competition Men and Women Teams**



**Nomination Forms are  
available at:**

**Laverton:** Speak to Gavin  
Isbister

**Leonora:** Leonora  
Recreation Centre

**Leinster:** Telecentre

**Menzies:** Visitor Centre

**Calling basketball  
players from  
Laverton, Menzies,  
Leonora and Leinster  
to nominate their  
team for the  
intertown basketball  
competition.**

**Contact person:** Gavin Isbister 0439 099 754

**Nomination Forms Due:** 20/10/09







# Menzies Sports and Recreation News



## Expression of Interest Northern Goldfields Basketball Competition



Registration: \$5.00 per player

Game fee: \$2.00 per player

Please note: fees may change depending of the format of the competition

### Team nominating Men's or Women's (please circle)

Section 1: Team name and contact (Responsible for all communication)

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_ (can be altered)

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone (H) \_\_\_\_\_ (W) \_\_\_\_\_ (M) \_\_\_\_\_

### Section 2: Competition format

First option: Would you like a fortnightly competition (similar to the netball competition) the games will be played on the following dates:

Round 1 31/10/09

Round 2 07/11/09

Round 3 21/11/09

Round 4 05/12/09

Grand final 12/12/09

Second option: Two carnival days. Teams will play each other once on each day. Teams that finish first and second on the ladder will play in the grand final. Please note games will be short to fit the games into one day.

Day one late October in Laverton

Day two late November in Leinster

Third option: Two day carnival on a weekend in November. Teams to play each other over the weekend. Please note games will be longer than games in option two and may include the top 4 competing for a spot in the final.

Preferred option (please circle)

First option

Second option

Third option

### Section 3: Uniforms

What colour top will you team wear? \_\_\_\_\_

# Menzies Community Notice Board



## Women's Wisdom The Way Of The Heart



Women play a special role in the world. Our way is the way of the heart. The heart guides with love. A loving heart is a peaceful heart, a truthful heart. Within the community, within their own homes and families, women have what is needed to create a sense of unity and

## OUR WAY IS THE WAY OF LOVE AND RESPECT

belonging for themselves and others. Women's intuition and wisdom speaks from a place of love and respect. This weekend will be a bringing together of women to celebrate the best of who we are.

## WOMEN'S RETREAT OCTOBER 17-18 2009

A gentle, playful and insightful weekend as we come together to celebrate the feminine.

Who are our role models and what values do they share with us? How are we inspired to enjoy our feminine strengths?

Let us nurture ourselves and each other so that we feel supported in being our true selves, our brave selves, our loving selves.

There will be time for play and creativity, time for gentle reflection.

Women together are a powerful force a powerful affirmation of all that is of beauty and truth. We together birth and raise our future generations. We have the potential to create balance in a world that can be competitive and cruel.



BE AS COLOURFUL AND PLAYFUL AS YOUR HEART DESIRES

### What to expect?

- Morning gentle tai chi is offered before breakfast.
- Drumming and storytelling (stories that inspire) around a camp fire.
- Insightful guided inner journeys.
- Illuminating meditation techniques.
- Playfulness
- Sharing our wisdom.

### Who Can come?

Any woman with a passion to connect consciously with her feminine self, and to celebrate this with other women.

### Where is it?

Goongarie Station (a rustic bush experience, sleeping indoors) 1 hour north of Kalgoorlie (90k on Goldfields Hwy, turn at siding, 14 k's to homestead).

### What time?

Sat start at 10am. Finish Sunday at 3pm

**Cost:** \$185 (\$50 deposit needed)

\$150 if paid in full by Sept 18th

\*food and accommodation included.

EFT payments: S.E. Jones

BSB 306-039 Acc:039 5658

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prarthojones@bigpond.com

Kalgoorlie contact:

Janice 90916037

## Centrelink Agent

Contact – Alana Cameron

Phone: 90242504

Open 8 -11am Weekdays

At the MAC Centre

## Menzies Public Library

A monthly exchange of books from the State Library of WA includes Adult and Junior, Fiction & Non-Fiction Books, DVD's, Videos & Audio Books (both Cassette & CD). Free membership to locals and there is always something new with many monthly donations of books and DVD's.

A quiet reading space within the library makes for a pleasant spot to while away a few hours over a book, magazine or for research. Internet service also available in the Telecentre room.

All Inside the 'Former' Lady Shenton Hotel.

Cnr Brown & Shenton Streets, Menzies

**WALK WEEK**  
**2 - 8 NOVEMBER 2009**

**WALK**  
there today

**WALK WEEK** encourages West Australians to be more active by walking for transport, health, recreation and the environment.

Schools, workplaces, local governments and the community are invited to host a walking event to celebrate.

To participate, try a local trail, register for our corporate challenge or start a walking group. Whichever you choose, register online at [www.transport.wa.gov.au/walking](http://www.transport.wa.gov.au/walking) to receive a **FREE** event kit including merchandise.

Booklets available at the Menzies Visitor Centre  
[www.transport.wa.gov.au/walking](http://www.transport.wa.gov.au/walking)

Government of Western Australia  
Department of Transport  
Department of Sport and Recreation  
Department of Education and Training

Heart Foundation

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Physical Activity Taskforce

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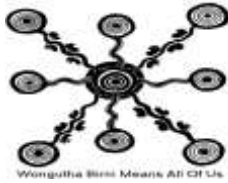
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Walk Week is a trademark of the Pedestrian Council of Australia

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# Regional Community Notice Board



## Position Vacant

### Operations Manager 0.5 FTE and Administration Officer 0.25 FTE

Wongutha Birni Aboriginal Corporation is seeking to employ an Operations Manager and an Administration officer to assist with development of Visual and Performing Arts in the Eastern Goldfields and supervise the day to day running of the Wongutha Birni Aboriginal Cultural Centre. The positions will be based at the Wongutha Birni Aboriginal Corporation at 2 Forrest St, Kalgoorlie. Aboriginal and non Aboriginal applicants are invited to apply. An A class drivers license is desirable.

Police clearance and working with children check are essential.

These are time positions for 9 months initially with the prospect of ongoing employment and has been funded by the Australian Government through the Indigenous Coordination Centre.

### Applications close on October 9 2009.

Please address Applications, with CV to Wongutha Birni Aboriginal Corp. PO Box 561, Kalgoorlie, Western Australia, 6430. For more information please contact us on Email [Geoffstokes@bigpond.com](mailto:Geoffstokes@bigpond.com) or phone 0407387602

### Conditions

Part time – Operations manager 0.5 FTE, Administration officer 0.25FTE / Salary will be paid by bank transfer weekly or fortnightly as negotiated / 9% superannuation paid into employee's nominated fund quarterly / 4 weeks pro rata annual leave / Time off in Lieu available but no provision for overtime payments. / Time sheet to be submitted on Thursdays each week by email. Relocation expenses are not available.

### Public Notice - Bluebush Pastoral Co.

*Melita, Jeedamyra, Yundaga &  
Kookynie Stations.*

Due to large wild dog numbers all camping on the above pastoral leases is not permitted until further notice. Notification for permission to prospect on the above pastoral leases must be made by contacting the Manager Allan McCooke on Ph: 90376053

Activ kalgoorlie, we are a disability work place

Would you be able to ask the people you deal with if they have clothes, sheets, towels etc etc that we could cut up for rags.

If needed we are able to pick up but other wise please drop at Activ 1A Outridge Terrace, Kalgoorlie.

What ever you can give us would help greatly to keep us in work.

Thanks so much

Regards

**Val Ellis**

Production Coordinator / Acting Manager  
Activ Foundation Kalgoorlie  
Ph 9021 2537  
Fax 9021 7444  
Mob 0419 913 021



Get active for Activ at the Rebel Sport City to Surf for Activ on 30 August 2009. Activ is the beneficiary and has owned City to Surf since 1975. You can run, walk, cheer, [volunteer](#) or make a [donation](#). For more information on how you can be involved [click here](#).

[www.activ.asn.au](http://www.activ.asn.au)



Have your say . . .

## Road Maintenance Survey

### Road Maintenance Online Survey

Please visit:

[www.mainroads.wa.gov.au](http://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au)

from 5<sup>th</sup> October to 30<sup>th</sup> of October 2009 to complete a survey on Road Maintenance for the state road network.

For those who do not have internet access and wish to participate, you can access the Main Roads WA website through your local libraries.

Alternatively, you can contact our Customer Contact Centre to book a 5 minute session in your Regional Main Roads office.

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## NAIDOC WEEK Recreational Info



# NAIDOC WEEK



ALL AGES

# YOUTH DISCO

**KALGOORLIE PCYC**

198 EGAN ST, KALGOORLIE

**SATURDAY**

**24th OCTOBER 2009**

**6PM — 10PM**

**FOOD & DRINK WILL BE AVAILABLE**

**STRICTLY DRUG & ALCOHOL FREE EVENT**



# NAIDOC & Regional Sport Info



## NAIDOC WEEK

Honouring our Elders - Nurturing our Youth  
MONDAY 19TH - 24TH OCTOBER 2009



Date	Event Details	Contacts
Monday 19th	10am - NAIDOC March from Tribby Cooper Hostel to Kingsbury Park 10:30am - 2pm Opening of NAIDOC week, Welcome to Country, Guest Speakers, Community/Service Stall displays, Live performances 5 - 9pm - Volleyball Competition at Maku Stadium for all ages.	Raylene Cooper 0402 558 782 Cecilia Clinch 0428 943 414 Pearl Scott 9021 8036
Tuesday 20th	12noon - 5pm Ninga Mia Cultural Day at Ninga Mia, hosted by Nooda Ngulegoo, including Country Gospel by Reece Winter 11:30am Nhalpa Pimi Luncheon at Eastern Goldfields Community Centre, 13 Roberts Street. 9am - 5pm - U15's and U18's Youth Basketball Competition at Maku Stadium. 9am - 5pm - Golf Competition at the Hannans Golf Course.	Gina Sambo 9091 1700 Amanda Sibosado 9080 8200 Danielle Champion 9091 7862 Jason Dimer 0412 272 434
Wednesday 21st	10am - 4pm Cultural Day at Centennial Park hosted by Wongutha Bimi. Activities traditional food/cooking/spear throwing, Live performances. 10am - Baby Competition hosted by Nganytu Tiji Pimi 10am - U6 Youth Fancy Dress hosted by Department of Child Protection. 6 - 10pm - Karaoke Competition at Centennial Park	Annette Stokes 0448 924 054 Leslie Conway 9091 7862 Antia Winner 0419 910 549 Amanda Sibosado 9080 8200
Thursday 22nd	9am - 12noon Bega Gambiringu Health Services Open Day 9am - 5pm - Junior Football at Shepherdson Oval. 9am - 5pm - Tennis Competition at Marshall St Tennis Courts.	Greg Stubbs 9031 3380 Robert Taylor 0430 332 765
Friday 23rd	9am - 5pm - Senior Football carnival at D.R. Morrison Oval (day 1) 5pm - Pool Competition at Grand Hotel, Boulder. 6 - 10pm - Youth Ball at The Goldfields Oasis	Raylene Cooper 0402 558 782 Jason Dimer 0412 272 434 Danielle Champion 9091 6511
Saturday 24th	5 - 9pm Youth Disco at PCYC, Egan Street, Kalgoorlie 9am - 5pm Senior Football Carnival at D.R. Morrison Oval (day 2), including 100mtr sprints, trophy presentations etc. 7pm - 12midnight Adults Function at the Ex-Servicemen's Club, Egan Street, Kalgoorlie.	Amanda Sibosado 9080 8200 Raylene Cooper 0402 558 782 Jeremy Winmar 9080 0751 Cecilia Clinch 0428 943 414



Department of  
Sport and Recreation



Funded by the Australian Government Department of Families,  
Housing, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs

## New season starts in October!!!

Males / Females welcome

Ages from 6 years onwards

All levels catered for

### REGISTER NOW!!!

Team contact list

Starblazers - Anne on 0439 917 057

Ywaukees - Ray on 0434 358 732

Rangers/Greensox - Pauline on 9021 7462

Breakers - Sally on 9021 4137

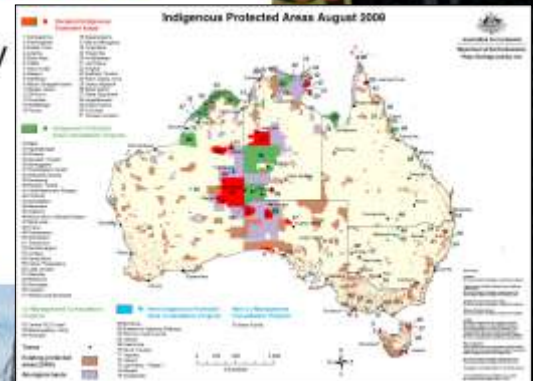
Eagles - Kathy on 0407 214 788





# Indigenous Protected Areas

## Indigenous Australians Caring for Country



### What is an IPA?

An Indigenous Protected Area (IPA) is an area over which the traditional Indigenous owners have entered into a voluntary agreement to promote biodiversity and conserve cultural resources in line with international standards. An IPA brings together traditional Indigenous knowledge and modern science for effective land management.

Australia currently has 25 Indigenous Protected Areas (IPAs) and other Indigenous communities are undertaking consultations to decide whether to declare an IPA over their land.

The 25 declared IPAs cover more than 20 million hectares, including some of Australia's rarest and most fragile environments. They range in size from one square kilometre to 98,000 square kilometres.

Most IPAs are born out of the desire of the Traditional Owners to protect the values of

their land and to control its management. Each declared IPA is actively managed by its Indigenous owners, administered through an Indigenous organisation or land council.

Every IPA makes an important contribution to Australia's nation-wide network of parks and reserves, the National Reserve System, by protecting biodiversity for the benefit of all Australians.

The Australian Government supports IPAs through the Indigenous Protected Areas element of the Caring for our Country initiative. In 2008 the Australian Government tripled its funding for IPAs, boosting it to \$50 million over the next five years.

The initiative received a major boost in August 2007, when the Indigenous Land Corporation contributed \$7 million over three years to expand the work of Australia's existing IPAs and help create at least 10 new ones.

*Indigenous Protected Areas*



July 2008

### Indigenous relationship to the land

For non-Indigenous Australians, the words 'caring for country' may suggest traditional land management and age-old conservation practices. But for Indigenous Australians, the phrase means much more: a deep spiritual attachment to land, to creation beings, the plants and animals, to the source of rules for living and stories, dance, songs and art.

For Indigenous communities, caring for country is closely linked to community well-being. Projects that support Indigenous land management provide real benefits in health, education, employment and social cohesion, and are a potential model for engagement with remote Indigenous communities around the country.

### What does an IPA manager do?

IPA managers look after the natural and cultural heritage of their land. Day to day management activities include weed and feral animal control; revegetation programmes; interpretive activities for visitors; management and maintenance of visitor facilities; protection of rock art; cultural history and language projects; and wildlife protection and research such as crocodile management and monitoring the impact of marine debris on threatened turtle populations.

Some IPAs run tourism businesses or establish bush tucker nurseries for the manufacture and sale of Indigenous foods. The vast bulk of an IPA's budget is spent locally, helping ensure ongoing employment and the viability of local businesses.

### Social, education and health benefits

An IPA creates jobs for Indigenous men and women doing what they want to do – working and looking after their land in a healthy environment.

Many IPAs are in regions of high unemployment, so the rangers and managers become role models for their communities. Indigenous rangers working on IPAs are



engaging with on-the-job training program in literacy and numeracy, law enforcement, coxswain's licence, business administration and Indigenous leadership.

Participants are improving their capacity to manage natural and cultural resources. The spin-off is a greater capacity to look after their own affairs coupled with recognition and respect from both Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities.

IPAs work in a range of ways to create greater cross-cultural understanding. For example, Indigenous rangers work with non-Indigenous and Indigenous school classes on environmental and cultural issues, and help organise and run school camps.

Indigenous rangers also work directly with Indigenous children, facilitating the transfer of traditional knowledge. The rangers are role models and mentors for young Indigenous children.

The transfer of traditional knowledge not only helps to raise awareness of specific environmental issues and provide opportunities for young people to gain a better understanding of their relationship to country - it also contributes to social outcomes such as better school attendance and cross-community engagement.

**For more information about Indigenous Protected Areas, visit [www.environment.gov.au/indigenous/ipa](http://www.environment.gov.au/indigenous/ipa) or contact the Department of the Environment, Water, Heritage and the Arts' Community Information Unit on Freecall 1800 803 772**

Indigenous Protected Areas

Photo Credits: Front – Collecting ghostnets at Laynhapuy IPA. Back – (Left) Prescribed burning at Watarru and Walikara IPAs. (Right) Bush tucker. Art Credit: Taken from original artwork © Eunice Nanganyji Woods.



Australian Government  
Department of the Environment,  
Water, Heritage and the Arts



## Courses & Meetings

### Menzies SENIOR FIRST AID COURSE

Shire Hall 9am - 4pm

Saturday 31st October & Sunday 1st November 2009

Training \$ 192 includes a personal CPR Mannequin.

More Info 0448242040 (Jerry Lenane)



### Menzies St John Ambulance Sub Centre Next General Meeting

Saturday Nov 7, 2pm Training, 4pm Meeting + BBQ following.

Training most Wednesday evenings in October.

All Training & Meetings to be held at the Ambulance Shed in Mercer Street Menzies. More Info 0448242040 (Jerry Lenane)



### Volunteers Needed Menzies St John Ambulance Sub Centre

Over the past three weeks the Volunteer Ambulance Drivers and Officers have been out on Ten Call Outs, one of which was a motor vehicle accident with one fatality. The St John team have had an exhaustive time and many of these call outs have been afterhours with work awaiting them the next day. It is tiring but rewarding work and all training is supplied by skilled staff.

If you feel that you can contribute in donating some time to the St John Roster of Ambulance Drivers or Attendants please contact - Jerry Lenane on Mob 0448242040 or Ph 90242041 Work Hours. (See meeting & training dates above)



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[www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au](http://www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au)



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## Regional Visiting Specialist &amp; Health Information

POITIER MEDICAL PRACTICE

Dr. Charl Du Plessis M.B.Ch.B, D.O.H, D.A.M.E  
 2332736 2796332L  
 967 Sadie Canning Drive, Leonora, WA 6438.  
 08 9037 6238 08 9037 6799  
 charl.du.plessis@goldhealth.net.au

**Next Visiting Specialists****Dental Clinic**

The Dental Clinic will be in Leonora / Laverton and **16<sup>th</sup> November to 11<sup>th</sup> December 2009**. These dates are **approximate** only and a notice will be posted as soon as we receive confirmation of official dates. Names may be left with Poitier Medical Practice and the Dental Receptionist shall contact you when they arrive in town. Phone 90376238 to leave your name.

## Stop the spread of flu germs



**Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze**

**Put your used tissue in the rubbish bin or in a plastic bag**

**Gel and Go** squirt the alcohol gel on your hand and rub till dry **or** **Wash and dry** your hands often, especially after coughing or sneezing – use soap

**Stay away from others if you're sick**

**Protect your family from influenza**

Department of Western Australian  
Department of Health

## Stop the spread of germs that make you and others sick!

# Cover your Cough



Cover your mouth and nose with a tissue when you cough or sneeze or cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve, not your hands.

Put your used tissue in the waste basket.

# Clean your Hands

after coughing or sneezing.



Wash hands with soap and warm water for 20 seconds or clean with alcohol-based hand cleanser

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**Clean Hands Save Lives!**

- It is best to wash your hands with soap and warm water for 20 seconds.
- When water is not available, use alcohol-based products (sanitizers).
- Wash hands before preparing or eating food and after going to the bathroom.
- Keeping your hands clean helps you avoid getting sick.

**When should you wash your hands?**

- Before preparing or eating food
- After going to the bathroom
- After changing diapers or cleaning up a child who has gone to the bathroom
- Before and after caring for someone who is sick
- After handling uncooked foods, particularly raw meat, poultry, or fish
- After blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing
- After handling an animal or animal waste
- After handling garbage
- Before and after treating a cut or wound
- After handling items contaminated by flood water or sewage
- When your hands are visibly dirty

**Using alcohol-based sanitizers**

- Apply product to the palm of one hand.
  - Rub hands together.
  - Rub product over all surfaces of hands and fingers until hands are dry.
- Note: the volume needed to reduce the number of germs varies by product.

**Washing with soap and water**

- Place wet hands together under water (warm if possible).
  - Rub your hands together for at least 20 seconds (with soap if possible).
  - Wash your hands thoroughly, including wrists, palms, back of hands, and under the fingernails.
  - Clean the skin from under fingernails.
  - Rinse the soap from your hands.
  - Dry your hands completely with a clean towel if possible (this helps remove the germs). However, if towels are not available it is okay to air dry your hands.
  - Pat your skin rather than rubbing to avoid chapping and cracking.
  - If you use a disposable towel, throw it in the trash.
- Remember: if soap and water are not available, use alcohol-based hand sanitizer.





## Menzies Health Centre Information

### MENZIES HEALTH CENTRE

CLINIC ATTENDED by Sam

MONDAY - FRIDAY

Phone - 90242044

FOR IMMEDIATE HEALTH ADVICE CALL

HEALTH DIRECT 1800 022 222

ANYTIME DAY OR NIGHT

POISONS INFO AVAILABLE 24Hrs

13 11 26

IF URGENT CONTACT 000 or

SHIRE : 90242041 / A.H. 90242051

POITIER MEDICAL PRACTICE

LEONORA

DR APPOINTMENTS - Ph: 90376238

EMERGENCIES - - Ph: 90804300

Swine Flu &  
Standard Fluvax  
Available Now  
Menzies Health Centre



### Menzies Health Centre Visiting Dietician

Dietician's Clinic 2009 Dates Bi-monthly

Nov 5th

*Appointments Ph: 90242044*

### *Menzies Health Centre* Health Care Programs

Now Targeting Childhood Immunisation  
and School Health Screening.

Standard Flu Vaccine for Children from  
6 Months to 5 Years and Adults Over 65  
are all eligible for free flu immunisation.

Please Phone 90242044 for more info.

Menzies Health info for  
Visitors



### *Short or Long Stay*

If you have a significant  
Medical History you can contact the  
Health Clinic to have your Medical  
History recorded for future Visiting

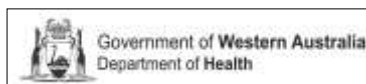
### **Dietitian's Clinic - Where? Menzies Health Centre When? Thursdays, bimonthly, from 10 am**

#### **2009 DATES**

**November 5th**



CONTACT THE HEALTH  
CENTRE FOR  
APPOINTMENTS  
ON (08) 9024 2044



### Menzies Health Centre

Next RFDS Clinic

TBA November

*Appointments - Ph: 90242044*





# Regional Visiting Specialist & Health Information

## Regional Health Dates Nov 2009

**Consultant Physician** – Dr Sean George

**Menzies 3<sup>rd</sup> November** - Phone 90242044

**Leonora 9<sup>th</sup> November** - Phone 90376238

**Dentist 18<sup>th</sup> November 09**

Date to be confirmed before arrival.

Leave name on list - Ph: 90376238



## Food Recall Public Notice

Food Recall FSANZ2009/44  
Date: 09 October 2009



REASON FOR RECALL:	Microbial – <i>Escherichia coli</i>
ACTION PROPOSED:	Consumer level recall
METHOD OF DISPOSAL:	Consumers – Return to place of purchase for full refund Retailers – Isolate the affected product and return to TFK Trading Importer – Isolate the affected product and destroy under supervision of AQIS
COMMENTS:	This recall is the result of routine Government testing by AQIS. There have been no reported case of illness/injury associated with this recall. TFK Trading Pty Ltd will place an advertisement in the newspapers of the affected states.

### Septicaemia (blood poisoning)

Learn the Symptoms — Septicaemia can Kill in 24 Hours

Bacteria or germs which cause meningitis can also cause septicaemia (blood poisoning). Some people may develop meningitis or septicaemia or both.

In infants & young children the symptoms & signs of meningitis & septicaemia may be similar & develop rapidly.

**SYMPTOMS IN INFANTS & YOUNG CHILDREN MAY INCLUDE:**

- Fever (usually with irritability & fret)
- Vomiting or diarrhoea
- Irritability or lethargy
- Poor feeding or refusal to eat
- High pitched screaming
- Floppy or stiff body
- Rash (usually with redness & heat)
- Swollen or stiff joints
- Convulsions or seizures
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In older children & adults the symptoms of septicaemia may occur together with those of meningitis.

**SYMPTOMS IN CHILDREN & ADULTS MAY INCLUDE:**

- Fever (usually with irritability & fret)
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- Irritability or lethargy
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The rash can start anywhere on the body & can vary in appearance. But every person who has meningitis or septicaemia will have a rash. If you believe someone is seriously ill do not wait to check to see if it is a rash. Seek urgent medical attention. Symptoms can occur in any order, & may not all be present.

**If concerned, see a doctor immediately!**

Free call 1800 250 223  
www.meningitis.com.au

### Meningitis

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Symptoms can appear in any order, & may not all be present.

A rash may also occur with some forms of meningitis. If concerned, see a doctor immediately!

For further information about meningitis visit  
www.meningitis.com.au

The Meningitis Centre  
Telephone Institute for Child Health Research  
100 Roberts Road, Subiaco, WA 6008  
Phone: 9489 7791  
Free call: 1800 250 223  
Fax: (08) 9489 7705  
www.meningitis.com.au  
Email: meningitis@ichrwa.edu.au

Disclaimer: The Meningitis Centre is a not-for-profit research organisation based in Australia, not a professional medical authority.  
The Meningitis Centre's literature provides general information about meningitis, not medical advice. Please consult your doctor for further information & any medical attention if you are concerned someone may be ill.

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More Info 0448242040 (Jerry)



# Community Health Notice Board

## 1 in 8 women is at risk of developing breast cancer

A screening mammogram may detect a cancer that is too small to feel. If you are a woman 50 years or over, phone BreastScreen WA on **13 20 50** for a **FREE** screening mammogram.



[www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au](http://www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au)

Metro locations: Cannington, Fremantle, Joondalup, Midland, Mirrabooka, Padbury, Perth City and Rockingham.  
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Helping Deliver a Healthy WA

Women 50 years or over, have a **FREE** screening mammogram every two years.

Once is not enough



District Education Office Carpark  
off Federal Road  
from 13/06/2009 to 30/10/2009

Leonora 10th - 13th November 2009

For an appointment, phone BreastScreen WA on **13 20 50**



[www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au](http://www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au)

Helping Deliver a Healthy WA

## WA Cervical Cancer Prevention Program

# One Test

15 minutes  
Every two years.

Regular Pap Smears  
Can help prevent  
up to 90% of  
cervical cancer.

**FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER  
FREE PAP SMEARS  
& ADDITIONAL WELL WOMENS CLINICS  
INCLUDING APPOINTMENTS UNTIL 7.30PM  
Phone (08) 90218266 for an appointment  
At Goldfields Women's Health Care Centre**



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# At your Visitor Centre/Community Post

**BOOK HERE**

**PERTH-GOLDFIELDS  
EXPRESS**

**GOLDRUSH TOURS**



## GRT EXPRESS TIMETABLE

### Kalgoorlie to Laverton

TIMETABLE EFFECTIVE 01/04/2008

THURSDAY

EXPRESS	TIME
KALGOORLIE	3.45pm
MENZIES	5.10pm
KOOKYNIE TURNOFF	5.35pm
LEONORA	ARRIVE 6.15pm
	DEPART 6.30pm
MURRIN MURRIN TURNOFF	7.15pm
MT MORGAN TURNOFF	7.25pm
LAVERTON	8.00pm

### Laverton to Kalgoorlie

TIMETABLE EFFECTIVE 01/04/2008

FRIDAY

EXPRESS	TIME
LAVERTON	10.00am
MT MORGANS TURNOFF	10.30am
MURRIN MURRIN	10.40am
LEONORA	ARRIVE 11.15am
	DEPART 11.30am
KOOKYNIE TURNOFF	12.00pm
MENZIES	12.30pm
KALGOORLIE	2.00pm

BOOKINGS &amp; ENQUIRIES

**1800 620 440**

PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE

[www.goldrushtours.com.au](http://www.goldrushtours.com.au)

## Goldrush Tour Bookings

Now available at the Menzies Visitor Centre. Book your trip on the Goldfields GRT Express from Menzies to Kalgoorlie or Laverton. Other regional Tours include: -

**Full Day Tours** - 'The Lake Ballard Experience' departs Wednesdays & Saturdays

'The Prospectors Golden Loop' departs Tuesdays & Fridays

'Coolgardie-Mother of the Goldfields' Departs Tues & Thurs from Kalgoorlie CBD 9.30am

'Shady Dealings Wild West Tour' departs Kalgoorlie CBD daily 10:30am

**Half/Full Day Tours** - 'History & Heritage Tour' departs Kalgoorlie CBD 10am

**Call in and pick up a brochure, plan your day trip and book in advance here.**

**Cash Only Facilities**



# Travellers Tips for the Summer Months

Aboriginal



Justice Agreement

turning the spotlight onto community justice issues



## **Before You Drive:** **PREPARE!**

**Spare Fuel**
☐
**Water (4 - 5 litres per person per day)**
☐
**Extra Food**
☐
**Spare Tyre/Wheel Changing Equipment**
☐
**Tell Someone of Your Travels and Arrival**
☐
**Tool Kit**
☐
**First Aid Kit**
☐
**Vehicle Recovery Equipment**
☐
**One Person Per Seat Position**
☐
**Does the Driver Have a Valid Licence?**
☐
**Is Everyone Wearing Seatbelts?**
☐
**Is Your Car Roadworthy?**
☐

Developed by the Laverton Police Station, community members of the Laverton Local Justice Forum, supported by the Aboriginal Justice Agreement.



## Recycling News for Menzies Businesses & Households



### **CARTRIDGES 4 PLANET ARK WHAT CONSUMABLES CAN BE RECYCLED?**

# Everything!!

- All bottles, large & small
- Bulk inkjet containers
- Bulk Plastics
- Bulk toner/developer
- Cartridges
- Cleaning Units
- Copier Parts
- Developer Units
- Drum Units
- Fuser Units
- All cartridges: Toner & Inkjets
- Bulk Liquid Ink
- PCU's (Photo Conductor Units)
- Printheads
- Toner Collection Kits
- Transfer Kits
- Waste Hoppers/Containers/Collectors
- Imaging Units
- Fax rolls

## Recycle @ Menzies Visitors Centre



*If you require further information, please call Cartridges 4 Planet Ark on 1800 24 24 73*

## Local Business Info

### Menzies Hotel Open from 10am Daily

*Meals Weekdays & Toasted Sandwiches, Pies Pasties & Sausage Rolls*

Evening Special \$15 or order from the Blackboard Menu

### *Meals Sunday*

Counter Meal 12—2pm

Evening Roast Special \$15

Accommodation Ph: 90242016



### Menzies Roadhouse

Petrol & Diesel

Monday to Saturday -

6.30am to 7.30pm

Sunday -

7.30am to 12 noon

Located

Cnr Shenton & Wilson Streets

Where you turn off to Lake Ballard

Sit Down & Takeaway

Meals & Grocery lines

LPG Bottle Exchange

Ph: 90242046



## Managing Your Business in Challenging Times

Now more than ever, you need the right tools & information to manage your business effectively.

To assist you, the Small Business Centre Goldfields is available at any time free of charge if you need assistance with the following:

- Cash flow forecasting for next financial year
- Debt collection strategies
- Obligations to employees
- Business planning
- Understanding your Australian Taxation Office Obligations
- Starting a business
- Business Funding Opportunities
- New Enterprise Incentive Scheme (NEIS)
- Indigenous Business Australia

Our service has been operating throughout the Goldfields since 1991 and provides an essential service in small business development and management. Our service is also free!

Please contact us on 9021 7708 or email us at

[sbcgoldfieldsadmin@kalnet.com.au](mailto:sbcgoldfieldsadmin@kalnet.com.au) with any questions. You can also pop down to the Menzies Visitor Centre to pick up some flyers about our service.



# TROPICANA JOINT VENTURE - Public Notice

## **TROPICANA GOLD PROJECT PUBLIC ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW (28 September 2009 - 24 November 2009)**

The Tropicana Joint Venture is proposing to develop the Tropicana Gold Project, a gold mine located approximately 330 km east northeast of Kalgoorlie and 200 km east of Laverton on the western edge of the Great Victoria Desert in Western Australia. The Project will establish an open-cut mine, processing facility, borefield, power supply, access road and other associated infrastructure required to develop the Tropicana and Havana deposits.

A Public Environmental Review (PER) has been prepared by the Joint Venture in accordance with Western Australian Government procedures and is released for public review. The Western Australian process has also been accredited by the Australian Government for the purpose of its environmental assessment. The PER describes the proposal, examines the likely environmental effects and the proposed environmental management strategies associated with the proposed development.

Hard copies of the PER may be purchased for \$10 or an electronic copy may be purchased for \$5 (including postage and packaging) from:

AngloGold Ashanti Australia  
Level 13, St Martins Tower  
44 St Georges Terrace  
PERTH WA 6000  
Telephone: 1800 068 705

Copies of the PER may also be downloaded from [www.tropicanajv.com.au](http://www.tropicanajv.com.au).

Copies of the PER will be available for examination at:

Department of Environment and Conservation - Library/Reading Room, 4th Floor, The Atrium 168 St Georges Tce, PERTH

Department of Environment and Conservation Goldfields Regional Office - 32 Brookman Street, KALGOORLIE

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Library - Roberts Street, KALGOORLIE

Laverton Library - Laver Place, LAVERTON

Menzies Library - Corner Shenton & Brown Streets, MENZIES

JS Battye Library - Francis Street, PERTH

Public submissions close on 24 November 2009.

The EPA prefers submissions to be made electronically using one of the following:

the submission form on the EPA's website: [www.epa.wa.gov.au/submissions.asp](http://www.epa.wa.gov.au/submissions.asp); or,

by email to [submissions.eia@dec.wa.gov.au](mailto:submissions.eia@dec.wa.gov.au).

Alternatively, submissions can be posted to "Chairman, Environmental Protection Authority, Locked Bag 33, CLOISTERS SQUARE WA 6850, Attention: Kaylene Carter"; or delivered to the Environmental Protection Authority, Level 4, The Atrium, 168 St Georges Terrace, Perth, Attention: Kaylene Carter; or faxed to (08) 6467 5562.

If you have any questions on how to make a submission, please ring the EPA assessment officer, Kaylene Carter on 6467 5413.



## Community Public Health - Public Notice



### Centrecare Goldfields Counselling Services

Would you like to talk to a counsellor?

Centrecare visits your region regularly and can support and counsel community members individually and in groups in many areas including:

Financial difficulties	Relationship development
Alcohol and other drug use	Victim support
Family and domestic violence	Mental health
Child sexual assault	Carer support
Family members entering/exiting prison	Tenancy support

For more information, or to make an appointment please call our Kalgoorlie office on;

08 909 11833 or freecall 1800 671 833

**Appointments are essential.**



## Spinifex Art Stories - Profile of Artist Karli Davies

Artist : Karli Davies

Born: 1/07/1949

Language: Pitantjatjara

Place of birth: Ulalbakara

### Artwork Title: "Ulalbakara"



Karli Davies is a senior traditional man who comes from country in the north of Spinifex Lands. Karli's area is sacred and cannot be spoken about publically.

In this painting he paints the area where he grew up, the circles representing the rockholes and the pathways between.

The Tjuntjuntjara Community of approximately 160 people is located approximately 500kms east of Menzies within the Shire of Menzies.

Size Medium 860 x 1430 mm /  
Spinifex Art Gallery is inside the  
**Menzies Visitors Centre, the 'Former'**  
Lady Shenton Hotel.

Story & photo reproduced with kind permission from Ilkurlka Community.

## About the Paupiyala Tjarutja Aboriginal Corporation

We are known as the "Spinifex People". We have lived in the Great Victoria Desert sand hill country between the Nullarbor Plain and the Musgrave Ranges country for some 25,000 years. Our descendents possibly go back some 600 generations.

**Missionaries** from the Australian Aboriginal Evangelical Mission (AAEM) started living near the desert about two generations ago to help set up facilities for people that had begun to settle close to Kalgoorlie. By 1950, an AAEM Mission was established at Cundeelee which had started as a ration depot in 1939. This was also about the time the British Government began testing atomic weapons at Maralinga.

**By** 1952, 130 people had come from the Spinifex homelands into Cundeelee. Some had come in to obtain food and water; others had been brought in at the insistence of family members already at Cundeelee. At the time, the Government didn't believe that any people could be still surviving near and in the atomic testing site area. It was only when tribal people living in Cundeelee went out with Missionaries and invited people in from the desert that the Government began to act.

**People** eventually settled in Cundeelee through the 1960's but things were pretty tough. The biggest problem was shortage of water. The Government conducted a review in 1973 and described poor facilities in the Community and poor health among the people. The Cundeelee Reserve was handed over to the Aboriginal Lands Trust in that year.

**The** Community became incorporated in 1976 and took over Cundeelee in 1978. By this time there were about 250 "Spinifex People" and about 50 "Europeans" living at Cundeelee. There was also a school, office, hall, kitchen, storehouse and houses. Aboriginal people lived in "bush camps" which shifted around the settlement.

**Cundeelee** was closed in the 1980's and people were moved to Coonana about 60km away closer to Kalgoorlie. Coonana was a cattle station at the time and it was thought this would provide training and an enterprise for the people. But, except for a few young people, no-one wanted to go there. Most of the people wanted to move closer to their homelands.

## Paupiyala Tjarutja Aboriginal Corporation-cont.

**The** older people, sometimes with grandchildren in tow, were at the forefront of the movement back to their traditional lands around 1984. Interestingly, it was some of this group who, as young men, helped the Cundeelee missionaries make contact with and convey their kinfolk from the Great Victoria Desert to Cundeelee during the 1950's and 60's.

**First** the people camped at "Double Pump" on the Nullarbour Plain and then they were given a lease of some 16,000 hectares north at Yakatunya.

**Once** the elders had established a semi-permanent camp at Yakatunya on the southern margin of the Spinifex Lands, young men in particular were drawn to Yakatunya by the prospect of driving and hunting. It also provided time out from the heavy drinking and concurrent violence that characterized the early years of the "official" relocation of the Cundeelee mob to Coonana Community in late 1985. Next, several couples with pre-school children took up residence and others who farmed their school age children out to relatives in Coonana.

**In** 1985/86 the Maralinga Royal Commission was held. On receipt of Maralinga compensation funds, the elder's decided to construct a south-north road through the heart of the Spinifex Lands between Ijuntjuntjara and Wingellina. The road was completed in 1988/9. This attracted a lot of interest from the now "Coonana people", It was at that time also that Tjuntjuntjara secured a water supply and an airstrip, became incorporated as Paupiyala Tjarutja Aboriginal Corporation (PTAC), and exclusively became the venue for traditional business.

**Life** at Tjuntjuntjara, however, was extremely harsh in the first half of the 1990's. Services were very basic due to lack of infrastructure and bad roads. Kalgoorlie, the main resource centre, was a good day and a half's drive away. The makeshift community store was pretty much a tea, sugar, flour and tin of meat affair but traditional game was plentiful.

**While** the Spinifex people's physical comfort was at a premium during this time, their cultural life was well catered for by hosting the major summer Tjilkatja ceremonies in 1992 and 1994 which put Tjuntjuntjara on the Western Desert cultural map.

**There** was steady infrastructure development during the second half of the 1990's providing for an office, store power, clinic and some housing. Tjuntjuntjara had arrived as a viable and adequately funded community albeit with a precarious water supply.

**A** turning point came with the advent of a "proper school" in 1999. This allowed families with school age children to take up residence at Tjuntjuntjara. Coupled with a few troubled years at Coonana Community during this period, the demographic dynamic shifted and Tjuntjuntjara steadily became the primary community of the Spinifex people.

**This** was also the period that the Spinifex people pursued a Native Title claim to the Spinifex lands, 1995-2000. The Native Title process required a considerable amount of field work in turn providing the Spinifex people with the opportunity to access and reconnect to the corners and much of the heart of their traditional lands.

**It** is history now that in November 2000 the Spinifex people secured the largest and strongest Native Title consent determination yet delivered.

**In** the very first 'community plan' commissioned by PTAC, - "The Spinifex People"; Scott Cane 1991, - the outstation Ilkurlka was designated to be the main Spinifex community and Tjuntjuntjara merely a stepping stone to that aspiration. Relative proximity to Coonana and Kiwirrkurra and service convenience dictated otherwise but by late 2003 Ilkurlka had developed to the degree necessary to support a community of people.

**The** Spinifex people are now in a position to easily access the entirety of their country presuming the will and the means to do so are available.

**Daily** life has changed quite dramatically for the Spinifex people since the austere but culturally correct early Yakatunya and Tjuntjuntjara days or even the heady and culturally validating Native Title days. Particularly over the last 4 - 5 years, they have had to contend with and attempt to accommodate a variety of accelerating changes coming at them from the bigger world outside.

**Whereas** a decade ago, it might be imagined they were on the verge of really owning and managing their own communities and the non-Anangu portion of their lives that all seems to be slipping away steadily and almost imperceptively. This trend is not particular to the Spinifex people.

**The** Development Goals adopted in this Pila Nguru People's Plan 2004--..2009 recognize this trend and seek to arrest it and perhaps reverse the trend before it does manifest in serious impacts on the people's own cultural value system.



# Indigenous Trainee Tourism Opportunities



## Aboriginal Traineeship Earn while you learn

Tourism Western Australia's Aboriginal Tourism Traineeship gives Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders the opportunity to work in one of tourism's top organisations while earning a healthy income.

### ARE YOU...

- An Australian Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander?
- Interested in a dynamic career in Tourism and Hospitality?

Then apply for a Traineeship with Tourism WA's Aboriginal Employment Initiative and you will have employment while you gain your qualifications.

A career in tourism and hospitality offers you the skills to work in a variety of areas ranging from food and beverage, retail travel sales, visitor information services and many more, both locally in Western Australia and abroad. The opportunities are boundless.

The Western Australian Visitor Centre in Perth is one of the participating employers in the traineeship, welcoming Alisha Spurgeon in 2006.

After completing her traineeship, Alisha was offered a permanent position as a Holiday Information Consultant and is now working full time and supporting new trainees at the Visitor Centre.



"I would definitely recommend a traineeship to other people. You are provided with plenty of on-the-job training and support and it really helps to build your confidence."

**Alisha Spurgeon**  
WA Visitor Centre

# Indigenous Trainee Tourism Opportunities-cont.



## Aboriginal Traineeship Program:

Tourism WA's Aboriginal Employment Initiative connects with quality hospitality and tourism employers who are committed to increasing the opportunities for Aboriginal people in industry.

## Who can apply?

Tourism WA's Aboriginal Employment Initiative is open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders with an interest in the hospitality and tourism industry.

The traineeship is open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders of all ages from high school to mature-age applicants.

## What am I entitled to?

As a trainee, you will be matched with a suitable tourism or hospitality employer and will earn full or part-time wages.

You will also be eligible to receive pre-employment training and mentoring support.

If you would like to apply or receive more information please contact [tania.donovan@westernaustralia.com](mailto:tania.donovan@westernaustralia.com) or call 9262 1700

**[tourismjobswa.com](http://tourismjobswa.com)**







## Poets Corner

### “LONESOME AND PADDY” by Aileen Kelly

**The blue heelers travelled with noses being swished by the horse’s tails, their lolloping tongues occasionally being flicked by flashing, iron-clad hooves.** Never before had a morning quite like this one happened: we were a good three miles from the homestead as the first day colours crept along the mountain tops to our East; the six horses fresh and eager as they made a cracking pace away from the dawn and into the rugged country we planned to muster that day.

We intended yarding the cattle back at the homestead by evening, hence the early start and two horses apiece. The logic behind the spare mounts was that it was rough country full of half-wild cattle and we expected to be picking up little mobs from early in the day; by lunch time our first horses would be fairly tired whereas the horse on the lead would still be as fresh as morning.

I was riding a handsome, long-striding, big brown gelding, one of our own breed: grandson on the sire’s side to the Melbourne Cup winner, Hallmark, and out of a lovely half thoroughbred, half draught mare.

**He had been named “Lonesome” as a foal because he was so much larger than all the other foals he had stood alone in the mob.** Keeping easy pace by his side where the path would allow was his full brother, younger by one year. A smaller, finer stamp was Paddy: bay with black points and clean lines, he had inherited in favour of the thoroughbred and was my personal pride and joy of the station.

I had chosen him for myself out of the foals born in the year I turned ten; at thirteen I broke him in and for the three years of working life since then, Paddy had never known another person on his back. He was a true one-man horse and being kept for the second stage as I too would be starting to feel a bit **tired by then. Holding Lonesome’s big heavy head in at a walk and being jolted by his lumbering stride** was a strenuous task on its own; I was glad Paddy gave no trouble on the lead but kept pace, shoulder to shoulder with his brother and enjoyed the morning in his own gay fashion.

Under the circumstances the dawning of day seemed to cast a magic spell over me, my horses, and the bush. Some hours after daybreak, as we were travelling along a rocky spur by the side of the St George River, I was still far away in my world of dreams. Here the river cut a deep gorge in the hills of inland Peninsula country; the bottom was wide and sandy with many outcrops of slate rock and granite boulders, the stream itself but a narrow, wandering watercourse here and there between small trees among the sand and rocks.

Both horses suddenly pricked their ears in the same direction, Lonesome putting more pressure into his **hold on the bit at the same time..... Cattle! I followed the silent gaze of their ears and saw a number of** cattle moving out from the trees at the bottom of the steep slope; one by one they broke into a trot towards the far side. My father had been riding some distance ahead of me and my brother even further in front, almost out of sight; my spirits soared as I realized I was the closest and it was up to me to head them off and bring them back to the track. The first cattle of the day – my horses and I were more than ready for some battle.

As Lonesome felt my weight go forward in the saddle, he dropped his head even further into the reins and was galloping down the slope in the next stride, Paddy beside him on the lead. The plan was to leave the spare horse behind and one of the other riders would catch and mind it, but I could see Paddy had no intention of missing a good gallop with us, and if I dropped the lead he could easily get it tangled in his forelegs and do himself an injury.

So down the side of the gorge we raced together, scattering stones, jumping logs and boulders as we went. The cattle heard our approach and broke into a gallop so I urged both horses harder -- they were sure-footed, experienced animals, short backs and sloping shoulders of the good old Queensland stamp; I had every confidence in their ability to travel through rough bush.





## Poets Corner

### “LONESOME AND PADDY” - Continued

We leaped down on to the sandy bottom from the ledge about six feet above the riverbed. Both horses regained balance and stride together and struck out in a fierce race across the sand. We were headed towards a line of solid rock about three feet high; I could see no way around it and the horses were in full gallop on a line directly for it, so I gathered myself for the leap. As we drew closer I saw that it was actually two such barriers; they were separated by a narrow strip of sand, perhaps eighteen inches wide -- I did not have time to make a precise observation. It was too late to try to stop, the horses were in control now and all I could do was sit tight and keep balance, not throw either of them off stride for a moment.

**I leant forward on Lonesome's neck as he rose on his haunches for the obstacle; watched Paddy's shoulder muscles flex as he curved through the air; saw their four forefeet land in an irregular pattern on the tiny patch of sand; followed the split second timing in the changeover from front hooves to back in that little island as they rose together again over the second wall of rock.** Next thing we were galloping across the rest of the sand which lay in an open expanse to the narrow, swiftly flowing stream; splashing through the stream and scrambling up the steep bank on to the slope where the cattle were now racing towards the forest hills and oblivion.

We had gained a lot of ground on them, but speed was all important now; up the steep hill and head **them off before the trees. In the confusion of finding a foothold up the bank I had lost Paddy's lead, but** he did not notice immediately; we were well up the slope before he realized he no longer had to stay with us but could make his own way. Being unencumbered by harness or rider, Paddy could climb at a better angle and when he found this he swished his tail and put on more speed; this in turn spurred Lonesome to greater effort and it was within moments that I was turning the leaders of the cattle; I could see the blue heeler bringing in a stray from my left and to my astonishment I saw Paddy, head to one side so as not to step on the trailing lead, bringing in the right flank.

He worked with all the style and enthusiasm he ever had when I was in his saddle. He cut and turned and headed beasts who stared at him in fear and amazement -- a riderless horse pushing them around, they had never experienced before.

Looking down into the riverbed, I saw the two men riding towards us; they raised their hats in salute to a job well done; I lifted mine in reply and bowed the salute in the direction of Paddy, the stockhorse.



## Children's Page

### What comes from animals?

All the things in this list are connected with animals. The words all fit somewhere in the grid. Can you find where they should go? Some letters have been filled in to help you.

**3-letter words:**

fat  
fur

**4-letter words:**

milk  
duck  
beef  
veal  
eggs  
chop  
glue

**5-letter words:**

cream  
steak  
goose

**6-letter words:**

cheese  
butter  
manure  
tallow  
fillet  
mutton

**7-letter words:**

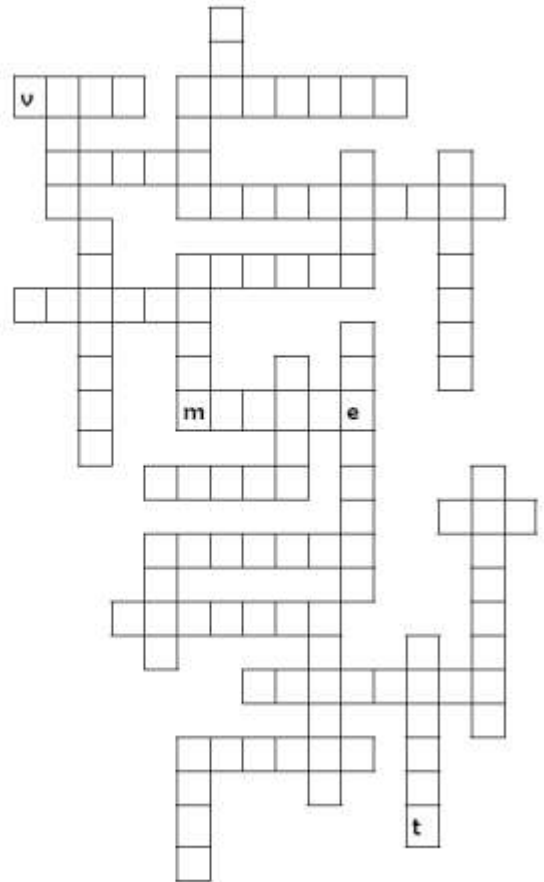
chicken  
petfood  
bristle  
leather  
yoghurt

**8-letter words:**

gelatine  
sausages  
pheasant

**10-letter words:**

fertilizer



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Colour us in for fun!



## Recipes to Try

### 5 MINUTE CHOCOLATE MUG CAKE

4 tablespoons flour  
4 tablespoons sugar  
2 tablespoons cocoa  
1 egg  
3 tablespoons milk  
3 tablespoons oil  
3 tablespoons chocolate chips (optional)  
A small splash of vanilla extract  
1 large coffee mug (MicroSafe)

Add dry ingredients to mug, and mix well. Add the egg and mix thoroughly.

Pour in the milk and oil and mix well..

Add the chocolate chips (if using) and vanilla extract, and mix again.

Put your mug in the microwave and cook for 3 minutes at 1000 watts..

The cake will rise over the top of the mug, but don't be alarmed!

Allow to cool a little, and tip out onto a plate if desired.

EAT ! (this can serve 2 if you want to feel slightly more virtuous).

And why is this the most dangerous cake recipe in the world?

Because now we are all only 5 minutes away from chocolate cake at any time of the day or night!



### APPLE MUFFINS

#### INGREDIENTS

- 6 APPLES PEELED & DICED
- 6 EGGS
- 1 CUP CASTER SUGAR
- 1 ½ cup of self raising
- ½ cup warm water
- 2 tbsp milk

#### METHOD:

- turn oven onto 180'
- whisk eggs and sugar until thick and creamy
- mix milk & water together
- stir in chopped apples
- spoon into muffin cases
- bake mixture at 180' for 20/25 minutes

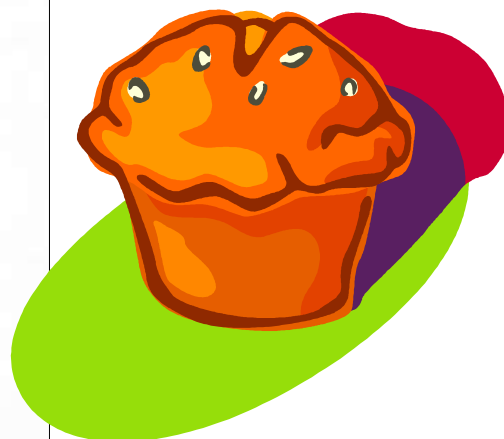
### Picnic Bites

#### Ingredients:

2 cups SR flour  
2 eggs  
1 cup milk  
2 tablespoons marg, melted  
2 cups grated cheese  
1 carrot, grated  
1 stalk celery, finely chopped  
150g bacon, finely diced  
Sunflower seeds

#### Method:

1. Preheat oven to 190d
2. In one bowl, mix flour, cheese, vegies and bacon
3. In another bowl, beat eggs, milk and marg
4. Blend both mixes together
5. Spoon mix into greased gemscone trays, or paper cases
6. Sprinkle with sunflower seeds
7. Bake for 15 to 20 minutes





## Great Dry Climate Gardens Advice



## Gardening with Local Native Plants



### THE Bushlands

of the Goldfields contain a large variety of plants, some of which make excellent garden specimens.

Some, like the Emu Bush (*Eremophila*, 'Desert Lovers') have lovely flowers, some have attractive seed pods like the Cassia (*Senna*), while others have interesting foliage such as the Bookleaf Mallee (*Eucalyptus kruseana*) and others have a lovely aroma like the Native Hopbush (*Dodonaea tabulata*).



*Eremophila glabra*  
Prostrate Emu Bush



*Dodonaea tabulata* Native Hopbush

### INDIGENOUS PLANTS

have a number of advantages in the domestic garden.

Some of these advantages include:

- low water use, because they have adapted to the local rainfall
- the plants are more suited to the soil type and therefore tend to be harder and require less maintenance
- native plant species attract the local birdlife into your garden
- native plants require little or no fertiliser

### FURTHER INFORMATION...

about local native plants is contained in the Karikuria Park Native Plant Guide and the Goldfields Waterwise Plants poster available from KBULG.

To learn more about growing native plants in your garden, contact:

Local nurseries or garden centres  
Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group  
Horticultural Officer: City of Kalgoorlie Boulder



*Eucalyptus kruseana*  
Bookleaf Mallee



*Eucalyptus torquata*  
Coral Gum/Coolgardie Gum



*Eucalyptus woodwardii*  
Lemon-Flowered Gum



*Callistemon phoeniceus*  
Inland Bottlebrush

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## Landscaping a garden with local native plants

Involves the same principles as when using non-natives or exotics:

- group plants together according to their watering requirements
- locate trees required for shade so that they cast it where you want it
- consider the future effect of this shade on adjacent plants
- don't site tall trees under powerlines
- use tall shrubs for screening
- unless in a large or very informal garden, it is usually preferable to plant low growing species in front of taller species
- consider flowering times, flower colour and foliage shape and colour in siting your plants.



*Eremophila maculata*  
Native Fuchsia



*Eucalyptus lesouefii*  
Goldfields Blackbutt

Some nurseries and garden centres in the Goldfields sell a range of native and indigenous plants which are ideally suited to the area. Another alternative is to grow the plants from seed.

## Some suggestions for indigenous (\*) and native plants (x) in the low water use garden are:

### MALLEES & TREES

- |                                 |                      |
|---------------------------------|----------------------|
| ✓ <i>Eucalyptus campaspe</i>    | Silver Gimlet        |
| x <i>Eucalyptus forrestiana</i> | Fuchsia Gum          |
| ✓ <i>Eucalyptus kruseana</i>    | Bookleaf Mallee      |
| ✓ <i>Eucalyptus lesouefii</i>   | Goldfields Blackbutt |
| ✓ <i>Eucalyptus salubris</i>    | Gimlet               |
| ✓ <i>Eucalyptus torquata</i>    | Coral Gum            |
| ✓ <i>Eucalyptus woodwardii</i>  | Lemon Flowered Gum   |
| ✓ <i>Santalum acuminatum</i>    | Quandong             |
| ✓ <i>Santalum spicatum</i>      | Sandalwood           |

### MEDIUM TO LARGE SHRUBS 2m AND OVER

- |                                 |                       |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------|
| ✓ <i>Acacia species</i>         | Wattle                |
| ✓ <i>Alyogyne hakeifolia</i>    | Native Hibiscus       |
| x <i>Alyogyne huegelii</i>      | Lilac Hibiscus        |
| ✓ <i>Callistemon phoeniceus</i> | Inland Bottlebrush    |
| ✓ <i>Calothamnus species</i>    | One Sided Bottlebrush |
| ✓ <i>Eremophila species</i>     | Emu Bush              |
| ✓ <i>Gossypium sturtianum</i>   | Sturt's Desert Rose   |

### SMALL TO MEDIUM SHRUBS 2m AND UNDER

- |                               |                  |
|-------------------------------|------------------|
| x ✓ <i>Eremophila species</i> | Emu Bush         |
| ✓ <i>Dodonaea tabulata</i>    | Native Hopbush   |
| ✓ <i>Olearia muelleri</i>     | Goldfields Daisy |
| ✓ <i>Senna species</i>        | Cassia           |
| x ✓ <i>Westringia species</i> | Native Rosemary  |

### GROUNDCOVERS & DWARF SHRUBS

- |                                 |                         |
|---------------------------------|-------------------------|
| ✓ <i>Swainsona formosa</i>      | Sturt's Desert Pea      |
| ✓ <i>Eremophila biserrata</i>   | Prostrate Eremophila    |
| x <i>Eremophila densifolia</i>  | Dense Leaved Eremophila |
| x <i>Eremophila glabra</i>      | Prostrate Emu Bush      |
| x ✓ <i>Myoporum parvifolium</i> | Fine Leaf Myoporum      |

### ANNUALS

- |                              |              |
|------------------------------|--------------|
| x ✓ <i>Rhodanthe species</i> | Everlastings |
|------------------------------|--------------|

## DEFINITIONS

### INDIGENOUS native plants

are those plants which occur naturally in the local area. In this pamphlet indigenous plants are those plants which can be found occurring naturally around Kalgoorlie-Boulder and the Goldfields. These are the best species to plant.



*Acacia acuminata*  
Jam Wattle

**NATIVE plants** are plants which occur naturally in Australia, but not necessarily in the Goldfields.

**Please note:** All plants recommended in this pamphlet are suitable for planting in this area, with its semi-arid climate.

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## In your Home - Water Wise Tips

### SAVING WATER TIPS

#### Toilet

##### Dual flush systems

If you're building or replacing the entire toilet (the pan and cistern), 6/3 litre and 4.5/3 litre dual flush units are the most water efficient. If you're just replacing the cistern choose a 9/4.5 litre dual flush cistern to suit older style toilet pans.

##### The toilet is not a rubbish bin

The toilet uses a lot of water in the home, between 3 and 11 litres for every half or full flush. Some people use their toilets to flush away cigarette butts, tissues and other rubbish. This wastes a lot of water and can cause problems in the sewerage or septic system.

#### Bathroom

##### Showers

Long, hot showers waste water and power. Conventional showers use an average 12 litres of water per minute. So shorten your showers. Just a minute or two every day adds up to a lot of water over a year. **Shower timers** are a great way to remind you to limit shower times.

##### Catch the cold water

We nearly all waste water while we wait for the hot tap to warm up. Why not keep containers handy near your sink and shower and use the water you would usually waste on indoor plants or the garden.

##### Low flow showerheads

Almost a third of in-house water is used in the shower and much of it is heated, so you're using power too. Installing a new low flow showerhead will enable you to enjoy a good pressure shower, with a reduction of around one third water use, compared to a conventional showerhead.

##### Basins and tubs

The right basin shapes saves water. Deep, narrow basins use less water than shallow, wide ones and a basin with a smaller surface area also saves on hot water by reducing the cooling rate. Basins can be fitted with pop-up plugs, which stay closed until a lever or button is pressed. These discourage leaving taps running as the basin quickly fills.

##### Turn the tap off

Don't let water run while cleaning your teeth or washing your hands. A tap running strongly can use up to 9 litres of water per minute. If you regularly keep the tap running while cleaning your teeth you could use about 7,000 litres per year. Use a cup and you could save nearly all this water.

##### When buying a bathtub

As with hand basins, select a bathtub that is deep and narrow. Have it fully insulated to retain water temperature. This can be achieved with a bed of fibreglass batts. Ask your builder to insulate it as your bathroom is being fitted out.

#### Kitchen

##### Dishwasher

Even a dishwasher with a low water use rating can use the equivalent of two sinks of water per wash. Older models can use even more, up to 40 litres. To save water, run your dishwasher only when it is full. You will also save on your power bills.

#### Laundry

Almost one quarter of in-house water use is in the laundry.

##### Washing Machine

When purchasing a new washing machine, compare the water and energy use of different brands and choose the most efficient machine that fits your budget. Front loading machines generally use less water than top loaders of the same size. As with dishwashers, wait until it's full and you'll save water and power. Use water level controls, suds savers or different wash cycles if available to save water for particular kinds of loads. Low rinse and low detergent options are also recommended. **Waterwise choices for new homes**

##### Design your new home for water efficiency

When planning a house, locate the hot water system and bathrooms, ensuites, laundry and kitchen as close to each other as possible. This reduces initial plumbing costs and saves water and energy by reducing the flushing of cold water from hot water taps.

##### Insulate hot water pipes

Insulating hot water pipes can save water and power by retaining water heat and reducing the need to flush out cold water from hot water taps.

For more information about being Waterwise in your home please contact our Waterwise Helpline on 13 10 39.

## WATERWISE PLANTS

These are a few of the many Waterwise plants for Kalgoorlie-Boulder and surrounds. Contact your local shire, Waterwise Garden Centre and community groups for further information.



### ***Almond***

Medium sized tough deciduous tree. A beautiful way to feed the birds.



### ***Alyogyne hakeifolia***

Native Hibiscus is much tougher than it looks. Shrub to 3m with lots of flowers.



### ***Eremophila calorhabdos***

Looks much better than it sounds. Needs an occasional prune in the garden.



### ***Eucalytus erythronema***

One of the best small trees for the garden. Showy, red, bird attracting flowers.



### ***Plumbago***

Gets knocked by the frost but comes back in summer with lots of flowers.



### ***Senna artemisioides***

Silver Cassia grows fast, flowers gloriously and dies young, but is worth planting.

## GARDEN PICTURES



Sometimes it's easier to grow plants in containers.



Greywater can help keep a garden green.



Grow local native plants to give reliable shade and shelter

## WATER SAVING HINTS

### **Soil Improvement**

Adding organic matter to sandy or loamy garden soil at planting time will improve nutrient holding capacity improve the soil structure encourage soil micro organisms that are vital for healthy plant growth and buffer the pH.

Soil amendments can be used in addition to organic matter. Their effects are permanent.

Zeolite and Spongelite are minerals that will increase moisture and nutrient holding capacity of most soils. They are added at the rate of 1 to 2 handfuls per square metre and then mixed through the upper layer.

Water storage crystals are a useful additive for container grown plants. Wet them first and then mix thoroughly through the potting mix prior to planting. The crystals will dramatically increase the moisture holding capacity of the mix which in turn reduces moisture stress on the plants.

### **pH**

Most local soils are alkaline, sometimes very alkaline with a pH of 8.5. This may result in iron and nitrogen becoming unavailable to plants which then develop symptoms such as yellowing of the foliage. In turn this



## WATERWISE PLANTS · Continued

may lead to stunted growth or even dying back. Use a soil test kit, available from nurseries and garden centres for less than \$20 to determine if there is a problem in your garden. For reliable results be sure to follow the instructions carefully.

### Windbreaks

Wind is a very important factor in transpiration of water from plant tissue. When exposed to strong dry winds the foliage of delicate plants is burned because moisture loss exceeds the plant's ability to replace it. Slowing down the wind reduces moisture loss and therefore moisture stress on the plant.

Tough local shrubs make ideal living windbreaks that can be pruned to shape. They can also be highly ornamental and provide shelter for local wildlife such as birds.

### Mulch

All soils benefit from being mulched. A good Waterwise mulch is one that has large and irregular particles that hold little if any water. Spread 5 to 7.5cm thick it will reduce evaporative water loss from the soil surface by as much as 70%, reduce weeds and reduce heat stress on root systems.

### Rain sensors

While there are many water saving gadgets on the market few are as effective or simple as a rain sensor. These devices are usually mounted on the gutter but they can also be sited outside anywhere clear of the ground and obstructions. When it rains a signal is sent to the linked irrigation controller and watering is disabled. The devices are adjustable for varying amounts of rain. A rebate is available.

### Wetting Agents

These products overcome a common problem in sandy soils where because of naturally occurring waxes, water pools on the surface and/or soaks in unevenly. Wetting agents come in liquid or granular form and should be applied regularly.

### Irrigation devices

Sub surface irrigation, also known as an integrated dripper, has the potential to save a lot of water when compared with more conventional watering methods. Consult your local irrigation supplier to see if it may be appropriate for your garden situation and water supply.

## Words of Wisdom contributed by Deb Seale

Quotes worth remembering:

By the time a man realizes that maybe his father was right; he usually has a son who thinks he's wrong.  
Charles Wadsworth

Thought for the day:

If lawyers are disbarred and clergymen defrocked, doesn't it follow that electricians can be delighted, musicians denoted, cowboys deranged, models deposed, tree surgeons debarked and dry cleaners depressed?

Wise Words:

The early worm gets eaten!

Trivia:

Do you ever wonder about those people who spend all that money on those little bottles of Evian water?  
*Spell Evian backwards.*

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Ularring well, Left & Trough, Above.  
Photos taken out at Ularring Soak Site  
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## Calender of Events for Oct - Nov 2009

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 Menzies St John Training. 6pm See p.22	15 Tidy Towns Meeting 4 PM Visitor Centre	16 Interagency Meeting 11:30 Visitor Centre	17 Kookynie Ward Election 8am-6pm seep.2	18
19	20	21 Menzies St John Training. 6pm See p.22	22	23	24	25
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