



Menzies Matters

Issue 18

Free

September 2009

Menzies School Sports Day



Menzies School Sports Day resulted in the Warriors being the winners on the day. Photos - Debra Seale.

From Bottom Left Clockwise: Kevin Corbett runner up champion boy, Ms Oliver - Keeping tally for the Day, Left to right - Tahlee, Crystal H, Tiniel, Allana O'Donoghue, Crystal D, congratulations to boy & girl champions together with the runner ups - Kevin, Alex, Kyra and Kelly, , sports day helper Janet, sports day winners – Joshua, Lionel, Caroline and Shania, .Champion boys Alex and Nathan, sports day - lunch time.

Centre from second from top: Playing Corner Spry competing for the first place are Aces and Warriors, Miss Walker and group of Aces children, lunch time spectators at the school sports day, Tonya, Jasmine, Tyisha taking a break and one of the sports day games - weave.

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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 15th 2009 to April 14th 2010

Restricted Burning Periods: November 1st 2009 to December 14th 2009 & April 15th 2010 to May 14th 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 -
Aug - Thursday 27th, Sept - Friday 25th
and October - Thursday 22nd.

Please note that for 2009 all Council Meetings will be held on the 4th Thursday of each Month.

(See notice for change of date & venue for Sept. below)

The general public are welcome for question time at the start of each months Council Meeting.

Shire of Menzies Public Notice



SHIRE OF MENZIES

COUNCIL MEETING

CHANGE OF VENUE AND DATE

Pursuant to clause 12(2) of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996, and Section 5.25(i)(g) of the Local Government Act 1995, the Local Authority is required to provide Public notice of a change to the Council or Committee date.

Accordingly, it is advised that the Council meeting date scheduled for Thursday, September 24th will now be conducted on Friday, September 25th, 2009 at 9.00am at the Grand Hotel, Kookynie.

B W Seale JP
Chief Executive Officer
Shire of Menzies
(08) 9024 2041



Matters arising from the Ordinary Meeting of Council held Thursday 27th August 2009

1. Adoption of the Corporate Plan.

Council engaged a firm of Consultants to prepare a Corporate Plan to ensure the future of Menzies into the long term future and indeed this plan was adopted by Council on August 27th. This is a particularly valuable and strategic direction for Menzies and provides the blue-print of what to do and what are the critically⁷ important features for this community. Accordingly, I am much encouraged by the adoption of the significant directional tool which will drive the future thinking for the next five years.

2. Support to the Tjuntjuntjara Community.

This item was also an important discussion point in Chambers as Council was able to formulate a strategic philosophy as to what it was wanting to do for this unique community and how it was to provide the operational support to the community required. A significant paper was prepared by Justin Lee and presented to Council as how to determine that delivery and this concept was embraced by Council. The duties required for this conceptual aspect of Shire operations in allied to the duties of Mr Lee in the area of Community Development and thus this aspect will augment his current role. Accordingly this is a significant step forward from this community and I am confident great results will emerge as a result of this resolution. Council also contributed a \$3,000 grant to support the community with lights and wind sock for the Air-filed which is a vital link to the outside world especially in terms of the requirement of the Royal Flying Doctor Services.

3. New Employee – Depot Person.

Council also approved the position of a Depot Person to assist the Works Manager in the controls of stores and equipment, ordering of materials and sourcing of quotes e.t.c.. Accordingly, this is a great step forward for the Shire and the advertisement for this position will feature on the Kalgoorlie Miner and the West Australian newspaper on Wednesday September 2nd and where applications close on September 18th, 2009. **Shire's Works Manager will be happy to receive enquires during this period to assist interested applicants with any questions they may have and indeed are encouraged to contact Mr Jerry Lenane for this purpose, if required.**

4. Memorandum of understanding – **“Golden Quest Discovery Trail.”**

This very valuable “Trail” is a crucial component of the tourism aspect for this town and Shire and Council entered into a three year term of support of this facility with the agreement to support the “Memorandum of Understanding” which embraces the concepts and direction with financial support for the Trail group. Thus Council goes from strength to strength.

5. Royalties for Regions Funding.

This particularly important and indeed very welcomed provision of funding has enabled Shires to achieve success with projects that otherwise would not be able to be considered. Accordingly for Menzies the entitlement for the 2009/10 year exceeds \$500,000 **and Council endorsed the concept of this funding being administered through the “Goldfields Voluntary Regional Organization of Councils”, where it is** member with a number of neighbouring Shires.

6. Support for Community Sporting bodies to Participate in Activities in neighbouring towns.

On a local basis, Council agreed to put aside \$2,700 in this financial year in support funding for local Sporting groups to enable them to participate in attendance at neighbouring Shires. Accordingly this is likewise a great step forward in local assistance and should enhance the training and skill base for our local athletes by facilitating this assistance.

7. Local Government Reform Strategy.

This obligation is required to be submitted to the Minister by September 30th, 2009 and Council had engaged a firm of Consultants to prepare the submission to determine the direction for the future of Menzies. However, the submission was so extensive and delivered late so Council was not provided adequate time to deliberate over this vital report and deferred further consideration until the September meeting. Accordingly further details will issue to the Public shortly in this regard.

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Thursday 27th August 2009

8. N.A.I.D.O.C. Week Celebrations.

Whilst it appears that the state historically celebrate this event in July, the Goldfields have arranged this annual event for celebration in October and where Council has embraced the concept and will develop a plan of what to do and how best to contribute to this celebration in 2009 and for future years.

9. Ranger Position.

It has become quite apparent that there is indeed a significant need at Niagara, Lake Ballard and Ularring soak. Accordingly, Council has decided to engage a concept of employment to provide services at these Tourist destinations to provide potable water, issuance of infringement notices and to pump out leach drains (e.t.c.) The council is open-minded with the concept of how to deliver these services and will consider all opportunities presented, including fulltime employment, part-time, casual, contract, or job-shared. **Accordingly an advertisement calling for "Expressions of Interest" will feature in the West Australian Newspaper and Kalgoorlie Miner on Wednesday September 2nd and close on Friday September 18th, 2009.**

10. Health Issues in Menzies.

This particularly important aspect of Community Health was raised and whole-heartedly supported by Council in the augmenting of Council garden beds with fresh vegetables and street verges to be planted with Fruit Trees for community members to access at will. Accordingly this is a huge step forward for community health and we are encouraged by Council's adoption of such an innovative concept.

11. Applications for Mining/Exploration Licenses. (Five.)

It remains most encouraging also to continue to see mining applications being received by Council and this month five applications received Council support for activities in this Shire. This is very encouraging and displays a great confidence in this region.

12. Support for the Annual "Friends Camp" – Yiwarra Palya.

Again a great decision in Council was the support for the Annual "Friends Camp" as arranged by the Yiwarra Palya Camps group at Morapoi and where Council will support financially the Shire of Menzies children in this endeavour to the extent of \$80 per head to encourage participation. Accordingly, this is a wonderful opportunity for unity and good fun.

13. "Educating Rita" – Live Play for Menzies.

In terms of a cultural event, Council supported the bringing to Town the play "Education Rita" as performed by the theatrical troupe "Stage Left Theatre Troupe" from Boulder and this is likely to be held in September/October this year. Accordingly, further advices will issue once the timings have been confirmed and this is looking to be a great live performance.

14. Bootscooting – Dance Troupe for Menzies.

Also in terms of an interesting and lively activity being brought to town is the "Dancing Group" from Koorda, who have agreed to attend to teach local folk how to boot scoot and will perform on a Saturday evening to display what practice can do. Accordingly it is wonderful that council embraced this concept so willingly and further details will issue shortly once the date for attendance has been determined and agreed upon.

15. Governors Visit to Menzies.

On a very prestigious note, Council has been asked to host a morning tea and a luncheon for the Governor on September 24th, and where this is an exciting and proud time for Menzies and it is hoped we can have the Governor and his wife meet a number of our community on this occasion. Further advices will issue as details unfold.

Brian W. Seale J.P. Chief Executive Officer

Shire of Menzies W.A. Ph- 9024-2041 Fax-9024-2110 Mobile 0409-114 509

Shire of Menzies Staff Positions Vacant



GENERAL HAND / PLANT OPERATOR

The Shire of Menzies is seeking the services of a motivated and suitably experienced person for the position of General Hand & Plant Operator.

Duties: The successful applicant will be responsible for the effective operation of plant and equipment and to aid in reaching the Council's objectives.

Salary and Conditions: The position officered on a fulltime basis, in accordance with the Local Government Municipal Employees Award which is a Level 4 position depending on relevant experience. Accommodation may be available.

Applications stating personal details, employment history (including any qualifications attained), and the names and contact details of two current referees are to reach the undersigned at PO Box 4, Menzies WA 6436 by 4pm Wednesday, September 23rd 2009.

A position description including the selection criteria may be obtained by contacting Council's Customer Service Officer, on (08) 90242041 or by e-mail on cs01@menzies.wa.gov.au further enquiries in relation to the position may be directed to Chief Executive Officer, Brian Seale.

Brian Seale JP Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Menzies PO Box 4, MENZIES WA 6436



SHIRE OF MENZIES "DEPOT PERSON"

Council for the Shire of Menzies is seeking the services of a suitable candidate for immediate commencement for the position of "Depot Person" to assist the Works Manager with Depot Management, Stores controls, research and ordering of materials together with acquisition of quotes (etc).

Interested persons are encouraged to speak to the Works Manager, Mr. Jerry Lenane on 9024 2041 for a "position description" and where applications will be received up to 12 noon, Friday September 18th 2009.

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SHIRE OF MENZIES

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

"SHIRE RANGER"

Council for the Shire of Menzies, seeks "Expressions of Interest" from suitable candidates, interested in providing the services of a "Shire Ranger" to the Shire of Menzies where issuing infringement notices, delivery of potable water to tourist facilities and pumping out of leach drains are some of the duties.

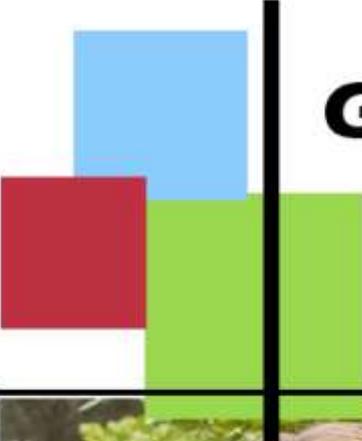
Interested persons are encouraged to contact Mr. Jerry Lenane on 9024 2041 for a 'Position Description Form'.

Council will consider applications for a full time employee, job sharing, contractor or resource sharing arrangement or other arrangements as applicable up to 12 noon on Friday September 18th, 2009.

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Great Gardens Coming to Menzies Wednesday 21st September 2009



Great Gardens Team Visiting Menzies

***Free Great Gardens Presentation
Menzies Town Hall, Shenton St, Menzies.***



**Monday 21st September 2009
4:30pm - 7:30pm 3hr Workshop**

\$5.00 per person donation towards a light tea

Bookings & Enquiries: Menzies Visitor Centre

Ph: 90 242 702 E: visitorcentre@menzies.wa.gov.au

Green thumbs, avid gardeners and even those having difficulty keeping their plants alive can benefit from this free workshop. Fun and informative these workshops will dispel popular gardening misconceptions and myths and provide a host of practical Waterwise tips for your garden.

Learn Waterwise ways to grow fruit and vegetables and much more.

Win prizes and take home giveaways. Light refreshments at half time.

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The Great Gardens Team guarantee no sales pitches just FREE advice to help you garden successfully

Around Town - Menzies Historic Cemetery



Menzies Historic Cemetery

The original Gazebo has been recently restored by a local contractor in keeping with the original design. The timber uprights are recycled timber from the now demolished Yundamindra Woolshed Stand headboard.

Register of Heritage Places – Assessment Documentation 1

Menzies Cemetery

25 July 2008

Menzies Cemetery has aesthetic significance for the distinctive goldfields examples of metal grave monuments specific to Menzies between 1900 and 1939. The place has a variety of monuments and other funerary fixtures, many of which display skill, artistry and craftsmanship in the disciplines of blacksmithing and stone masonry.

Menzies Cemetery demonstrates associations with the earliest foundations and subsequent development of Menzies and the North Coolgardie Goldfields.

HISTORIC VALUE: *Menzies Cemetery* has the potential to yield information life on the goldfields of Western Australia, from 1895 to 1939. *Menzies Cemetery* is associated with the prospectors, miners, businessmen, government officials and their families who risked their health and their lives to follow the lure of gold and the call of duty. The high incidence of deaths due to suicide, accidents, typhoid or alcohol, the relatively low average age of adults interred, and the high infant mortality, bear testimony to the dangers and difficulties of goldfields life.

SCIENTIFIC VALUE: *Menzies Cemetery* has the potential to yield information relating to the population of the area and life on the goldfields of Western Australia, including life expectancy, family size, religious affiliation, ethnicity, morbidity, genealogical and other biographical information.

SOCIAL VALUE: *Menzies Cemetery* is valued by the local community for its cultural, religious, personal and historical associations, demonstrated by its well-maintained appearance. The cemetery contributes to the community's sense of place as a landmark and is a tangible reminder of the early history of the town and region.

DEGREE OF SIGNIFICANCE (RARITY): *Menzies Cemetery* is distinctive for the number of iron monuments which make use of locally available materials and skills in the absence of traditional funerary requirements.

REPRESENTATIVENESS: *Menzies Cemetery* represents a history of the Menzies district during the foundation of its beginnings, through the form, materials, lettering, style, alignment and presentation of the cemetery.

CONDITION: The elements that comprise *Menzies Cemetery* are generally in fair condition, and for the most part are maintained. However, a number of headstones and surrounds are damaged.

INTEGRITY: *Menzies Cemetery* has retained a high degree of integrity. Although it no longer accepts burials it remains clearly identifiable as a cemetery.

AUTHENTICITY: The original structure, form and fabric of *Menzies Cemetery* remain intact, with no changes to any original fabric, except the damage to headstones. *Menzies Cemetery* demonstrates a high degree of authenticity. The stone wall and metal gate entry has some heritage significance, and the gazebo is of some significance.

Heritage Council of Western Australia

Northern Goldfields Sports & Recreation News



Northern Goldfields Sport News



Northern Goldfields Netball Results

Finals Round 1

Leinster **72** Defeated Leonora 1 **16**

Menzies **67** Defeated Leonora 2 **10**

Finals Round 2

Menzies **78** Defeated Leonora 1 **43**

Northern Goldfields Football Final 2009

Who: Leonora Vs Laverton

When: Saturday September 12th @ 11am

Where: Leonora Town Oval

What: Intertown Challenge

Netball Finals Round 2 Menzies defeated Leonora 1 29/08/09



Northern Goldfields Football Carnival

When: Date 26th/ 27th and 28th September

Where: Laverton Town Oval

Cost: \$100 per team - Nomination Form out soon

Further information please contact Gavin on 0439 099 754

Northern Goldfields Netball

Grand Final Saturday 12/09/09

Leinster Vs Menzies in Leonora

Coordinator: Gavin Isbister phone: 0439 099 754 Email: gavin.ngsrc@hotmail.com

Menzies Sports and Recreation News



Netball Finals Round 1 Menzies defeated Leonora 2



Above left: Sisters, Kellie & Kristie-Lee Tucker at the social BBQ after the Netball game.
Centre: Murray doing the BBQ duties - well done. Right: Lori at the BBQ.

A Giant Cheerleaders update from Allana Seale



Giants end of season presenters Carl Burton and Ricky Grace were welcomed by the cheerleaders at the Kalgoorlie Airport. Allana on left.

Kookynie Volunteer Assoc. Inc. Variety WA Menzies Event



Above: The Town Hall before the Event



Above & Below: The hall full for the Variety Bash dinner catered by the Kookynie Volunteer Assoc.



The magnificent meal put on by the KVA served by KVA Volunteers. Well done Ladies & Gents!



Putting the 'Fun' in Fundraising



The Cars!



Nemo vehicle - Now this could be an idea for our ambulance!



Captain Underpants Car



Where's Wally? Car



The Morning After.....



The Accommodation Park



John behind the scenes.



I bet you thought you would never see this day!



And the Clean Up!!

Menzies Community Notice Board

2009 Variety Bash – Menzies WA

▶▶ A big thank you to all the members and helpers of the Kookynie Volunteer Association Inc. for all the help with the dinner and breakfast that made a great Bash even better. Robyn & Debbie worked from dawn to midnight to make sure everything went to plan. Everyone did a great job.

▶▶ A special thanks go to the people from Leonora who put in their time and effort, cooking and supplying crockery & cutlery for the night and to Debbie Pianto who walked in from the caravan park to volunteer all day and night.

▶▶ Thank you to Sue, Peter and the senior students of the remote Community School for their help with breakfast.

▶▶ Thanks to John (Caravan Park Manager) for setting up the oval and supplying extra bins, clean toilets and arranging and conducting parking for the

'Bashers' vehicles.

▶▶ Thanks to Jerry (Works Manager) and the Shire of Menzies for their assistance in helping the venue run smoothly and making sure that repairs and welding to broken down vehicles were carried out professionally.

▶▶ Thanks to Gary and Sandy Burrell (Studio Print-Perth) for the printing of stickers & aprons free of charge and thanks to Ron and Bev (Australian Screen Printing-Perth) for the supply of materials for the stickers free of charge.

▶▶ Thanks to Bev at the Menzies Hotel who supplied cooking equipment and helped cook meat.

▶▶ Thanks to Menzies Road house for the memorabilia donations for the auction & helping to cooking the vegies .

▶▶ Thanks to Sudexo, Leonora who supplied the dessert free of charge and supplied some of the cooking equipment.

▶▶ **Thanks to Larnie at NT Link's Gwalia Lodge** for the loan of cooking equipment.

▶▶ Thanks to the Leonora Shire Recreation Centre for the loan of cutlery and crockery free of charge.

Again, a big thank you to everyone for all your assistance. A great time was had by all.

Ken Atkinson (Tip Rat)

CAN WE HELP

Menzies and Kookynie: The Menzies Visitors Centre is gathering photos of the streetscapes of Menzies and Kookynie from the late 1800s to about the 1930s. Contact: Justin Lee, community development officer, Shire of Menzies, c/- Post Office, Menzies 6436. Tel. 9024 2702. Email: cdo@menzies.wa.gov.au.

Centrelink Agent

Contact – Alana Cameron

Phone: 90242504

Open 8 -11am Weekdays

At the MAC Centre

Walsh Street Menzies

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

Regional Community Notice Board

Public Notice - Bluebush Pastoral Co.

*Melita, Jeedamy, 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

Reward \$1,000

A reward has been offered for any information regarding the unlawful baiting of a residents pet dog on Tuesday 7th July 2009 in Menzies.

Please contact Chris or John at the Menzies Road House
or
Ph: 90242046

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
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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

PCYC BLUE LIGHT BALL

ENCHANTED
DREAMS

*E scape from reality,
I nto the land of your dreams.*

W alk through the wardrobe,

Nothing is as it seems.....

Friday the 18th of Sept 2009

7.00pm-11.00pm

Tickets are available soon

*Important
DATE!*

Regional Arts & Recreation Notices Board

The Goldfields Repertory Club presents...



THEATRE WITH A TWIST

A Season of One Act Plays

Featuring

THE AMBUSH

Written by Travis Hooper,
Directed by Tim Sadleir

MURDER PLAY

Written by Brian Burton,
Directed by Abigail Ayers,
performed by arrangement
with Dominic Drama

&

A ONE MAN SHOW

Written and performed
by Robert Taylor
As part of NAIDOC
Week 2009

ON STAGE AT THE BROOKMAN STREET THEATRE

9, 10, 11 & 12 SEPTEMBER 2009

TICKETS FROM THE GOLDFIELDS ARTS CENTRE 9088 6900

\$15 GRC MEMBERS & CONCESSION, \$20 ADULTS

Theatre With A Twist

Theatre With a Twist is a night of solid entertainment as the Goldfields Repertory Club's ever popular season of one act plays returns to the Brookman Street Theatre tonight (Wednesday, September 9).

Once again, three first-time directors have taken the helm, offering up three very different productions.

For fans of comedy, there is *The Ambush*, written by club stalwart Travis Hooper and directed by Tim Sadleir, while Robert Taylor's one-man show *Mirror Man* is touching and funny and will really make audiences think. It is an incredible performance, unlike anything ever seen before on the Rep Club stage.

Finally, for thrillseekers, there is Brian Burton's *Murder Play*, directed by Abigail Ayers.

The show runs on September 9, 10, 11, 12. Doors open 7.30pm for an 8 o'clock start. Tickets cost \$20, \$15 for concessions and GRC members. They are available in advance from the Goldfields Arts Centre on 9088 6900 or on the door.

The proceeds from opening night will be donated to KB Paws, which, as animal lov-

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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Regional Community Notice Board

MEDIA RELEASE

IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Friday 14 August 2009



Alarming Goldfields Skin Cancer Result

Referral rates from free skin cancer screenings conducted across the Goldfields region in July are alarmingly high.

The free screenings were provided at 14 communities by a team of professional volunteers from the Lions Cancer Institute (LCI) and staff from the 'RFDS on the road' Primary Health Care Program with support from BHP Billiton Nickel West.

Of the 1 590 people screened, 29.49% were referred with suspect areas of skin requiring further diagnosis or treatment.

This referral rate was nearly 5% higher than results from a similar circuit of screenings at 13 communities the LCI and 'RFDS on the road' team conducted in the Pilbara region in 2008.

Director of the Lions Cancer Institute and founder of the mobile screening unit, Colin Beauchamp, indicated the LCI would usually expect a 5 – 10% referral rate from a similar 'ad hoc' community screening in the south west of the State, so the Goldfields statistics were especially concerning.

The screening team estimate that 36.88% of the Goldfields people referred for follow up with their GP or specialist are likely to have potentially life threatening skin lesions.

RFDS Western Operations CEO, Tim Shackleton, said the partnership screening initiative delivered preventative and potentially life-saving health care to residents of regional WA.

"We're very pleased we've been able to work in partnership with the LCI and BHP Billiton for the third year in a row to provide regional people with an opportunity to have a free screening for skin cancer," he said.

This year the screening team also delivered some preventative skin cancer education sessions to children at the primary schools in the small rural communities of Salmon Gums and Grass Patch.

Tricia Slee, 'RFDS on the road' Program Manager said it was a great opportunity to provide the children with some 'hands on' education about skin cancer and promote the steps that should be taken to help prevent the disease.

"The children revelled at the chance to use the derma lights and view skin lesions on the derma-doc camera and software.

"The photographs of skin lesions displayed in the LCI van really helped to promote to the children the importance of taking precautions every day to protect their skin from the harmful effects of the sun," she said.

The RFDS suggests the number of people being referred with suspect skin lesions is a demonstration of the need for professional skin cancer screening services to be regularly available for people living and working in regional Western Australia.

The high referral rates from the Goldfields screenings also highlight the importance of targeted ongoing health education and promotion of skin cancer prevention.

Colin Beauchamp of the LCI notes that such high referral rates for suspect skin lesions indicate that regional people need to be more vigilant about sun protection and understand that sun damage in 'winter' months is also dangerous, and that individuals must take daily precautions to protect themselves from the damaging effects of exposure outdoors.

ENDS

Photographs available on request

Background:

The skin cancer screening initiative came about as a result of feedback from an employee survey conducted at BHP Billiton Iron Ore (BHP BIO) Nelson Point site in 2006, noting lack of access to skin screening as a concern for many residents in the Port Hedland community. Our 'RFDS on the road' Program partner, BHP BIO approached the RFDS and asked if there was any way a skin screening service for residents of Pilbara towns could be brokered through the 'RFDS on the road' Program.

The Lions Cancer Institute (LCI) has delivered free skin cancer screenings to more than 26,000 people at community events in the south west of the State for near on 20 years. This remarkable service, delivered from a mobile unit, is provided free of charge by a team of health professionals including nurses, plastic surgeons and dermatologists and is supported by members of Lions International. The LCI screening team, led by the founder of the mobile skin screening unit, Colin Beauchamp, agreed to travel to the Pilbara region and conduct a pilot screening project in partnership with the 'RFDS on the road' Program at Port Hedland, Newman and Tom Price.

The pilot resulted in 1 040 people being screened, with in a 23% referral rate for suspect skin lesions. This was a much higher referral rate than the LCI would normally expect at an 'ad hoc' screening conducted in the south of the State, where average referrals are usually between 5-10%.

Based on this outcome, the LCI agreed to work in partnership with the 'RFDS on the road' Primary Health Care Program in 2008 and conduct a circuit of visits to 13 townships in the region over a 5 week period. 2 236 local residents were screened, returning a 24.9% referral rate for suspect skin lesions. This alarmingly high result reinforced the need for community skin cancer screening services, ongoing education about preventing skin cancer and promotion of regular skin checks.

Media Contact:

Tricia Slee 'RFDS on the road' Program Manager RFDS Western Operations 0427 330 103 tricia.slee@rfdswa.com.au

About our Australian Flag



Australian National Flag

The Australian National Flag is Australia's foremost national symbol. The flag was first flown in 1901 and has become an expression of Australian identity and pride.

The flag is an important part of national occasions such as Australia Day, Anzac Day, and Australian National Flag Day.

About the Australian National Flag

The Australian National Flag has three elements on a blue background. The Union Jack in the upper left corner (or canton) acknowledges Australia's historical links with the United Kingdom.

Below the Union Jack is a white Commonwealth Star. It has seven points representing the unity of the six states and the territories of the Commonwealth of Australia. The seventh point was added in 1908 and is the only change to the flag since 1901.

The Southern Cross is shown on the fly (or right hand side) of the flag in white. This constellation of five stars can be seen only from the southern hemisphere and is a reminder of Australia's geography.

History of the Australian National Flag

In 1901 Prime Minister the Rt Hon Sir Edmund Barton MP, announced an international competition to design a flag for the Commonwealth of Australia.

Five near-identical entries were awarded equal first place from more than 30,000 designs. The designers shared the prize of £200.

The Australian National Flag flew for the first time on 3 September 1901 from the Royal Exhibition Building in Melbourne.

Australian National Flag Day

Australians celebrate the first time the Australian National Flag was flown by flying or displaying the flag on 3 September.

Other Australian flags

Australia recognises other official flags including the Australian Aboriginal Flag and the Torres Strait Islander Flag.

The ensigns of the Australian Defence Force include the Australian Defence Force ensign, the Australian white ensign and the Royal Australian Air Force ensign.



The Australian National Flag has three elements on a blue background. The Union Jack, the Commonwealth Star and the Southern Cross.

The Australian Red ensign is the official flag to be flown at sea by Australian registered merchant ships.

Proclamation

The Flags Act 1953 proclaimed the Australian National Flag.

Use of the Australian National Flag

The flag can be flown every day of the year. As the nation's foremost national symbol it should be treated with dignity and respect and there are protocols governing its use.

Fast facts

FIRST FLOWN:

3 September 1901

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL FLAG DAY:

3 September

DESCRIPTION:

A blue background with the Union Jack in the upper left corner, a white Commonwealth Star in the lower left corner and the five stars of the Southern Cross on the fly of the flag in white. The colour references for the Australian National Flag are: Blue Pantone® 280 and Red Pantone® 185.

USE OF THE AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL FLAG:

The flag can be flown every day of the year.

SIZE OF THE FLAG OVER PARLIAMENT HOUSE:

12.8 by 6.4 metres or slightly larger than the side of a double decker bus.

More information

IT'S AN HONOUR WEBSITE: www.itsanhonour.gov.au

Did You Know? The Australian National Flag should be raised no earlier than first light and lowered no later than dusk. The flag may be displayed at night, but only when properly illuminated.



Become an Austswim Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety

AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety

The AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety course provides candidates with essential competencies to teach swimming and water safety to persons from four years of age in swimming pools and confined natural shallow water venues. The certificate is valid for three years.

Pre requisite

Candidates may enrol in an AUSTSWIM course at 16 years of age but are not eligible to receive the award until they are 17 years of age.

Candidates are required to have a reasonable level of fitness and swimming ability.

Recognition of Prior Learning

Candidates who believe they already have some of the competencies in the course may apply for Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL). Contact AUSTSWIM to discuss the options available to you.

Delivery Strategy

The course consists of theory and practical components.

Theory component - topics may be offered through classroom attendance or selected topics via DVD home study.

Practical component - involves swimming activities that may be carried out in shallow or deep water.

Content

The course is approximately 15-20 contact hours, plus a nominal 20 hours practical teaching. Topics include:

- Overview of AUSTSWIM and the aquatic industry
- Legal responsibilities for the AUSTSWIM teacher
- How people learn
- Being an effective teacher
- Aquatic safety, survival and rescue skills
- Principle of movement in water
- Water familiarisation, buoyancy, mobility and safety
- Teaching safer diving skills
- Towards efficient stroke development
- Plan, deliver and review a lesson



Assessment

To gain the award, the following assessment components must be satisfactorily completed within 12 months of the course commencement date.

On-line theory assessment (completed after attending a course).

Continuous Aquatic Sequence.

Practical demonstration of teaching skills, including the preparation of lesson plans.

Demonstrate competence in water safety techniques. Candidates holding a current Bronze Medallion, Pool Lifeguard or equivalent award, may gain an exemption by providing a copy of the award.

Additional Requirements

Practical teaching hours including observation, supervised teaching and verification of teaching competency. It is recommended candidates undertake 20 hours of supervised teaching experience prior to assessment.

Show evidence of holding a current cardio pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) award.

Teacher Declaration (completed on-line with theory exam).

Submit photo for photo ID card.

Certification

On successful completion of all course requirements candidates will receive the AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety Certificate. Candidates will also be issued a Statement of Attainment for the following Units of Competency from the National Community Recreation Industry Training

Package:

- SRC AQU 003B Respond to an aquatic emergency using basic water rescue techniques
- SRC AQU 008B Apply the principles of movement in water to aquatic activities
- SRC AQU 009B Instruct water familiarisation, buoyancy and mobility skills
- SRC AQU 0010B Instruct water safety & survival skills
- SRC AQU 0011B Instruct the strokes of swimming
- SRC AQU 013B Collect and analyse information on the philosophy & structure of the Australian aquatic industry
- SRC CRO 007B Operate in accordance with accepted instructional practises, styles and legal & ethical responsibilities

Regional Visiting Specialist & 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 **16th November to 11th 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
- 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

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

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

CDC **MIDH** **APIC**

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, sneezing, or coughing
- 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 your 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 area 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 bin.

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

Menzies Health Centre

Next RFDS Clinic

TBA

Appointments - Ph: 90242044



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



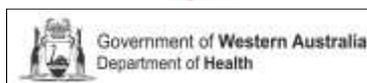
**Dietitian's Clinic - Where? Menzies Health
Centre When? Thursdays, bimonthly, from 10 am**

2009 DATES

November 5th



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



2009

Standard Fluvax

Available Now

Menzies Health Centre



If you have a significant
Medical History you can contact the
Health Clinic to have your Medical
History recorded for future Visiting
Doctor & Specialist Appointments
while you stay in Menzies.

Regional Visiting Specialist & Health Information

Regional Health Dates Aug – Nov 2009

Podiatrist – David Whitelaw –Ph: 90804300

10th Sept @ Hospital

11th Sept @ Comm Health

Bone Densitometry van in Kalgoorlie -
Ph:1300659796

23rd September

Consultant Physician – Dr Sean George

Menzies 3rd November - Phone 90242044

Leonora 9th November - Phone 90376238

Dentist 18th November 09

Date to be confirmed before arrival.

Leave name on list - Ph: 90376238

**MENZIES HEALTH CENTRE
CLINIC UNATTENDED**

From

Wednesday 10th September

UNTIL

Monday 14th August 2009

or until further notice

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

Septicaemia (blood poisoning)
Learn the Symptoms — Septicaemia can Kill in 24 Hours

Symptoms in Infants & Young Children may include:

- Fever usually with irritability & fret
- Poor or stillborn or weak movements
- Vomiting or refluxed food
- Blood staining on nappies
- Child is difficult to wake or lethargic
- High pitched breathing
- Floppy posture or unresponsiveness
- Rash
- Swollen
- Rash that is widespread

Symptoms in Children & Adults may include:

- Fever (usually with cold hands & feet)
- Pain or aches or tenderness
- Rapid or shallow breathing
- Headache or dizziness
- Deepening or shallow breathing
- Swollen or tender joints
- Rash or a red area on the development of the blood
- Flare up or pain
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Meningitis and Septicaemia
ANYONE ANYTIME ANYWHERE
Learn the symptoms

Meningitis
Learn the Symptoms — Meningitis can Kill in 24 Hours

INFANTS

- Fever usually with irritability & fret
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- Rash
- Swollen
- Rash that is widespread

CHILDREN/ADULTS

- Fever (usually with cold hands & feet)
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- Rapid or shallow breathing
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- Swollen or tender joints
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- Headache or dizziness
- Deepening or shallow breathing
- Swollen or tender joints
- Rash or a red area on the development of the blood
- Flare up or pain

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!

THE MENINGITIS CENTRE
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
Freecall: 1800 250 222
Fax: (08) 9489 7703
www.meningitis.com.au
Email: meningitis@ichr.wa.edu.au

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St John Ambulance Australia

Menzies Sub Branch

Next Meeting Oct 3 2pm + BBQ.
Training Wednesday evenings at 6pm on 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th Sept. All Training & Meetings to be held at the Ambulance Shed in Mercer Street Menzies.
More Info 0448242040 (Jerry)

Community Health Notice Board

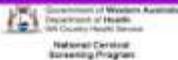
WA Cervical Cancer Prevention Program

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**



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 13/08/2009 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

Helping Deliver a Healthy WA

National Child Protection Week 2009

Dear Supporters of NAPCAN and National Child Protection Week 2009, welcome to the start of a dynamic campaign that will engage the whole of Australia in conversation about issues surrounding child abuse and neglect. Firstly, thank you to all those who have registered your interest with us and/or ordered promotional material to help with our two month campaign. Over 11,000 individuals have committed to helping in their local communities.

Over 100 government departments, both state and commonwealth, will be spreading the word amongst their staff and networks. The ACTU are supporting the campaign and many unions are going straight to their members. National Australia Bank and the Australian Industry Group are also providing us with brilliant support, as well as other businesses and industry groups. Your support has been overwhelming, so thank you.

Secondly, from yesterday (Monday September 7), our website for the survey went live at: www.preventingchildabuse.com.au

Right now, thousands of people across the country are completing the survey at this website. We request that you encourage all of your staff, clients, members, family and friends to follow this link to complete this survey.

Thirdly, and most importantly, connected to this site are the digital resources that we have been promising you over the last few weeks.

They can be found at: www.preventingchildabuse.com.au/resources

Along with the pdf's of the campaign's posters and fliers, you will find:

- + Explanatory text: both internal and external communications that you can cut and paste into an email and send through your networks
- + Email signature: this is a banner that you can place in your outlook signature to show your support
- + Banners: there are three banners of various sizes which can be downloaded and put at the top or bottom of your website, intranet or newsletter
- + Widget: this acts like a mini version of the website. It may sound tricky but this can easily be put on the front page of your intranet or website and used to share the survey with the whole of the internet

Follow the step-by step instructions on the site and you will find using these resources a simple and effective way to promote this campaign.

As always, if you have questions or queries please contact Mark Di Stefano at mark.distefano@napcan.org.au or call 02 9269 9200.

This is a great joint effort but our job is only just beginning.

Please continue to help us engage the whole of Australia in this most important campaign - to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all children.

WALLS PROTECT CHILD ABUSE NOT CHILDREN HELP BRING CHILD ABUSE OUT INTO THE OPEN

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 & ENQUIRIES

1800 620 440

PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE

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

Local Business

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 with any questions. You can also pop down to the Menzies Visitor Centre to pick up some flyers about our service.



Regional Entertainment and Arts News



Discover The Round
Australia's biggest party

the
2009 Ball

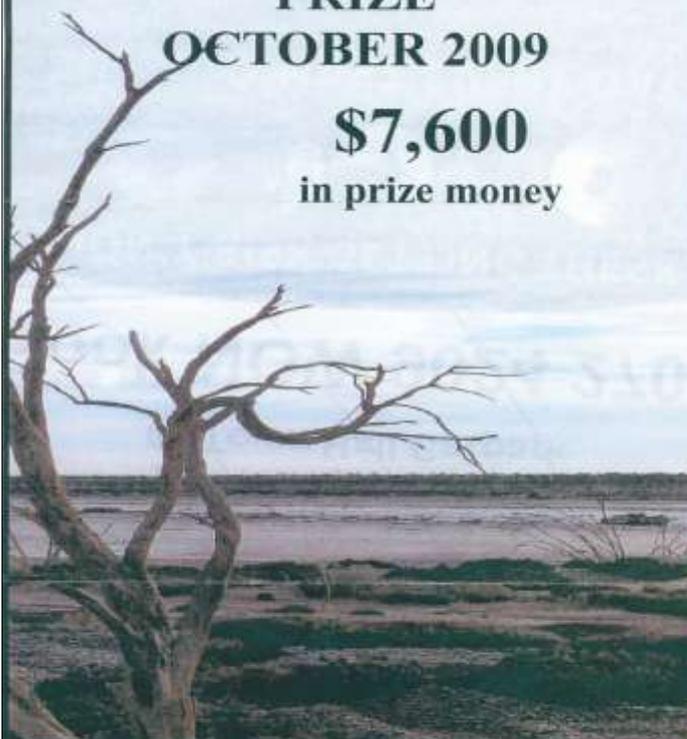
The Discover The Round Committee
Invites you to the 2009
ET Mining Hire & Sales Race Round Ball
Tuesday 15th September
7pm until Midnight
Kalgoorlie Town Hall
Tickets are \$160 Per Person and include
First Class Entertainment, Dinner, Beer, Wine and Sparkling
Dress Formal/Black Tie

Contact Rae @ Radio West
90212666 for table bookings

Presenting
'Doctor Bogus'
For the evening
entertainment



THE KONDININ ART PRIZE
OCTOBER 2009
\$7,600
in prize money



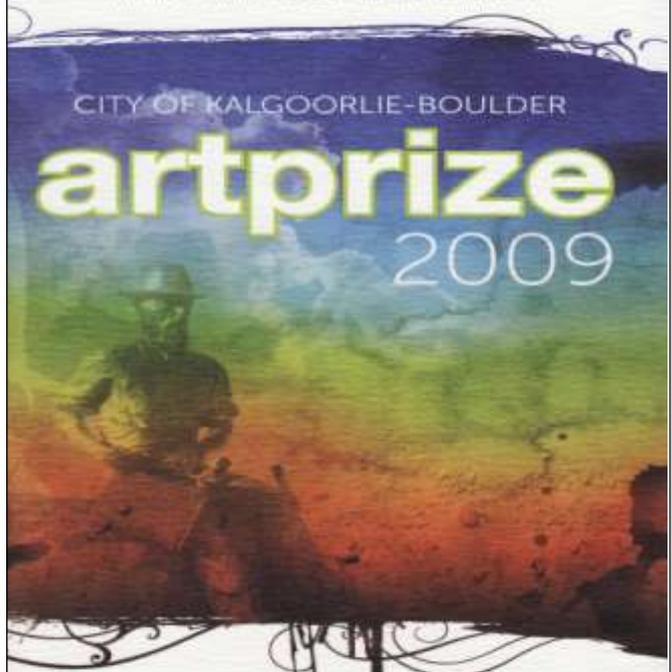
Entry forms:
email:- apearson@westnet.com.au
Telephone:- (08)98891193
(08)98891036

www.kondinin.wa.gov.au



IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE GOLDEN HILL ART EXHIBITION GROUP

CITY OF KALGOORLIE-BOULDER
artprize
2009

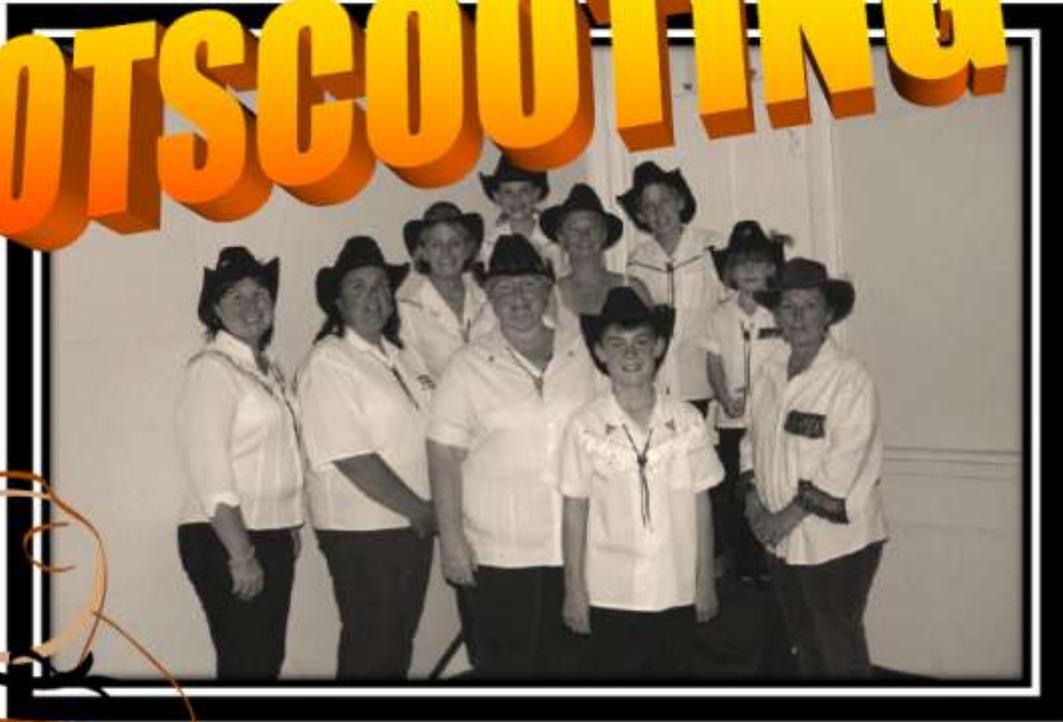


Enquiries CDO Arts & Culture
Ph: 90219675 or E: artprize@kalbould.wa.gov.au

25th September -18th October 2009
CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: FRIDAY 28TH AUGUST

Entertainment Coming to Menzies Saturday 19th September

BOOTS COOTING



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH 2009

MENZIES TOWN HALL

Commencing 3pm



COME AND JOIN IN THE PROGRAMME
BRING YOUR BOOTS AND COWBOY HAT AND HAVE FUN!

**3 - 5 pm - Dance lessons &
6 - 7 pm break for BBQ,
8 - 11.30pm - Dance demos & lesson with prizes**

**Cans of Drink, (Beer, UDL's, soft drink)
on sale with proceeds going to the St. Johns Ambulance**

**THIS FREE EVENT HAS BEEN GENEROUSLY
SPONSORED BY THE SHIRE OF MENZIES**

Sporting Club, Community Groups & Local Govt.

Community can share \$10 000 to promote the Active Family Challenge

Sporting and active recreation clubs, community groups and local governments across Western Australia can share in up to \$10 000 to help promote the Active Family Challenge in spring.

Monies of up to \$300 can be reimbursed to individual community clubs, groups and local governments by entering a competition on the inmycommunity.com.au website by 30 September. The purpose of the competition is to promote the Active Family Challenge and participation in activity during spring.

The Active Family Challenge a three month long promotion to encourage families, sporting groups and community groups to participate in regular activity.

The Challenge is free to enter and participants have the chance to win hundreds of prizes just by registering at www.activefamilychallenge.com.au and sending in their completed activity sheets.

This initiative is funded by LotteryWest and is supported by the Physical Activity Taskforce, the Western Australian Sports Federation, Department of Sport and Recreation, Bibbulmun Track Foundation and Mountain Designs.



Spinefex Art Stories - Profile of Artist Anne Hogan



Artist : Anne Hogan

Artwork Title: "Tjajar"

Anne has painted her country of Tjajar, an area in the Great Victoria Desert. Tjajar is a big rockhole known widely amongst the Spinifex people and has the Lingkata (blue tongue lizard) story attached to it. Anne also paints the many rockholes she knows well in the area such as Piltjapiltja, Artijiri, Wyara, Awilula, Tjutapiilyuru, Wiranga, Tjintilka, Tjulapi, Tjuntala, Mirutjara, Ikawa, Kupa, Walata Nyirni, Impunya, Anmangu, Miwuatjara - where the eagle story runs through and Kulpinya, a big rockhole. Anne was born and grew up around this area.

Anne has an international reputation as an artist and was recently one of the finalists in the prestigious Western Australia Indigenous Art Awards 2009, which she travelled to Perth with two other Spinifex women.

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

Size Medium 600 x 760 mm /
Acrylic on Canvas
Spinifex Art Gallery is inside the
Menzies Visitors Centre, the
'Former' Lady Shenton Hotel.

Story & photo reproduced with kind permission from Ilkurlka Community.

Warm weather brings out new dangers.

MULGA SNAKE

(Pseudechis australis)

This impressive large snake is found over most of mainland Australia, but especially in arid and tropical areas. It is sometimes referred to as the 'king brown' snake. This name is misleading, as the mulga snake is closely related to, and its venom has similar characteristics to, four species of black snakes from eastern Australia. **DANGEROUSLY VENOMOUS.**

DESCRIPTION: The mulga snake is one of Australia's largest venomous snakes, reaching lengths of more than 2.5 metres, and is more robust than the taipan. The upper body and tail are a uniform blackish-brown, brown or coppery brown, with northern individuals being paler. Each scale on its back has a dark spot that declines in size on the flanks, so that the back appears to be darker. The belly is creamy white. When the mulga snake feels that it is in danger, it flattens its neck in an impressive threat display.

DISTRIBUTION: This species is found across most of WA, excluding the south coast and adjacent southern areas of the Wheatbelt, and the south-western corner from around Perth.

PREFERRED HABITAT: The mulga snake occupies most available habitats within its distribution. It appears to be particularly abundant in hummock grasslands and open tropical woodlands. It shelters in burrows dug by goannas and rabbits, or under logs or crevices in rock outcrops.

LIFE HISTORY: This species typically hunts by day during cool weather, but is nocturnal in northern areas and in hot weather. It feeds on lizards, small mammals, frogs, birds and their eggs. Males engage in combat during mating, and females lay four to 19 eggs.

CONSERVATION STATUS: This snake is widespread and common.

RELATED SPECIES: The Butler's or spotted mulga snake (*Pseudechis butleri*) grows to around 1.6 metres, and is bluish-black on its upper surface, with an irregular pattern of yellow dots. It is only



Photo - Babs & Bert Whitcomb



Photo - Binul Murray

found in the Goldfields and in adjoining regions of the northern Wheatbelt, from Ninghan east to Laverton. **DANGEROUSLY VENOMOUS.**

WARDAR

(Pseudonaja nuchalis)

This large species, also sometimes known as the western brown snake, has extremely variable colouration. Colour forms include those with no bands through to boldly banded. The wardar is often confused with the dugite (see pages 56-57). It has a vast distribution, covering most of WA and most of the eastern states except Victoria. **DANGEROUSLY VENOMOUS.**

DESCRIPTION: This moderately large, active species can reach up to 1.6 metres. It is incredibly variable in colouration, with experts suggesting anywhere between five and 16 distinct forms. There is a banded form with a dark brown to black head and up to seven indistinct zigzag brown bands on the body, over a paler yellowish-brown background. A hooded form has an orange brown upper surface, with black on the head and neck, and dark flecks on the body. Several forms with uniform patterns exist, with the back being grey or pale to dark brown and the head being either paler or darker than the back colour. Juveniles are similarly variable. All wardars have distinctive off-white bellies with two rows of orange spots.

DISTRIBUTION: This snake occurs in most of WA, other than the south-western corner and the south coastal regions. It is most abundant in semi-arid areas such as the northern Wheatbelt, but is found throughout the central deserts and the Kimberley.

PREFERRED HABITAT: The wardar occupies all habitats except black-soil plains in the Kimberley, where it is replaced by Ingram's brown snake. It shelters in burrows, under or in logs or under rocks, tin or rubbish.

LIFE HISTORY: While it usually hunts by day, in hot weather it may be active in the early evening. The wardar feeds on lizards, small mammals, birds and other snakes. Mating is in spring in southern regions, but desert populations may breed opportunistically following good seasons. Females lay nine to 38 eggs.

CONSERVATION STATUS: Common.



Photo - Gertner Schmidt-Lachman Transvaal

Above: Wardar

Below: Ringed brown snake

RELATED SPECIES: The ringed brown snake (*Pseudechis modesta*), the smallest member of its genus reaching around 0.6 metres, occurs throughout most of WA and has a distinctive pattern of five to 12 widely-spaced narrow black bands on its upper surface. Ingram's brown snake (*Pseudonaja ingrami*) and the eastern brown snake (*P. textilis*) have eastern distributions and only just extend into WA in the east Kimberley. **ALL DANGEROUSLY VENOMOUS.**



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Genus *Dodonaea* (hopbush)

Hopbushes are shrubs which are often very sticky. There are usually male and female flowers in clusters on separate bushes. The male flowers have the anthers arranged in a circle, with very short filaments. They are usually red or orange. The female flowers have a small cup, with the style in the centre.

The fruit is a membranous angled capsule which may have 2-6 wings. There are 5 species in CA-NT, and these have differences in leaf and capsule. The fruits of hopbushes look like hops, but they are botanically not related. However, early settlers used them for brewing beer, and they did produce a satisfactory drink.

Dodonaea viscosa ssp. *mucronata* (Sticky hopbush)

Sticky hopbush is widespread in tropical regions and is very variable. Subspecies *mucronata* has a shiny green, spade-shaped leaf, about 2-6 x 1-2 cm, with wavy margins. The fruit capsule is similar to that of several other species; it has 3-4 wings, and the fruitlets are not inflated. The wings are 5 mm wide and the capsule is about 2 cm long.

Dodonaea viscosa ssp. *mucronata* (Sticky hopbush)



Dodonaea viscosa ssp. *mucronata*
(Sticky hopbush) - fruiting capsule seen in side elevation (top) and cross section (below)



The *Dodonaea's* red colour is the winged seed pod, the flower is small and insignificant.

Cassia artemisioides (Silver cassia)

Silver cassia is a silvery shrub 1-2 m high. The leaves have 3-10 pairs of narrow leaflets which look silvery because of a dense covering of flattened white hairs. The leaflets are 1-4 cm long, terete and furrowed. The glands are between the lowest 3 pairs of leaflets. The sweetly scented flowers are in a cluster, and they have rounded petals 7-10 x 5-7 mm in size. The flat, oblong pod is 4-8 cm x 6-10 mm.

The name *artemisioides* means like *Artemis*. The plant is named after the Greek goddess Artemis, whose statue was cast in silver.



Leaf of *Cassia nemophila*
(one pair of leaflets)

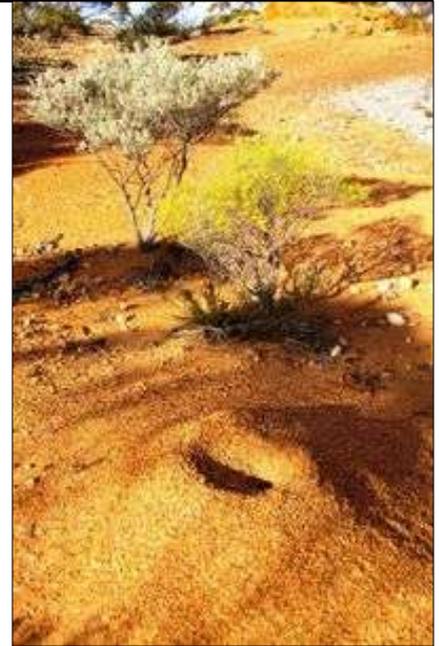


Leaf of *C. nemophila* var. *platypoda*
with flattened stem and leaflets.



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Gnarled tree Left, Ant Hill Above.
 Photos taken out at Niagara Dam.

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