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# Australia Day

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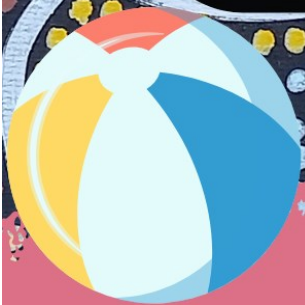
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# AUSTRALIA DAY POOL PARTY

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**26 JANUARY '24**  
**11 AM-3 PM** 



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## Letter from the Editor

And that's another Bandicoot year over! I feel like it has flown by, and I can't believe its just 10 days until Christmas! It has been a wonderful year packed with so many events around the Shire. I can't pick a favourite, between the Pink Up events, the Virtual Reality session, movie nights and Thank a Volunteer free coffee, they were all great! I can't wait for next year!

I would like to say big thank you to the Cunderdin CRC for allowing me to volunteer at the School Canteen this term, the kids were extremely happy to see me and the helpers each week and it wouldn't have been possible without moving my work days around so thank you!

I hope everyone has a safe and happy Christmas break and hopefully you get to enjoy some days by the beach.

**Leechelle Matthews**



Cunderdin + Meckering



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## SAVE THE DATE

**Cunderdin Meckering Cottages Inc.**

**Annual General Meeting**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February**

**6pm at the Cunderdin CRC**

**Bailiwick Legal.**

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**REGIONAL LEGAL HOT DESK**

Bailiwick Legal is a commercial law firm specialising in agriculture and tourism.

**Meet us at the Cunderdin CRC  
9.30am - 3.30pm**

**7 February 2024**



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## Cunderdin Uniting Church

Invites the Meckering and Cunderdin Communities

To their Annual Christmas Service.

Sunday December 17<sup>th</sup> @ 9.30am

Morning tea following the service.



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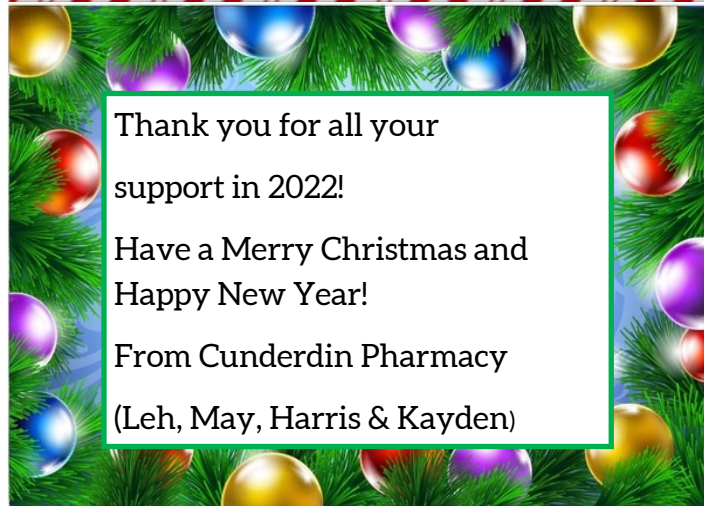
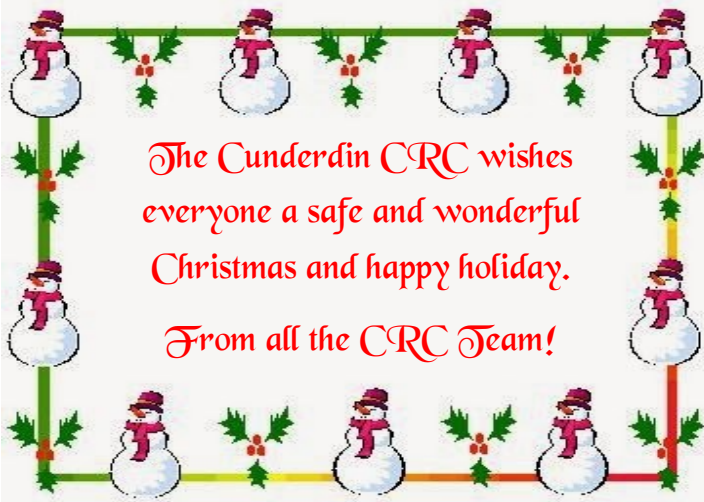
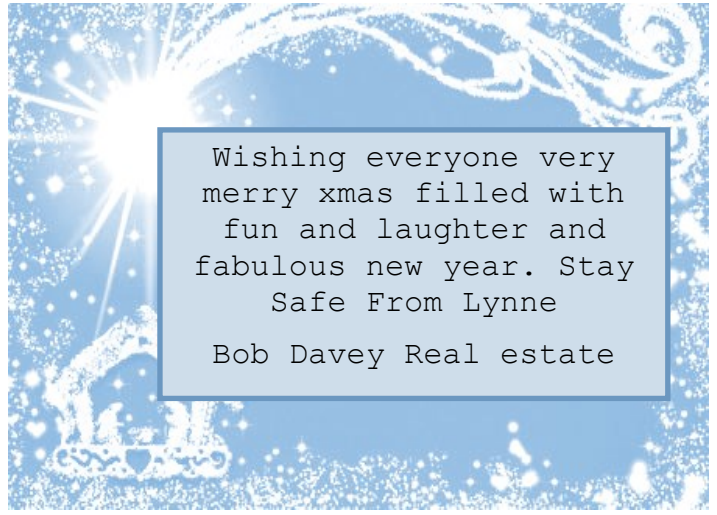
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# MECKERING PS MUSINGS



Hello Beautiful Bandicoot Browsers!

The students and staff had so much fun last week visiting Caversham Wildlife Park. There were so many native animals to see and even a farm section. If you haven't had a chance to go lately, you should, as there are also informative shows set during the day.



Big thanks to Sergeant Turner and First-Class Constable Byrnes for bringing in the police car, talking to the students, answering questions, and bringing us chocolates. We are pretty certain you made some future recruitments during your visit.



Mrs Gillies taught her final day at Meckering Primary School on Tuesday and we wish her joy with the pending birth of her daughter and hope she finds as wonderful a community down south. We will miss you Mrs Gillies, thanks for a magnificent 11 years. Thank you, also to everyone who came to wish Mrs Gillies farewell on Tuesday afternoon, it was really appreciated.

We wish Liam the very best as he graduates from Year 6 and thank him for his excellent service as the 2023 School Captain. Go well, Liam!

Thank you, to the community, students, parent, and staff who collectively make Meckering Primary School the outstanding school it is. The support of everyone helps us to aim high and continue to achieve outstanding academic results.

The staff and students at Meckering Primary School wish you a safe and Happy Christmas and a prosperous New Year and hope to see you all happy and healthy in the 2024 school year.

**Caroline Whitelock (Principal)**

# Welcome to Cunderdin Community Bowls

## 2024

To be played over 4 Wednesday evenings starting at 6pm on

February 7th	February 14th	February 21st	February 28th
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Open to all Local Businesses, Government Departments, Schools, Farms, Local Organizations and Community members.  
More than one team from the same organization or family may register, but if there are more than 28 teams who enter some restriction on multiple sides will apply.

Teams are to consist of 4 players with no more than 2 designated players (Club Bowlers).

Teams can consist of all males, all females, or mixed genders and team members may change for each game. Players will be handicapped according to experience and weekly winners will attract a handicap penalty for subsequent games.

Play will commence at 6.00pm and the games will be played over 8/10 ends.

The duration of each game is approximately 1.5 hours.

Driving is not permitted and will attract a penalty of 3 points if the jack is knocked out of bounds or into the ditch. If this happens, the jack will be replaced on the T at the maximum distance (2 meters from the ditch) and the closest bowls will score like a normal end.

Nomination Fee \$15 per team

Playing Fee \$10 per player per game (includes tea)

Meal only \$5 per non player (spectator)

Flat sole shoes ONLY to be worn, however socks are acceptable.

Bowls may be borrowed from Club Members on the night.

Weekly awards will be given, and a perpetual shield will be presented to the overall winning team.

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### Cunderdin Community Bowls 2024 – Nomination Form

Team member names.....

Contact Person..... Phone number.....

**We have read the Cunderdin Community Bowls regulations and guidelines and now nominate for the 2024 competition commencing on 7th February 2024.**

Number of Teams Nominated.....

Team Name/s.....

Please find attached the nomination fee of \$15 per team.

Cheques to be made payable to Cunderdin Bowling Club

Signed.....

Dated.....

Entries close Monday 5th February 2024.

Forms and enquiries should be directed to: Box 79, Cunderdin WA 6407

Chris Chant 0427192388

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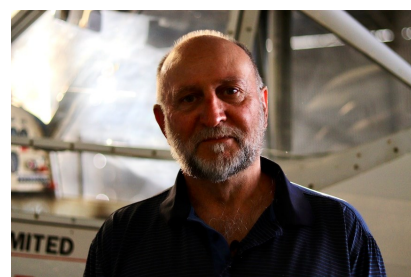
## How the 'magic' of gliding above Wheatbelt paddocks gives Godfrey Lowe a new perspective on life

Several thousand metres in the air, Godfrey Lowe has found a new hobby and a new perspective. The Gliding Club of Western Australia's newest member was searching for a way to spend his time after his wife passed away a couple of years ago. "I'm most certainly on my Ls," he told the ABC from the airstrip in the Wheatbelt town of Cunderdin. "I've done 40 flights and about 40 hours and I'm learning. I can't land [on my own] yet. "I'm very much the junior around the club!"



The 76-year-old stumbled on his new thrilling hobby by accident while on a trip to the Wheatbelt in April. He looked up and saw a plane flying overhead, with a glider being towed behind it. "I thought, 'Wow'," he said. He went out to the airfield and, when he was asked if he'd like to take to the skies, he jumped at the chance. "So I was taken up, had a flight, had a waggle with the joystick ... and I wasn't sick. It was brilliant," he said. He was immediately hooked. "Suddenly this new vista opens," he said. "There's no engine, it's quiet, and through the window you get the sound of the wind. It's just magic, and you just see the horizon."

Mr Lowe makes the trip out from Perth to Cunderdin regularly to meet with friends at the club and to notch up more flight hours. Fellow club member Clayton Grose, who has been flying for more than 20 years, took Mr Lowe out on his first flight. "Godfrey came to us accidentally," Mr Grose said. "He recently did his first cross country flight and loved it — got out of the aircraft with a huge grin on his face. "It's a rare and wonderful thing."



Earlier this month, glider pilots from around WA converged on Cunderdin to compete in the Carter Cup. As Mr Lowe was still in training, he didn't compete but he did travel hundreds of kilometres in a glider with another pilot. "My goal is to get my solo licence," he said.

Glider aircraft are towed into the air via a long rope attached to a plane. It is quite common for those planes to be repurposed agriculture aircraft, Mr Grose said. The one they use in Cunderdin has been refashioned with a V8 car engine to give it more power. Mr Grose said with its flat landscape and prime weather conditions, the Wheatbelt was the perfect location for gliding. "If we do have to outland, we've got very large paddocks to play with," Mr Grose said.

Another bonus is that the group is based at an airstrip steeped in history. "We get the lift here, somewhere to outland, and a fabulous old World War II airstrip set up 80 years ago and some of the facilities that go with it, like this hanger — it provides us with a safe and secure base," Mr Grose said. Mr Lowe said part of the enjoyment of his new hobby was the tight-knit community accompanying it. "Anyone can do it if they have the wish to ... and the camaraderie — they are a great bunch of people," he said. "It's incredible, you're up there free as a bird."



ABC Midwest & Wheatbelt / By Ashleigh Davis and Jeremy Jones



# THANK A VOLUNTEER DAY



Thank you to all the amazing community volunteers who joined us last Tuesday the 5th! Your dedication and hardwork makes a real difference across Cunderdin and Meckering! We hope you enjoyed the free cookies and coffee—we couldn't do it without you!

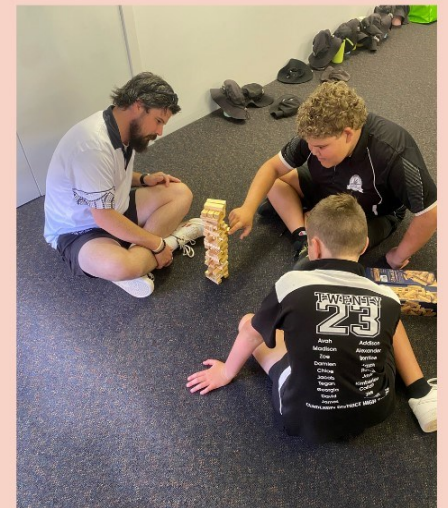
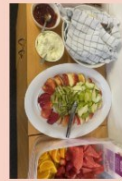
It was a cheerful, relaxed occasion filled with gratitude and treats for those who make the community shine brighter through their kindness and dedication.

This special event was all about saying a big "thank you" to those amazing folks who give their time and energy to help others. Thank you to the Government of Western Australia Department of Communities for providing us the opportunity to thank our local volunteers. Thank you to Arise Coffee and Cookie Creations by Megs for the delicious treats.





# Celebrating Seniors



A heartfelt thank you to Mr. Hill and the CDHS year 6 Class for joining us to celebrate the seniors and sharing in the joy of board games. Your enthusiasm and presence made the day truly special. Here's to more shared moments and fun ahead! We look forward to seeing you all again next year!

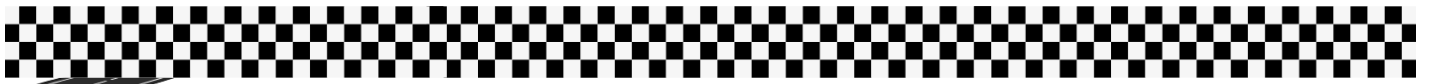


# ARTHUR CHRISTMAS

**The community came together for a delightful movie night that twinkled with the spirit of the season. With the generous support of the Cunderdin Shire and the Meckering Club, laughter and joy filled the air as families gathered for an evening of endless laughter.**

**Snuggled in blankets and nestled in comfy chairs, while the film "Arthur Christmas", painted smiles across the faces of young and old alike. The tale of Santa's high-tech operation and Arthur's heart-warming quest captured hearts, eliciting giggles and many interesting questions! A special thank you to the Shire of Cunderdin for partnering with us to make this event possible!**





# ***Cunderdin Movie Night GRAN TURISMO***

***The Cunderdin movie night was a blast! We kicked back and watched "Gran Turismo" under the stars, revving up for some serious racing vibes. But, oh boy, the wind was on a mission to blow our screens away! It was like trying to watch a movie while wrestling with a kite. Thankfully, our spirits weren't dampened. We chomped down on some seriously delicious sausage sizzles, even if we had to hold onto them for dear life at times!***

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# High Yield

## Separating the wheat from the chaff so you don't have to.

The final recommendations for 2023. Dan and I have been in town for over a year now, time has flown by. We have enjoyed being part of this awesome community and look forward to spending 2024 with you. Merry Christmas to you all, stay safe and merry. - Dee Blom

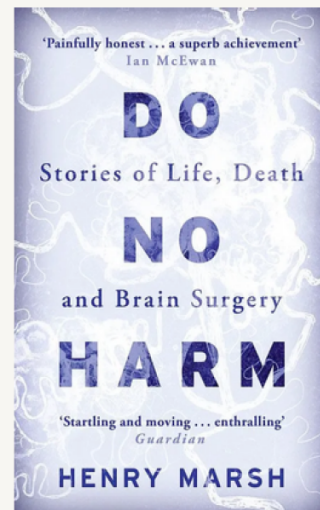


### Reacher - TV Series

A very important point of this recommendation is that this is not a movie featuring Tom Cruise. Those are really terrible and should be avoided. This series is much more closely aligned with the book series written by Lee Child. It follows Jack Reacher, a man of mystery, as he gets himself entangled in crimes in more ways than you can imagine. A second season is out, so there are plenty of episodes to binge.

### Do No Harm by Henry Marsh - Book

I've always found medical memoirs fascinating. I cannot stomach tv medical dramas even if it's all pretend. But I can easily dive into the detail through a non-fiction book. And this one is a wonderful place to start. Henry Marsh has been a neurosurgeon for decades, and this book is a reflection on his working life and the very human elements of his work. Including some very black humour with a sprinkle of groundbreaking insights for life in general.



## Bodyguard - TV Series

This has been around a while so many of you may have already watched this. This is a gripping six part series that follows a war veteran, now police sergeant who is part of the Royalty and Specialist Protection branch of the London MET. He is tasked with protecting the politicians responsible for the war in which he fought in. A second season is in the works and due to be released in 2024.



## SAS: Rouge Heros - TV Series

Fantastic series! I am not one for war stories, or any sort of historical fiction tv series. This definitely breaks the mould. It's a darkly humoured, at times heartbreaking retelling of how the SAS was formed during the Western Desert Campaign of World War II. All based on the book by Ben Macintyre. Season One is available on SBS on Demand. And a second series will be created and released in 2024.



## Intrigue The Immortals - Podcast

How far would you go to live longer? Get a plasma infusion from someone far younger than you? Or would you happily handover your physical form to machines and become "post-human"? These are just some of the debates being had across the world. Hosted by a tech reporter and psychologist, the episodes five into the extreme longevity pioneers.



Merry  
Christmas

## Meckering Ladies Club Cuppa



We had a festive Christmas luncheon on Monday, December 11 with sixteen ladies in attendance. Anne mentioned it was our fifth Christmas party. Ladies brought a plate of Christmas fare to share and Karen organised a game which caused much laughter, while

Anne also presented a Christmas quiz.

The most important part though, was the opportunity for everyone to have time together before the end of the year.

The charity we decided to support was Beyond Blue.

This year for the special gift, ladies were presented with a pen, with Club Cuppa printed on the side.

Club Cuppa will commence again on the second Monday in March 2024, when I am sure, all ladies will have lots to catch up on.

Special thanks to the Meckering Sporting Club for allowing us to use their premises and also the Bandicoot for including our news.



Wishing all readers a Merry Christmas and a happy new year.

Anne 0428 251 208 or  
Sandie 0428 251 122





# Cops Corner

## Wheatbelt Police



Dalwallinu Police stopped a 63 yr old Dalwallinu man with speeding, 165kph/110kph speed zone, Gt Northern Hwy, Miling. Vehicle to be Surrendered, Charge of Reckless Driving, Northam Court date pending, please slow down, drive safe. [#fb](#)



They're the crimes that continue to haunt grieving family members and the wider community - cold case murders.

Cold Case Western Australia is the official podcast of WA Police Force which examines unsolved murders.

The series includes in-depth interviews with detectives investigating the cases, and with family members of the victims. Cold Case Western Australia is hosted by Neil Poh - a veteran crime reporter and a former media advisor for WA Police Force.

The series has been commissioned as part of new efforts to obtain information from the public about these confronting, unsolved murders.



Another four drivers detected driving with illicit substances in their system over the weekend. If you chose to drive after using prohibited drugs, we will continue to target you in an effort to keep other road users safe this Christmas and new year period.

# Cunderdin Hot Rod & Classic Car Show 2023

The Cunderdin 100 Mile Club Inc. is a community based event organisation that was started and run by local volunteers, our club was formed to support the sporting, recreational, service, charity and business institutions of our community to show case Cunderdin to visitors as well as engage a new demographic of local townsfolk.

The 2023 Cunderdin Hot Rod and Classic Car Show was held on Saturday 21st October at the town Sports oval.

Friday night's camping was a big hit this year with a colourful array of tents, swags, caravans and motor homes. Many arrived Friday afternoon; they enjoyed looking around our town, chilling out, looking at the attractions and supporting our local businesses. The end of the evening was enjoyed by all with a wonderful experience at the Cunderdin Sport and Recreational Centre.

Saturday was fantastic weather (bit on the warm side) and the gates opened at 12 noon for spectators, car enthusiasts were itching to get in earlier, but they were turned away until the specified time due to safety reasons. Cunderdin 100 Mile Club volunteers run the sausage sizzle, sports club kiosk, token tent, rocker cover track, registration tent, front gate and the parking marshals and again proved they had it all in the bag.

In total there were 114 cars on display, this included our special guests - The Buick Club, National Corvette Restorers Society and the Ulysses motorcycle club. Many walked around and checked out the selection of different cars and bikes, others just sat and enjoyed talking to old and new mates alike in and around the event. Our new Rocker Cover racing event had 14 registrations, which was a treat for exhibitors and spectators wanting to enter their home made machines; it was a gas load of fun. Over 376 adult spectators dragged the family from far and wide to view the wonderfully restored rare machines or real steel. We had a DJ throughout the whole day which gave us great background music in between our announcements and awards.

Saturday night revved up with the people's choice award at the Recreational Club. Then there was the hungry crowd - the kitchen came through once again serving 130 meals, everyone enjoyed a lovely locally sourced roast dinner with all the trimmings, including desert. After dinner we kicked up some dust and danced until midnight to a band called Loco from Perth.

Sunday morning started early with the Cunderdin 100 Mile Club cooking breakfast. Many gathered for a morning chat before setting off for a safe trip home, and some had many miles to cover.

Over the years we have donated monies to worthy charities including Telethon, Cunderdin Fire Brigade, Cunderdin St John Ambulance, Wheatbelt Men's Mental Health (Talk to a mate), Canteen and this year the members selected the Royal Flying Doctors.

The Cunderdin 100 Mile Club Inc. committee and our great team of local and afar volunteers were very busy managing all aspects of the car show. We thank each and every one of them for great efforts before, during and after the event. Visitor feedback was extremely positive, and there were many exhibitors & spectators who attended our previous events. Rest assured our 2024 event is already in the making for our annual steel bumper event which helps support car enthusiasts to partake in something with like-minded people. We are all very proud of the success of these events and look forward to see what 2024 brings. If you have any feedback, suggestions or would like to help us with an event next year, please get in contact with us.

*Thank You*

VOLUNTEERS

*Thank You*

To ALL our fantastic friendly volunteers in various roles over the two days etc. you did a top job, none of this would have been successful without you ALL!

SPONSORSHIP

Special thanks to Cunderdin Shire, CBH, Australian Street Rod Federation, The Trayning Hotel, Shannons Insurance, Orotek Cunderdin, Bunnings Northam, Tradesales Northam, Laurise @ the Cunderdin Sport & Recreation Club, Auto-pro Northam and Water Corporation Cunderdin for their kind donations and sponsorship.

ONGOING SUPPORT

The Shire of Cunderdin, Cunderdin Lions Club, Cunderdin Police, St John Ambulance & Fire Brigade for their ongoing support

Thank you to all our exhibitors with their awesome cars and to all the spectators that rocked up again, vendors & stall holders, who were so chilled.

And last but not least to our wonderful committee members bringing their vast experience in all areas and committing a lot of personal time & expense. [Check out our 2023 photos on Facebook: Cunderdin 100 Mile Club Inc.](#)

New members needed - please phone

Troy on 0401 176 167 or Jason on 0427447939



# **Cunderdin Hot Rod & Classic Car Show 2023**

## **PEOPLE'S CHOICE RESULTS**

Best Hot Rod	Ex No. 88	Lance Fussell
Best Ford	Ex No. 88	Lance Fussell
Best Holden	Ex No. 03	Alan Simpson
Best Chev	Ex No. 67	Pat Rando
Best Mopar	Ex No. 100	Jeff Mills
Best All Rounder	Ex No. 88	Lance Fussell
Best Project Car	Ex No. 86	Michael Jackson

## **\$100 RAFFLE BOARD**

Raffle Board No. 31 - Cedella

Bunnings \$100 Voucher No. 100 - Aaron Harris

## **ROCKER COVER RACING**

1st Over the Line	Ian Baxter
Best Dressed	Jason Dumbrell
Lego best dressed	Holly Chant
Lego 1st over the line	Holly Chant

# Cunderdin Hot Rod & Classic Car Show 2023

Cunderdin 100 Mile Club Inc.,  
Presents





Advertise for 20 issues in the Bandicoot Express and receive 10% discount if you pay before January 31st 2024



**Bandicoot @Cunderdincrc.net.au**

## My name is David Martin

I am semi-retired

57 years old

I enjoy the time with my special needs children

I decided to acquire an ABN when required.

I will work specific tasks for agreed amounts for some spending money up until full retirement age 60

From odd jobs around the yard to grease monkey, mowing, & gardening

I do not mind domestic work, window cleaning etc.

So if you need help give me a call with any casual work, David

**Ph: 0403541964**

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# Cunderdin and Meckering network upgrade

The final stage of a \$5 million package of maintenance and upgrade work in Cunderdin and Meckering will commence in January. The upgrade is focused on improving network reliability, maintaining high standards of safety and enhancing network resilience to major weather events. The works include replacing more than 290 poles, 47km of overhead power lines, installing LED streetlights, upgrading reclosers, and carrying out other essential maintenance.



## Timeframe

**Stage 1:** 13–27 February 2023

**Stage 2:** 1–29 March 2023

**Stage 3:** August–September 2023

**Stage 4:** 10–30 January 2024

The final stage is scheduled from 10 to 30 January 2024 and includes replacing approximately 10 poles, 17kms of high voltage overhead lines, two streetlights and performing other essential maintenance within the area.

(Works and timelines are subject to change for critical reasons including network emergencies, weather conditions, faults, technical reasons etc.)

## Planned outages

To ensure the safety of residents and crews, it's necessary for us to schedule power outages. Affected customers will be directly notified of outage dates and times.

Please check your notification carefully as you may experience more than one outage. We plan to connect two temporary network generators in Meckering to reduce the impact of power outages. Residents connected to the generators may experience short power outages lasting between 1 to 2 hours when the generator is being connected or disconnected.

## Have your say

We appreciate hearing any feedback, queries or concerns you may have. Get in touch with us on **13 10 87** or email [communityenquiries@westernpower.com.au](mailto:communityenquiries@westernpower.com.au).

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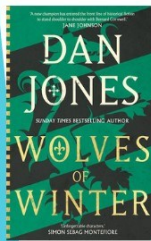
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## RECOMMENDED BOOKS

Rosie Royce is trying to live her best life. Really, she is. But it seems like life hasn't gotten the memo. It's been six years since childhood sweetheart Wes Preston jumped on a plane and never looked back, and Rosie spends most nights spooning her laptop. If she has to swipe on one more bloke posing with a sedated tiger, she'll scream. An impulse move to the idyllic country town of Mudgee is the fresh start Rosie needs, as she trades in her high-pressure marketing career for a laidback gig in local radio. Hell, she may even meet one of those dreamy farmers she's seen on TV. But the universe isn't done messing with Rosie just yet. Her new job comes with a handsome but infuriating co-host, Dr Markus Abrahams, while a school reunion brings Wes back into her orbit. When Rosie's work whisks her to vibrant, chaotic India - well and truly out of her comfort zone - a world of possibility opens up.



Caught up in the siege of Calais, in the midst of a brutal eleven-month blockade of a small port on the French coast, they are no longer blindly walking into the unknown. But the men still have more questions than answers about what faces them – and why. What are they really fighting for? And why does the king care so much about taking such a small French town? The Dogs aren't paid to ask questions but in their work, they have the means to make people talk. Soon, their journey will reveal who really wants this war to last for a hundred years. And as the battle rages, they hear the first, faint, chesty rattle of a natural disaster that is sweeping towards the Dogs and their world . . . Spanning the siege city built outside Calais' walls, to the pirate ships patrolling the harbour, and into the dark corners of oligarchs' houses, where the deals that shape – and end – lives are made, this captivating and brutal story brings the 1300s effortlessly to life. About money, merchants and the mediaeval 'deep state', this is a must-read for fans of Bernard Cornwell and Conn Iggulden.



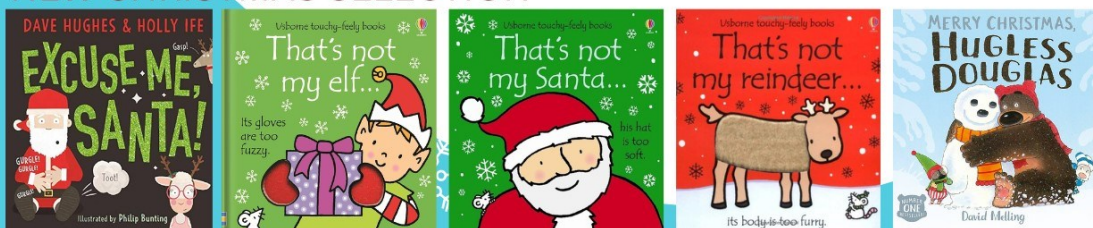
### NEW BOOKS



### NEW DVDS AND AUDIO BOOKS



### NEW CHRISTMAS SELECTION





# CUNDERDIN CRC HOLIDAY HOURS

## DECEMBER 22ND - OPEN LIKE NORMAL

Sat 23 Dec	Closed
Sun 24 Dec	Closed
CHRISTMAS DAY	Closed
BOXING DAY	Closed
Wed 27 Dec	Closed
Thu 28 Dec	Closed
Fri 29 Dec	Closed
Sat 30 Dec	Closed
NEW YEARS EVE	Closed
NEW YEARS DAY	Closed
Tue 02 Jan	Open

## \*\* JANUARY HOURS \*\*

**Early Close:** Monday - Friday: 9:00am - 3:00pm

**Licensing:** Monday - Friday: 9:00am - 2:30pm





# CRC Happenings

P: 9635 1784 E: [admin@cunderdincrc.net.au](mailto:admin@cunderdincrc.net.au)

W: [www.cunderdin.crc.net.au](http://www.cunderdin.crc.net.au)

## UPCOMING PDA DATES:

**December:** Thursday 14th & Friday 15th

**January:** Thursday 18th & Friday 19th

**February:** Thursday 15th & 16th

Thursdays can only be booked **in person** at the CRC with ID.

Fridays are available online on the DOT website:

<https://online.transport.wa.gov.au/pdabooking/manage>

9am-4pm (3.30pm for Learner's permits)

**\*\*Only one test can be booked at one time\*\***

## Don't want to miss a Bandicoot?

Put your name down for the 2024 Bandicoot Subscriptions and get every issues posted to your front door.

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SHIRE OF  
**CUNDERDIN**

# SHIRE SNIPPETS

14 December 2023



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## End of Year President's Message 2023



It's hard to believe 12 months have gone by since my last end of year message. The Shire has seen such a busy time –

### AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

This year, it was so pleasing to see the volunteer group from the Cunderdin Mission Shop recognised with the Australia Day Community Group Award. This happy band of volunteers co-ordinate and run the Mission Shop, providing a valuable service to our community, while donating their proceeds to other worthwhile charities. A truly deserving award.

### BACK TO CUNDERDIN WEEKEND

In March, huge celebrations took place acknowledging the 75th anniversary of the Cunderdin District High School and the 50th anniversary of the Cunderdin Museum. It was a truly nostalgic weekend with old mates and acquaintances renewing friendships. A weekend packed full of events provided many opportunities for catching up and telling tall tales. There was definitely a glow in Cunderdin after the weekend concluded.

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## Community Events

### Administration Office CLOSURE



Closed from:

4.30 pm on Friday, 22 December 2023

Open from:

8.30 am on Tuesday, 2 January 2024

### Australia Day Community Breakfast



26 JANUARY 2024

### Australia Day Pool Party



26 JANUARY 2024



# End of Year President's Message 2023 continue

## EMERGENCY SERVICES VOLUNTEER DAY

In conjunction with the RRT, (Rapid Response Team), the Shire held the inaugural Emergency Services Volunteer Day at the end of March to encourage community members to take up a voluntary position with a vital services organisation. Despite the inclement weather on the day, a good crowd attended with a few volunteers signing up. Another volunteer day will be held next year in an ongoing effort to keep our emergency services viable.

## VALE COUNCILLOR SAM STEWART

It was with great sadness that Council marked the passing of sitting Councillor, Sam Stewart, of Meckering. Sam came to Council a little unsure, but soon found his niche and enhanced meetings with his unique brand of humour and wide life experience. We are thankful for his contribution to his community and keep his family in our thoughts.

## PALLIATIVE AND OVERNIGHT HOSPITAL CARE

Council has been tireless in pursuing the re-instatement of these vital services to Cunderdin. The group therapy room within the Health Centre is currently being renovated to enable it to be used for overnight and palliative care when necessary, and these services are now able to be offered once again. A more permanent solution is Council's aim, and we continue to work toward that goal in collaboration with the West Australian Country Health Service.

## OLD HOSPITAL SITE & IAN ROBERTS LODGE

The transfer of land from WACHS to the Shire of the old hospital site has finally been completed. Now that the site is owned by the Shire, plans for housing will be commenced. The Shire is acutely aware of the need for all levels of housing within both Cunderdin and Meckering, and have been very pleased with the leasing of the Ian Roberts Lodge to a local business to house their employees. We continue to develop strategies to address the housing issue and are also nearing the completion of the development of our industrial area in collaboration with Development WA.

## O'CONNOR PARK RE-DEVELOPMENT

Of course, another of the highlights of the year was the extremely successful rejuvenation of O'Connor Park. With assistance from Lotterywest, our park has morphed into the best playground in the Wheatbelt. Huge thanks go to Liezl and the Shire staff for their vision and acquittal in bringing about such a transformation. It is now a premier destination for families looking for an all-ages play area, and an attractive asset for our Shire.

## MECKERING EARTHQUAKE GARDEN & MOSAIC TRAIL

In keeping with the Shire's desire to lift our tourism profile, the tired Meckering Earthquake Garden has been given a much-needed upgrade. Soon to be complete, the new garden better highlights the elements from the Meckering earthquake that so decimated the town back in 1968. Beautiful new signage and a clearly defined path, dotted with locally produced mosaics, will provide flow through the garden onto sites of interest.

## AUTOMATED WASTE TRANSFER STATION

The transition to a fully automated system at the Cunderdin Waster Transfer Station is nearly complete. Security cameras being installed, electric gates are in operation and it is anticipated the station will be fully automated and unmanned from February, 2024, with Shire staff being re-deployed within the outside crew.

## NEW COUNCILLOR, HOLLY GODFREY

Local Government elections were held during the year and Council has warmly welcomed our newest councillor, Holly Godfrey. Boosting our number of female councillors to three, and considerably lowering our average age, Holly is a refreshing addition to our team of committed and enthusiastic elected members. Councillors who re-nominated and were duly re-elected are Councillors Todd Harris, Tony Smith and Bernie Daly. I congratulate all councillors for putting their hand up to work toward the betterment of our community, and I look forward to another productive and rewarding year working together.

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# End of Year President's Message 2023 continue

## PINK TOWNS

Under the guidance of our Community Development Officer, Liezl, and with the happy contribution of a large group of volunteers, the Pink committee brought awareness and education of Breast Cancer to our towns. Raising a healthy \$13,500 along the way, the month of October saw many pink activities, providing fun and camaraderie, while offering support and encouragement to those touched by breast cancer. A very worthy initiative.

## NEW MANAGER OF WORKS & SERVICES

Our amiable and knowledgeable Manager of Works, Craig Robertson, has unfortunately moved south to greener pastures and bigger road projects! Council wishes Craig the very best in his new endeavours, and thank him for his significant contribution to our Shire in the short few years of his employment. Council is excited to welcome Rob Bell to the role of Manager of Works and Services. Rob offers many years of experience working with the Shire of Cunderdin and we look forward to progressing many new and developing projects with Rob.

## THANKYOU

Firstly, I'd like to sincerely thank all those involved in fighting the many fires we have experienced in our district this season. Local farmers and volunteers have been vigilant in quickly responding to any flare-ups. From re-loading water bomber planes, to feeding tired firefighters, the communication has been outstanding and our community has been kept safe. Thankyou all for your efforts.

There have been so many rewarding and celebratory moments throughout the Shire this year. None of those would have happened without the continued efforts of our Shire staff and community volunteers. I see first hand the dedication and commitment of our Shire staff and I am so proud of the way in which they go about their work. Professional and caring, they provide the solid foundation upon which our community is able to build and prosper. My heartfelt thanks go to all the Shire staff – your efforts do not go by unnoticed. To those in the community who help to keep our towns united, safe and friendly, thank you. To my fellow councillors, your support and contribution is highly valued and I thank you for a productive and enriching year.

I wish everyone a safe, healthy and relaxing holiday season, and look forward to the challenges and opportunities of 2024.

Alison Harris  
President, Shire of Cunderdin.



### Bin collection Holiday service changes



Please note that due to the public holiday, the bin collection due for Cunderdin and Meckering on Monday the 25th will be serviced on **Saturday, 23rd of December 2023.**

All services will be as normal for the New Year week.



## Shire of Cunderdin HOLIDAY Opening Hours

Date	Administration Office	Cunderdin Pool	Waste Transfer Stations
Fri, Dec 22	8.30 am to 4 pm	12 pm to 7 pm	closed
Sat, Dec 23	closed	12 pm to 7 pm	open
Sun, Dec 24	closed	12 pm to 7 pm	open
Mon, Dec 25	closed	closed	closed
Tues, Dec 26	closed	closed	closed
Wed, Dec 27	closed	12 pm to 7 pm	open
Thur, Dec 28	closed	12 pm to 7 pm	closed
Fri, Dec 29	closed	12 pm to 7 pm	closed
Sat, Dec 30	closed	12 pm to 7 pm	open
Sun, Dec 31	closed	12 pm to 7 pm	closed
Mon, Jan 1	closed	closed	closed
Tues, Jan 2	8.30 am to 4 pm	12 pm to 7 pm	closed

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



# Australia Day Celebrations

Get ready for an unforgettable Australia Day celebration! We're kicking off the day with a FREE community breakfast featuring a Citizenship Ceremony and the highly anticipated Citizen of the Year Awards. Our young talents will dazzle you with a special performance that you won't want to miss!

Later in the day, dive into the fun at our Pool Party – we've got a splash-tastic lineup of inflatables, plus free ice cream, slushies, and a sizzling sausage feast!

Let's come together and make this Australia Day a day to remember! See you there!



What does the grumpy sheep say at Christmas?

*Baaaa Humbug!*

What was the sheep's favourite Christmas carol?

*All I want for Christmas is ewe!*

Don't forget to subscribe to the online Shire Snippets! It is easy just fill in your details at: [www.cunderdin.wa.gov.au/the-shire/latest-news/newsletter-subscribe.aspx](http://www.cunderdin.wa.gov.au/the-shire/latest-news/newsletter-subscribe.aspx)

## Parents and guardians in Cunderdin and Meckering - we need your help!

The Cunderdin Youth Council is actively working on shaping a Youth Strategy for our Shire, and we need your valuable perspective. By completing the survey (scan code), you play a vital role in identifying what matters most for our youth and how the Shire can support them in creating safe and positive environments for growth and develop.

### Parent Survey

Have a say for your Children!

SCAN





## Public Notice

# ZERO TOLERANCE FOR ABUSE

### Zero Tolerance for Rude or Abusive Behaviour Towards Shire Employees

Dear Community,

At the Shire of Cunderdin, we value and respect our employees as integral members of our community. Their dedication and hard work contribute to the wonderful community we all cherish. It has come to our attention that some individuals have engaged in rude or abusive behaviour towards our staff. We want to remind everyone that we are committed to maintaining a respectful and welcoming environment for both customers and employees. No one should endure mistreatment while carrying out their duties. We firmly state our position of zero tolerance for any form of disrespect or abuse directed at our team members.

We kindly request that all interactions with Shire employees be conducted with courtesy and consideration. Our employees are here to assist and serve, and we believe that everyone deserves to be treated with respect.

Please be aware that any instances of rude or abusive behaviour will be addressed promptly and may result in appropriate actions, including the refusal of service.

We appreciate the understanding and cooperation of our community in upholding these standards. Let us continue to build a community that values kindness, understanding, and mutual respect.

Sincerely,  
Shire of Cunderdin



## Public Notice

### Invitation to Tender on Plant Item

Council is currently inviting tenders for the purchase of the below item under Section 3.58 of the Local Government Act 1995. Details of the vehicle as at 7th December 2023 are:

Item	Registration	Year	Licence	KMS
2002 Custom made Cool room Trailer	CM 4602	2002	30/06/2024	

The above item is available for inspection on request by contacting Works and Services Technical Officer, Georgie, via email [georgie.crane@cunderdin.wa.gov.au](mailto:georgie.crane@cunderdin.wa.gov.au) or on 9635 1381. Item will be sold on an “as is where is basis”.

Written offers are to be addressed PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL to the undersigned:

**Stuart Hobley**  
Chief Executive Officer  
Shire of Cunderdin  
37 Lundy Avenue  
CUNDERDIN WA 6407



Offers are required to be received prior to 4pm, **Wednesday, 20th December 2023**, at the Shire Administration Office. Late offers will not be considered.

**Stuart Hobley - Chief Executive Officer**





## PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2005

### LOCAL PLANNING SCHEME AMENDMENT AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION

#### SHIRE OF CUNDERDIN LOCAL PLANNING SCHEME NO.4 AMENDMENT NO.1

Notice is hereby given that the Cunderdin Shire Council has resolved, pursuant to Section 75 of the Planning and Development Act 2005, to amend the above Local Planning Scheme by:

1. Amending Clause 19 in Part 3 of the Scheme Text to include an additional use for Lot 14 (No.35) and Lot 15 (No.31) Bedford Street, Cunderdin as follows:
  - (1) Table 5 sets out -
    - (a) classes of use for specified land that are additional to the classes of use that are permissible in the zone in which the land is located; and
    - (b) the conditions that apply in respect of the additional use(s).

Table 5 - Specified additional uses for zoned lane in the Scheme area

No.	Description of land	Additional use	Conditions
A1	Lot 14 (No.35) and Lot 15 (No.31) Bedford Street, Cunderdin	Shop	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Notwithstanding anything else in the Scheme, development on the site shall be subject to application to the local government for approval to commence development.</li><li>2. The local government may require development applications to be advertised in accordance with Clause 64 of the deemed provisions.</li><li>3. All development and use shall be in accordance with any plans, conditions and management requirements approved by the local government.</li><li>4. No alterations or extensions to the land use shall be undertaken without the approval of the local government.</li></ol>

(2) Despite anything contained in the zoning table, land that is specified in Table 5 may be used for the additional class of use set out in respect of that land subject to the conditions that apply to that use.

Note: An additional use is a land use that is permitted on a specific portion of land in addition to the uses already permissible in that zone that applies to the land.

2. Renumbering the following Tables in the Scheme Text as follows:
  - Table 5 in Part 3 to Table 6;
  - Table 6 in Part 4 to Table 7;
  - Table 7 in Part 5 to Table 8; and
  - Table 8 in Schedule 3 to Table 9.

3. Amending the Scheme Map accordingly.

A document setting out and explaining the scheme amendment proposal is available for inspection at the Shire Administration Centre, Lundy Avenue, Cunderdin and the Public Notifications section of Shire's website (Public Notification » Shire of Cunderdin).

Comments on the proposal are now invited and can be emailed to [admin@cunderdin.wa.gov.au](mailto:admin@cunderdin.wa.gov.au) or posted to the Shire's Chief Executive Officer at PO Box 100, CUNDERDIN WA 6407. All submissions must include the following information:

- Your name, address and contact telephone number;
- How your interests are affected whether as a private citizen, on behalf of a company or other organisation, or as an owner or occupier of property;
- Address of property affected (if applicable); and
- Whether your submission is in support of or objecting to the proposal, either in part or in whole, and any reasons supporting your comments.

Comments on the scheme amendment proposal may be submitted to the local government on or before **Friday 22 December 2023**. All submissions received may be made public at a Council meeting and included in a Council Agenda, which will be available on the Shire's website in due course, unless a submission specifically requests otherwise.

**Stuart Hobley - CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**



# Shire Information



## Administration Open Hours

Open Monday - Friday 8.30am to 4.00pm

Department of Transport and State Library Services are available from the Cunderdin Community Resource Centre located on 57 Main Street, Cunderdin.

## Councillors

Shire President:	Alison Harris
Deputy President:	Tony Smith
Councillor:	Natalie Snooke
Councillor:	Todd Harris
Councillor:	Norm Jenzen
Councillor:	Bernie Daly
Councillor:	Holly Godfrey

## Staff

CEO:	Stuart Hoblely
Deputy CEO:	Hayley Byrnes
Manager of Works:	Robert Bell

## Further Information

Contact details for Councillors or staff is available from the Shire of Cunderdin website at: [www.cunderdin.wa.gov.au](http://www.cunderdin.wa.gov.au)

We encourage you to subscribe to the Shire Snippets or consult the website to keep up to date on Council matters or events.

## Restricted Burning Periods

The dates below may change due to seasonal fire conditions in which case the details of the changes will be published locally and on Council's website.

Permits available from:  
Shire Administration Office  
Chief Bush Fire Control Officer:  
Ashley Burges  
Deputy Bush Fire Control Officer:  
David Beard

OPEN BURNING PERIOD  
01 April - 4 October 2023  
NO PERMITS REQUIRED

RESTRICTED BURNING PERIOD  
4 October - 1 November 2023  
PERMITS REQUIRED

PROHIBITED BURNING PERIOD  
2 November 2023 - 14 February 2024  
BURNING PROHIBITED

RESTRICTED BURNING PERIOD  
15 February - 31 March 2024  
PERMITS REQUIRED

## Waste Transfer Stations

### MECKERING TRANSFER STATION

Opening Hours:

Wednesday: 11:00am-5:00pm

Saturday: 11:00am-5:00pm

Sunday: 11:00am-5:00pm

### CUNDERDIN TRANSFER STATION

Opening Hours:

Wednesday: 09:00am-5:00pm

Saturday: 09:00am-5:00pm

Sunday: 11:00am-5:00pm





# FRUIT

## Smoothies



### BASIC INGREDIENTS



Milk



Crushed Ice



Honey

### PERFECT BLENDS

Banana + Strawberry  
Pineapple + Mango + Banana  
Orange + Strawberry

Strawberry + Blueberry + Raspberry  
Cherry + Beet  
Mango + Avocado

### METHOD

1. Add desired liquid to the blender, followed by leafy greens, then soft ingredients (like fresh fruit), then firm ingredients (like frozen fruit).
2. Turn the blender on low speed, then gradually increase speed to high. Continue blending for 30 to 60 seconds, or until completely smooth. Serve immediately.

# PARTICIPATION TEAM HITS THE WHEATBELT

The regional trip was aimed at increasing Tennis West's presence in regional areas to service, support and sustain our sport.

The Tennis West team delivered school tennis programs to over 780 students across seven primary and high schools, met with the local government, delivered activations to three local tennis clubs for club members and the local community, face to face conversations with affiliated clubs, delivered three marketing workshops with local tennis clubs and conducted one teacher PD upskilling session resulting in eight members/teachers becoming upskilled around the Hotshots delivery.

Tennis West Schools and Pathways Officer – Central Radu Vaidean highlighted the success of the two week trip and value for visiting the regions.

“We embarked on the Wheatbelt Regional Schools and Clubs Roadshow because we believe in delivering excellent service, support and ultimately sustainability to our stakeholders.”

“There is so much talent that we identified during the last two weeks which is why it is so important for us to get out and work with our stakeholders including schools, clubs, local governments to develop and maintain that classroom to clubhouse model.”

“It's been an overwhelmingly positive experience, and we can't wait to be back out again next year,” said Radu.



## CUNDERDIN JUNIOR TENNIS TOURNAMENT



**YEAR 3/UNDER GIRLS**  
WINNER ANNABELLE ROBINSON AND LUCY BAILEY



**YEAR 3/UNDER BOYS**  
WINNER MAC JOHNSTON AND THOMAS DOLTON  
RUNNER UP MACK SMITH AND TOBAN BUTTERFIELD



**YEAR 5/UNDER GIRLS**  
WINNER GRETA GETHIN AND MILLA DOLTON  
RUNNER UP CLAIRE BAILEY AND PHOEBE SMITH



**YEAR 5/UNDER BOYS**  
WINNER RIVERS JASPER AND SAM MORRELL  
RUNNER UP ALEC MURRAY AND COOPER VANDENBERG

**YEAR 7/UNDER GIRLS**  
WINNER ABIGAIL BAILEY AND STELLA SMITH

**YEAR 7/UNDER BOYS**  
WINNER BURKE MURRAY AND CHARLIE GROWDEN  
RUNNER UP MATTHEW ASHWORTH AND ZAC DRAPER



**YEAR 9/UNDER GIRLS**  
WINNER JIANNA MATRES AND LAUREN NIGHTINGALE  
RUNNER UP KAYLA WILLMOTT AND LILY LEESON











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# BOB DAVEY

## Real Estate

CUNDERDIN			BLOCK SIZE
32 Mitchell 	\$185,000	2x1 kitchen/dining, lounge, duct aircon, 2 split reverse aircon, carport	1012sqm
9 Olympic 	\$245,000	3x1 kitchen/dining/lounge, cooktop/wall oven, new carpets in 3 bedrooms each has wall aircon, family room with concrete floor, wood fire, ceiling fan, front/back porch, double carport, garden sheds.	1012sqm
96 Mitchell 	\$245,000	3x1 spacious lounge, kitchen/dining, duct aircon, split reverse in lounge, tile fire, solar hws, front veranda, back patio, bbq area, separate built room for extra accommodation, double garage, carport	2000sqm
28 Lundy 	\$239,000	Spacious Home 3x1 kitchen/dining, office, theatre room, aircon, two driveways, 4 car carport, workshop, garage, bbq area, rainwater tank	1012sqm
37 Byfield <b>MECKERING</b> 	\$275,000	Spacious 3x1, (main bedroom bi robe) kitchen/dining/lounge open plan living, office, wall aircon, tile fire, front porch, carport, small shed	2000 sqm
19 Burges <b>MECKERING</b> 	\$210,000 FIRM	3X2 bedrooms (main has ensuite wall aircon) family bathroom, kitchen/dining/lounge open plan living, kitchen cooktop/ub oven, pantry, double carport, there is area to have alfresco ready to be done	1273 sqm
28 Shields <b>TAMMIN</b> 	\$145,000	3x1 kitchen/dining/lounge, front verandah, some renovations done	1012sqm
50 Walson <b>TAMMIN</b> 	<b>\$125,000</b>	3x1 kitchen/dining/lounge open plan living, solar panels, work shed	1012 sqm

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# Puzzles

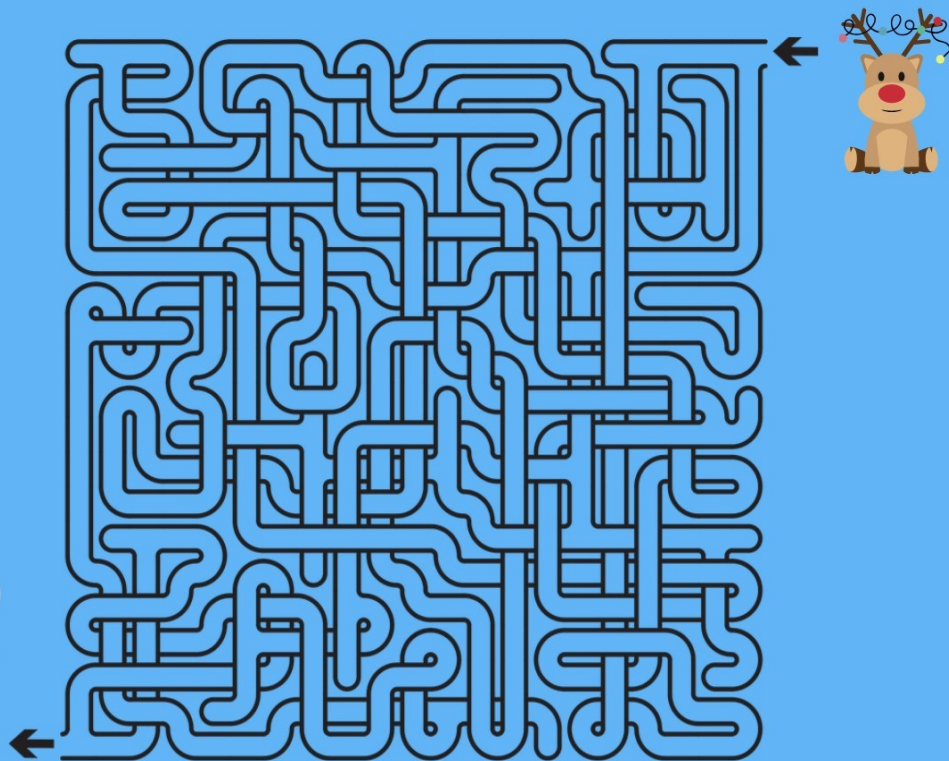
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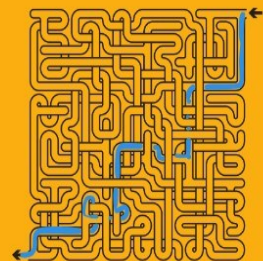
# Happy birthday!

15th December	Zac Bloodworth
	Ross Johns
19th December	Natalie Beard
21st December	Shane Darmody
22nd December	Shannon Chant
25th December	Christine Fulwood
	Amanda York
27th December	Stacey Styles
28th December	Carl Storer
	Amanda Wilson
29th December	Vicki Sheminant

Email your birthday to [bandicoot@cunderdincrc.net.au](mailto:bandicoot@cunderdincrc.net.au)



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## Issue 20 Quiz Answers:

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| 2. Snooker          | 8. Au             | 15. Sea Otter |
| 3. Vincent Van Gogh | 9. Amelia Earhart |               |
| 4. Golf             | 10. Sheep         |               |
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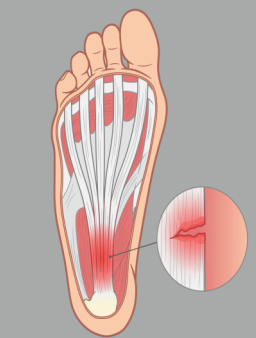
**WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS?**  
 The pain under the heel is worse when the person first steps out of bed in the mornings, or after sitting for long periods of time. It is relieved after walking about for a few minutes, then returns towards the end of the day. Resting will ease the pain, until you get up again.

**WHAT IS THE CAUSE?**  
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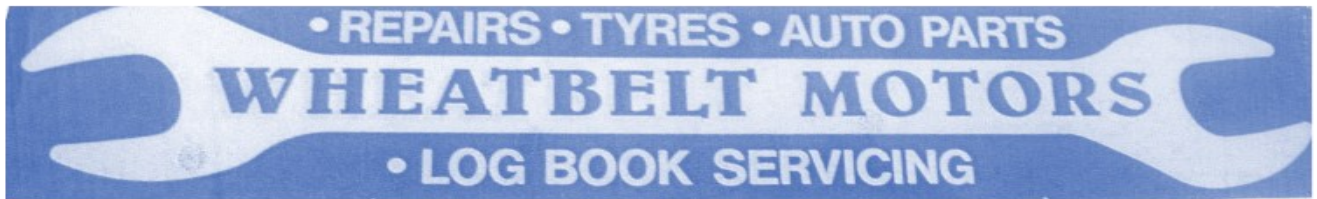
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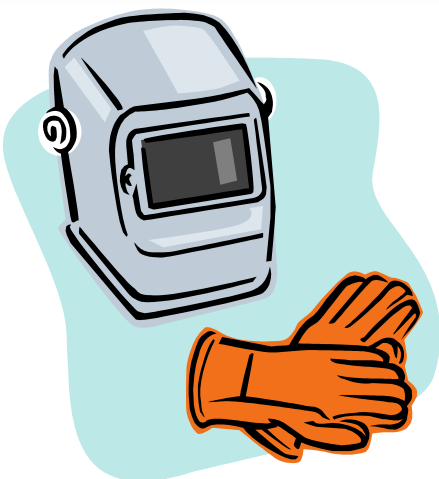
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Thank you to our wonderful volunteers for the time and effort you so kindly donate towards the smooth running of our shop.

Special mention to the following:

AMJ Industries, Handyman Greg,  
John, Jeff, Andrew, Pete

**Thank you everyone for your generosity and support we can't do it without you.**

Best wishes for the festive season and look forward to seeing you in 2024



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8.30 am—All Welcome

Morning Tea after every service

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- 2nd Sunday of the month - A. Jones & Jan Whisson
- 3rd Sunday of the month - Alan Carter
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- 5th Sunday of the month -
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Date/Time	Reading	Cleaning	Set Up
17th December Sunday 10am	L Morrell	L Caneda	J Mussared
24th December	No Service		
25th December	TBC		
31st December	No Service		
7th January Sunday 10am	J Mussared	Catilo Family	Catilo Family
14th January	No Service		
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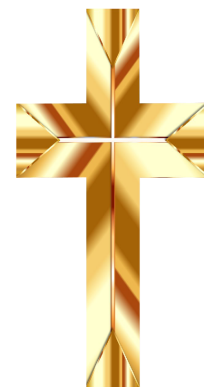
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## DECEMBER

22nd CRC Christmas Closure 4.30PM

25th Christmas Day

26th Boxing Day

## JANUARY

1st New years Public Holiday

2nd CRC Open: 9am– 3pm (2.30pm for Licensing)

26th Australia Day Breakfast 7.30am-9am

Australia Day pool party 11-3pm

31st School goes back

## FEBRUARY

2nd Bandicoot Deadline Day!

7th Community Bowls

8th Bandicoot Publication Day

14th Community Bowls

19th Cunderdin Meckering Cottages AGM 6PM @ Cunderdin CRC

### **HAPPENING EVERY WEEK:**

**TUESDAY:** CUNDERDIN MENS SHED

**TUESDAY:** CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE (11:30AM TO 12:30PM)

**TUESDAY:** CUNDERDIN PATCHWORKERS (FROM 10:30AM @ MUSEUM)

**TUESDAY & THURSDAY:** YOGA (5.30PM @ CRC FUNCTION ROOM)

**WEDNESDAY:** WEDNESDAY ACTIVITY GROUP (WAGS)

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<b>Cunderdin Men's Shed Inc.</b> President: Bernard Daly - 0488 079 334 Secretary: Tony Smith - 0487 316 448 9:00 am – Tuesday @ Museum Workshop	<b>Meckering Ladies Club Cuppa</b> Meckering Sporting Club. Every second and fourth Monday in the month, Between 9am – 11am Contact: Sandie Laird - 0428 251 122	



The Cunderdin community Christmas party was a hit once again this year, buzzing with energy and festive cheer. The market stalls offered unique finds and treasures, adding to the vibrant atmosphere. Kids laughed and played on the inflatable rides, their joy palpable in the air.

But the highlight? Santa's arrival, of course. His visit brought joy and excitement to the kids' faces spreading holiday cheer! Making it a magical moment for everyone present. The community came together to make the event a success, and the Cunderdin CRC and Shire extend their heartfelt gratitude to everyone who participated—your presence truly made the night. Here's to hoping for an even bigger turnout next year. Hopefully the weather will be kinder too!

Here's to creating more cherished moments together in the future. Until then, keep the holiday spirit alive, only 11 days till Christmas!

Thank you to all Cunderdin CRC Staff and Committee for all your hard work and volunteering on the night and leading up to the event.

Thank you to the Shire of Cunderdin team for helping run this event.

Thank you to Santa for finding time in your busy schedule to pop in for a visit

Thank you to Brandon, Julie & Steve Skinner for providing our VIP a lift as his Reindeers were slacking off on the night.

Thank you to the Cunderdin Lions Club for the use of the BBQ trailer.

A special thank you to those that made this event possible! We hope everyone has a safe and Happy Christmas!

Merry Christmas and a Happy New year from the Cunderdin CRC team!!

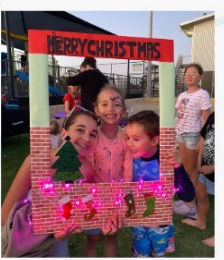
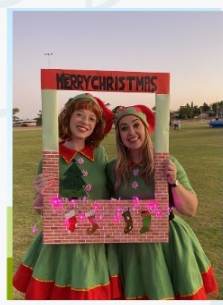
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## Christmas Party



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