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**We wish you a Merry Christmas
and a Happy New Year
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2021 here we come!**



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Pemberton Community News

You know those days where you just don't want to engage with the world, don't tell me you don't have them, I believe we all do, well sometimes I feel like Diocletian the Roman Emperor who declared he would do what no other emperor had done before – abdicate voluntarily. He had retired to a palace in Dalmatia to grow vegetables, and when the order that he had brought to the empire began to fall apart, he was asked to return, old colleagues begged him to come back and restore peace and order to their empire. Writing back to them, Diocletian said 'If you could come here and see the splendid cabbages I have grown with my own hands, then you would not ask such a thing of me.'

Now I'm not retired to a palace in Dalmatia and I don't have any cabbages growing, but I have some pretty lovely strawberries. You get where I'm going with this don't you? We all have days where it ends up in the proverbial...but we have to get on with it. While I would love to be home with the cabbages, or in my case strawberries, stuff needs to happen to keep life rolling along and at the CRC, we need to keep the doors open for you and provide the service that you deserve.

We have just had a brilliant Weekend of Workshops – WOW Pemberton® 2020, which we hope will be the start of something for our town that everyone will want to be a part of. So much time and effort goes into organising and bringing presenters to town, accommodating them, getting people to engage with the program and search for and secure funding and donations. We have a whole page in this edition dedicated to those who have supported us and helped us bring WOW Pemberton® to life, and we can't thank them enough, trusting that they will be with us again next year as we strive to bring a bigger, better and even more inclusive event to town. For those who travelled to the event from places such as Paraburdoo and Perth, Bunbury, Busselton and Albany and were lucky enough to find accommodation due to the huge influx of WA travellers, they loved what they came for. There were many who just could not find any accommodation and had to cancel bookings for events. We trust that 2021 will look a little differently as far as accommodation is concerned. At the CRC we plan our events around what is characteristically the quiet times with regard to tourism numbers, but of course 2020 is anything but characteristic and we haven't had a quiet time since June!

I was issued with a 7 day #givethanks challenge the other day to note what I am grateful for, admittedly I have only got past day 2, but I can tell you what I'm not grateful for and that is my Telstra data service. Like clockwork, the data at home drops from 4G to 3G at 8am every morning and returns, if you are lucky, at 6 or 7pm. Brilliant in these times where working from home is supposed to be something we can all do, and not to mention being old. Between 8am and 6pm, they are the good hours of my day, I can't concentrate much after 6pm and am not about to be conducting meetings or doing work stuff in the evening. Where we are, that means no mobile coverage, no internet coverage, just don't ask me to do anything or talk to anyone from home if I decide to have a day off. What a service! This has been going on for months and I am hopeful (not yet grateful), that we might have a resolution soon. Just to know that it is nothing our end would be helpful as I navigate around India and the Philippines for answers. But who cares about any of that anyway—it's nearly Christmas, and although I haven't got the tree and the beautiful decorations up as yet, I am still getting excited.

You will find all advertising information on the inside back cover

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The menu is being planned, and I will die trying if necessary to make sure the pudding is ready. It should have been done months ago, but it is the best pudding recipe ever, so no one will notice, they never do. We will have a house full this year, which is something I am grateful for. A good friend of mine has a daughter living in Victoria who has been in lockdown for all of these months along with being diagnosed with MS. This poor darling who has only just turned 21, has had to undergo all the tests and procedures relating to finding out what was wrong with her, without her Mum at her side. She is a student at Melbourne University and her Mum lives in Perth. Thankfully she will be coming home this week and while having to isolate for 14 days, she will be home for Christmas with her Mum.

As of the 5th December our building will be like so many other business where our customers will have to scan or sign in as part of contact tracing for COVID-19. This will be an onerous task, especially at the Visitor Centre end of the corridor, and I hope that our customers will show patience and good sense and not give our staff any grief as to why they don't want to participate, and what a waste of their time this will be. We will go along with it all and do what is asked of us to ensure we can keep our doors open at whatever cost. We have been so fortunate all this long time through 2020, and I trust that local customers and visitors alike, will make this as easy as possible for all of us.

You just never know when life will throw something at you and take you by surprise. Some friends of mine who have 3 little children (one being a 3 month old) related to me a few weeks ago that "COVID has not been good to us". They told how they had lost their home, their livelihood and were now fixing up a small caravan to house their family, but I also know that the members of our community will be thinking of each other and those less fortunate than themselves this Christmas. We have already seen the generosity of our Vanuatuan community through their donations of food items for distribution through the Pemberton Community Exchange. There will also be the donation of toys to be distributed, all of which will keep the CRC busy and help to spread the cheer and goodwill that others are willing to share. See, this is what Christmas can do, and I hope with all of my heart that we as a nation never turn our back on it.

We might be coming into the holiday season but this office remains busy and in touch with the needs of the community. While one day I will be like Diocletian and tell you my cabbages are more important than anything else, and while I wait for Telstra to get their act together, I will continue to be grateful for the opportunity to serve our community wherever possible.

Sending you every good wish for Christmas and the New Year. Bring on a better/different 2021.

Deb

Letters to the Editor

05/11/20

Hi staff at the CRC, just loved the editorial (November 2020). Again, and yes of course I knew the lyrics, often think to say them myself, but others don't want to know or be reminded about bombs or atmosphere... and I immediately thought of 'Imagine' in reply to Deb's words about the world's sad kids, and issues. I'm not going to be saddened by what I can't do, just pray: so Thanks for that; made me smile and tear up. Cheers and have a good, blessed day.

Name withheld



Thank you for your comments

24/11/20

Dear PCN

Thank you for organising the recent WOW (Weekend of Workshops). A weekend of very good workshops. I attended Jon Doust's creative writing workshop and loved it! I am not a writer at all but wanted to see if I could learn something and I did....lots and lots and loved it.

The next day we hosted Tamar Brown with her Raw Food workshop at the Pemberton Fine Woodcraft Gallery kitchen. I caught glimpses of this well attended class and went on to try many raw food ideas myself. We are in the heart of the best food growing part of the world so there are so many options with best ever ingredients!

Thank you for bringing this to Pemberton and let's hope it grows each year!

Ros Piper



And thank you Ros, for your generosity and beautiful floral arrangements

WOW PEMBERTON 2020



Pemberton Visitor Centre Update

The Pemberton Caravan Park is looking for a new Manager. Grant Vickery is departing; we wish him well after helping run the PCP smoothly after the COVID lockdown and the influx of WA residents to the region.

The Park Manager and Assistant Manager position have been advertised widely – see online and in the local newspaper and the West Australian.

Contact Mark Hudson pemadmin@westnet.com.au for expression of interest.

The WAGE gravity Enduro mountain bike event run at Pemberton Mountain Bike Park 8th November saw 410 competitors with some 1,000 people in town enjoying the trails and swimming in Pemberton Pool over the warm weekend

The Pemberton Pool is operational after being scrubbed up, led by Colin Britza and Pemberton Fire Brigade volunteers. It does highlight the need to upgrade the concrete surrounds.

Hidden River Wineries rebuild is complete and is open for food and tasting. Sue Nigg has finished at the Pemberton Caravan Park and is front of house.

A sum of money was stolen from the Pemberton VC at the end of October. Anyone who has any information please contact Pemberton Police.

The Tour of Margaret River saw two stages based at Phil and Wendy French farm on Channybearup Road on November 8. Nearly 800 riders in teams finished at Ironstone, coming in from Nannup. The next stage saw them head up to Manjimup in the Team Time Trial. Road cyclists everywhere.

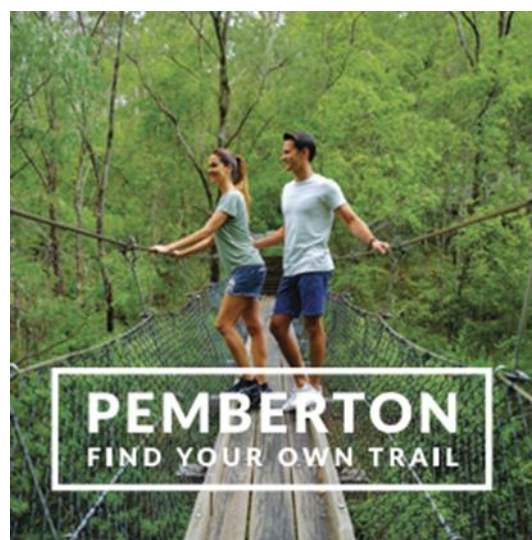
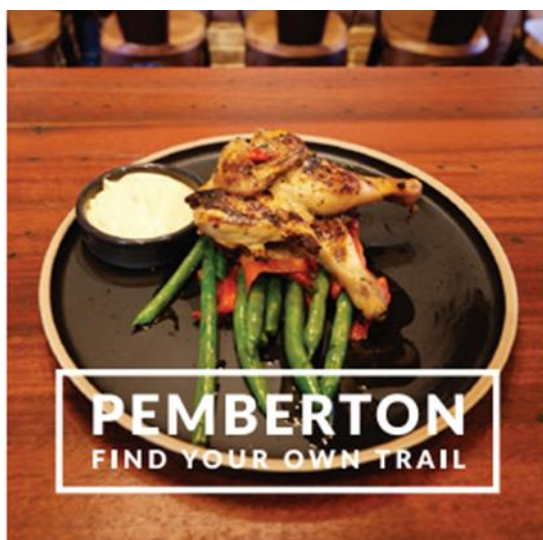
The PVC summer social media campaign launches December 1. Using Facebook and Instagram PVC members are posting based around the Summer theme. Please share the posts and comment to bring attention to the promotion of Pemberton and the Southern Forests. Use the # hashtags #pemberton_australia #visitpemberton #pembertonwa #pemmtbpark

Facebook: Pemberton Visitor Centre Australia **Instagram:** pemberton_australia

Facebook: Pemberton Mountain Bike Park **Instagram:** pemmtbpark

The WA Health Department COVID-19 QR becomes mandatory for Pemberton businesses from December 1, including the Pemberton Visitor Centre and Caravan park. Download the SafeWA app to make your life easier when supporting local businesses.

The Southern Forest and Valleys Local Tourism Association official launch was held at Karri Valley Monday November 23 to celebrate the unveiling of the new organisation representing our tourism region. This is a Warren Blackwood Shires initiative to better promote and market our region including Balingup, Bridgetown, Greenbushes, Manjimup, Nannup, Northcliffe, Pemberton, Quinninup and Walpole



**MILL HALL
WRITE-UP**

The Mill Hall is back in action again!
It is like a new pin!
Thankyou to everyone who has attended busy bees.



Bootscooting is happening every Thursday at 5.30pm and monthly dances.

There will be the first dance on the new floor on **SATURDAY 12TH DECEMBER 7.30PM.**

Christmas Carols are being held on **SUNDAY 20TH DECEMBER 6.30PM.**

The AGM was held recently:-

President – Deanne Ventris

Vice President – Warren South

Secretary – Joy Head

Treasurer – Anna Starkie

The Blue Light Disco held last Friday was a roaring success with many children having a great time together. Thanks to the parents and to Jen Hughes and her helpers on a great night.

The Twilight Markets was a huge success. This is the first time there has been a Twilight Market and there were many people attending with a variety of stalls selling various items.

The raffle winners were:

1st prize Doust Apricot Z48

2nd prize Brenda Blue R52

3rd prize Joy Blue R04

Thanks to all the stall holders and the Mill Hall members in making the day such a success.

We wish you all a safe and Happy Christmas and look forward to 2021!

President Deanne Ventris

PEMBERTON MILL HALL



It was a momentous occasion when the celebration of the new floor in the Mill Hall was held recently. ‘Momentous’ you may ask? I don’t think any of us will be here when the next new floor is laid!



A splendid afternoon tea was served with approx. 80 people reminiscing of times gone by with past residents returning to attend the cutting of the ribbon by Councillors Ken Lawrence and Robert Taylor with a historical speech by Shire President Mr Paul Omodei.

A highlight of the afternoon was an audio visual recording of Mrs Elizabeth Hammer (nee O’Keefe) reminiscing about past happenings in the hall. She is 101 years old and was married in the hall in 1939.

The project of replacing the floor was huge for a small community. Along with grants, the Manjimup Shire, donations from past and present community members and physical help from volunteers the project has been accomplished. Thankyou to all involved. We have photo frames made from the wood from the old floor for \$55.



Please contact Deanne Ventris on 0428 302782.

There will be a **CHRISTMAS DANCE ON DECEMBER 12** to celebrate the first dance on the new floor!



PEMBERTON ARTS GROUP INC

2020 AGM

PEMBERTON ARTS GROUP INC

SUNDAY 13.12.2020

TIME: 2.30

PLACE: ART ROOM REAR OF OLD SCHOOL

Please Note the change of venue.

All welcome



PEMBERTON ARTS GROUP INC



Pemberton Community organisation of the Year 2016.

www.pembertonartsgroup.org.au

[pembertonartsgroup.facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com/pembertonartsgroup)

PAG NEWS:

Christmas: On behalf of the Pemberton Arts Group committee and members - **Best Wishes** for a safe and happy festive season to Pemberton locals and visitors. Support an artist and buy an original art work or handmade gift for someone special at Christmas – or any time!!

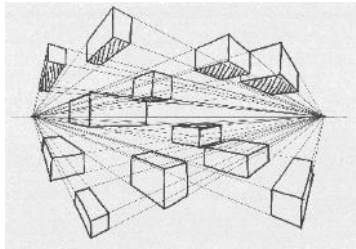
New works: (still life & landscapes) can be viewed at LJ Hooker Pemberton.

Local art & crafts at The Millhouse Collective.

AGM: 2.30pm, December 13th at Art Room, rear of old school building. All welcome.

Art and Science (Did You Know????):

Studies have shown that an immense amount of creativity is needed to make scientific breakthroughs. Conceptualising, visualising and imagining certain processes are important to solving scientific problems. Clearly Art marries well with Science and is often a product of scientific knowledge. Some simple examples include mixing paint to create colours, creating perspective or studying anatomy to complete a figure drawing.



Artists are well-recognised in our region, but now Pemberton can boast its connection to award-winning physicist David Blair, professor at the University of Western Australia and Director of the Australian International Gravitational Research Centre.



For almost 4 decades, Professor David Blair has owned and regularly visited his property in the stunning Pemberton forest. It was during the 1980's that he began his journey into gravitational wave research in Australia, building an early detector in Gingin (Western Australia).

“Never did I guess that 40 years later I'd still be trying to detect gravitational waves.”

Congratulations to Professor Blair and his 3 colleagues for receiving the **Prime Minister's Prize for Science 2020**. Recognized for their work over more than 30 years, Professor Blair

and his team researched and developed technologies which were instrumental in the detection of gravitational waves in 2015. The team included the first female physicist to be awarded Australia's top science prize.

Professor Blair said the success of this amazing project was attributed to the hard work of a team of people and the support of his university – UWA.

For more information Google 'Prime Minister's Science Awards 2020'.

Wellness Tip for stressful times and crises: (Courtesy of Dr Shona Erskine, Sarah Borg & Adrian Shonfeld)

Covid19 has impacted our lives in many ways. Some people have experienced stresses they never imagined. Remember to care for yourselves and others.

Use Humour

Actively seek out-

Humorous Books, TV shows, and movies

Life situations that will bring humour into your day

Creative ways to get your daily fix of laughter

Art Sessions: Wednesdays 9.30 am – 12.30 pm except school holidays. Bring your own project or try something new.

Pemberton Community Exchange
TAKE WHAT YOU NEED. LEAVE WHAT YOU CAN

BREAD BOX THURSDAY

Working with the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Manjimup. Bread will be on the shelf from 9am Thursday morning until 4pm Friday afternoon.

Pemberton Community Resource Centre
Your local connection

Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development

Paid Advertisement

Terry Redman MLA

Member for Warren-Blackwood

Working with regional communities to create a better future for families, businesses and towns.



CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Farewell 2020

At the start of this year we had no idea the world would change so drastically. COVID-19 has affected nearly every aspect of our lives, including restricted travel, not being able to visit aged care facilities, a revised footy season, unemployment and now a shortage of seasonal workers.

Families, businesses and our communities have all been affected. Western Australia has been extremely fortunate with low cases of COVID and few deaths. This has been a result of our natural isolation, closed borders and good management. We need to maintain hygiene standards and social distancing now the hard borders are changing and be vigilant in our response to any potential outbreaks.

Energy

I am pursuing options to guarantee reliable power to our towns as regular power outages affect business operations, disrupt families and jeopardise telecommunications. We should be able to resolve these issues through initiatives such as micro-grids and 'behind the meter' batteries using renewable energy technology.

Water

A recent Parliamentary report highlighted the management and regulation of 'spring rights' by the Department of Water has been inconsistent and confusing. I have stressed to the Minister that these issues are critical to investment confidence in the horticultural sector and need urgent attention. We look forward to a timely government response.

Merry Christmas and best wishes for 2021

As we look forward to Christmas and end of year celebrations, it is timely to reflect on the importance of family and friends, and appreciate what a safe and fortunate place we live in. I extend my very best wishes to you and your family for a very joyous and safe Christmas, an enjoyable holiday period, and a healthy and happy New Year.

Phone: 9848 3171 or 1800 644 811

Email: Terry.Redman@mp.wa.gov.au

Address: PO Box 327 DENMARK WA 6333



SHIRE OF MANJIMUP

Manjimup • Northcliffe • Pemberton • Walpole

Shire of Manjimup Approved Contractors List Invitation to apply

The Shire of Manjimup wishes to provide suitable qualified and experienced local contractors with the opportunity to undertake work for the Shire by applying to be registered on the Shire's approved contractors list. The Shire is currently calling for:

Automotive electricians

Diesel and heavy plant mechanics

What is the Approved Contractors list?

The Shire of Manjimup is committed to ensuring the safety of our contractors. The approved contractors list process ensures that your business is committed to the health and safety of your employees, the Manjimup community and visitors. All potential contractors must agree to abide by the safety policies and procedures which the Shire have adopted. Once a contractor has been included on the approved contractors list they can be considered to complete contracts for the Shire of Manjimup.

How can you apply to be placed on the Approved Contractors List?

All relevant information can be found at www.manjimup.wa.gov.au/approvedcontractorlist

Applications should be addressed to Lincoln Kay and either posted to PO Box 1, Manjimup WA 6258 or emailed to info@manjimup.wa.gov.au by **11 December 2020**. For further information contact Lincoln Kay, OSH Officer, on 9771 7779 or email: lincoln.kay@manjimup.wa.gov.au

Andrew Campbell, Chief Executive Officer

THE NATIONALS for Regional WA

Community Notices

Hockey

Juniors, Men's and Women's Hockey
 Pemby Weekday training and
 Weekend games in Manjimup
 Contact Charles Otway
 on 0466633275

Road Bike Social Ride

Sundays at 7am from the
 Crossings Bakery carpark.
 Enquiries to Christine
 040 777 4128

Browns Road Social Group

Meet every 4th Thursday at the
 Lavender and Berry Farm 2pm for a
 chat and a cuppa (No meetings at
 holiday time) every one is welcome
 not only Browns Road.
 Enquiries to Bev on 9776064

Mtb Social Ride

Saturday at 8am
 Enquiries to Mark Hudson
 0429 384 800

Boot scooting

Great fun with great people
 Every **Thursday @ 5.30pm**
 In the **Mill Hall**
 For details contact:
 Terrie 0439 840784.

Solitaire Club

Come along, play some
 computer card games and have a
 gossip over lunch and a brew.
Tuesdays 11am-2pm at the CRC
Cost \$18 per annum
 Contact the CRC on 9776 1745

Sunday Tennis

At the tennis courts behind the
 PVC at 3pm
 Cost: \$2.50
 Phone Bev 9776 0647
 Dulcie 9776 0063

Free Bird Surveys

Local Birdwatcher, Rose Ferrell
 Offers free bird surveys to
 Interested Locals. Find more about
 The birds on your property.
 Contact Rose on
 0437 485 237

Boot scooting in Middlesex

At Middlesex Hall.
 Tuesdays' at 6pm. All welcome.
 Enquiries Terrie 0439 840784



CWA NEWS

On the 13th October a large contingent of our members went to Bridgetown to attend a lunch for our long-time member Beryl Turner, who has moved to Donnybrook. Beryl is the longest serving member of the Pemberton CWA (20 years) and will be greatly missed – her knowledge of all things CWA has been invaluable and her articles of knitting and crocheting she has done for our Market Days will also be missed. We had lunch at the Bridgetown Hotel where Beryl was presented with a lovely brooch specially designed and made for her by Johnathon Ellingham. We also catered the morning and afternoon tea for the Photography Club on the 17th and 18th October. Our cake stall on our Market Days continues to do well – with everything disappearing quickly – so if you are looking for cakes come early – our Market Days are on the last Saturday of each month.



PEMBERTON SPORTS CLUB

Pemberton Youth Zone

The Pemberton Youth Zone with support and assistance from the Shire of Manjimup has operated out of the Pemberton Sports Club for over ten years. Unfortunately, for personal reasons our two youth Zone workers have resigned, advertising for replacement staff has been to no avail. The Youth Zone operates on a Friday night, from 3.30pm to 7.00pm for Youth aged 12-17 years. We are hoping that someone in the community would be interested in taking on the role of Youth Worker, qualifications required are a Working with Children check and a National Police Clearance. The role is mainly supervisory plus organising activities that the youth want to do. If we are not able to find anyone soon then the Youth Zone will be closed down. If you are interested in the role, or know someone who might be, please send us an email to: admin@pembertonsports.com.au.

Community Contacts

ARTS

Model Railway Club

Contact Simon 0488 230707

Pemberton Arts Group Inc.

Contact Anna on 0439369702 or Jeanette on 9776 0252.

Pemberton Photography Club (PPC)

3rd Tuesday of the month, 6pm.
Phone Rob Baker 0428 275 665

AT THE MILL HALL

Mill Hall Committee

President: Deanne Ventris 97761757
or pambuser@westnet.com.au

VP: Warren South 9776 0647

Secretary: Joy Head 9776 1337

Treasurer: Anna Starkie 9776 1219

Community dance

2nd Saturday of every month
7.30pm. BYO drinks & supper to share. Contact Ros 0467 479 317

Boot scooting every Thursday @ 5.30pm

Contact Terrie 0439 840784.

CHILDREN/YOUTH

Playgroup

Meet Thursdays, 9.30–11.30am at the Sports Club crèche. Contact Chelsea on 0407 385 951

Rhyme Time at the Library

Wednesdays 10am (during school terms). Contact Sherril 9776 1311

Youth Zone

Contact Meagan Allen at Pemberton Sports Club (9776 1066) for more information

COMMUNITY

Anglicare Financial Counselling

Contact Tim on 9777 1945

CRC: 9am - 4pm Monday & Friday

9am-2pm Tues-Thurs

(08) 9776 1745

CWA: Contact Rose on 97760309 or email PembertonCWA@outlook.com

CWA Meeting: CWA rooms 2nd

Tuesday of the month 9.30 am ,

9.30am followed by craft at 1pm

CWA Op-Shop: Open every Saturday 9am to 12pm at the CWA Rooms.

Karri Singers Choir

Contact Sally Rothon 9776 0993 or Deanne Ventris 9776 1757

Pap Smear Clinics

Call Pemberton Hospital on 9776 4000 for an appointment.

Pemberton Accommodation Association (PAA)

Meets 2nd Wednesday of the month. New members welcome.

Contact Kathy 0438 447 795 for

details.

Pemberton Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCCI)

Meetings held every month. Phone the Secretary on 0427 133 335

Pemberton Heritage and History Group (PHHG)

Contact Ros 0467 479 317

Pemberton Waste Transfer Site

Open Wednesday 11am–5pm, Saturday and Sunday 12–5pm.

Pemberton Woodlands Estate Group

Support & conservation group for 'Tree-changers' in this area.

Contact: Henk Dirks 97760171

Ribbons of Blue

Water quality and catchment issues.

Contact Andy 9776 1559

RSL

2nd Wednesday of the month, 4.45pm in RSL Memorial Library. Contact Bob Hammond 9776 1256

Solitaire

11am–2pm every Tuesday at the CRC. Phone 9776 1745.

Vic Conte Community Garden

Julian Sharp 08 9776 0206 or Deanne Ventris 08 9776 1757

Warren Environmental Group

Conservation and environmental group. Contact Andy 9776 1559

RELIGION

Bible Studies

Monday nights during school terms. Open to all denominations. Enquiries to Michele on 9776 0371

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Weekday mass: Wed 10am.

Weekend mass: 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday 8.30am, 2nd & 4th Sunday 10.30am

St Hilda's Family Social Club

Fellowship evening at St Hilda's Anglican Church. Bring and share a meal 2nd Saturday of the month @6.30 pm.

Contact Ros Herbert on 9776 1216.

Anglican Church

Anglican Services: 1st Sundays, 11.30am, St Hilda's, Ellis St. Contact Molly on 9776 0989.

Uniting Church

Uniting Services: 4th Sunday, 10am Uniting Church, Brockman St. Contact Tom Backhouse 9776 1472 or Don Jackson 9776 1223.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

9am each Sunday—Bridgetown Chapel SW Highway opposite the Bridgetown Caravan Park. Servicing the Southern Forests and Valleys

EMERGENCY

Fire and Rescue

Meets 1st Saturday of every month, 2pm at the Pemberton Fire Station. Contact Craig on 9776 0091.

St John Ambulance – Pemberton

Meets 3rd Monday of every month at the Pemberton Ambulance Hall. New members welcome. Contact Christine Trappitt on 9776 1283.

SPORTS

Archery

2nd & 4th Sunday 9.30am at Manjimup Rifle Range, Manjimup (Near Cosy Creek Road). Contact Sonya 0427 247551 or Brendan 0428 609538 or Facebook: southernforestsarchers

Badminton

Ladies every Wednesday. Contact Evelyn 9776 0332 or Mary 0449 259 205

Boxercise

Mon/Fri 9–10am. Contact Natalie 0421 644 230 or Daniele 0408 474545.

Gym

Mon: 10am–6pm; Tue/Thurs: 9–11am and 4–9pm; Wed: 10am–6pm; Fri: 10am–8pm; Sat: 4–8pm; Sun & PH closed. Times subject to change.

Karate

Tues 6–7pm for all, to 7.30pm advanced. Contact Bernadette on 9776 0024 or Klaus on 0427 711005.

Netball

Phone Natalie Callaghan 0467 654252.

Pemberton Cricket Club

Contact David Meehan 0427 441 628

Pemberton Golf Club

Enquiries to Steve Fisher 9776 1455.

Pemberton Lawn Bowls Club

Social bowls Sundays from 12.45pm. Corporate Bowls enquiries to Janet 9776 1066 or John 9776 1214.

Southerners Football Club

Contact David Meehan 0427 441 628

Tennis

3pm Sunday behind the PVC, phone Bev 9776 0647 or Dulcie, 9776 0063.

Yoga

General: Tues 5.30pm and Sat 9am. Sound Meditation
Contact Gwen on 0419 774323.

Hi everyone,

We've had a very big month of riding with two major state-level events taking place in our region - both on the same weekend!

Pemberton MTB Park hosted the 7th round of the WA Gravity Enduro (WAGE) on November 8. The event attracted over 400 competitors and their families from all over the state and was a great opportunity to showcase the unique trails in our region. The trails were in prime condition thanks to a downpour earlier in the week and the hard efforts of local volunteers, and the pool area made for a perfect race village.

Gravity Enduro racing involves timed descents down mountain bike trails full of corners, jumps and other technical features. As one of the final rounds and a WA State Championship, there was some spectacular riding on show and very tight competition.



One of our very own, Monique Tysoe, placed first in the Women 19-34 Warriors class and took the win on home soil. Our other daring athletes, Sean Tysoe and Jayden Coote, kept the guests on their toes and scored very impressive results among the fierce competition. The rest of the PCA crew also ran a sausage sizzle and raised some generous funds for the club. It was a fantastic day with plenty of fun and smiles among riders and spectators alike.

Photos of WAGE event by Neil Fraser Photography



The Tour of Margaret River saw our region teeming with road-cyclists as they raced through 5 stages over 3 days from November 6-8. The event attracted 778 riders across 130 teams, who took to our winding roads and generous hills with joy and determination. Representing the locals was 'Team Manji,' who were sponsored by Southern Roasting Co and excited to be part of the race.

The event was well-received, with many great comments about the impressive mini race village at the French's orchard on Channybearup Road which was part of stages 2 and 3. It was a huge effort by Phil and Wendy and their 'minions', making sure everyone had a great time and bringing that 'something special' to the event.

And just like that, it's December! We wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season.

Until next month, keep those wheels spinning and smiles grinning!

The PCA Team




✉ pembertoncycling@gmail.com

📘 [@pembertoncycling](https://www.facebook.com/pembertoncycling)



MTB ride - Saturday 8am, Pemberton Pool carpark
Road bike ride - Sunday 7.30am, Crossings Bakery

December









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Pemberton Camp School Update

Term four has flown by at the Pemberton Camp School. The team and I have been flat out as school after school has come to stay at our camp, eat great food, explore the Pemberton surrounds and face challenges together. Below is a sample of what the students have been up to. We had as much fun facilitating their experiences as they had having them!



Heritage College students facing the trust run as part of their team building games.



Williams Primary School exploring Yeagarup Dunes



Nulsen Primary School ready for their day at Big Brook Dam



Williams Primary School preparing for their raft building championship.



Heritage College students draining their canoe after an 'accidental' capsizing



Free time in the Rec Room (Heritage College)

Finally, this is going to be my last entry in the PCN for Fairbridge WA. Due to the continued economic fallout of Covid-19 and a lull in bookings for term 1 the management team has decided to make my position redundant at the end of the school term. I wish them all the best as they face the difficult challenge of rebuilding momentum at the Camp Schools.

As for myself & Leanne, we love the countless outdoor recreation opportunities and 'Trail Town' identity of Pemberton. We plan to continue living and adventuring here as we pursue other outdoor education opportunities.

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 0437 986 161



CHRISTMAS CAROLS



PEMBERTON MILL HALL

SUNDAY 20TH DECEMBER 2020

6.30 PM

BRING AND SHARE SUPPER



CHRISTMAS SERVICES

PEMBERTON CATHOLIC CHURCH CHRISTMAS DAY 9.30AM

NORTHCLIFFE CATHOLIC CHURCH CHRISTMAS EVE 7.30PM

UNITING CHURCH NORTHCLIFFE CHRISTMAS EVE 7.30PM

MANJIMUPCANGELICAN CHURCH CHRISTMAS DAY 9.30AM



Pemberton Caravan Park Manager:

Five days a week (full time).

Our small, community caravan park is looking for a full time Park Manager who will ensure the smooth day-to-day running of the Park office and reception, possess good computer skills, be able to provide exceptional customer service and manage routine maintenance of the Park.

We are looking for someone who has:

Ability to work and manage staff in a team environment as well as possess the skills to handle individual situations.

Flexible attitude to work, effective problem solving and great communication skills.

Provide a high standard of customer service

Strong focus on OH&S to maintain a safe environment for guests and employees.

Required to live onsite (Housing provided).

Provide relief for the Assistant Manager on leave.

Essential:

Drivers licence C class

Police clearance

First Aid certificate

Good computer skills

Experience in working in Tourism and Hospitality

Desirable:

Experience in using Xero

Experience in working in the Caravan Park sector

To apply: If this sounds like you, please apply including your covering letter, current resume and references.

Please do not contact the Park directly. only applications submitted via email to Pemberton Visitor Centre pemadmin@westnet.com.au will be considered.

Confidential inquiries 0429 384 800



Pemberton Caravan Park Assistant Manager:

Two days a week (part time).

Our small, community caravan park is looking for a part time Park Manager who will ensure the smooth day-to-day running of the Park office and reception, possess good computer skills, be able to provide exceptional customer service and manage routine maintenance of the Park.

We are looking for someone who has:

Ability to work and manage staff in a team environment as well as possess the skills to handle individual situations.

Flexible attitude to work, effective problem solving and great communication skills.

Provide a high standard of customer service

Strong focus on OH&S to maintain a safe environment for guests and employees.

Required to live onsite (2 nights per week, Sunday and Monday nights).

Provide relief for the other Park Manager on leave.

Essential:

Drivers licence C class

Police clearance

First Aid certificate

Good computer skills

Experience in working in Tourism and Hospitality

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PEMBERTON LOCAL BUSINESS AND ATTRACTIONS OPENING TIMES



WINERIES, CAFES, AND RESTAURANTS		TOURS & ATTRACTIONS		GALLERIES	
Bannister Downs	CLOSED	GLOUCESTER TREE	ALWAYS OPEN	Fine Woodcraft Gallery 7 days - 10am - 1pm	0467479317
Café Brasil Mon - Friday - 7am - 5pm Sat - 7.30am - 5pm Sun - 7.30 - 4pm	97760889	Pemberton Visitor Centre 7 Days 10am—4pm	97761133	Gold 'n' Grape Monday - Sat - 9am - 4pm	9776 0304
Fish 'N' Chips on Brockman Tues – Sun 4.30-8pm	0427995494	Pemberton Community Resource Centre Mon and Fri 9am—4pm Tues - Thurs 9am—2pm	97761745	Model Train Gallery	0467479317
Crossings Bakery Closed from 23rd Nov Re-open - 11th Dec	97761411	Donnelly River Cruises Bookings Required	0427771018	Northcliffe Library/ Understory 7 days 9am - 4pm	9776 7203
Lavender and Berry Farm Thursday - Sunday 9.30am - 4.00pm	9776 0395	Pemberton Discovery Tours Bookings Required	0427133335	Northcliffe Painted Tree Gallery 7 days - 9am - 4pm	9776 7203
Source Kitchen Open 11am - 8pm everyday expect Thursday	97760901	V Limousines Bookings Required	0455330310	Northcliffe Visitors Centre 7 days - 9am - 4pm	9776 7203
Treehouse Tapas Thursday - 5pm - 10pm Friday - Saturday 4pm - 10pm Sunday - 4pm - 9pm	97761654	Pemberton Tramway Bookings required Mon - Sat 9am - 4.30pm Times are 10.30am & 2pm	9776 1322	Treasures in the Forest Mon-Fri 9am—5.30pm Sat 9am—4pm Sun 10.30am—2pm	9776 1054
Ma & Pa's Wed - Sat 7.30am - 8.30pm Sunday 8.30am	97760096	People and Parcel Movers	0448 544 784	Old Vasse Trout & Marron Farm Sat - Sun 11am - 4pm	9776 1726
Hidden River Estate 7 days - 11am - 4pm (Except Christmas, boxing day and public holiday)	9776 1437	LOCAL BUSINESS			
Jaspers Whiskey Bar Tue - Thurs - 5pm – 10pm Fri - Sat - 12pm - 10pm Sun - Mon - CLOSED	0403610626	Pemberton IGA Mon - Sat - 8am - 6pm Sun - 9am - 6pm	9776 1264	Pemberton Post Office Mon - Fri - 8am - 5pm Sat - 8am - 1pm Sun - 8am - 11am	9776 1034
Lost Lake Winery Sat - Sun -11am - 4pm	9776 1251	Pemberton Pharmacy	9776 1054	Pemberton Liquor Barons Mon - Sat - 10am - 7pm	9776 1161
Silkwood Winery	CLOSED	Headquarters for Hair Mon - Fri - 9am - 5pm Sat - 9am - 12pm	9776 1255	Forest Fresh Marron Mon - Fri 11am - 4.30pm Sat - Sun - 1pm - 5pm	0428887720
Picardy Winery (Closed Christmas Day) 19th Dec - 26th Jan - 11am - 3pm	9776 0036				
Pemberton Hotel Open Daily Breakfast 7am Lunch 12—2 pm Dinner 6—8pm	97761017	Fox Bros Butchers Mon - Fri - 7am - 5pm Sat - 6.30 am- 12.30pm	9776 1294	Pemberton Library Wed—Thurs 9am - 1.30pm Fri - 9.30am - 12.30 1.pm - 5pm Sat 9am—12pm	97761311
Wild @ Heart 7 Days 8am - 4pm	0419 039 777	Off The Fringe Hair Studio Mon - Fri - 9am—late Sat - by Appointment	9776 0088	Millhouse Collective Friday - Monday - 10am – 4pm	0447165814 0401654902
Forest lodge Resort 7 Days Breakfast - booking required Lunch - Sat - Sun - 12pm - 2pm Dinner - Fri - Sun - 6pm	9776 1113	Pemberton General Store Mon - Sat - 6.30am - 7.30pm Sun - 7.30am - 7.30pm	9776 1151	Elle's Remedial Hot Stone Massage & Cranio Sacral Therapy - Tues - Friday 1pm– 5.30pm	Text Only : 0427705751
Mountford Wines and Tangletoe Cidery Friday - Monday 10am - 4pm	9776 1345	To update your details, please contact the Pemberton Community News on 97761745 or email pembertoncommunitynews@outlook.com			

MEDIA RELEASE

Our annual beach clean up was held here in Pemberton over the 20-22nd November with the fantastic team from Trackcare WA joining us once again to scour our beaches and pick up rubbish. Over 20 people joined us over the weekend and assisted in collecting rubbish from Callcup and Yeagarup Beaches. Around 500kg was collected with the noticeable difference in the types of rubbish compared to previous years.

We have been cleaning the Yeagarup side with Trackcare for years – and it was noticeably spotless, only 2 bags collected for the journey from the track to the river mouth. However this year was the first time volunteers had seriously tackled the Callcup side of the Warren from the track to the mouth and it was where the majority of the rubbish was collected.

Traditionally we collect a lot of commercial boat rubbish, toilet duck and brushes, long lengths of rope and broken fishing pots. We had a small amount this year however disappointingly we found a lot of rubbish including cans and bottles left behind by campers and fisher people. With the 10c can collection available it makes it easy to recycle cans and bottles – and there should be no excuse for littering as our local schools are now fundraising using the 10c cans and bottles our community consume. A massive thank you once again to Grant from Trackcare WA for organising the Volunteers from Trackcare to head to Pemberton, Parks and Wildlife for their assistance with trailer hire, signage and park entry, Tangaroa Blue Ocean Care Society for their data collection and Keep Australia Beautiful Council for organising the insurance waivers that make this all possible.

Its on again next year – so if anyone wishes to join us just let us know!

Toni & Graeme

Pemberton Discovery Tours.



Pemberton Discovery Tours

Graeme and Toni would love to wish everyone a safe & Merry Christmas.

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VIC CONTE COMMUNITY GARDEN NEWS



DID YOU KNOW that the Vic Conte Community Garden is part of the Australia wide program—Community Gardens Australia, which consists of over 600 gardens? No, well neither did we until we had a visit from Chris Smyth, the WA State Rep for Community Gardens Australia, mid November. Chris was very interested to know of the programs that are in place that are all off shoots of the Vic Conte Community Garden.

Do you know what they are?

The Pemberton Community Exchange

The Pemberton Community Market

Pemberton Garden Club

Break Box Thursday

And during the emergency relief efforts due to COVID-19,

Free Market Fridays

All these have been made possible by bringing the Vic Conte Community Garden back under the administrative umbrella of the Pemberton Community Resource Centre.

Does the garden need volunteers—you bet! There is an urgent need for volunteers to help with the busy bees and the markets. The Pemberton Community Market recommenced following COVID-19 restrictions for the October market, and is back the 2nd Saturday of every second month. Missing out December, the next market date is 9th January 2021 and then 13th March. We will be purchasing extra marquees, so get your submissions for stalls in early so as not to miss out.

Does the garden need members—you bet! Becoming a member of the Pemberton Community Resource Centre automatically gives you membership to the garden. If you want a garden only membership that is only \$10/annum for individuals and \$20/annum for families. Bargain!

Do it!! Join up and be part of the Vic Conte Community Garden community and the wider Community Gardens Australia.



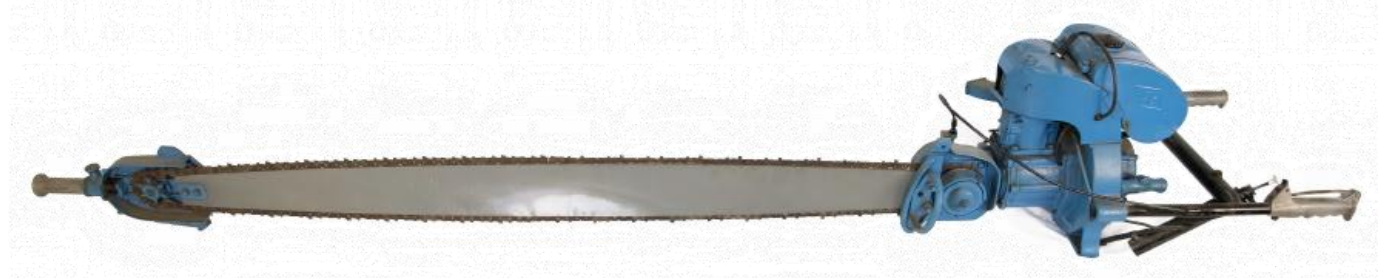


 Heritage and History Group Inc

December Newsletter

Welcome to the last month of this unusual year 2020. Another year of history!

Very recently we have had a team visit our museum at the old school to photograph and write stories about a few of our exhibits to be part of a new WA Museum's website. This new Portal system will showcase a few items from each region and individual town museum. They have selected copies of the Group Settlement map that we have plus an old two handled chain saw (photo by Rob Baker included here), plus a photo of a packet of



Bunn's Hops (we hope to build on information regarding that industry).

You may have noticed our old whim wrapped in tape at the corner of the Old Mill House Collective (Café, Tourist Bureau, Todd's office, Barber, pool room etc. in the past!). It is now owned by Jeff and Lyn Hemsley who have recognised that it needs repair before it becomes dangerous to the public. So he is sending it off to Manjimup Men's Shed to be refurbished and hope to have it back in the new year.

A casual Wednesday evening at Alice's Kitchen is happening regularly. Anyone is welcome to join a few local oldies to gather and swap stories whilst enjoying an evening meal together. Stories from trout fishing to dairy farming, tobacco growing and timber felling abound to mention just a few. Join us!

Until next year, hope you have a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and stay safe!

Monthly prayer

Our God and Heavenly Father,

The madness we call Christmas has begun in the commercial world with advertisements of every conceivable kind encouraging us to buy, buy, buy whether for others in our lives, those we love or even for ourselves. And then there are seemingly unending rounds of wind-ups, parties and "dos" that make our already busy lives more frenetic than ever.

As we come to You in this our prayer, we wonder what You think of all of our Christmas activities. It seems to have little, if any, relevance to the celebration we should be holding; that of thanking You for sending Jesus, Your Son, to earth, firstly as a baby, later grown to manhood and then letting Him die in our place opening up the way back to relationship with You. That was Your gift to the whole of mankind if individuals wish to accept Your plan of salvation through Jesus. Thank You for such a special gift.

We want to celebrate that and to thank You for all that it means for us to be able to love You through Jesus, to give You first place in our lives and be Your followers. Save us we pray from anything that would distract us from the more precious reasons to celebrate this wonderful occasion.

We ask in Jesus' precious Name, Amen



History Corner - Bill Bryant

The following is a letter written to the New York paper "The Sun" and the acknowledgement Tuesday September 21 1897.

Is there a Santa Claus?

Dear Editor: I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus.

Papa says, "If you see it in THE SUN it's so."

Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?

Virginia O'Hanlon

115 West-Ninety-Fifth Street



Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the scepticism of a sceptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's are little. In this great universe of ours, man is a mere insect, ant, in his intellect as compared with the boundless world about him, is measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole of truth and knowledge.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias.



There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The external light with which childhood fills the world would extinguished.

Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies. You might get your papa to

hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if you did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

You tear apart the baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest men that ever lived could tear apart. Only faith, poetry, love, romance, can push aside that curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Is it all real? Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding. No Santa Claus! Thank God! He lives and lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia, nay 10 times 10 thousand years from now, he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.



MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE—ESPECIALLY THE CHILDREN



OUT OF THE MOUTHS OF BABES

During my second year as a pre-school teacher in South Africa I worked with one of the most amazing delightful groups of five year olds. They were bright, responsive and inquisitive. The learning environment inside and outside was explored with great enthusiasm. At story time they sat wide eyed (and wide mouthed) lapping up every word, and following every action made with the story props.

I had a good relationship with my young learners. There were regular requests about the children's progress in spite of the fact that some parents had had limited opportunities for schooling. They were keen that the next generations would have a better education and a good start in life. I have no doubt the children shared classroom experiences in their homes. Parents made comments about how "clever" their offspring were becoming since attending this Early Learning Centre.

Towards the end of the year we prepared for the Nativity Pageant. The event was preceded by the Christmas story as well as singing Christmas carols. The parents saw the humour in the two incidents (out of many) I am sharing and I trust our readers will as well.

The group of 15 five year olds sat spell-bound listening to the story of Joseph and Mary who had travelled so far looking for shelter and a place to stay.

I should mention that the community in which I worked was in a Municipal area with a Housing Office. Residents paid their rentals here and applied for low-cost housing when moving into the area.

To find out whether the children had been listening attentively I asked:

"Where did Joseph and Mary go when they found a place to stay?"

Cheryl jumped up with excitement: "I know, I know," she repeated with vigour, waving her hand in the air to get attention.

Before I could ask for her answer she cried out loudly and with confidence: "The Rent Office."

As amusing as it was, it was a reality for the children. They all nodded in agreement and admiration and clasped

their hands together waiting for my response. I spent a few minutes explaining what happened in Bethlehem and showed colourful illustrations of the Nativity scene and thanked Cheryl for her enthusiastic response.

At the end of the story we practised a few Christmas carols. *Away in a Manger* was followed by another question to stimulate these enquiring minds. They were very chatty now because they were going to sing on a stage, albeit a makeshift one.

"Children, before we arrange the wooden boxes for our stage I have another question for you. Who knows what cattle are? Remember, we've just sung 'the cattle are lowing' and the baby Jesus woke up!"

Once again Cheryl jumped to her feet. This time she took my hand and led me into the adjoining classroom kitchen, with the entire group in tow.

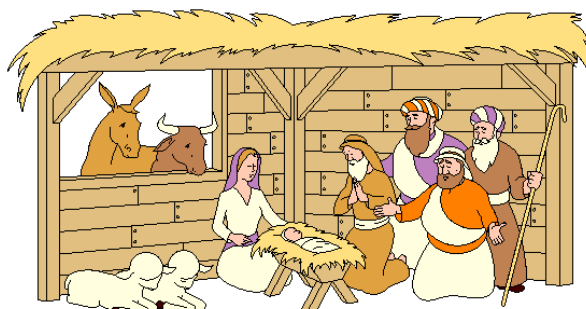
Beaming at me, and pointing to the electric whistling kettle she announced with pride, "That's the noisy cattle, teacher!"

Right there in the kitchen a second language lesson took place. Fortunately the milk bottle on the bench near the kettle had a picture of two cows on it. It was an easy impromptu lesson on pronunciation including the concept of singular and plural as well.

I've often had to deviate from my lesson plan to meet the needs of the children's vocabulary. I became aware early in my career of the importance of valuing each child's contribution in the classroom. In this case it helped them to pronounce words in their second language which would in turn give them confidence to express themselves clearly. Cheryl's parents saw the humour and were happy to see her willingness to learn. These children also taught me as well with their young minds and their innocent expressions of wisdom.

May you all celebrate a blessed Christmas and a New Year full of Love and Hope.

Rozzi in Oz
December 2020





SAINT JOSEPH'S SCHOOL NEWS

NAIDOC Week 2020

Recently, we celebrated the culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians during NAIDOC Week. The theme for this year is 'Always Was. Always Will Be'.

At Saint Joseph's, we split out students into small mixed-age groups for a special morning where they participated in a range of activities based around the NAIDOC Week theme. They enjoyed some traditional Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander games, art and spiritual experiences. Not only did these activities renew our appreciation for indigenous cultures, but they were also a lot of fun!





NAIDOC WEEK

This month we celebrated and recognised NAIDOC Week. Students participated in a range of experiences from puppet making, hand print painting, dancing, eating kangaroo sausages made from our local Pemberton Butcher and throwing boomerangs. Josh Whiteland from Koomal Dreaming came to the school to provide a rich experience in local indigenous culture.



Interschool Athletics Carnival

We also enjoyed a fantastic Interschool Athletics Carnival where our students demonstrated our school values of Respect, Resilience and Challenge Yourself throughout the day. Thank you to all our helpers and support from Pemberton IGA, our P&C who produced some amazing lunches and





WHITE PLUS ONE WITH TONY WINDBERG

Providing 2 brilliant workshops on a new perspective on landscape, Tony Windberg kept our groups busy and entertained. Visiting one of the workshops to catch some pics, the PCN could see the class was deep in concentration and thought while listening to Tony describe and demonstrate techniques.

We had class participants travel from Perth to be part of Tony's workshop and they loved what was presented. The talent of the participants was obvious and learning under the direction of Tony was enjoyed by all. Tony is the consummate professional, and we look forward to our next years workshop theme.

Thank you Tony



TURNING TRUTH INTO LIES AND LIES INTO TRUTH WITH JON DOUST - Miles Franklin Listed Author

If you thought having something to write about was something you wanted to do, then this was the time. The participants in this class were treated with the great sense of humour that Jon has, as they delved into how the words in their minds could be relayed onto paper.

Jon's tips along with the copious amounts of Turkish Coffee provided, kept this group entertained and kept their brains working. This will be one workshop not to be missed next year as we invite Jon to return.

To whet your appetite for next year some of Jon's tips are as follows:

- The most important thing is to start writing, to key in words, any words. There is no point in staring blank paper or a blank screen.
- Apples and apple juice can help with boosting your memory, key if you wish to remember what to write.
- Hide it. No-one must see it. You are the only one.

Can't wait for next year. Thank you Jon.



MANY THANKS TO ALL OUR WONDERFUL SPONSORS THIS WOULD NOT HAVE HAPPENED WITHOUT YOU LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU AGAIN NEXT YEAR



WILD FOODS OF THE SOUTHERN FORESTS WITH TENINA HOLDER

Welcoming Tenina Holder to the WOW Pemberton® 2020 kitchen was pretty special to say the least. Tenina is a global phenomenon and we thought it only fitting that we invite her to Pemberton to focus on the foods of the Southern Forests, that when our international borders open, her worldwide following will have Pemberton securely in their sights for their next holiday. We took Tenina out and about on the Friday before the workshop to visit orchards, a truffiere, farms and producers to produce video and camera footage for her and our sponsors to use for their own promotion. She was amazed at the quality of the produce and wondered why she hadn't been to our region for a workshop before. Thankfully now, we can say that we are on the favourite list of places to showcase and we look



forward to inviting Tenina back for 2021, she has plans already and so do we. The menu on the day :
Strawberry Spritzer
Steamed Marron with Prosciutto Mustard Butter served up in lettuce cups



Californian Smoked Trout Salad with Macadamias and a Vietnamese dressing served up with Roasted Hassleback Pumpkin
Killer Vanilla Icecream served with a Strawberry Salsa
Brew Choc—made from roasted cacao beans.
Can't wait to see Tenina back amongst the big trees and food producers. Thank you Tenina

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THE RAW FOOD GIRL WITH TAMARA BROWN

What we learnt in the workshop with Tamara Brown The Raw Food Girl took us a little by surprise. There are so many things to learn about food, about diet, about breathing, about products available on the shelf that it can become overwhelming. Tamara has a way of breaking things down and demonstrating how best to buy for, prepare for and enjoy the most out of food for all of us, families or not. While we can beat ourselves up for eating "the wrong thing", Tamara was quick to teach us that eating "wrong things" sometimes is not going to kill us, but we can be so much better off by trying to keep away from those things that are putting such pressure on our livers.

We should be doing the best possible for our bodies to get the reward of feeling as good as we can.


What a way to finish the weekend. Thank you Tamara



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Shire President's Message



What an unusual year 2020 has been, with the challenges of a global pandemic affecting us all in one way or another. Whilst the impact in our area has been greater for some than others, I am proud of the way our businesses and residents have continued to strive towards normality. There is no doubt that the pandemic has and continues to bring struggles financially and socially to many of us, however, we must also recognise the positive pandemic free position our efforts have put us in and remain diligent in our approach. Councillors and staff have worked in overdrive this year to help minimise the impact of COVID on our district, helping keep itinerant workers in the area, freezing rates and fees and charges, setting up the COVID Recovery and Response team and gaining in

excess of \$428,000 in emergency relief funding for the basic needs of the community. Good things have happened in 2020 also. We were again recognised on the State and National stage winning various awards including of Public Works Engineering Australia (WA) Awards for Excellence for the category of Best Public Works Greater than \$5M Award; the Manjimup Heritage Park won "Park of the Year" at the WA Parks and Leisure Australia Regional Awards of Excellence; our Director of Community Services Gail Ipsen Cutts picked up a Distinguished Officers Award as part of WALGA's 2020 Honours Program; we won a Public Health Advocacy Institute of WA Local Government Policy Award for Action on Alcohol; and most recently the inaugural National Minister Coulson Award for Progressive Leadership sponsored by the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Cities and Regional Development with our submission, Manjimup Transformed –

Aspirational Leadership at the National Awards for Local Government 2020. The Power Up Museum scored a highly commended at the Australian Museums and Galleries Awards and our COVID Response Team made the finals in the Regional Achievement and Community Awards. The Brockman Street roof was completed after some delays and we lit it up for eight weeks sending a message of hope around the world through the pandemic. We obtained a LotteryWest grant of \$1.2m for the Pemberton Community Precinct and provided \$160,000 to community grants. Dave Tapley clocked up 25 years as Councillor for the South Ward, what an honourable milestone to achieve, to have that amount of community support is indeed very humbling. On behalf the Councillors and staff at the Shire I wish all residents and visitors a very happy Christmas, New Year and holiday period.

Until next time stay well and safe....Paul



Christmas and New Year Hours

Administration Office and Depot

18 Dec 2020: 8.15am -10am
 21 - 23 Dec 2020: 8.15am - 4.30pm
 24 Dec 2020: 8.15am - 3pm
 25 Dec 2020 - 3 Jan 2021: Closed
 Re-opening: 4 Jan 2021

Public Libraries

Manjimup

18 Dec 2020: Closed
 19 Dec 2020: 9am - 12pm
 21 - 23 Dec 2020: 11am - 5pm
 24 Dec 2020: 11am - 3pm
 25 Dec 2020 - 3 Jan 2021: Closed
 Re-opening: 4 Jan 2021

Pemberton

13 Dec 2020 - 2 Feb 2021: Closed for re-location
 Re-opening: Lesser Hall - 3 Feb 2021

Northcliffe

25 and 26 Dec 2020: Closed
 Re-opening: 27 Dec 2020

Walpole

18 Dec 2020: Closed
 19 Dec 2020: 9am - 12pm
 21 - 22 Dec 2020: Closed
 23 Dec 2020: 9am-2pm & 1pm-3.30pm
 24 Dec 2020 - 5 Jan 2021: Closed
 Re-opening: 6 Jan 2021

AquaCentre

18 Dec 2020: 6am - 10am
 19 - 20 Dec 2020: 9am - 5pm
 21 - 23 Dec 2020: 6am - 7pm
 24 - 27 Dec 2020: Closed
 28 - 31 Dec 2020: 10am - 5pm
 1 Jan 2021: Closed
 Re-opening normal hours 2 Jan 2021

- Metafit and Body Pump will be conducted on Friday 18 December.
- Group fitness classes and crèche cease on 23 December 2020 and commence again on 4 January 2021.
- Classes on the Group Fitness Timetable may be affected in December and January due to staff absences.

A/H Emergency only 6454 4600
Fire Duty Officer A/H 0427 913 252
For current alerts and warnings
visit www.emergency.wa.gov.au

Councillors and staff
wish you a happy and
safe festive season

Waste Management

All waste disposal sites, transfer stations and Manjimup Recycling and Refuse Centre will be closed on Christmas Day and New Year's Day.

Kerbside Rubbish & Recycling Collection

- Manjimup & Walpole - no change
- Pemberton, Northcliffe, Quinpinup residents should ensure their bins are placed at the kerbside on Thursday evenings for collection on the Friday mornings of Christmas & New Years Day.

Commercial premises with skip bins should contact their contractor for holiday service information.

Street and public bins

- Manjimup - will be cleared Monday, Wed & Fri (except Christmas Day)
- Northcliffe & Walpole - checked daily (except Christmas & New Years Day)
- Pemberton - will be cleared Sunday, Tuesday & Thursday (except Christmas Day) during the two weeks of Christmas & New Year but will be monitored for further servicing if required.

Shire Bulletins can be viewed on the Shire website: www.manjimup.wa.gov.au/shirebulletin



West Ward Councillors
 Cr Murray Ventris
 (08) 9776 1757
 Cr Kenneth Lawrence
 (08) 9776 2010



Pemberton Waste Transfer Station
 Lot 13760 Pemberton Northcliffe Rd, Yeagarup
 Wednesday: 11am - 5pm
 Saturday/Sunday: 12pm - 5pm

Pemberton Library
 Lot 242 Brockman Street - 9776 1311
 Wednesday and Thursday: 9am - 1.30pm
 Friday 9.30am to 5pm
 Saturday 9am - 12pm

2020 Ordinary Council Meetings

Meetings are held in the Council Chamber, off Brockman Street, Manjimup. Copies of the agenda are available via the Shire website Tuesday before the meeting.

The Shire of Manjimup recommends attendance from members of the public only if they have essential matters to discuss due to COVID-19 restrictions.

17 December

Shire President - Paul Omodei

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