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Do you have an interest, article, advert or information on an event, sporting or community group? Send all contributions in to

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## EDITORIAL

For those who may not have been aware, I've recently returned from annual leave — a much-anticipated break that saw me travel overseas for the first time in 20 years!

Known locally as "The O'Dossey," this month-long adventure was shared with my mother and sister as we embarked on a mission to uncover some of our family stories in Ireland and explore the beauty of Scandinavia aboard the Emerald Princess cruise liner.

With a brilliantly crafted itinerary from the legendary Mary at Naturaliste Travel in Busselton, we managed to cover nine countries in 30 days.

For someone relatively inexperienced in overseas travel — particularly when it comes to languages and currency conversions — it was nothing short of eye-opening.

We not only had an incredible time, but we also discovered a wealth of inner capabilities we didn't even know we possessed. There's something remarkable about being taken out of your comfort zone — about navigating the unfamiliar, the unexpected, and sometimes even the uncomfortable. It challenges you, stretches you, and ultimately helps you grow.

I also discovered some things that I was not capable of, which was photography, so thank you to my sister Kelly for all the fab photos!

While I fully understand that international travel isn't always feasible or accessible for everyone, I do believe that even a small change in scenery, a different routine, or a temporary shift in environment can have a similarly powerful effect. Sometimes, stepping outside the ordinary is all it takes to gain a fresh perspective.

Whether it's a weekend away, a new hobby, or simply seeing your world from a different angle — change invites growth. And without a little challenge, how can we ever truly know what we're capable of?

Until next time — may your own "O'Dossey," however big or small, bring about a new discovery, especially in the world of the self.

Gaye



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# Communitea CATCH-UP

ALL FREE MORNING TEA

NOTHING BETTER THAN GOOD CAKE AND CONVERSATION

**MONDAY  
28 JULY  
2025**

**PEMBERTON COMMUNITY HUB  
BOARDROOM**

**AT 10:30AM** → **RSVP AT THE CRC**  
[Office@pembertoncrc.org.au](mailto:Office@pembertoncrc.org.au)

Meet the team from OSECA and find out more about my health partnership program

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

**Oseca**

## WARREN BLACKWOOD

### Outreach Hub

**PEMBERTON**

Date 28th July 2025  
Time 9:30am – 3:30pm  
Venue Pemberton CRC

**Services**

- Oseca: Care Coordination
- Carers WA: Advocacy & Support
- Anglicare WA: Financial Counselling
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ALL AGES WELCOME

# CREATIVE FARM DAY

**NEXT DOOR CRAFTIES MEETS  
PUMP HILL FARM COTTAGES**

**MONDAY, JULY 7TH  
FROM 10:00 TO 16:00**

BOOK YOUR TICKETS TODAY  
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**ENTRY FEE  
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PERSON**

**129 PUMP HILL ROAD  
PEMBERTON WA 6260**

**ACTIVITIES:**

- ANIMAL FEEDING
- FARM ANIMALS
- NATURE PLAYGROUND
- FAMILY FUN
- SCAVENGER HUNT
- CRAFT PROJECTS (\$25)

## PEMBERTON HOTEL

**Happy Hour**  
pub bar: wed 5-6pm, fri 6-7pm

**Tuesdays  
SENIORS LUNCH SPECIALS**

**20 JUL 04 LAINE WOLFE FRI 6-9PM**

**25 JUL 06 GRAEME HAGUE SUN 12-3pm**

**11 JUL BRANDON POLLETTI FRI 6-9PM**

**13 JUL LIGHTNIN' JACK SUN 12-3 PM**

**18 JUL KARAOKE FRI 8 - LATE**

**25 JUL CHRIS HAWKER FRI 6-9PM**

**27 JUL Shenai Johnston SUN 3-6 PM**

**Pool League  
EVERY MONDAY 6PM**

Times are subject to change. See our facebook page Pemberton Hotel

# School Holiday activities

JULY 2025

**JUL**  
**5**  
**JUNIOR LANDCARERS  
BUG HUNT**  
Meet @ Landcare office, Manjimup at 2pm.

**JUL**  
**5**  
**MANJIMUP HERITAGE  
PARK FROG SURVEY**  
Meet @ Landcare Office, Manjimup at 6pm, book by 4pm.

**JUL**  
**8**  
**JUNIOR LANDCARERS  
ARTS & CRAFTS**  
Meet @ Landcare office, Manjimup at 2pm, \$5 per child.

**JUL**  
**11**  
**FROGS OF  
NORTHCLIFFE WALK**  
Meet @ Northcliffe Visitor Centre at 6pm, book by 4pm.

**JUL**  
**12**  
**JUNIOR LANDCARERS  
WORM FARMS, COMPOST  
& WATERWISE GARDENS**  
Meet @ Landcare office, Manjimup at 2pm, book by 12pm.

**JUL**  
**12**  
**MANJIMUP HERITAGE PARK  
FROG SURVEY**  
Meet @ Landcare office, Manjimup at 6pm, book by 4pm.

**JUL**  
**15**  
**JUNIOR LANDCARERS  
WORM FARMS, COMPOST  
& WATERWISE GARDENS**  
Meet @ Landcare office, Manjimup at 2pm, book by 12pm.

**JUL**  
**15**  
**JUNIOR LANDCARERS  
BIRD STALK**  
Meet @ Landcare office, Manjimup at 4pm.

**JUL**  
**16**  
**JUNIOR LANDCARERS  
ARTS & CRAFTS**  
Meet @ Landcare office, Manjimup at 10.30am. \$5 per child.

**JUL**  
**16**  
**JUNIOR LANDCARERS  
BUG HUNT**  
Meet @ Landcare office, Manjimup at 2pm.

for more information or to book text Wendy on 0434811474 or email [wendy.eiby@warrencc.org.au](mailto:wendy.eiby@warrencc.org.au)



Southern Forests  
Community Landcare



Activity Info:  
Green Spaces  
Counter the Blues

# WISDOM, LEARN IT THE HARD WAY

ARTICLE BY ANN TIQUITTY

Images from the internet

Yes a few more pearls of Wisdom for your delectation, to prove that one is never too old to learn the whys and wherefores of survival.

Lesson One: Do not ever leave the kitchen sink unattended with the water running and both plugs in and go off to do something for an hour or so. I am now an expert in giving such advice following the recent flood in my house. Indeed, to rise from a Nanna nap and up to your ankles, no exaggeration, is a dampening experience, followed by total bewilderment.

Belated action stations. Turn off the taps. Don't slip over. Belatedly pull the plugs. Turn off the electricity –(fancy remembering that!) Stop crying hysterically while throwing towels, faux fur quilts and every absorbent thing in the linen press at the rising tide.

Ring nearest rellie, henceforth to be referred to as 'Zena the Warrior Princess, who promptly arrives assuring me that "It is only water Mum".

Being a great new beaut little house with fitted aluminum doors, there is no escape or run off anywhere, and sweeping the flood into the tiny bathroom outlet was a King Canute moment the "futility of trying to control natural forces" That water was going nowhere fast.

Zena, meanwhile, organised a giant Karcher Water Sucker Upper, a friend delivered it, the assorted sodden towels etc were relegated



to the porch, and I was sent out of the house to dwell in a miserable state of humiliation, guilt and abject depression

Cords, switches, leads attached and that Sucker worked itself like a Whirling Dervish, was emptied and filled again and again and slowly but surely the water level dropped. Did I mention that it ran from the kitchen, through the bathroom, and into both bedrooms but failing to lap over the doors to the outside?

Yes, that water did a hell of a good job, but Zena was now assisted by Knight in Shining Armour riding in to do the heavy lifting. The weight of sodden material is a challenge, but the Knight rose to the occasion and off it went to his palace where, the Handsome Prince washed and dried it all and returned it next day all fluffy and clean.

Three hours after the downpour I was in front of the T.V, dry, warm, riddled with guilt, wondering how to thank the Warrior Princess, the Gallant Knight, the Handsome Prince, the Lady -in -waiting who delivered the Karcher, and the King of the Land who was not aware that his Karcher Water Sucker Upper had been

pilfered without his express permission but assuring his minions it was a job well done and he wished he had been there to see it.

This is essentially a true story unfortunately, only the names have been changed in case these heroes are called upon by other careless householders to ride to the rescue. God bless them all.

So, what did we learn a today?

1. Turn the bloody taps off.
2. Know somebody who knows somebody
3. Appreciate the poor Queenslanders who deal with much worse on a regular basis

I intend to have a dry July. Literally.

# WINNERS ANNOUNCED IN 2025 7 NEWS TOP TOURISM TOWN AWARDS

ARTICLE BY MARK HUDSON

Photo by Event photographer Tourism Council WA

At the recent 2025 Perth Airport WA Tourism Conference Dinner in the category of Tiny Tourism Town, Pemberton Visitor Centre won the Silver award. Gold was won by Kalbarri and Denham claiming Bronze.

The awards program is a major highlight of the State's tourism calendar, with prizes eagerly coveted by destinations across Western Australia. Visitor Centres and Local Governments entered the awards on behalf of their destination, and entrants submitted a short video, itinerary and editorial article which was reviewed by a panel of industry judges.

The public then had its say, with more than 8,000 people casting a vote for their favourite Tiny, Small and Top Tourism Towns.

The Hon Matthew Swinburn MLC Minister for Environment; Community Services: Homelessness presented the award.

"All medallists have impressed both an industry panel of judges and the public through consumer voting. They will now go on to represent Western Australia on a national level in the Australian Top Tourism Town Awards in September," he said.

The 7NEWS Top Tourism Town Awards has been running for 36 years and recognises cities and towns across Western Australia for their commitment to tourism and the innovative experiences and facilities on offer. The awards are run by Tourism Council WA and Visitor Centres WA.

Right: Hon Matthew Swinburn MLC Mark Hudson Pemberton visitor Centre, Angela Tsun MC 7News



Welcome to our July update and welcome to a wet Pemberton winter.

However damp it may be, it will not be as uncomfortable as it was for our early settlers that were lucky to have a wood fire in a slab hut lined with hessian.

With the marking of 100 years since Pemberton was officially named, we are focusing on people and events that have contributed to Pemberton's shaping into this desirable little corner of the world.

Our museum group is working on a book for Pemberton. It will be a chronological account of the development of our area and we are looking for more detail to add like:-

Our servicemen that fought for our country and the many that did not return. We have these records but some names may not have gone onto our memorial for various reasons, especially as families moved away. Please send any lost information into email: pembertonhistory@gmail.com

Events that shaped Pemberton, like the change of ownership from State Saw Mill through various following owners and the changes in forestry related laws. The development of our hydro electric scheme to bring power to Pemberton. The huge bush fire of 1937 that ravaged our timber and early developments from Albany to Augusta. New controls of potato marketing and tobacco restrictions. Sporting events too.

People such as Mr Dave Evans and Mr George South whose civic service was long and dedicated, as was Mr Ralph Kelly who pioneered Pemberton into early tourism but we don't really know what first brought him to Pemberton.

When was the name of our Brook changed from Big Brook (as Pemberton was first known) to the Lefroy, as it is today?

We are also keen to have good quality photos of people and events as well as photos of daily life in those times.

Please send any information you feel should be included along with scanned photos to: pembertonhistory@gmail.com. or come along to our Thursday morning catch-ups at our museum workshop.

Happy delving!

New members are very welcome and you may follow our facebook; Pemberton Heritage and History Group Inc.

Rosalind Piper - tel:0439214393



## ~ CLASSIFIED ADS ~

- \* Births \* Deaths \* Marriages \*
- \* AGMs \* Birthdays \*

- \* Thank you \* Graduations \*

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Letters to the editor must have a name, phone number and address.

## Accessing Government Info

For STATE government access, there is a free Government Information Access Portal at the CRC (a dedicated PC and printer access).

For Federal Department of Human Services government access, such as Centrelink and Medicare and My Gov.

There is a dedicated PC (next to the Centrelink fax machine).

So if you have government-related business to do or information to find, you can do it at the Pemberton Community Resource Centre for free.



# WOW PEMBERTON<sup>®</sup> 2025

## Thai Signature

Flavours of Thai Cooking Class



**THIDA BALDOCK**  
Foodie

1 ticket left!

Thida will tell you all about Thai food that is made easy especially Thai street food, and how to make it quick and easy at home, only using a few ingredients that you can find in our local markets. In this workshop she will demonstrate all you need to know about Thai-Street food that is easily made at home.

**Pemberton Mill Hall**  
Sunday 6th July, 2025  
9am - 1pm

**\$90 per person**  
Includes 4 course menu

## Felted Chooks

Learn all the tricks and tips for fabulous felting.



**FAYE LLEWELLYN**  
Textile Artist

Tickets selling FAST!



<https://www.eventbrite.com/c/wow-pemberton-2025-4375233>

Scan QR for tickets or google the link!

This delightful and decorative felted chook is perfect for decorating, holding small plants or just for fun! Faye's workshop offers more than just a decorative item and a new skill; it promises a delightful and fun experience throughout the process!

**Pemberton Camp School**  
Sunday 6th July, 2025  
9.30am - 1.30pm

**\$70 per person**  
Includes materials & Lunch

## Fabric Painting

Colour & print fabric with heat transfer dyes



**LINDA STOKES**  
Textile & Media Artist

Only 9 tickets left!



<https://www.eventbrite.com/cc/wow-pemberton-2025-4375233>

Scan QR for tickets or google the link!

Learn how to create colourful, unique fabrics easily using heat transfer dyes & crayons. Paint/draw on paper, then transfer it to your fabric by ironing with a heat press or iron. The workshop will cover various methods for colouring papers, direct painting on fabric, stamping & shibori techniques, as well as resists, & other variations in the heat setting process.

**Pemberton Camp School**  
Saturday 5th July, 2025  
9.30am - 2pm

**\$95 per person**  
Includes all materials

## Mexi-Ken Cooking

Mexican Cooking Class



**KENNY ROBERTS**  
Chef

Tickets selling FAST!



<https://www.eventbrite.com/c/wow-pemberton-2025-4375233>

Scan QR for tickets or google the link!

Chef Kenny, or as he's known, MEXI- Ken, has been a business owner since 2000, of Chillin Out in WA. He has 30 years of industry experience as a chef specialising in all things chilli. Kenny will be preparing two dishes as well as small finger sized foods to sample. Kenny will talk about the flavours of his handcrafted sauces and products for tasting and to buy.

**Pemberton Mill Hall**  
Saturday 5th July, 2025  
10am - 12pm

**\$90 per person**  
Includes materials & Lunch

Due to low ticket sales, we've made the difficult decision to discontinue three of our WOW Pemberton Workshops.

We are actively planning to bring these workshops back later this year. So if you want to see WOW and other events continue into the future - support these events and buy a ticket!

## MILL HALL UPDATE

The Mill Hall has new Stage Lighting, a new Projector and a new Sound/Audio System!



This was made possible with funding from a Native Forest Transition Small Community Grant and a Shire of Manjimup Community Grant.

Mention must also be made of the tireless efforts of the Mill Hall members who regularly fundraise to contribute to these types of projects to help keep the hall well equipped and maintained for the community.

There are many inquiries from near and far for hiring the Mill Hall, even at a National level!

- THURSDAYS 5PM BOOTSCOOTING
- JULY 5TH & 6TH CRC WOW WORKSHOPS
- JULY 12TH 7PM OLD TIME DANCE

PEMBERTON'S GOT TALENT IS ON AUGUST 30TH. REGISTER NOW FOR YOUR PERFORMANCE TO [deanne.ventris@outlook.com](mailto:deanne.ventris@outlook.com) or 0428 302782.

This hall was built for the community and stands strong as testament to the wonderful hard-working community members who have in the past and continue to maintain this building. You are always welcome to contribute to keep this iconic venue in top condition.

We would love you to become a member for \$16.50.

Mill Hall banking details: WESTPAC BSB: 036126 ACC: 237796

We have an account with Containers for Change. This is for the collection of the 10c cans and bottles. The account is C10562118. You can drop them off or we can pick them up for you. You are also welcome to leave them at the tip in a woven plastic bag (feed bag) and label them with the number C10562118.

President - Deanne Ventris

## MONTHLY PRAYER

Father God

and the farmers who work it.

We are grateful to live in a country where we can express our opinions freely and practise our faith without persecution.

Thank you for the people who work in the health industry. The doctors and nurses, ambulance officers and volunteers who serve the community and help us when we suffer.

We pray for those in Pemberton who are sick, lonely, poor, hungry or sad. We pray for wellness and a return to good health.

Let us to see the good and reach out to those in need. We pray for everyone to be warm and cozy in their homes during these cold winter months.

Lord God, we praise you and thank you for your love, grace and peace. We lift up these prayers to you in Jesus' name.



## SOUTHERN FORESTS FOOD COUNCIL

### KICKING OFF THE SFFC CARBON PILOT 🌱

June saw us welcome producers to our office in Manjimup to launch the SFFC Carbon Pilot with support from the SW WA Drought Hub.

This initiative is about more than just compliance. It's about preparing our farmers and community for a changing landscape — one where mandatory carbon reporting is on the horizon and pressure from supply chains, banks, and governments continues to build.

Through this pilot, we aim to support innovation, grow skills, build resilience, and help the SFFC take informed action — backed by the unified voice of our members.

Kudos to the SFFC Team for helping make the launch of the carbon pilot a success. The work behind the scenes — from the developing our first Carbon Strategy to supporting farmers in the region, to planning the pilot, engaging consultants, and recruiting participants — has been immense, and it's something to be proud of.

There's still a way to go, and this is a complex and challenging topic. But we'll navigate it one step at a time. We've made a strong and positive start.

Thanks also to Richard and Matthew Brake, the facilitators, and to all the participants for their time, insight, and openness.



### NUTRIENT DENSE FOOD PRODUCTION - 22 & 23 SEP

Dan Kittredge, US founder of The Bionutrient Food Association and internationally renowned expert in nutrient density and regen ag, will be in WA in Sep.

We have tempted him to join us in the Southern Forests to share his knowledge and passion around transforming food systems by enhancing soil health, improving ecosystem function, and ensuring food security whilst supporting human health.

Register your early interest with [laura@southernforestsfood.com](mailto:laura@southernforestsfood.com).



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## REGIONAL COLUMN

### EXTENDED WARRANTIES - WORTH IT OR WORTHLESS?

From the Commissioner



Scored a bargain on a new TV, washing machine or fridge lately? But with the purchase often comes the question, "would you like to add an extended warranty?"

It might sound like a smart move for extra peace of mind in case something goes wrong. But before you hand over more money, it's worth taking a closer look at what you're really getting. Because in many cases, the Australian Consumer Law (ACL) may already cover you.

The ACL entitles you to have a faulty product repaired or replaced, or you can even get a refund or compensation (depending on whether the fault is a 'major' or 'minor' failure). You have these ACL entitlements, regardless of any extended warranty, and even if the manufacturer's warranty has expired. Be wary of any retailer that tells you otherwise.

Effectively, an extended warranty could mean you're paying for cover you're already getting.

So, before you sign up and pay up for an extended warranty, understand what you're buying.

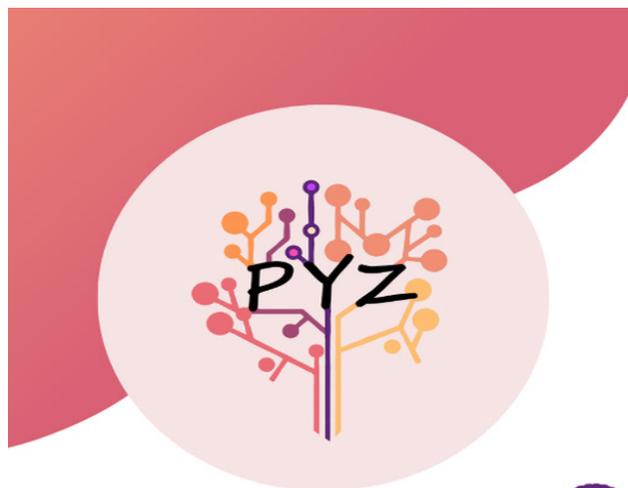
Ask the salesperson to explain the actual benefits beyond your automatic, and free, ACL rights to a refund, product replacement, or repair. It is illegal for a retailer to mislead you into buying an extended warranty for rights you already have under the ACL.

Ask if call-out fees are extra under the extended warranty. Are labour and installation costs extra? Are you limited to the repairer you can use if something goes wrong with your item? Compare the cost of the warranty against the cost of your item. Remember that you already have rights under Australia's consumer laws, whether or not you buy an extended warranty.

Always check the rules, as some claims during the manufacturer's warranty could cancel the extended warranty that you paid extra for.

Stay alert to high pressure sales tactics sometimes used to convince you to pay extra for an extended warranty and take note that retailers may also rebrand them as "product care".

An extended warranty might offer you extra peace of mind but it might not always deliver the coverage and protection you're expecting. And if you feel you're being pressured to purchase an extended warranty, you can contact Consumer Protection on 1300 30 40 54 to report the incident.



## Youth Zone

### OPENING TIMES

Please note the Pemberton Youth Zone will be closed during the school holidays

**4th - 18th July**

For any questions contact the PCRC  
9776 1745 or  
[office@pembertoncrc.org.au](mailto:office@pembertoncrc.org.au)

## THE WILD ROBOT 2024

ARTICLE BY BEK LOTHIAN

Images found online

The family friendly movie by Dreamworks is a must watch for all.

The film follows a service robot shipwrecked on an uninhabited island who must adapt to her surroundings, build relationships with the local wildlife, and become the adoptive mother of an orphaned goose.

The story is based on a 2016 novel by Peter Brown of the same name.

For me, I found the themes revolve around inclusion, acceptance and love. It's a really lovely movie guaranteed to bring a smile to your face, and if you are like me, many happy tears.

It was fun deciphering the voices of the actors. I won't spoil it for you!

Do yourself a favour and watch it now!  
10/10



# CRC COMMUNIQUÉ

ARTICLE BY GAYE VAN HAZENDONK

Photographs by CRC Staff & Volunteers

## FAREWELL AND BEST WISHES TO PEI-CHEN

This month, we say farewell to one of our community's most familiar faces, Pei-Chen Ho (Bobo), who has officially resigned from their position at the Pemberton CRC after almost 10 years of dedicated service.

Since joining in 2016, Pei-Chen has been a valued part of the team, known for her enthusiasm, warm smile, tireless work ethic, and unwavering support for customers and colleagues alike. Over the years, they've become more than just a staff member—they've become a trusted friend and a cornerstone of our workplace.



Pei-Chen is moving on to new challenges in another industry, and we are so looking forward to seeing what lies ahead for her.

Thank you, Pei-Chen, for everything you've done in building the success of the CRC, especially during all the challenges of the co-location. The Pemberton CRC committee, Management and staff wish you all the very best in this next exciting chapter.

## ANOTHER COMMUNITEA CATCHUP

After the success of our last catchup in February 25 we are hosting another Communithea catchup on Monday 28th July - see page 3.

This is a great opportunity to enjoy a free cuppa and cake. To meet up with some friends and hear about the free services available to you through the "my health partnership with Oseca. There will also be local politicians and community leaders in attendance which provides a great chance to give feedback and ask questions of those in the know.

## NEXT GEN ARTS

Thanks to Regional Arts WA and in collaboration with the Pemberton Youth Zone and the Pemberton Arts Group, we have been successful in a Next Gen Arts Grant to provide art activities for youth 12-18 years through a range of different programs and mediums.




**Gabriel Evans**  
I'm a WA picture book author and illustrator.

My books have been published in fifteen countries, shortlisted twice in the CBCA Picture Book of the Year, read on ABC's Play School and reviewed in the NY Times.

I have ten years of experience giving talks and workshops in schools and libraries around WA and NSW.



Gabriel Evans will be one of our presenters, providing a workshop on creating characters for illustrations and story telling.

We will be posting the details soon, so watch this space!



## PEMBERTON YOGA COLLECTIVE

With the colder weather upon us, the attendance numbers have dropped significantly to the Tuesday yoga classes provided by the teachers at the PYZ.

For this reason the teachers are having a well-earned break over the month of July. Yoga classes will return on Tuesday 5th August 2025.

The teachers have been provided some financial assistance from the PYZ towards their professional development so this break is the perfect time to upgrade their skills.



# Pemberton Yoga Collective Yoga Classes

## Closed during July

## Re-Opening Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> August



2025-2026

# MEMBERSHIP IS DUE

WHAT TYPE OF MEMBER ARE YOU?

- Community group
- Individual or Family
- Concession or student
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## POSITION VACANT—TRAINEE

Part time or full time position

**Hours: 15-30 hours per week**

**Commencing, August 2025**

@ The Pemberton CRC

*Find out more  
about our team  
and what we  
do at*



[pembertoncrc.org.au](http://pembertoncrc.org.au)

### REQUIREMENTS OF THE POSITION

*Selection Criteria to be addressed*

#### Essential:

- Written and oral communication skills
- Competent typing and keyboarding skills
- Developed numeracy skills
- Good interpersonal skills
- Ability to provide computer and smartphone assistance to beginners.
- Involvement in community projects
- Demonstrated self-motivation and initiative
- Able to work in a team environment

#### Desirable:

- Customer service and cash handling experience
- Experience in creating documents
- Hold a current or have the ability to gain a Working with children check
- Hold a current or have the ability to gain a Police clearance
- Enthusiasm

### APPLYING FOR THE POSITION

Your application in writing should include:

- a maximum of 2 pages addressing selection criteria
- 1 page cover letter
- resume (generally 1-3 pages & should list 2 or 3 referees)

Applicants should send their application to:

#### Manager

via email to:

[manager@pembertoncrc.org.au](mailto:manager@pembertoncrc.org.au)

or post to: Pemberton CRC

Po Box 375, Pemberton WA 6260

Feel free to contact us for more information on Tel: 9776 1745 or drop in to the new Pemberton Community Hub @ 61 Brockman street in Pemberton to discuss your interest in the Traineeship.

Applications close

**4pm Thursday 31st July 2025.**



# Pemberton Community Sports Club PCSC News

Edition 2 - July 2025



More than 100 dart players from around the South West and beyond gathered at Pemberton Community Sports Club over the weekend of June 7th and 8th to compete in the annual South West Darts Championship. This year it was Pemberton's turn to host the competition; the event was last held here some 20 years ago.

The 15 teams played their games in 3 divisions with the winners being:  
Division 1: Mandurah, R/U Manjimup 1  
Division 2: Busselton, R/U Pemberton 1  
Division 3: Collie 2, R/U Blackwood

The Pemberton team was made up of Aaron Pedlar, Tony Marciano, Mart Kiiver, Mal Pearce, Nate Davidge and Gary Mills. Highest pegs for the weekend included Neil Hatchett (Division 1 Bunbury) 150, Marty Thomas (Division 2 Busselton) 130 and Blue Jeffery (Division 3 Pemberton 2) 116. A few individual highlights included Aaron and Tony scoring 180's and Blue Jeffery scoring the highest peg of 116 in Division 3. Blake Hatchett from Mandurah had the highest average of 72.40 for the weekend. A great time was had by all with many complementing the quality of the venue at the Pemberton Community Sports Club.



Division 1 Winners: Mandurah. Photos by Evan Thompson



Doubles Champions & Runners Up: Blake Hatchett & Corey Collins (Mandurah), Marty Thomas & Jarred Northover (Busselton)



Dane Swan and Glen Jakovich at the Southerners Sponsors Evening. Photo by Jodie Omodei

The Southerners Football Club put the fun in fundraising on Saturday 21 June at their annual sponsors event. Special guests, AFL stars Dane Swan (premiership player, Brownlow medalist and five time All-Australian) and Eagles legend Glen Jakovich (two time premiership player, two time All-Australian, AFL Hall of Fame inductee) delighted the Club by sharing their Aussie Rules experiences and entertaining stories. Dane Swan donned his footy boots and joined the Southerners, which was described as "pretty special". Check out the Southerners Facebook page for lots of brilliant photos!



## Spotlight On:

### Pemberton Yoga Collective

The PYC will be taking a break for July but will return at 5:30pm on Tuesday August 5.



### Pemberton Youth Zone

PYZ is a fun, relaxed, safe place for 12 to 18 year-olds. Meeting this month, Friday 25 July, 5:00pm-8:00pm in the Marri Room at PCSC.

Check out the Pemberton Youth Zones Instagram - <https://www.instagram.com/pembertonyouthzone/>

### Restaurant Open for Dinner Thursdays and Fridays (and some Saturdays)

D.J. Dunstan's Professional Catering is continuing to serve dinner at The Club Restaurant on Thursdays and Fridays, and Southerner's game Saturdays. Menu available on the PCSC website.

### Pemberton Playgroup

Pemberton Playgroup have enjoyed welcoming new families on Tuesdays this term. Playgroup is an inclusive space which allows parents of young children to connect and support each other. There is always room for more little ones to join on Tuesdays or Thursdays, 9am till 11am. Please contact Pippa [pembertonplaygroup@outlook.com](mailto:pembertonplaygroup@outlook.com)

### Indoor Hockey

Warren Hockey Assoc. Indoor Hockey is a social club who train Thursday evenings rotating between Collier Street, MSHS or the PCSC. Training starts at 6:00pm followed by a friendly scratch match. Games are played on Saturday afternoons at 2pm. Mixed gender, age and skills. Please contact Charles [charles@terraperma.com.au](mailto:charles@terraperma.com.au) .

### Racquet Ball

Racquet ball is played Tuesdays year-round at 9:00am in the squash courts. Please contact Bev South for more information [warrensouth56@gmail.com](mailto:warrensouth56@gmail.com)

Stay up-to-date at [PembertonSports.com.au](http://PembertonSports.com.au) or follow us on Facebook

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# Pemberton Community Sports Club Gym Update

PembertonSports.com.au admin@pembertoncsc.com.au 9776 1066



## GymMaster App - A new way to access the gym

The GymMaster App is a comprehensive gym companion. It allows members to manage their membership and make payments. Members can access personalised workout plans complete with reps, sets, weights, rest times, and tempo; log their workouts to track progress over time; and enjoy gym access using their phone, eliminating the need for a key fob. PCSC would like to offer sincere thanks to Tristan Mills, Hazel Cole, Gaye Van Hazendonk and the CRC, Tim Bendotti and Manjimup Glass for their assistance and perseverance in the installation of this new technology!



Scan QR codes to download the app.

## Meet personal trainer, Chico!

If you are new to gym workouts, or prefer to workout with other motivated individuals, Chico Rodriguez hosts group fitness classes from 6am to 7am every Monday and Wednesday. All abilities are welcome! Chico can help with instruction, technique, and encouragement. The gym is closed to other members during this class, however, gym members receive one free entry to Chico's class as part of their membership. Do yourself a favour and get started today. Contact Chico for info or to register: [chicofjrm4@gmail.com](mailto:chicofjrm4@gmail.com)



Have fun and work out with Chico!

*Join the Chico Challenge Now!* 12 Classes \$150

## Gym Fees

Casual entry	\$10
1 month	\$50
6 months	\$250
12 months	\$450
No signup fees or automatic fee renewal.	

## Gym Opening Hours

Monday	4:00am-11:00pm
	Closed 6:00am-7:00am
Tuesday	4:00am-11:00pm
Wednesday	4:00am-11:00pm
	Closed 6:00am-7:00am
Thursday	4:00am-11:00pm
Friday	4:00am-11:00pm
Saturday	4:00am-11:00pm
Sunday	4:00am-11:00pm

Staff Wanted: Yard/ Maintenance Person. See website for details.

## Gym Age Policy Revised

The PCSC Executive Committee have revised the policy for gym users under 18 years of age. Users over 16 can now use the gym unsupervised, however, under 16s still need to be accompanied by an adult.

## Come and Try - Hot Shots Tennis and Cardio Tennis!!! Monday 28 July 2025

Exciting news! PCSC has recently become affiliated with Tennis West and are pleased to announce a free come-and-try event for Hot Shots and Cardio forms of tennis in the PCSC Stadium. Details to follow on Facebook. Where fun meets fundamentals, Hot Shots Tennis is the perfect introduction to tennis for children aged 3-12. With smaller courts, lighter racquets, and low-compression balls, kids learn the game in a fun, safe, and supportive environment that's built just for them! Cardio Tennis is a high-energy group fitness activity for all-ages that combines the best features of tennis with cardiovascular exercise - all to upbeat music!



## EOI - Tennis Coaches

PCSC are seeking local tennis-lovers who are interested in becoming coaches for the Hot Shots Tennis program. Training and equipment will be provided by Tennis West at no charge and no obligation to continue as a coach if it's not for you. Contact Claire at [admin@pembertoncsc.com.au](mailto:admin@pembertoncsc.com.au) for more information or to register.

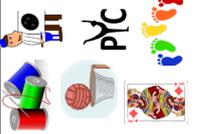
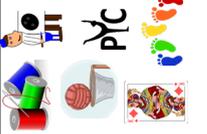
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# July 2025

Thank you to Ros Piper for this months photo

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<b>1</b>  Creative farm day @ Pump Hill Farm Cottages 10am-4pm Coastal Tree Planting @ Windy Harbour, Meet @ Visitor shelter from 10am	<b>2</b> 	<b>3</b> The lost little llama & little red riding hood childrens ballet @ Pemberton mill hall 10-11.45am	<b>4</b> Lighten the load dinner & comedy night presented by SFFC @ Gatsbys Skyline, 6.30-11pm Open Mic @ Northcliffe Workers Club, 7-10pm School Holidays	<b>5</b>  Truffle Hunt @ Millgrove truffles from 7.30pm	<b>6</b> Coastal Tree Planting @ Windy Harbour, Meet @ Visitor shelter from 10am	<b>7</b> Creative farm day @ Pump Hill Farm Cottages 10am-4pm Coastal Tree Planting @ Windy Harbour, Meet @ Visitor shelter from 10am
<b>8</b> 	<b>9</b> 	<b>10</b> 	<b>11</b> Light Colour Action @ Pemberton Library from 1.30pm	<b>12</b> Quinni Arts gets together from 10am 	<b>13</b> Last day of Little/Big Exhibition @ painted tree gallery WOW Pemberton	<b>14</b> Creative farm day @ Pump Hill Farm Cottages 10am-4pm Coastal Tree Planting @ Windy Harbour, Meet @ Visitor shelter from 10am
<b>15</b> 	<b>16</b> 	<b>17</b> 	<b>18</b> 	<b>19</b> Blackwood D&D Fest @ Bridgetown showgrounds Annual Quiz Night @ Northcliffe town hall	<b>20</b> Coastal Tree Planting @ Windy Harbour, Meet @ Visitor shelter from 10am	<b>21</b> Creative farm day @ Pump Hill Farm Cottages 10am-4pm Coastal Tree Planting @ Windy Harbour, Meet @ Visitor shelter from 10am
<b>22</b> 	<b>23</b> 	<b>24</b> 	<b>25</b> 	<b>26</b> 	<b>27</b> 	<b>28</b> Creative farm day @ Pump Hill Farm Cottages 10am-4pm Coastal Tree Planting @ Windy Harbour, Meet @ Visitor shelter from 10am

School Holidays & NAIDOC Week

School Holidays

 <b>28</b> Anglicare Financial Counselling & Communitica Catchup from 10.30am, RSVP to office@ pembertoncrc.org.au	   <b>29</b>	   <b>30</b>	   <b>31</b>	   <b>1st August</b>	   <b>2</b>	  <b>3</b> Quinni Pop-up Cafe & Markets from 10am @ Guinninup Community Centre
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# BLACKWOOD D&D WINTERFEST



**CREATIVE FARM DAY**  
 MONDAY 14th FEB  
 FROM 10.00 TO 3.00  
 NEXT 2000 CHICKEN MEETS  
 POPPING INACTIVITIES  
 ACTIVITIES  
 ALL AGES WELCOME

## Coming up in August

2nd August Quinni Written Word Group  
 19th-21st August Winter Wonders Food & Farm 3 day tour  
 16th August Beyond the Sketchbook workshop  
 23rd-24th August Balingup Medieval festival  
 Got an event? Let us know - [pcn@pembertoncrc.org.au](mailto:pcn@pembertoncrc.org.au)

### Monthly Events

 <b>Anglican Church Service</b> 1st Sun 11.30am St Hilda's Church, Ellis St, Pemberton Michelle 9776 0371	 <b>Craft Group</b> 1st Tues \$5 St Hilda's Church Pat 9776 0388	 <b>Mill Hall Dance</b> 2nd Sat 7:30pm BYO, Share Supper Pemberton Mill Hall Terrie 0439 840 784	 <b>PCA - Womens Ride</b> Second sunday of the month @9am Meeting @ Pemberton Visitor Centre	 <b>Fire and Rescue</b> 1st Sat 2.00pm Pemberton Fire Station Craig 0419 045 362	 <b>Southern Forests Photography Club</b> Last Wed 6.00pm Pemberton Community Sports Club Rob 0428 275 665	 <b>Uniting Church Service</b> 4th Sun 10.00am Pemberton Uniting Church Tom 9776 1472
 <b>All-sorts exercise group</b> Mon 9am \$5 each Pemberton Community Sports Club CRC 9776 1745	 <b>Art Classes with Tony Windberg</b> Wed @ 7-9pm, Thurs @ 9:30am PAG Art Room - at the HUB Tony 0427 852 032	 <b>Badminton (Ladies)</b> Wed @ 9.00am - 11am Pemberton Sports Club Evelyn 9776 0332	 <b>Boot scooting</b> Thurs 5pm Pemberton Mill Hall Terrie 0439 340 237	 <b>CWA Op-Shop</b> Sat 9.00 am - 1.00pm Pemberton CWA Pat 0411 422 335	 <b>Karate</b> Sat @ 9am Pemberton Community Sports Club. Bernadette 0457 272 500	 <b>MTB Social Ride</b> Sat @ 8.00am Leaving from the Community Hub Mark 0429 384 800
 <b>Museum Workshop</b> Thursday @10.00 - 12pm Pemberton Heritage & Hiritory Ros 0439 214 393	 <b>PAG Arts-in-House</b> Tues & Wed 9.30am PAG Art Room - at the HUB Anna 0439 369 702	 <b>Pemberton Golf Club</b> Saturdays @ 12pm Golf links road Club 9776 1455	 <b>Pemberton Yoga Collective</b> Pemberton Sports Club - Jarrah room Tuesday 5.30pm - 7.00pm PCRC 9776 1745	 <b>Pemberton Youth Zone</b> 2nd Fri @ 5pm - 8pm Pemberton Sports Club CRC 9776 1745	 <b>Play Group</b> Tues, Thurs @ 9.00 Pemberton Sports Club crèche Pippa 0401 654 902	 <b>Rhyme and Story Time</b> Pemberton Library Wednesday 10.30am Sherri 9776 1311
 <b>Road bike social ride</b> 1st 2nd 3rd Sun @ 7.30am Leaving from the Community Hub Christine 0407 774 128	 <b>Sacred Heart Catholic Church</b> Wed 10.00am, 1st 3rd, 5th Sun 8:30, 2nd 4th Sun 10:30am, Chr Guppy St & Dean St Manjipur Parish 9771 2873	 <b>Social Badminton</b> Adults @6pm-7:30pm \$5ea. Pemberton Sports Club Emma 0400 518 185	 <b>Solitaire Club</b> Tues @ 1:00am Pemberton CRC CRC 9776 1745	 <b>Southerners Home Games</b> Times Vary Pemberton Sports Oval David 0427 441 628	 <b>Snooker Club</b> Wednesdays @ 6.30 pm Pemberton Community Sports Club John 0488 760 426	 <b>Netball</b> Tuesdays 3.30pm - 8pm Pemberton Community Sports Club Chloe Cybula 0438 503 521

The Community Calendar is Proudly supported by:



### Regular Community Events

# TERM TWO AT PDHS



## PEMBERTON DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

Term Two at PDHS has been full of amazing learning opportunities!

Early in the term our Year 6 students travelled to Perth for the annual Year 6 Camp. They enjoyed fantastic weather and had a wonderful time challenging themselves across a range of activities including ice skating, rock climbing and raft building. Our thanks to Mrs Schmidt, Mr Lister and Mrs Mathews for giving so generously of their time to support our Year 6s' adventures.

Week 6 saw our Primary Cross Country Team competing in Manjimup. Congratulations to all of the students from Years 2-6 who represented PDHS at the Interschool Cross Country competition. They demonstrated fantastic resilience, positivity and sportsmanship, and we are very proud of them all. Many thanks to Mrs Schmidt and Mr Harger for supporting their training throughout the term, and Mr Hughes, Ms Cockram and Mrs Little who cheered them on at EMPS.

PDHS's Year 9/10 Electives Program provided our oldest students with a wide range of exciting experiences.

Under the stewardship of Mr Harger and through the hard work of PDHS students, our Agriculture Program has been thoroughly productive with a range of fantastic produce being harvested and available on our school's produce stall. We are excited to be expanding our Agriculture program with the planned delivery of certificate courses - watch this space!

Mrs Brooks' Year 9/10 Drama class are to be credited with one of the highlights of the term when they created a magical world for our K/PP, Year 1/2 and Year 2/3 classes. Students considered set, lighting, music, interactive experiences and characterisation in their creation of an immersive experience for our youngest students with dress-ups and position making.

PDHS's Outdoor Education program delved into the world of Mountain Biking this term, taking advantage of the amazing tracks throughout Pemberton. The skills and confidence of our students flourished under the exceptional coaching skills of Mr Harger, Mrs Tysoe and Ms Foord. We look forward to expanding the program when the new tracks open up just behind our school oval!



# St Joseph's Primary School



*"Strength through Christ"*

**Pre-kindy (Little Joeys)  
at St. Joseph's Primary School**



Every Friday morning, we welcome children and families to our Pre-kindy Programme in our Early Childhood Centre at St. Joseph's Primary School, to explore and engage in fun and educational experiences.



Our programme, affectionally named 'Little Joeys', has been running at St. Joseph's for thirteen years and provides a wonderful introduction to the school environment for children and their families.



Our programme provides experiences of play-based learning and aims to foster the children's social, emotional, cognitive, language and physical development.



Each week we have a theme, and so far this year we have explored different types of animals and shapes. The children have been engaged in many craft, sensory, dramatic play, music and literacy activities relating to these themes.



After our indoor experiences and a singalong, we all enjoy morning tea, including a cuppa for parents, and then explore the outdoor area. The children enjoy riding bikes, sand play, imaginative play and climbing activities before sharing a story to conclude the session.



The sessions are a wonderful way for our little people to bond and learn, but more importantly for families to connect. Families can join any time and are always warmly welcomed.



[www.pembertonartsgroup.org.au](http://www.pembertonartsgroup.org.au)

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

**PAG NEWS:** Contact Cate: [pembertonartsgroup@gmail.com](mailto:pembertonartsgroup@gmail.com)

### Spring Exhibition – September 26 – October 12.

Do you wish to support artists by donating a prize? *Please contact Anna at [pembertonart2023@outlook.com](mailto:pembertonart2023@outlook.com).*

The theme for spring is LIGHT.



“View Over Dardanup” – Christine Blowfield.

Southwest artists are invited to consider the theme LIGHT – in all of its connotations! 2D and small 3D works are eligible. Entry form will be available early August.

Exhibition opens on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> September. Open daily 10am – 4.30pm. Closes 12<sup>th</sup> October 3pm. **Entries close 15<sup>th</sup> Sept.**

**Sculptural Illuminations Workshop:** Bisque firing is completed and we are now about to fire the glazed sculptural pieces. We will showcase when they’re ready!!

### Mural Project:

‘Bringing community members together, the Rivers of Thirst mural project has seen colourful creativity flow! The regular Monday, Friday and the new Sunday Sessions have seen people of all ages from 8 – 80 print leaves, paint frogs, and enjoy coffees, cakes and great company. The 15 panels, representing the Warren catchment ecosystem, will snake around the arts building from the carpark into the Balang Miya Hub. Visible from the main road, the mural will entice visitors and locals alike into our fantastic vibrant precinct.’



**Art Sessions:** We are an inclusive group. Come and join us on a Tuesday or Wednesday morning from 9:30am. Gold coin donation appreciated. Try drawing, painting, printing, clay work, pastels, collage – or just use your own preferred medium. Supportive environment and we have some lovely morning tea too!



# PEMBERTON MILL

ARTICLE BY AJ QUINTON

Images found online

Established in 1913, the Pemberton Timber Mill quickly became the beating heart of Pemberton's economy. Originally built to supply durable hardwood for the Transport Australia Railway, the mill transformed the quiet South West town into a thriving industrial hub. Powered by abundant native Karri wood—valued for its strength and availability—the mill grew rapidly, becoming Australia's largest timber mill by 1939.

At its peak, the mill employed around 379 workers, forming the backbone of local employment and community life. Entire neighbourhoods were built to house mill families, and the town itself grew in step with the mill's fortunes. However, as mechanization advanced through the decades, the workforce gradually shrank. By 1984, the number of employees had dropped to approximately 250. Come 2004, only around 100 staff remained in the Pemberton Mill including workers travelling to work.

The decline wasn't due to technology alone. A turning point came in the early 2000s, when environmental policy changes placed heavy restrictions on native forest logging. As a result, the mill transitioned to processing plantation pine and blue gum. While this move was necessary to comply with government mandates, the plantation timber lacked the consistency and volume needed to maintain operations. By 2016, the supply could no longer sustain the business, leading to the mill's eventual closure.

The story didn't end there. In December 2022, a fire swept through the abandoned site, severely damaging much of the remaining mill infrastructure. To make matters worse, the blaze exposed asbestos materials, leading to a hazardous contamination that has since stalled demolition and cleanup efforts.

Once a symbol of industry and growth, the Pemberton



Timber Mill now stands as a relic of a bygone era—its charred remains echoing a complex history of prosperity, adaptation, and eventual decline.



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## The Curious Case of the Case-Making Moth



Left to right; case moth cocoons (Family: Psychidae) photos courtesy of MyPestGuide reporter.

Spotted a tiny twig caravan mysteriously travelling along a branch recently? You may have encountered one of nature’s most underrated engineers — the case moth. These oddball caterpillars turn silk and local materials into tiny, mobile homes they carry everywhere, like little sleeping bags on a mission. Welcome to the weird and wonderful world of case moths, found throughout bushland, urban gardens, and natural areas across Australia.

### Biology and Lifecycle

While most case moths belong to the family Psychidae, a few other silk case-making moths exist in families such as Tineidae (for example, the case-bearing clothes moth, however these are not the focus of this story). All case moths belong to the vast Lepidoptera order (which includes all moths and butterflies). There is estimated to be hundreds of species of case moths, with a significant number found in Western Australia, however the exact number is not known due to ongoing taxonomic updates and new discoveries.

What makes them so fascinating is not just their DIY homes, but their highly specialised life cycle. After hatching, each larva immediately begins constructing its own silk case using materials from the environment — bark, leaves, twigs, sand, or lichen, depending on the species and habitat.

As the larva grows, instead of leaving the case behind it expands it, reinforcing the structure as needed. The case serves as shelter from predators and weather, and it’s always dragged along during movement (think “a botanic onesie with legs”). When the caterpillar is ready to pupate, it seals off the ends and undergoes metamorphosis inside the case, transforming into a pupa and then eventually emerging as an adult moth- or not! In many species, adult females will remain wingless and

larva-like, never leaving the safety of their case. They have underdeveloped legs and no working mouthparts spending their entire adult life emitting pheromones to attract a male. Once mated, the female lays her eggs inside the same case and dies soon after. The cycle then begins anew. Males, on the other hand, emerge with fully developed wings and feathered antennae, which they use to locate females by scent. But it’s a brief adult life for males, usually just a few days, living only long enough to find a mate and reproduce.

### Impacts and Management

Want to know how to live with (or gently manage) these silk-case residents? The good news is case moths are more fascinating than fearsome. They do not swarm, rarely cause serious or lasting damage to plants, and are not known to be a major pest in Western Australia. In fact, they are generally considered beneficial within the environment. Although some species do feed on living foliage, many others feed on dead leaves, bark, algae or lichens, helping to break down organic material and recycling nutrients back into the soil. They are also an important food source for native wildlife.

Case moth caterpillars are architects, camouflage artists, nutrient recyclers, and a nutritious snack for wildlife, all wrapped up in a snug, organic, portable shelter. They help keep our ecosystems balanced, quietly working away in the background supporting biodiversity, all without asking for much in return.

In a world full of flashy butterflies and buzzy bees, it might be easy to overlook the humble case moth. But maybe it’s time we gave these miniature marvels their moment, because let’s be honest — watching a tiny caterpillar drag around a twig-covered tent like a snail with a fashion sense? That’s very cool.



### Report your observations

MyPestGuide® Reporter via app or online [mypestguide.agric.wa.gov.au](http://mypestguide.agric.wa.gov.au)  
Pest and Disease Information Service (08) 9368 3080 | [padis@dpird.wa.gov.au](mailto:padis@dpird.wa.gov.au)

## HOME FIRE SAFETY

The loss of life through fire is devastating, with far-reaching impacts on families and communities. Each year, our firefighters attend thousands of preventable house fires across the State. By taking simple precautions, you can help protect yourself, your loved ones, and your home.

### Fires Move Fast – Plan to Escape

A small fire can engulf an entire room in just two to three minutes, leaving little time to escape. That's why it's crucial to make a home fire safety plan with everyone in your household. It's simple - and it could save your life.

### Smoke Alarms Save Lives

Smoke alarms provide early warning and are one of the most effective ways to prevent injury or death in a house fire.

- Fires often spread quickly and may go unnoticed until it's too late.
- When you're asleep, you lose your sense of smell. A working smoke alarm will wake you if there's smoke.
- Without one, you're far more likely to experience serious injury, loss of property—or worse.

Ensure smoke alarms are:

- Installed in key areas of your home, especially near bedrooms and living spaces.
- Tested and maintained regularly.
- Replaced every 10 years, or according to the manufacturer's instructions.

### Know the Risks of Lithium-Ion Batteries

Lithium-ion (Li-ion) batteries are a growing cause of house fires in WA. These batteries are commonly found in:

- e-scooters and e-bikes
- phones, laptops, and tablets
- power tools and vacuum cleaners

Lithium-Ion Battery fires can be caused by:

- overcharging
- overheating
- physical damage
- poor manufacturing

To reduce the risk of a Lithium-Ion Battery fire:

- Charge devices only on hard, non-flammable surfaces, such as glass, steel, concrete, or stone.
- Never charge batteries on or near beds, couches, or other soft furnishings.
- Always use the correct charger and avoid leaving

devices charging overnight or unattended.

- Dispose of damaged or swollen batteries safely at a battery recycling point.

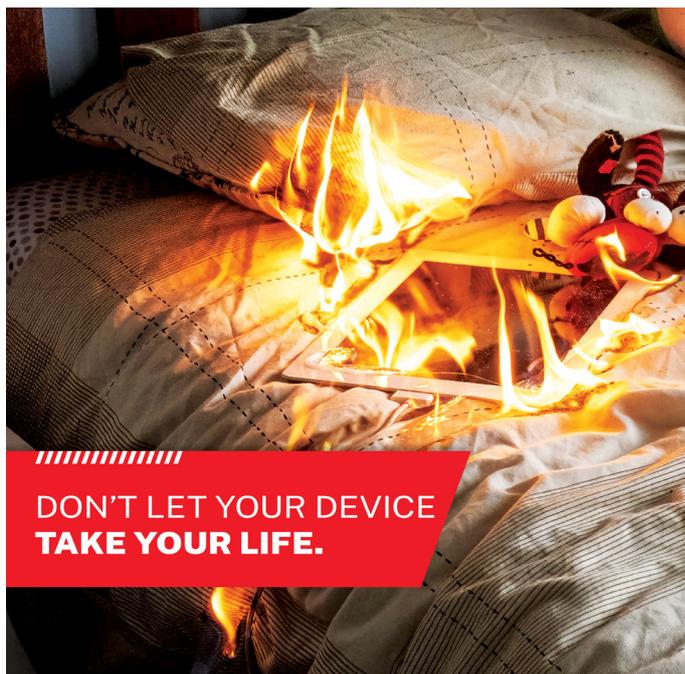
### Preventing Fire Starts at Home

The best way to protect your home is through prevention. Follow these practical safety tips and find more information here.

- Keep flammable items at least one metre away from heaters.
- Never hang clothes or blankets on heaters to dry or warm them.
- Replace frayed or cracked extension cords immediately.
- Avoid overloading power outlets—don't use double adaptors or link chain power boards.
- Never leave oil burners or candles unattended, especially when leaving the house or going to bed.
- Never leave cooking unattended, even for a short time.
- Keep tea towels and other items away from stoves and cooking appliances.

Helpful links and attachments for engaging with your community.

- DFES YouTube video What causes a Lithium battery to do this? - YouTube
- DFES YouTube video Home Fire Safety - YouTube



**DON'T LET YOUR DEVICE TAKE YOUR LIFE.**

## FIRE SAFETY AROUND YOUR HOME



For more information visit [dfes.wa.gov.au](https://dfes.wa.gov.au)



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**For more information contact the Manjimup campus**

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# WARRIOR WELLBEING ARTICLE



## Ego – It’s Okay to Talk

BY THE REGIONAL MEN'S HEALTH INITIATIVE  
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A bloke’s ego is made up of all those things which help us define who we are as individuals, it is a construct of our personality, character, self-image, self-esteem and self-worth.

In some conversations that we have, we may think “That man has such an enormous ego – I’ve never known anyone so full of themselves!” One dictionary definition states *someone’s ego is their sense of their own worth*. For example, if someone has a large ego, they think they are very important and valuable. “He had a massive ego; never would he admit he was wrong.” It is the latter part of this definition that often leads blokes into spaces they would rather not be i.e. not talking about the stuff which is important to our wellbeing. This can be personal issues such as relationships, finance, family, work and/or any other challenges.

Perhaps part of this ego equation for blokes is enshrined in the main things we worry about, which quite often are about the traditional expectations of society, our place in society - career-wise and success wise. As a collective us blokes are still perceived by how much we are earning and how well we are doing, that is being defined by the work we do. We are more than this.

Additionally, social/spiritual wellbeing needs to be better understood and made a higher priority by all blokes and society. We talk about it in all our education sessions, *it is where we find: our identity, our individuality, our culture, our own sense of self, our sense of belonging, our passions and interests*. It is what each of us wants it to be.

In practical terms this is us blokes talking about and being more than our work. In

conversations with each other we should be talking about the fact that we are a great dad, a brother, a grandfather, an uncle, a husband, a family man, a rally driver, BBQ king, handyman, and/or chef. By talking about what makes us tick (in part, our ego) we can put a positive spin around the meaning of ego, the main one being admitting when we are wrong and/or when we are struggling with life.



Culturally blokes in general are fixers “I’ll fix this myself”, so we must always question what we are fixing, how we are fixing it, and when we are fixing it? We know all men need to talk, the million-dollar question is to whom and where? Everyone needs their personal space, for blokes to engage and have a conversation we need a safe place and quite often a place with a masculine vibe. This can be the men’s shed, a sporting club, a social club, just leaning over the back of the ute or even the barber shop.

We need to have this conversation now; Our ego is not that complex, it is part of our DNA so remember our saying... *before it all gets too much... Talk to a Mate@!!*

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# GUARDIAN ANGELS

ARTICLE BY ROZZI IN OZ

Images found online

Holiday travels had come to an end..We are experiencing a cold Winter back home but grateful for the long awaited rains. Fortunately we can cosy up to blazing log fires and with the break in the weather, venture outdoors. It's also catching up with friends over a hearty meal or a cuppa. Last week we met at a local restaurant and shared stories about our "growing-up" years which felt like just the other day! Some stories were hilarious and we took turns to "put a penny in the plate". I'll share the story that came to mind that day.

Four school friends and I,(pretending to be the famous 5) went hiking up Cape Town's well known Table mountain. The beautiful flora and mild sunny weather lured us outdoors during that school holiday. We thoroughly enjoyed the trip and learnt a lot about our own capabilities both physically and otherwise. At the end of the day, around late afternoon I guess, we started our descent on a happy note."The bear went over the mountain" and other merry songs echoed through the valleys as we sang at the top of our voices in our childish attempts to outdo each other , but it was all part of the fun. At this stage we were unaware of the heavy white mist creeping around the slopes. Within minutes the blue skies had disappeared and we were enveloped in a chilly white " Table cloth"; a well known term describing the scene when the white cloud pours over the mountain.

We stuck close together and carefully made our way down the well beaconed pathway. Visibility was poor and we could see about four metres ahead . At short intervals our leader would stop and call our names to ensure we were still safely together and on the same track. The descent took much longer than we anticipated but we kept our cool. We realised it was better to move at a slow pace down the steep winding path.

At last we reached the foot of the foot of the mountain . It was already dark and the City lights was a beckoning sign for us to walk faster now to reach the city centre. This meant another hour or so to reach the bus terminus. Our daily stamina was already spent so we could not step up a faster pace. We reached the bus terminus where my four friends heading to the Northern suburbs , managed to board their bus just in time ! I watched as they waved through the windows. Warily I ambled over towards the area where I had to get onto the bus to the Southern suburbs where I lived. To my utter disappointment , I caught the glimpse of the last bus disappearing around the corner and out of sight!! I had literally and figuratively missed the bus!!

Thoughts of my parents panicking raced through my mind. Ineed to pull myself together and get home as soon as possible. They would be sick with worry and probably contact the police to search for me. Police !!? That's where I should go. Determined to get there first, I plucked up all the courage I had; tied my jumper



around my waist, donned my peak cap and hurried down the Main Road. We lived four suburbs from the city and if I could get to the first one ,Woodstock , I could get help there. My feet were killing me by now but I trudged along bravely with my backpack seeming to get heavier with each step. Soon I spotted the blue light on the other side of the already deserted road and went straight to the police station.

I stood on the steps for a moment to catch my breath, heart thumping. I pushed the heavy wooden door and entered. The duty officer peered over the high counter and seemed surprised at seeing me . "Where are you off to and why are you out on the streets at this hour of the night ?" Even more courageous than before, I stood on my toes and responded in a brave rambling voice. "Missed the last bus out of the City sir, and you have to help me now" Before he could answer I added: "At school we learnt the police are there to keep law and order and to keep the citizens safe" The officer looked bemused and reached for a bunch of keys on a hook behind him. "Well, my boy, I think you will be safe in the cells for the night !" A second officer appeared . In sheer desperation and childish determination I took off my cap and said: I am not a boy and you have to take me home please !!!"

"Let's call it a night," said the sergeant , winking at me. They both ushered me into the dark outdoors. Soon I was sitting comfortably between my two escorts and home within less than ten minutes. Mum and dad came hurrying out as soon as they heard the vehicle outside our door. They both looked in schock at first but when they saw me jumping numbly down from the police van I read total relief on their faces. "We have done our duty and brought your young daughter home safely " , said the officer beckoning towards me. The sergeant added with a smile pointing a warning finger at me, "and I hope it won't become a habit !"

I told this story to my friends as they listened in awe and agreed that without a doubt, we all have guardian angels in life. They steer us in the right direction at times like this when we are faced with unexpected challenges.

Till next time ,as our readers ponder over their guardian angel experiences that we call " luck"

ROZZIE IN OZ

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## Pemberton Cycling Update

Hi everyone,

We're now deep into Makuru, the Noongar season of rain and fertility. The cooler, wetter weather has definitely arrived, and with it, a fair bit of trail chaos! There's been no shortage of downed branches, debris, and the occasional tree blocking the way. Huge thanks to our volunteers who've been braving the weather to keep things rideable. Thanks also to the Southern Forests Freshwater Angling Club for jointly helping to clear a big Karri from one of the bridges. We're doing our best to get out there quickly, but please ride with caution, especially after heavy weather.

We're excited to share that our new trail counters, funded through the Shire of Manjimup's Community Grants Program, are now up and running. We'd like to thank the Shire for supporting this initiative, and shout out to Peter Walker and Alfie for installing the devices out on the network. Early numbers are encouraging, with Cool Running Downhill recording over 100 riders in a single week, giving us a solid picture of just how well-used our trails are. This data will help inform our maintenance priorities and future planning, and give us some cool stats to see!

Last month's build day saw a solid turnout of volunteers to help anchor in two new wooden rollers on an alternate line on Skills Loop. It's going to be a fun little line to spice things up along a flat section. We're planning another short session soon to finish the line off and install the timber planks - keep an eye out if you'd like to get involved.

Meanwhile, a few of our regular riders have been adventuring much further afield, currently taking on a bikepacking trip across South Korea. We're looking forward to hearing their stories and seeing some photos of their exciting experiences. Wishing them safe travels - and tailwinds!

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

The PCA Team



*Above/right: some of the chaos caused by recent weather.*



*Above: Installing the new features on Skills Loop with concrete, coffees and camaraderie.*

*Right: Alfie, our canine trail volunteer, making sure the counters are installed correctly.*



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**MTB ride - Saturdays 8.00am**

**Women's MTB ride - Sunday  
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*All rides meet at Pemberton  
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# Manjimup Shire Bulletin

July 2025



## SHIRE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Recently, I had the pleasure of attending the changeover meetings for both the Lions and Rotary clubs. These events were a strong reminder of just how pivotal these organisations are - not only in supporting and uplifting our local communities, but also in contributing to international causes.

I'd like to congratulate Mr. Alan Lloyd, who has been appointed as the new President of the Lions Club, and Mr. Paul Rumenos, who is continuing as President of Rotary. I wish them both all the best for the year ahead.

I also met with Telstra in Bunbury to discuss regional infrastructure. I'm pleased to report that capacity upgrades for Northcliffe have now been confirmed and are scheduled for completion by the end of the year. This is a small but meaningful win, and I know it will be welcomed by the local community.

We also took the opportunity to strongly advocate for increased funding for Country Week students. Under the State Government's original funding model, students who live less than 300 kilometres from Perth receive \$250, while those over 300 kilometres receive \$500. With Manjimup sitting just under the threshold at 297 kilometres, our students were initially ineligible for the higher level of support.

Thanks to direct advocacy to Minister Punch, we were successful in securing the full \$500 per student for both Manjimup Senior High School and Kearnan College. We are very thankful for the support provided by our South West minister.

On another note, I'm honoured to have been appointed Chair of the Warren-Donnelly Water Advisory Committee. In this role, I will be strongly advocating for sustainable and secure water management in our region, with a focus on prioritising agriculture, food production and the environment.

I will be visiting Northcliffe and Quinpinup on Monday 7 July. Community members are warmly invited to drop by for a chat, whether its to discuss local issues, share ideas or simply connect. I hope to meet with you soon.

Stay safe, chat soon.  
Donelle

## SHIRE NOTICES

### Mordalup Road Bridge Update

Main Roads WA have advised that the opening of Mordalup Road Bridge over Tone River has been delayed due to inclement weather conditions over the last month.

It is now proposed that the road will re-open under traffic management (single lane) on **18 July 2025** (weather permitting).

## SHIRE NEWS

### Graphite Road Reconstruction

We are pleased to advise that reconstruction works on Graphite Road, from the Collier Street intersection to Arnott Street, have been completed.

The only remaining task is line marking, which is weather dependent and will be carried out when conditions permit.

We thank the community for their understanding and patience during the construction period and look forward to finishing the project soon.

### Shire Supports Local Youth

The Shire is proud to support Northcliffe local, Brayden Daniele, with a donation to assist his participation in the 2025 WA Youth Parliament program.

As the Youth Member for Warren-Blackwood, Brayden will contribute to the Tertiary Education, Skills, and TAFE Committee, helping to shape youth-led policy proposals.

This valuable program gives young people across the state a platform to be heard through debate at WA Parliament House. We congratulate Brayden on his selection and look forward to seeing the positive impact of his involvement.

### Blak/White Story by Christine Latham

Don't miss this powerful exhibition at the Manjimup Art Gallery from 4 to 31 July.

Christine Latham, a Badimia/Yamatji visual storyteller, shares her personal journey through recorded story and striking imagery - from growing up not knowing her Aboriginal heritage, to discovering her identity and finding healing.

Blak/White Story is a moving exploration of truth, identity and belonging.

### Volunteers Help Restore Biodiversity at Windy Harbour

Thank you to the volunteers that have been contributing their time and energy by tree planting at Windy Harbour. The restoration activities will help restore biodiversity in the sensitive coastal dune. The species planted will provide threatened species such as Carnaby's Black Cockatoo and other fauna with critical food sources and habitats.

The project is supported by funding from the Western Australian Government's State NRM Program.

There are more opportunities to help with this season's planting. Contact the Shire on 9771 7777 to register. Community planting days will be held on the 6, 7 and 20 July 2025. Events start at 10am at Windy Harbour, meeting at the Visitors Shelter.

### Community Infrastructure Projects

The new Walpole toilet block is now open and the old block will be demolished soon. The Walpole dump point is operational again after an 18-month closure. A reminder to please avoid using flushable wipes as they cause blockages and increase maintenance costs.

Recladding of the Pemberton Sports Stadium is complete and internal and external handrails have been installed at the Sports Club.



Ablutions upgrades at Clem Collins Recreation Centre and upgrade works to the Eric Sanders Pavilion at the Northcliffe Recreation Grounds are now complete.

Recladding of the Manjimup Indoor Sports Pavilion commenced in June and is nearing completion.

## Shire President

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Cr Jennifer Willcox: 0400 504 095

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## Pemberton Waste Transfer Station

104 Pemberton Northcliffe Rd, Yeagarup

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Saturday/Sunday: 12pm - 5pm

## Pemberton Library

61 Brockman Street - 9776 1311

Wednesday 9am - 1.30pm

Thursday 9.30am-12.30pm

Friday 1pm - 5pm, Saturday 9pm - 12pm

## SHIRE CALENDAR

### Library Storytime

Manjimup - Friday 10.30am

Northcliffe - Monday 10.00am

Pemberton - Wednesday 10.30am

Walpole - Alternate Fridays 10.00am

### Council Meetings

The next Council Meeting will commence at 5.30 pm on 22 July at the Pemberton Sports Club, Club Road, Pemberton.

## AquaCentre

Check out the extensive group fitness and swim school programs on the website.

## MHCC Activities

Boronia Club :10 am to 2 pm Monday and Thursday  
Over 50 Exercise Group: 9 am to 10 am Tuesday and Thursday

Tai Chi: 10.30 am to 11.30 am Wednesday

Bingo: 1 pm to 3pm Thursday



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