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Deadline is 26th of the month

EDITORIAL

How much do we all love a good story?

Be it a book, movie, play, documentary, yarn or TikTok video, storytelling has been an integral part of every culture for time immemorial.

Fairy tales, folk tales, historical accounts, tall tales or true — we have all experienced being completely immersed in a good story.

So, what makes a story good? Is it personal preference? Does it have to be relatable? Do we need to feel invested in the outcome? Who knows?

As an avid enjoyer of a good storyline, I find myself increasingly bored by local gossip and tired of the violence in so many mainstream movies. I also have very little time to sit and read, so these days I tend to listen to or watch stories while getting on with other things.

It has made me realise how little time many of us now spend simply listening to stories — let alone telling them.

No longer do my sister and I sing our "Tell me a story before I go to bed" song, which was our nightly ritual when we shared a room as children. Gone, too, are the days when families and communities regularly sat around a fire listening to a good tale.

Before written records, storytelling was an art form. Skilled storytellers carried hundreds of tales in their memories, passing them from one generation to the next.

So, what is your story?

Sometimes we convince ourselves that our lives are ordinary or uninteresting. I beg to differ.

I am often struck at funerals by the incredible details shared in someone's eulogy — the places they had been, the things they had done, the challenges they had overcome and the people who shaped their lives. More than once, I have wished I had known those stories sooner.

How little we sometimes know about even our own neighbours or even family members!

That doesn't mean we need to pry or gossip. But please don't ever think your story is unimportant.

And telling your story doesn't necessarily mean putting your name to it. Many writers have used pen names or pseudonyms, sometimes for privacy and sometimes because it simply makes it easier to tell a story openly and honestly. What matters most is that the story is told.

You are part of the fabric of history and an important part of your community and its culture, whether you have been here for five minutes or five generations.

Write down your memories. Record your experiences. Tell the stories of the people and places that have shaped you. Ask your parents and grandparents questions while you still can, and pass those stories on.

The ordinary moments that seem unimportant today may become treasured memories tomorrow.

After all, every community is made up of stories.

And one of them is yours.

Gaye



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Pemberton Art Group would like to sincerely thank Lotterywest for enabling them to purchase and install our fantastic hanging system, new racks in our kiln room and our blinds in our art space.



We have the Pemberton Town Collection on display, acquired by the Pemberton Art Group. The collection has been acquired from the Spring and Autumn Exhibitions that PAG has curated for the past 24 years.

PAG art space is open each Tuesday and Wednesday between 9:30 and 12:30.

MONTHLY PRAYER

Dear God, What a joy and privilege to know we can come to you at all times ; to a Friend and Father who listens to every prayer. Once again we come in reverence to ask for your pardon where we have gone wrong.



We thank you for having blessed us in countless ways over the past month. For the simple things in life which we sometimes have overlooked. We are grateful for the Winter land crops as well as for the sea harvests of our coastline and that of dams and rivers. The rain and sunshine this month has been most welcome.

How we enjoy and admire Your handiwork on the wide open fields and in the forests. The sounds and sights of the variety of beautiful birds and insects; the healthy farm animals with their young as they graze the green pastures.

Thank You too Lord for peace and tranquility here in our little town of Pemberton. This helps us to momentarily forget about the chaos elsewhere in the world. But Lord, You who are our Saviour , we pray for Your hand of mercy to extend and reach out where restoration and relief is needed.

We trust that You will watch over us all and ask for Your Holy Spirit to guide us in the paths of righteousness. Help us to take on Your character of love which is central to our Christian faith.

We ask this all in Jesus's name and with thanksgiving, Amen.

CWA NEWS

ARTICLE BY KATE SHAW

Images provided by Kate Shaw

This month we have two guest speakers.

On the 17th , beginning at 6pm we have a young woman speaking about her experience in getting a bursary through CWA and working in a regional area. On the 30th we have Noel's Della Franca talking about farming. Come along and enjoy.

The Country Women's Association is a worthwhile , progressive organisation with 123 branches in Western Australia alone. There is also The Associated Country Women Of The World. (ACWW) Founded in 1929.

CWAOWFA is a founding member of ACWW. We are on the lookout for new members. We need new blood with new ideas and energy. I say energy because working with the opshop takes energy. Standing on your feet for several hours quite often and some heavy lifting.

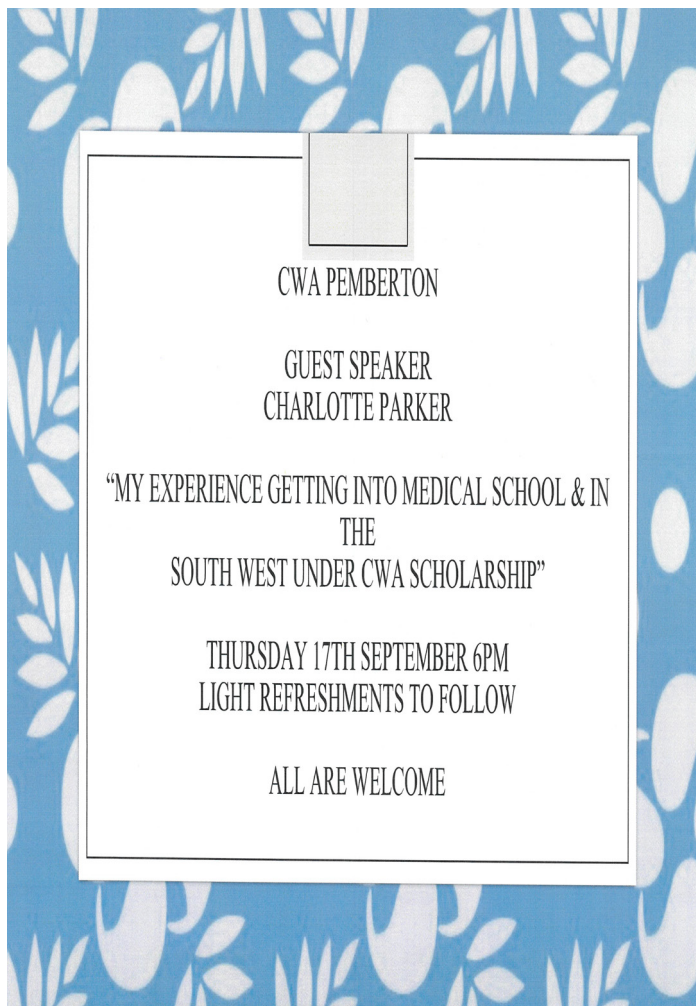
Many of our members are " getting on " we need some younger members to help keep our branch relevant.

Perhaps some young farming women may be interested in joining?

We have not had a member from " The land " join us in at least thirty years.

Come to a meeting. We meet at **10.30am on the 2nd Tuesday** of the month.

In CWA friendship - Kate



Country Women's Association Pemberton Branch



is hosting guest speaker
Noel Della Franca
for the international Year of Farming Women

“Let's Talk Farming”

Special Invitation to all Farming Women
and everyone

Join us for Afternoon tea at our rooms
Doc Ryan Close.

1.30pm Wednesday 30th September

REGIONAL COLUMN

BANNED TOYS CONTAINING SMALL MAGNETS FOUND ONLINE

Helping Western Australians make safe choices is a key priority for Consumer Protection. With that in mind, there is a serious product safety concern involving certain toys and games that contain small magnets.

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) has been investigating the online sale of banned toys, games, puzzles, construction or modelling kits that contain separate or loose small high-powered magnets.

Under Australian Consumer Law, certain small, high-powered magnets have been permanently banned since 2012 due to the serious and potentially life-threatening injuries they can cause if swallowed.

The ban means that these dangerous items cannot be sold to any Australian consumers. However, the ACCC identified listings for these products on major online marketplaces and issued takedown notices to have them removed.

Examples of affected products include those being marketed to adults as 'magnetic chess' or 'magnetic battle chess' style games.

Online platforms including Amazon, eBay, Kogan and Fruugo have committed to removing affected listings, preventing relisting where possible, and contacting customers who may have purchased these products.

Some marketplaces have also offered refunds, so consumers are encouraged to contact the seller or relevant online marketplace to enquire about a refund.

Parents, grandparents and guardians who have recently purchased magnetic toys or games - particularly a magnetic chess-style game containing loose magnets - should stop using them immediately and keep them out of the reach of children. If a child has swallowed a magnet, urgent medical assistance should be sought.

Businesses should review all products with magnets for sale. If you're not sure whether a product is part of the ban, you have a responsibility to carry out compliance checks before making products available to consumers.

If you become aware of a banned product continuing to be sold in Australia, you can report it to the ACCC at its product safety website www.productsafety.gov.au or inquiries can be made by calling Consumer Protection on 1300 30 40 54.



LOCAL EXPERT BLOOMS INSPIRATION

BY LOUISE YOUENS

Images by Louise Youens

On Saturday August 1st, Zoe Palmer, owner of Farmhouse Flowers hosted a fantastic workshop at the Pemberton Mill Hall. The topic was "Seed to Bloom – Create Your own Cottage Garden". Attendees ranged from avid gardeners to professional florists, travelling from as far as Perth to attend the workshop.

Zoe's presentation was full of tips for planting and germinating seeds, understanding the different types of plants and how to create the perfect seed-raising mix at home. It was a hands-on workshop with mixing, planting and seeds to take home to get started!

As Zoe says, "Remember, it's OK to fail... that's how you learn. Perseverance is key! Knowledge is gained through experience. It's never too late to begin. Make your garden your own creation and grow what inspires you"

Farmhouse Flowers is a micro flower farm right here in Pemberton., offering seasonal cottage garden flowers and wedding floristry.

The workshop was captured by Gemma from Southern Forests Creative who specialises in social-first organic content for agri-food, hospitality, tourism and regional brands across the Southern Forests & Valleys.



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).



Notice of Public Advertisement of Development Proposal

Planning and Development Act 2005

The Shire of Manjimup has received the following application for a Proposed Rural Workers Accommodation.

Property Details: Lot 2 Channybearup Road, Channybearup

Proposal: Application DA26/78 TP2026/100

Details: Proposed Rural Workers Accommodation for 90 Workers within 15 Cabins including Recreation and Laundry Buildings.

Should any person or group wish to make a comment, it is required to be in writing and received by the Shire by **5pm on 22 September 2026**. Details of the proposal are available for viewing online at www.manjimup.wa.gov.au/our-shire/consultations. Written submissions are to be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Manjimup and either posted to PO Box 1, Manjimup WA 6258 or emailed to info@manjimup.wa.gov.au. More information can be obtained by contacting Statutory Planning on 9771 7777.

Benjamin (Ben) Rose, Chief Executive Officer

THE MAGNIFICENT SEVENTEEN

ARTICLE BY ANNE O'DONNELL

Images from personal collection

The new teacher arrived like a typhoon at the tiny rural school full of plans, and schemes and enthusiasm. It was the beginning of a new school year, so, upon locating the keys of her new kingdom she invaded, to reconnoiter on a Saturday afternoon. First mistake! Only serene women in long brown habit had gone in or out these doors in 25 years, so there was a certain number of eyes stealthily following her progress and finally she was questioned politely. Ah! Signora Maestro – but their eyes said “Defrocked Nun” but nothing ventured nothing gained so the inventory continued.

The Storeroom – a large cupboard – was empty apart from 6 boxes of coloured chalk and a massive quantity of Green Seal toilet paper. A booklist at each desk contained pencils, biros and other essentials but no textbooks or writing paper.

After judicious enquiries, she was appalled to find the Education Department did not supply to schools other than State Schools. Hmmm?! So even though these parents paid school fees (minimal) and raised funds and paid taxes like everyone else, no assistance was available.

Having just departed a local State School she could see their Aladdin's cave stuffed with endless stacks of texts and pads tumbling off the shelves.

So armed with three boxes of coloured chalk, one box of toilet tissue and a carton of beer, she went visiting. Transaction completed amicably!



Spelling and maths texts for each grade, Social studies, mental arithmetic and all sorts of other goodies awaited the 17 students on day one. Henceforth to be known as the magnificent Seventeen!

A return visit was made when her associate brown-clad Joey arrived and she too helped herself to the treasurers down the road.

Ah! Good days, no paperwork, no red tape, just comradery and common sense. Waste not, want not. Ho we did it in days of old. We still wrote on both sides of the paper and sharpened both ends of the pencils.

Day one finally arrived and the Magnificent Nineteen were greeted with genuine smiles, flowers and a stack of goodies on each desk. However, a certain cautionary look from each student and raised eyebrows of parents was evident!

If you want to know why, please be advised to wait for Chapter 2 if the PCN permits.

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Are you looking for help to manage your child or teenagers behaviour?



Who can participate?

- Parents/caregivers of children and young people aged 3 to 16 years and 11 months who live in Western Australia (WA)

What is the study about?

- This study is called Improving Mental Health Pathways and Access to Child and Youth Treatments (IMPACT).
- Families will be offered a lower intensity intervention that consists of:
 - A self-directed, evidenced based online parenting program to help parents manage their child or teenagers challenging behaviours
 - Fortnightly check in sessions with a clinician, delivered via Telehealth
- All families taking part in the study will complete measures about their child and family before and after the program, and again after three months, and additional measures before and during every check in session
- This study examines whether this model of care can effectively reduce wait times and improve service access and engagement for families across WA

What does the parenting program involve?

- The initial lower intensity program includes 6 core online modules and;
- Five, 30-minute, fortnightly sessions with a clinician completed over 8 weeks

FREE online parenting program with clinician support

Participate in a research study for parents/caregivers

Families can participate from anywhere in Western Australia

HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?

To find out more information email

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OR REGISTER HERE:

<https://redcap.sydney.edu.au/surveys/?s=YTA9M7H38NCTEY8>



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A DESPERATE CRY

ARTICLE BY: JOY FULLSOME

It was 1942. The devastation of the second world war had a far-reaching effect on almost everyone. My father was a sergeant in the army, my mother lived in a remote little village in Sicily with their two-year-old son, my brother. Times were hard, rations were scares, and the winters were particularly difficult.

It was winter. My brother was recovering from a bout of severe pneumonia, when a large carbuncle appeared on his little neck. For days he battled with a raging fever as his weakened body struggled to overcome this latest infection. The lump continued to grow and extend over his neck, very red and painful. Mum was desperately concerned that his breathing may soon be affected.

There were no doctors in the village and no means of transport to the nearest city, which was many kilometres away. There were no telephones or available medicines, no electricity or heating. Wood had to be gathered from the surrounding countryside, which was very difficult in the winter

In her desperation Mum cried out to God to help her little son. That night she had a dream, or vision, she wasn't sure which as she was awake most of the night. In her dream she saw a beautiful lady, whom she believed to be Mary, the mother of Jesus. The beautiful lady took her by the hand and led her outside to a place where a shrub was growing. She picked some of its leaves and brought them inside where she proceeded to show Mum how to make a poultice with the leaves. She told her to put the poultice on the swelling twice a day. Then she disappeared.

The dream was very vivid. When Mum awoke, she immediately went outside to the place she had been shown, and there, in the exact spot, was a shrub. She picked some leaves and made a poultice, as she had been instructed, and placed it on my brother's neck. Within 24 hours the carbuncle erupted releasing its vile poison, and his temperature returned to normal. All that remained was for the healing process to take its course.

God heard the cry of a desperate woman who had nowhere else to turn.

We live in an affluent society where everything is instantly available. Communication technology is expanding at a mind-boggling rate, connecting us instantly across the world. We are told that we have the right to have total control of our lives, of our bodies our environment, even over matters of life and death. Our drive for control seems to have permeated all aspects of our thinking. In this climate it can be difficult to maintain an absolute dependence on God to supply our needs. There are so many other avenues, which beckon us with the answer to our problems and offer us "fulness of life"

And yet, with all these freedoms, some of which have been enacted by law, we need to ask ourselves as a people; are we happier, less depressed, less anxious or fearful? Are our homes sanctuaries of love and peace? Are our schools, and society at large, respectful, safer places with less violence and abuse? Are our communities' places of friendship and inclusion, with open doors and open hearts to those in need? The list is endless.

As we look at the world around us, I think we would all agree that a miracle is needed.

God is the only one who can fulfill all the needs of the human heart. Despite all the sufferings and pain of our human condition, he is the only one who can bring his peace into the depth of our being. He is the only one who promises life to the full.

Jesus said "The thief comes only to steal, kill and destroy. I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full" (John 10:10)

God hears the faintest cry, let us turn to him, confidently placing all our needs and concerns in his loving providential care.

MILL HALL UPDATE

In August the Mill Hall was the venue chosen for:

- The Aliwah Bardinar! (Look out Rosella!) Production for Primary School Children. Children travelled from Bridgetown, Manjimup (and Pemberton) schools to see this fabulous musical.
- Farmhouse Flowers Workshop – a wonderful day of connecting together working with beautiful flowers and creations with Zoe Palmer from Farmhouse Flowers.
- Pemberton's Got Talent Concert – a roaring success showcasing the talents of people from all ages around the region.
- The wake of Mr Barry Kemp – beautifully set up venue with scrumptious food baked and provided by the Mill Hall and community members.

The Mill Hall is the most utilised hall in the Manjimup Shire and does Pemberton proud with its facilities available to the public. 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- THURSDAYS 5PM BOOTSCOOTING
- SEP 12TH DANCE
- SEP 30TH ANTHONY ALBRECHT CONCERT

We would love you to become a member for \$20.00.

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FUN FACTS: THE KOOKABURRA

ARTICLE BY KATIE PILLAR
Images found online



What's so funny? My fun facts articles ;)

Kookaburra's are not native to Western Australia. They were brought over here 120 years ago to control snake numbers.

While it worked, the Kookaburra's also preyed on native species and occupied tree hollows used by parrots and owls,

thus placing undue pressure on those creatures. Kookaburra's have thrived in the Southwest and still continue expanding their geographic range. They were also introduced to Tasmania and parts of New Zealand.

They are the world's heaviest terrestrial tree kingfishers at ~300 grams. This means that unlike river kingfishers, they live away from water and do not dive for fish. Australia has 10 kingfisher species.

Kookaburra's hunt by pouncing from a perch and seizing their prey. Small prey such as insects and crustaceans are swallowed whole. They can be seen bashing their prey against a branch or rock so they can get large prey down their beaks without a fight. Pre-processed food is still beaten against a perch before swallowing. Large prey of the Kookaburra includes snakes, other reptiles, other birds and mammals.

There are 5 species in Australia, New Guinea and the Aru Islands. The Shovel-billed Kookaburra, Spangled Kookaburra and Rufous-bellied Kookaburra are found in New Guinea. The Blue-winged Kookaburra is found in northern Australia and southern New Guinea. The Laughing Kookaburra is native to eastern Australia and can now also be found in the Southwest.

What is a male Kookaburra's favourite event? The blue's festival. Only male Laughing Kookaburra's have the pretty blue feathers.

Black Kookaburra's are caused by a genetic mutation resulting in an overproduction of melanin called melanism. Cases of melanism are significantly rarer than cases of albinism, a genetic mutation causing little or no melanin.

A Kookaburra's call is not them laughing at you, it is actually them establishing territory and warning other birds. Multiple Kookaburra's in the family join the laugh. While they can biologically produce the sound from an early age, the song is a learned behaviour that the adult male parent teaches their offspring.

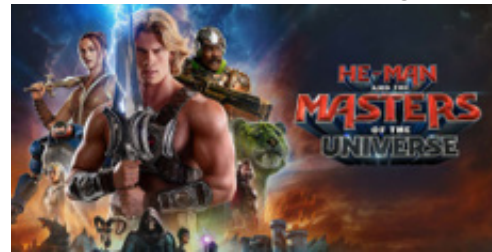
Either a male or female Kookaburra will approach another with their current catch and offer it up to create a pair. The pair will mate for life, and both care for offspring as well as previous generations of offspring that haven't paired yet.

Now you know that Kookaburra's are no laughing matter.

MOVIE REVIEW

MASTERS OF THE UNIVERSE
2026 /Action/Sci-fi /2h 12m

Born in 1979, by the age of 7, I was obsessed with cartoons. We had the very best, back then. The Masters of the Universe franchise included He Man as well as She Ra. She Ra is He Man's long lost twin sister. One of my favourite memories of my childhood is when I got the She Ra Showbag from the Perth Royal Show and it had an outfit in it. Yet I digress



Adam has been stuck on Earth after misplacing the Sword of Power on his journey to this other planet. 15

years go by before he finds the sword, and a signal is sent to Eternia so they can locate both Adam and the Sword and return them home. Skeletor has taken over Eternia and Adam must fight to embrace his destiny as He Man and confront Skeletor's tyrannical rule with the help of his friends Teela and Duncan and many more.

Notable performances from Nicholas Galitzine, Jared Leto, Camila Mendes, Alison Brie, and Idris Elba enhance the film, which blends epic action, nostalgic callbacks, and striking visuals with Daniel Pemberton's praised musical score. It's worth watching for fans of the franchise and high-energy fantasy films as well as those new to the world of Eternia. It also has music performed by UK sensations 'The Darkness'.

I gave this movie 5/5. It is funny, exciting, has awesome special effects and a great cast. You must watch throughout the credits to the very very end.

PCCI MEETING

ARTICLE BY JOANNA DRAKE
Images by attendees



What a fantastic turnout at tonight's Pemberton Chamber General Meeting, with around 45 local business owners and community representatives joining us.

A big thank you to everyone who came along, and especially to Shire President Donelle Buegge, Shire CEO Ben Rose, and Councillors Wade DeCampo and Dean Phillips for taking the time to chat with our business community and give everyone the opportunity to ask questions and have an open discussion.



An informative Pemberton Avocado Festival update was provided & is building for this years festivities!

A special mention also to Keely at Jarrah and Jade Café for the amazing finger food - absolutely delicious and very much appreciated!

It was great to see so many local businesses in the room, connecting, sharing ideas and getting involved.

We're already looking forward to our next Chamber networking event.

A GRAVE MISTAKE

ROZZI IN OZ

Ha-ha! Ha-ha! That tickles!! Instinctively I draw up my right foot to scratch it, eyes shut closed. I feel a steely cold surface beneath my body. I had just felt something dangling against the sole of my foot. Where am I? I cannot see! I stretch my eyes open as wide as possible. Utter darkness- no vision. Have I gone totally blind? I touch my eyeball with my fingers and it stings, bringing tears to my eye. The blackest darkness I have ever experienced envelopes my shivering body. Imaginary tendrils tease and taunt my mind. They seem to reach out menacingly to taunt my naked skin. A silent scream escapes my open mouth. I shut it quickly, fearing mouth inhalation or swallowing a poisoned gas. I thirst for pure clean water to dampen my parched, dry lips.

Arms crossed, I clutch my trembling body. Suddenly I realise that I am totally naked as I attempt to move. I feel a cold rubberised sheet next to me. It slips and falls heavily to the floor with a dull thud. The silence now terrorises my confused mind. I feel totally dysfunctional. I can't seem to remember where I was before this nightmarish situation. Am I in a cave? In a tomb?.....Fear of the unknown leaves me confused and terrified.

The slightest move makes my skin sting as it frees itself from the icy cold metal surface. I ease myself into a sitting position. Cringingly I ease myself, feet first onto an equally cold floor. I have goosebumps as shivers spread through my entire body. With arms out stretched, palms open, I make an attempt to feel my way around in the dark. This somnambulist is wide awake, trapped in a fathomless pit of blackness.

Suddenly fear grips my confused mind and my stomach churns with nausea. Can this be Hell...? Surely not. It is silent and cold....or is it still only the pathway to Hades? Over and over I utter a fervent prayer for help.

Suddenly a motor turns into action with a loud humming noise, setting my heart into a panicking race. Faster and faster it pounds beneath my heaving ribs.

I feel the sensation of blood rushing to and pounding in my eardrums. Senses have not failed though. That smell! What can it be? The chilly air reeks of formaldehyde - strong, pungent and suffocating. I swing my arms up and down, back and forth hoping to locate some object Perhaps a clue to my whereabouts.

Crash !!! Glass shatters onto the floor, sending an echo of destruction through the silent darkness. My one hand is smart with pain. That could have been a heavy glass container. Afraid to step onto the broken fragments with bare feet, I stand motionless, thinking of the next move.

Suddenly, an unexpected response. Sharp light flashes onto me with light blindness taking over from contrasting darkness. A door had opened. I am fully exposed. "No!!!! Oh No!!! The terrified voice of my discoverer screams out. The silhouetted figure spins around and is fleeing before I can focus properly.

"Wait! Wait!" I am calling out in desperation. Heads appear then figures emerge from rooms along a corridor. I am naked. I half turn to find refuge..... No darkness will embrace me once more.... I remain motionless. A figure in white clothing steps forward and covers me with a sheet. I clutch onto it as if it were life itself. Life.... A sharp jab penetrates the cloth and I feel

the needle enter my arm. I sink into oblivion once more....Ah...this is where I was before. I feel my body going limp. I feel I am being carried...Voices around me sound muffled. I am alive!!!!

"Ha-Ha! Ha-ha! That tickling sensation is back but I am warm and am sitting up in bright light now, with that identity tag still dangling from my big toe !!! Someone had made a grave mistake.

Although a fictional story, as I was writing it I thought about the value of one's life. How we live it from one day to the next. About relationships with family and friends, about loving and caring for others and the world around us. Will our contribution have made a difference for the better? Just a passing thought.

A SHORT POEM

ARTICLE BY ANONYMOUS

I killed the most prettiest thing that I've ever seen in my life.

I saw a butterfly, the most beautiful thing I have ever seen.

It went in the neighbours yard.

I jumped the fence.

He had a garden full of wildflowers.

I must have jumped on every flower chasing this butterfly.

I ruined his flowers. I caught the butterfly and I ended up killing it cos I put it in a jar cos I wanted to keep it all to myself.

Moral of the story.

We can see a river full of life.

We can put some in a jar to keep.

No longer is it a river.

Everything beautiful belongs in its natural state. That's where its beauty lies.

Let whatever it is that's beautiful be what its meant to be and just enjoy it.



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PAG NEWS:

Contact Cate: pembertonart2023@outlook.com

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PAG SPRING ART EXHIBITION 26 September to 11 October 2026!

We are very excited for our Spring Exhibition this month. Please come and enjoy the creative works made by members of our community and surrounds. Here are some picture of recent eco-printing art session!



EARTH EMOTIONS

Music & philosophy for nature



featuring... The Bowerbird Collective
Simone Slattery, violin - Anthony Albrecht, cello
with... Professor Glenn Albrecht, environmental philosopher

Pemberton Mill Hall, 15 Brockman St
Wednesday, 30th Sept, 7:00-8:00pm

Tickets from \$5-\$45, including a Pay What You Can option

More information and tickets:

www.bowerbirdcollective.org

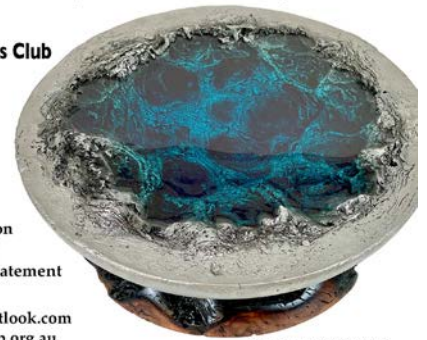


Pemberton Arts Group Inc presents 23rd Annual Spring Exhibition 'ALCHEMY'

Seeking the sublime from the ordinary

2D and small 3D works,
Pemberton Community Sports Club
Exhibition open from
10am-4:30pm daily,
Saturday 26th September to
Sunday 11th October
(closes 1pm on 11th October).

Size limits and prize list will be on
Entry Form, available in August.
Entry Form, Image and Artist's Statement
due **Monday 14th September**
Email PAG: pembertonart2023@outlook.com
Website: www.pembertonartsgroup.org.au



Sculpture by Paul Fontanini

Mona & Torsten Ketelsen

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PEMBERTON DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

PDHS offers Year 7–10 students a diverse secondary program combining a full curriculum with practical learning, specialist programs, camps and extracurricular experiences.

In Years 7/8, students participate in a Taster Program, providing opportunities to experience courses across Home Economics, Woodwork, Jewellery, Metalwork, Agriculture, Visual Arts, Drama, Digital Technologies and Indonesian. This breadth of experience helps students discover new interests, develop practical skills and make informed choices as they progress through secondary school.

Year 9/10 students have greater choice through an extensive Electives Program, with courses such as Outdoor Education, Agriculture, Food Technology, Visual Arts, Drama, Criminal Investigations, Specialised Sport, Independent Living and Photography complementing their core academic studies.

Learning also extends well beyond the classroom. Year 7/8s participate in the annual Respect and Resilience Camp, alternating between Albany and Rottnest Island. Emergency Services Week provides Year 8s with an immersive program developing practical skills, teamwork and an understanding of emergency services. Students across Years 7–10 also have the opportunity to represent PDHS at the annual District High School Country Week Camp.

Our Year 9/10 Work Experience Week provides valuable exposure to workplaces and career pathways, helping students build confidence and connect their learning with the world of work. This forms part of a highly structured Senior School Transition Program that supports students to explore pathways, make informed course and career decisions, and prepare confidently for Year 11 and 12.

With specialist teachers, small classes, a positive student culture and an extensive range of curricular and extra-curricular opportunities, PDHS provides students with the opportunity to be challenged academically while enjoying a rich and varied secondary school experience.





ST JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL - RECENT EVENTS

Open Night: Sharing our Learning

Open Night at St. Joseph's is always an exciting occasion as staff and students prepare to share their classrooms and learning with parents, grandparents and community members. It was wonderful to share the rich and diverse learning that has been taking place this term across a variety of curriculum areas, such as Mathematics, Literacy, STEM, Art and Inquiry.

Families were fascinated by habitat dioramas, published books, student made arcade games and many enthusiastically participated in imaginative play and Digital Technology experiences. It was a pleasure to share with our families how our students have been actively engaged in meaningful learning experiences as they continue to strive for excellence.

The evening also provides a lovely opportunity for families to connect and engage while enjoying a tasty sausage sizzle and to browse the wide selection of literature in the library during the concurrent Book Fair celebration.

Book Week @ St. Joseph's Primary School

St Joseph's Primary School kicked off in spectacular style as students and staff came together to celebrate our 'roar-some' 2026 Book Week! The morning parade was filled with a wonderful array of characters, from stockmen and princesses to dragons and animals. There was even a Magic Faraway Tree and to the students' delight, the Green Sheep was not lost after all!

The creativity, enthusiasm and effort that went into the costumes this year was truly impressive, and we thank all our families for helping to make the day so special and for supporting our shared love of reading. Mrs Moynihan once again transformed our library with a 'dino-mite' Book Week display, creating an inviting space to discover, share and celebrate a wide range of literature.

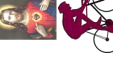
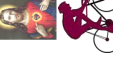
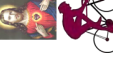
Leading up to Book Week, the students are always given the opportunity to meet an author. This year they met Steve Heron, an award winning West Australian author whose books blend heart, humour, and social-emotional themes to inspire and empower young readers. Thank you to Shire of Manjimup Libraries for organising these important experiences for the students.





September 2026

Thank you to **Jessica Giddens** for this months Calendar photo

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
7  YOUTH ZONE OPEN NIGHT Everyone is welcome! Friday 4 th September 2026 - 5pm to 8pm @Pemberton Community Sports Club	1  Re-Draw: a young artist Art Show & Painted Tree Gallery NCF (1st - 6th Sept)	2  	3  	4  Pemberton Youth Zone OPEN NIGHT PCSC from 5pm	5  	6  
14 	15  Making Mosaic Art @ BYA Manjimup 3.30pm	9  	10  	11  Southern Forest & Valleys Wine Show	12  Lower South West Football league Grand Final @ Pemberton from 9.35am	13  
21 	22  Photography Project @ BYA Manjimup see pg 7	16  	17  	18  Annual Spelling Bee Performance (18th - 27th Sept) for tickets manjimupprep-eryclub.org - see pg 3	19  Wilfrid Gordon McDonald Partridge Show @ Manjimup Town Hall - see page 3	20  

21	 	22	   	23	    	24	  	25	Boosting soil health with Dung Beetles @ Manjimup Heritage Park, 9.30am - see pg 29	26	PAG 'Alchemy' Arts Exhibition Opens @ PCSC (26th Sep - 11th Oct) AFL Grand Final	27	WA Gravity Enduro Round 6 (26th - 27th September) First day Southern Art & Craft Trail
							Bluegrass & Old Time Music Festival						

28		29		30	  							
SAVE the DATE PEMBERTON STATION 100 YEARS 1926-2026 CENTENARY CELEBRATION SUNDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2026 A COMMUNITY CELEBRATION • EVERYONE WELCOME Event details to follow												

  												
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Regular Community Events												
												
Anglican Church Service 1st & 3rd Sun 11:30am Uniting Church Fire Rockman St, Pemberton Michelle 9776 0371	Craft Group 1st Tues \$5 St Hilda's church Pat 9776 0388	Mill Hall Dance 2nd Sat 7:30pm BYO. Share Supper -\$5 Pemberton Mill Hall Terrie 0439 840 784	PCA - Womens Ride Second Sunday of the month @9am Meeting @ Pemberton Community Hub	Fire and Rescue 1st Sat 2.00pm Pemberton Fire Station Jamie 0447 165 814	Southerners Home Games Times Vary Pemberton Sports Oval	Uniting Church Service 4th Sun 10.00am Pemberton Uniting Church Tom 9776 1472	All sorts exercise group Mon 9am \$5 each NB: Not on School Holidays Pemberton Community Sports Club Admin 9776 1066	Art Classes with Tony Windberg Wed @ 7.9pm, Thurs @ 9:30am PAG Art Room - at the HUB Tony 0427 852 032	Badminton (Ladies) Wed @ 9.00am - 11am Pemberton Community Sports Club Evelyn 9776 0332	Boot scooting Thurs 5pm Pemberton Mill Hall Terrie 0439 840 784	CWA Op-Shop Sat 9.00 am - 1.00pm Pemberton CWA Kate 0437 167 198	Karate Sat @ 9am Pemberton Community Sports Club. Bernadette 0457 272 500
												
Netball Tuesdays from 5pm Pemberton Community Sports Club Chloe 0417 340 946	Road bike social ride 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sun @ 7.30am Leaving from the Community Hub Christine 0407 774 128	Sacred Heart Catholic Church Wed 10.00am, 1st, 3rd, 5th Sun 8:30, 2nd & 4th Sun 10:30am. Cnr Guppy S & Dean St Manjimup Parish 9771 2873	Social Badminton Adults @6pm-7:30pm \$5ea. Pemberton Community Sports Club Vivian 0401 501 941	Solitaire Club - \$2 Tues @ 11:00am Pemberton CRC Pemberton CRC 9776 1745	Snooker Club Wednesdays @ 6.30 pm Pemberton Community Sports Club Renata 0488 760 426		Museum Workshop Thursday @10.0 am - 12pm Pemberton Heritage & History Group Ros 0439 214 393	PAG Arts-in-House Tues & Wed 9.30am PAG Art Room @ the HUB Anna 0439 369 702	Pemberton Golf Club Saturdays @ 12pm Golf links road Club 9776 1455	Pemberton Yoga Collective Mondays 5.30pm - 7.00pm Pemberton CSC - Jarrah room Pemberton CRC 9776 1745	Pemberton Youth Zone Every Fri @ 5pm - 8pm Pemberton Community Sports Club Admin 9776 1066	Play Group Tues, Thurs @ 9.00 NB: Not on School Holidays Pemberton Community Sports Club crèche Pippa 0401 654 902
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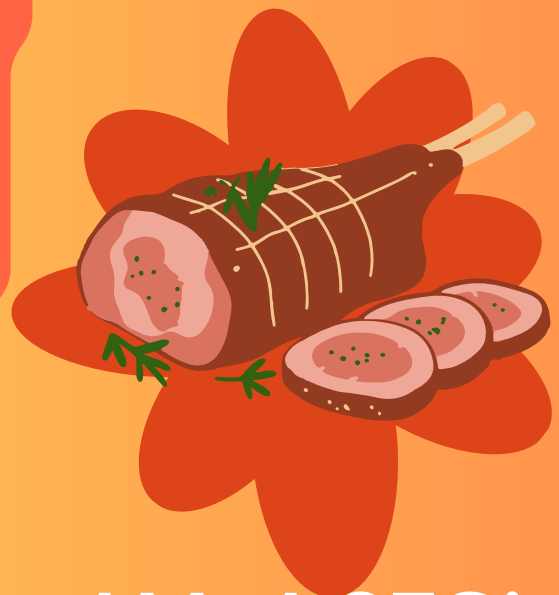
Communitea CATCH-UP

JOIN US FOR LUNCH

Enjoy a pleasant lunch
with your friends and
Community members



**Thursday 17th
September
11:00-2:00PM**



ALL AGES!

**RSL BOARDROOM
PEMBERTON
COMMUNITY HUB**

RSVP AT THE CRC - 9776 1745

Office@pembertoncrc.org.au

VCCG WORM FARM WORKSHOP

ARTICLE BY CHLOE FLYNN

Photos by Anna Czerkasow & Chloe Flynn

On a bright Sunday, the 16th of August, I attended a Worm Farm Workshop hosted by Alisa Allison in the Vic Conte Community Garden.

My whole family got their wiggle on and came with me. Did you know that composting worms are not the same worms as earth worms? Also, if you cut a composting worm in half you do not get 2 worms out of it, but the head of the worm may survive and live on. Alisa is full of valuable knowledge and every question opened a whole new can of worms.



Everyone in attendance had a great time learning about how to compost with worms. My dad discovered that we have been horribly misusing our compost bins, and now we know how to actually utilise it and our broccoli's are

already very happy about it.

I was also very glad to show my parents around the community garden, my mum happily pointed out herbs she wants me to bring home.

If you missed out and you're interested in composting, Alisa has a beautiful website www.reconnecttonature.com.au where you can find her.

YOUTH ZONE OPEN NIGHT

Everyone is welcome!

Friday 4th September 2026 - 5pm to 8pm
@Pemberton Community Sports Club

Come along to Open Night see what PYZ is all about.
Parents, carers & siblings welcome.
Entry is free and a sausage sizzle will be provided
(Parents are required to supervise under 11's)

Make a keyring for dad For Fathers Day! Challenge someone to a game of pool or basketball. Get a Southerners Tattoo for Finals!

Pemberton Youth Zone thanks our sponsors:

SHIRE OF MANJIMUP

Public Notice of Pemberton Rural Bush Fire Brigade AGM

To be held **Wednesday, 16 September 2026** at **7.30pm** at the **Pemberton Golf Club**. Please RSVP to Sonya Otway 0427 247 551 or pembertonruralbfb@outlook.com

Benjamin (Ben) Rose, Chief Executive Officer

SHIRE OF MANJIMUP

In-Person Rates Payment Services - Dates and Locations

Council understands that not everyone has access to online payment options for rates. To assist residents, an in-person rates payment service will be available at **Pemberton Public Library** on **Friday 11 September 2026** from **11:00am - 3:00pm**. EFTPOS facilities will be available.

Benjamin (Ben) Rose, Chief Executive Officer

The Vic Conte Community Garden
Pemberton

Learn in the Garden

Temporary Electricity Supply from Vehicle Set-up

With Enrico Piazza

Learn how to set up a temporary electricity supply from your vehicle!
\$25 per person, \$15 for VCCG Members
Supplies and materials are provided.

Please bring with you: camping chair, pen and notebook.

Sunday, 20th September, 2026
2pm - 4pm

for more information email assistant@pembertoncrc.org.au or Call 9776 1745

Places limited - Bookings essential

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THE PCN NEEDS PICTURES FOR THE FRONT COVERS

GOT ANY PHOTOS?

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EARTH'S EMOTIONS MUSIC AND PHILOSOPHY FOR NATURE



WED SEPTEMBER 30TH 7PM

PEMBERTON MILL HALL

Earth Emotions' combines a **deeply moving program of music** with spoken word to reveal a path from disconnection to **connection with nature**, instilling hope for a better future. The performance features **incredible compositions** performed by the Bowerbird Collective, with **Simone Slattery on violin, Anthony Albrecht on cello** and narration by **environmental philosopher, Prof. Glenn Albrecht**, making a return to his home state of WA.

HOROSCOPES & THE MONTH AHEAD

The spring equinox, also called the vernal equinox, marks the astronomical start of spring in the Southern Hemisphere, when the Sun crosses the celestial equator and day and night are nearly equal in length.

In 2026, this occurs at 8.00am Wednesday September 23 Perth time.

The spring equinox has been celebrated in various cultures as a time of renewal, planting, and balance. It also marks the period when daylight hours increase most rapidly, which is important for agriculture, outdoor activities, and seasonal planning.

September 2026 horoscopes highlight major shifts driven by a New Moon in Virgo on September 11, a Full Moon in Aries on September 27, and multiple planetary movements including Venus entering Scorpio and Uranus stationing retrograde on September 10. These transits shape themes of fresh starts, introspection, relationship dynamics, and practical reorganisation across all zodiac signs.

Overview of Key September 2026 Astrology

- New Moon in Virgo — September 11: Ideal for fresh starts, planning, health routines, and practical improvements.
- Full Moon in Aries — September 26: Brings momentum, clarity, and culmination of personal goals or identity themes.
- Venus enters Scorpio — September 10: Intensifies relationships, emotions, and intimacy; may bring drama if not managed.
- Mercury enters Libra — September 10: Encourages diplomacy, tact, and productive communication.
- Uranus retrograde in Gemini — September 10: Promotes reflection on communication, technology, and innovation.
- Sun enters Libra — September 22: Focus on balance, relationships, beauty, and social harmony.

General Themes for All Zodiac Signs

- Transformation & introspection
- Breakthroughs & personal power
- Relationship intensity: Venus–Pluto tension invites examination of emotional patterns and power dynamics.
- Practical reorganisation: Virgo season supports decluttering, planning, and habit-building.

Zodiac Sign Highlights

Aries

- Intuition guides personal growth; slow down and reflect.
- Full Moon brings clarity and transformative insight.
- Fresh starts in routines and health.

Taurus

- Strong progress in romance and creativity.
- Rest and healing peak at the Full Moon.

Gemini

- New beginnings in home and family.
- Friendships and networks highlighted at the Full Moon.

Cancer

- Communication and learning take centre stage.
- Career goals culminate at the Full Moon.

Leo

- Financial and self-worth themes reset.
- Travel and study reach a turning point.

Virgo

- Major identity refresh; powerful new beginnings.
- Intimacy and shared resources highlighted.

Libra

- Focus on rest, healing, and inner life.
- Partnerships and balance emphasised as Sun enters Libra.

Scorpio

- Social connections and hopes activated.
- Work and routines culminate at the Full Moon.

Sagittarius

- Career and reputation receive a fresh start.
- Creativity and romance peak.

Capricorn

- Travel, study, and beliefs reset.
- Home and family matters culminate.

Aquarius

- Intimacy and shared resources begin anew.
- Communication and learning peak.

Pisces

- Partnerships receive a fresh start.
- Money and values reach a culmination.

Additional Practical Themes

- Career: Some signs face delays or conflicts (e.g., Aries, Leo), while others see progress (Taurus, Cancer).
- Finances: Mixed outcomes; some signs advised to postpone investments.
- Health: Generally stable across signs with Virgo season encouraging wellness routines.

September 2026 is characterised by introspection, fresh starts, and balanced relationship dynamics shaped by Virgo and Libra energies.



Public Notice

Declaration of Vacancy Filled under Schedule 4.1A of the Local Government Act 1995

In accordance with Reg.87A(4) of the *Local Government (Elections) Regulations 1997*, the Shire of Manjimup declares that a vacancy in the office of Councillor has been filled in accordance with Schedule 4.1A of the *Local Government Act 1995*.

Former Member: Susanne Peet

Office Vacated: Councillor, Rural Ward

Person Elected to Fill Vacancy: Dean Phillips

Term of Office: 11 August 2026 to 16 October 2027

Benjamin (Ben) Rose, Chief Executive Officer



Department of
Primary Industries and
Regional Development

Backyard Buddies

Your monthly guide to pests, weeds and diseases

On the lookout for: Guava root-knot nematode (GRKN)

September 2026



Left to right: severely galled and knotted roots, closeup of gall and egg mass, white swollen females, juvenile root-knot nematode.

Guava root-knot nematode (GRKN), *Meloidogyne enterolobii*, is a highly damaging exotic species of root-knot nematode which was first detected in Australia in the Northern Territory and subsequently parts of Queensland in late 2022. Reports from overseas are that it is highly infectious and polyphagous, meaning that it can feed on or utilize a wide variety of different hosts.

Nematodes are microscopic worm-like creatures. GRKN looks very similar to other more common root-knot nematode species and is difficult to distinguish morphologically. It is best confirmed by molecular testing.

GRKN has not yet been detected in Western Australia and is a declared pest under section 12 of the *Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007*. Surveillance programs are in place to monitor area freedom.

What plants can it affect?

Tropical species such as guava, banana, ginger, cotton and papaya.

Vegetables such potato, tomato, pumpkin, beans, cucumber, zucchini, capsicum and more.

Ornamental plants and some weed species are also known to be hosts.

Risk of entry into WA

Quarantine Western Australia (QWA) regularly intercepts plant material being illegally brought into WA from GRKN positive states.

Worse still, much of the smuggled produce tends to be fruit, vegetables and propagatable material from home gardens which represents a high risk for transporting GRKN.

How can it spread?

Movement of infested seedlings, plants, soil, irrigation water and equipment.

Root-knot nematode females are sedentary and produce large numbers of eggs. Juveniles migrate in the soil to roots of susceptible hosts.

What to look for

Significant galls or knots in the plant root system which disrupt growth and yield.

Severely deformed tubers and rhizomes e.g. potatoes, sweet potatoes and ginger.

What to do if you suspect GRKN?

Take photos and record details (e.g. host, location) and report suspect GRKN through MyPestGuide® Reporter or DPIRD's Pest and Disease Information Service (08) 9368 3080 or padis@dpiird.wa.gov.au



Report your observations

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DFES**LITHIUM-ION BATTERIES
IN THE HOME**

Lithium-ion batteries power many of the devices we rely on every day. Recent estimates suggest the average household has around 20 to 25 rechargeable devices, including mobile phones, tablets, laptops, smartwatches, power tools, headphones, e-bikes, e-scooters, cordless vacuum cleaners, children's toys, portable power banks and smart home products.

Are lithium-ion batteries safe?

Lithium-ion batteries are generally safe when used, charged and stored in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. However, if they are damaged, used incorrectly or charged unsafely, lithium-ion batteries can fail and cause fast-moving fires that release harmful gases. These fires can occur while a battery is charging or even when it is not in use.

Signs a lithium-ion battery may be unsafe

Stop using a lithium-ion battery immediately if it:

- Feels unusually hot
- Looks swollen or out of shape
- Has been cut, crushed, punctured or damaged
- Smells strange
- Is leaking
- Is releasing smoke, fumes, vapour or gas.

A failing lithium-ion battery can become dangerous very quickly. If your device gets very hot, makes unusual noises or starts releasing smoke, vapour, gas or a strong smell, do not touch it. Evacuate immediately, close doors behind you if safe to do so, get out and stay out and call Triple Zero (000).

Lithium-ion battery fires can develop rapidly and may be intense and unpredictable. They can release toxic and flammable gases and eject burning material or battery components.

Store and recycle lithium-ion batteries safely

Keep lithium-ion batteries in a cool, dry, well-ventilated place. Keep them away from heat, direct sunlight and things that can catch fire. Good storage helps stop a battery fire spreading to other items in the home.

Store your batteries individually, away from other batteries. Do not store them in a pile.

Do not put old or damaged lithium-ion batteries in your household bin. Batteries in bins can start fires in rubbish trucks and waste facilities. Cover both ends of the battery with tape before taking old batteries to an approved recycling or drop-off point. Damaged batteries should be placed in a non-flammable container. Contact your local council for more information about local collection points or visit Australia's B cycle battery recycling scheme .

To help keep your household safe:

- Only buy batteries and devices from trusted sellers.
- Always use the charger that came with the device or a genuine replacement recommended by the manufacturer. Do not use cheap, unknown or aftermarket chargers.
- Only use replacement batteries made for your device. Charge devices on a hard surface that will not catch fire, such as stone, concrete or tiles.
- Avoid charging your devices when you're asleep or away from home. If something goes wrong, you may need to act quickly to reduce the risk of fire.
- Keep batteries away from heat, direct sunlight and things that can catch fire.
- Regularly check your devices and chargers for signs of damage. Do not use or charge them if they are damaged, overheating, swollen, leaking, making unusual noises or releasing smoke, vapour or gas.
- Do not collect old or damaged batteries inside your home or garage while waiting for disposal.
- Dispose of old or damaged batteries at an approved recycling or collection point. Never dispose of batteries in your kerbside bin.

Community conversation starters

- How many lithium-ion batteries are on charge in your home right now? How many others do you have that aren't on charge?
- Many people know these batteries are in everyday devices, but they may not know how many they have at home or where they are charging. Take a few minutes to check. It can help reduce the risk of fire and make your home safer.

Take action this month

- Find the devices in your home that use lithium-ion batteries and make sure they are charged and stored safely.
- Move batteries away from heat, direct sunlight and anything that can catch fire.
- Check all your batteries and devices for signs of damage. Recycle any that are damaged, no longer work or are no longer needed.
- Charge devices on a hard surface that will not catch fire.
- Unplug devices once charging is complete.
- Stop charging devices overnight or when no one is home.
- Use the charger and replacement battery recommended by the manufacturer.
- Store batteries away from heat, direct sunlight and anything that can catch fire
- Replace damaged chargers or batteries with products recommended by the manufacturer.



**Firefighters respond to three
lithium-ion battery fires a week.**

HERE IS A LITTLE HISTORICAL TRIBUTE TO THE PCN.

An exert from the
very first Edition
in November 2003

Here are a few
pages to take you
back to remember
some of our earlier
editions and to
remind you of the
goings-on over 20
years ago.....

Gloucester Tree Birthday

■ Helen Kuehs

The Gloucester Tree celebrated another birthday recently with special events, activities and a huge birthday cake. The sunny afternoon began with the Manjimup Districts Band playing a selection of music while volunteers poured teas and coffees and served hot damper for the many participants. A tree lopping exhibition was then conducted by Gavin Drake and Steve Bontes which demonstrated the safe removal of hazardous branches. This was quite spectacular and captivated the interest of even the smallest viewers. One of the highlights of the afternoon was the climbing of the tree by members of the Combined Band with their instruments. They still had enough puff once they had reached the top to play several pieces including *Trees*, *The Forester's Song*, and a beautiful rendition of *Happy Birthday*. Pemberton CALM Rangers conducted fun activities for the



Manjimup Districts Band played at the top of the tree



Volunteers serving at the chuck wagon: Jim Craigie, Toni Dearle, Rose Craigie, Joy van der Putten and Burt Gough

children and offered free guided walking tours for the adults. Celebrating the Gloucester Tree has become an annual event so invite your friends and family to next year's party, on the Queen's Birthday long weekend, and join in the fun. A big thank you to all the volunteer helpers on the day as well as to Pemberton CALM and the Manjimup Shire Council who sponsored the event.



Amanda Keough & Kieran Dearle

LEFROY WATER QUALITY

■ Andy Russell

Water is our most precious resource. Pemberton's major waterway, the Lefroy Brook, looks pristine and passes through beautiful Karri forested valleys but is affected by urban, agricultural and industrial pollutants.

The Lefroy Brook Water Quality Project has been initiated by the local Ribbons of Blue program to help increase awareness into the health of the Lefroy Brook and to promote its rehabilitation. This has involved community members and local school students monitoring the water quality at 6 sites along the brook. These include the town's water supply at Big Brook Dam, the old timber treatment ponds, the sewerage works and the aquaculture industrial area.

Participants focus on all aspects of water quality and learn to assess acidity, salinity, turbidity, temperature, nitrates, phosphates and aquatic life. Results have shown that the water quality gradually decreases as it passes through the town area.

Major remedial works have already been instigated with a proposal to use the treated overflow from the sewerage ponds to irrigate the local oval and the long awaited investigation into controlling the arsenic and other chemicals leaching into the brook from the timber treatment ponds.

As a major tributary to the Warren River, the Lefroy plays an important role in the health of the Warren River. We as a community must start to improve the Lefroy's water quality if we want the Warren to also remain healthy.

2003 saw the Warren River have its first toxic algal bloom in the Warren National Park and is also suffering from major salinity problems.

If you want to get involved or find out more about making our waterways healthier contact your local Ribbons of Blue Coordinator, Andy Russell, on 97761559.

Ribbons of Blue,
Gardner Region
Box 137, Pemberton
or visit
wrc.wa.gov.au/ribbons



Warren Beach Sleeper Road

■ George South

This is an account of the building of the Warren Beach Sleeper Road in the 1960s. It was a massive task and the community pulled together to create access to the Warren Beach for fishing and recreation.

Before the Warren Beach Sleeper Road was constructed the only fishing competition to operate from Pemberton was the one conducted by the Pemberton Trout Society who held a yearly competition for the most trout, and the heaviest, caught for the year.

Then in the late 1950's and early 60's the Pemberton Trout and Saltwater Angling Club was formed. But the problem was that with no 4WD vehicles around at this time the only beaches available with access for ordinary vehicles were Windy Harbour locally, or Nornalup Beach past Walpole, or Augusta-Margaret River to the west. The last two were too far to travel for fishing.



The only way to the other beaches locally was by horseback or by walking. The Warren Beach was the most popular but this meant a five mile walk each way from the Colonels. This meant that only the very fit could make the trip, especially if you had a good catch.

So the idea was bandied around that we should try to construct a track to the Warren Beach, but as it was very sandy and road material was a great distance away we were at a loss to know what to do.

A public meeting was held on 3 March 1965 in the RSL Hall at Pemberton. A committee was formed to investigate the possibility of this track. I was elected president, with Ben Bennington Secretary/Treasurer, and Harry Moore, Hubie Cave, Jack Rowney and Kevin Williams as a committee.

After a great deal of investigation it was found that sleepers were available from the Northcliffe - Shannon railway line which had been closed and the rails taken up. It was decided that these sleepers could be used to place on the sandy hills so that ordinary vehicles could travel the track. We approached the Forests Department for their advice and received much encouragement and help from the then DFO at Pemberton, Barney White. (to be continued...)



Before the sleepers were laid everyone had to walk the five kilometres to the beach through the sand.

George South will be a regular contributor to the Pemberton News. George is a member of the Pemberton Oral History Group which meets at 10am every Friday morning at the Telecentre. If you would like to share your stories and photos please contact us on 9776 1745 or come along to the Oral History sessions. Everyone welcome ■

WARRIOR WELLBEING ARTICLE

Drugs and Alcohol – Your Health & Wellbeing is at Stake

BY THE REGIONAL MEN'S HEALTH INITIATIVE
September 2026

We promote the point that choice around our lifestyle is mostly up to us. While genetics, environment and the health system can also impact on our health and wellbeing, in the context of drugs and alcohol the choice is ultimately ours and the consequences of use and misuse are clear and so are the laws.

As a community we need to have an honest conversation on why people use and abuse drugs and alcohol. Some reasons are:

- Risk taking – as boys and men we are hard wired to take risks
- Experimental and boredom
- Peer pressure
- Habit/addiction
- Recreation – to have fun
- To feel good and forget, to cope with difficult times in our life, to self-medicate and mask

The reasons are complex and varied and through our life at various stages we have been challenged and we will continue to be challenged.

Recent research reveals some alarming statistics around drug use:

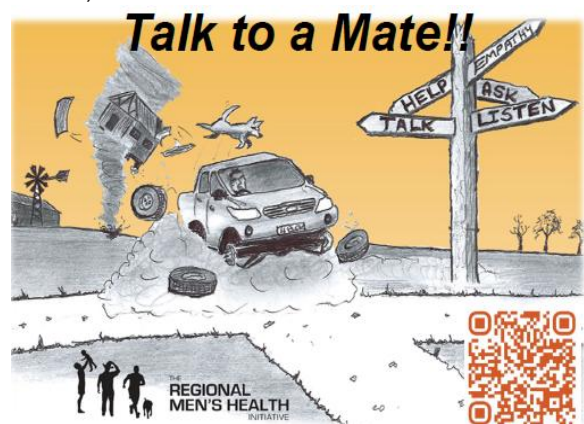
- 46 % of drug users use for fun
- 54% of drug users used for self-medication

Regarding using drugs for fun, surely there are many other things we can do that don't damage our body and mind (i.e. embrace and explore our passions and interests).

The consequences of drug use are serious from several angles:

- The risk factor is extremely high for many illicit drugs, we may only have three chances with a drug before we are affected either medically and/or by addiction
- Purity of the drug is unknown and varied (often we don't know what's in it?)
- Health effects can be permanent (psychosis)
- Many legal and financial implications for users
- Relationships become fractured (conflict, violence, distrust)

With regard to self-medication, we need to acknowledge some of the *stuff* going on in our lives and some of the pain we may be suffering. Denial of this, exacerbated by drug use, and the shit will hit the fan. We need to talk about and ultimately deal with stuff in our life, not self-medicate.



Alcohol is our biggest societal drug of choice, there is a lot of literature and research suggesting how alcohol is dangerous to our body when misused. This usually focuses on the appropriate daily standard drinks consumption, links to various diseases such as cancer and then societal issues around binge drinking. On an individual level we need to work out if we can drink, and how do I behave when drinking (do I get angry and aggressive, take unnecessary risks). Because alcohol is a mood enhancer, we need to know what is our safe limit? Have regular alcohol-free days and not use it to self-medicate (when distressed) but enjoy it.

The difficulty in life is choice, illicit and excessive use of drugs and alcohol is all our personal responsibility. What then can we do, as a society, about the misuse/abuse of drugs and alcohol? Primary care is standing up and saying no it's not all right (culture). As a collective we can make a difference whether that is in the family, community group and/or workplace you are not alone. As peers we can make a difference whether it be in the school, workplace or footy club by saying no it's not all right. We all have a right to a safe place!

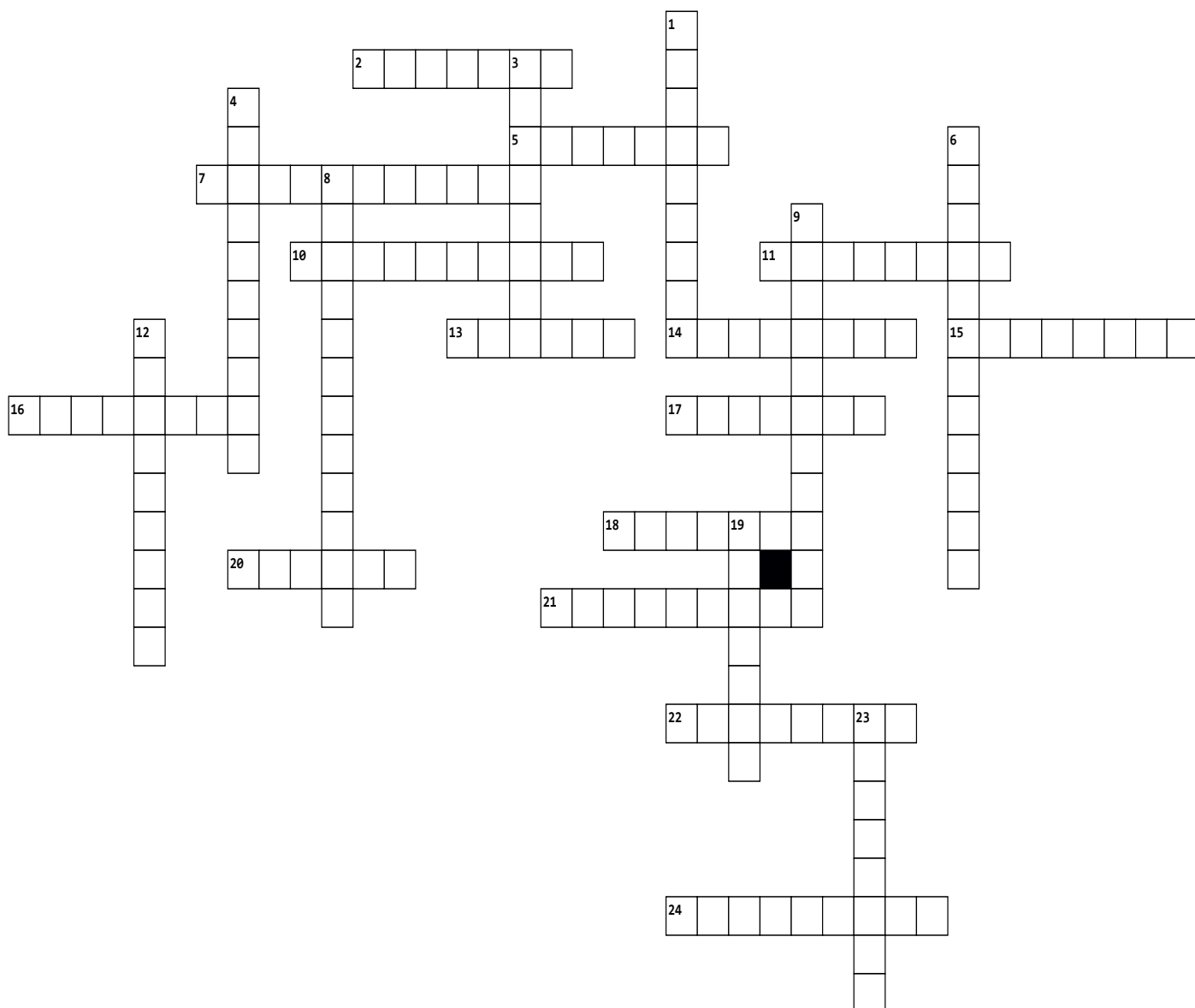
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📢 Working with Warriors Podcast

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PCN September 2026



Across

2. Turing 100 on 1st November 2026
5. _____ion batteries should be stored in a cool, dry, well-ventilated
7. Boost soil health with _____
10. Snake controllers - not native to WA
11. What was the last workshop at the VCCG?
13. Originally the Infant Health Centre
14. This month, look out for Guava root-knot _____
15. What day is the Communita catchup in September
16. The bad guy in this months movie review
17. PAG's 23rd Annual Spring Exhibition
18. Rozzi writes about A Grave _____
20. The spring equinox, also called the _____ equinox
21. Who wrote "A short poem" this month?
22. What does the "I" stand for in PCCI?
24. Our famous bakery

Down

1. Who is catering at the PCSC on Thursdays and Fridays
3. The over 55's exercise group meets every Monday
4. Turning 20 on the 19th September is the Manjimup Regional _____
6. What are the Voices of Pemberton calling for?
8. On every Thrsday at the Pemberton Mill Hall
9. The local footy team
12. The restaurant at the Forest Lodge Resort
19. Our newest festival
23. _____ Men's Health writes our warrior wellbeing article

***To find all the answers you seek,
Through every page you must peek.
The clues hide in the news,
So read well - don't snooze,
Or your crossword may end rather bleak!***

Pemberton Community Sports Club

September 2026



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DAY	ACTIVITY	TIME
MONDAY	All Sorts Fitness	9:00 am
	PYC Yoga	5:30 pm
TUESDAY	Playgroup	9:00 am
	Ladies Darts	7:30 pm
WEDNESDAY	Ladies Badminton	9:00 am
	Social Badminton	6:00 pm
	Snooker	6:30 pm
	Men's Darts	7:00 pm
THURSDAY	Playgroup	9:00 am
SATURDAY	Karate	8:00 am

Come down, get involved
AND BE PART OF OUR COMMUNITY!

🏆 LOWER SOUTH WEST GRAND FINAL 🏆

Saturday, 12th September |

Pemberton Sports Club

We're excited to host the Lower South West Football Grand Final right here in Pemberton!

Colts: 9:35am

Reserves: 11:50am

League: 2:05pm

Come along, support the teams and enjoy a fantastic day of local footy!

Bring your family, bring your mates and let's get behind our footy community!

Stay up-to-date at PembertonSports.com.au or follow us on Facebook



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Bridgetown

 Monday 5 October 2026
 9am - 12noon
 Bridgetown Primary
School

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BOOSTING SOIL HEALTH WITH DUNG BEETLES AND LIVESTOCK PARASITE CONTROL USING AI & IPM

Free Workshop and Parasite Testing

When: 18th September 2026

Time: 9.30am - 3pm

**Where: Southern Forests Community Landcare,
Manjimup Heritage Park**

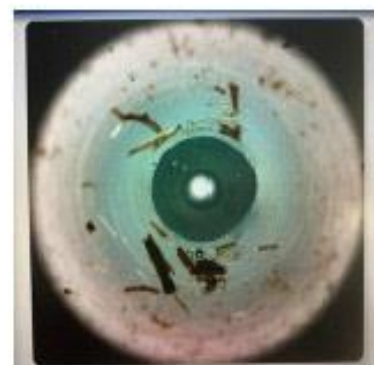
**What to Bring: A fresh manure sample for free
parasite testing**

Morning tea and lunch provided

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- plan and put into practice integrated pest management parasite control program
- target selective treatments based on fecal egg counts
- slow resistance by checking the effectiveness of dewormers
- interpret AI FECPAK results to plan treatment
- use monitoring and evidence based action rather than reactive or historical drenching
- reduce on-farm costs through reduction of chemical drench use whilst protecting soil health.

The results of the Dung Beetle Soil Health Initiative on-ground monitoring and research activities have been collated. Kathy Dawson (SFCL) will discuss the differences between species found and their abundance – not only between regions but within regions. Analysis is including the influence of soil type, air and soil temperature and rainfall on species occurrence. Learn ways that you can use dung beetles as a natural tool to – control flies and other parasites, improve soil, pasture, livestock health and productivity.



Register by 16th Sept - email kathy.dawson@warrencc.org.au

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Manjimup Shire Bulletin

September 2026



SHIRE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Goodbye Winter, hello Spring!

In August we welcomed Dean Phillips as a Shire of Manjimup Rural Ward Councillor, filling an empty vacancy. On behalf of Council, I would like to congratulate Dean on his appointment and warmly welcome him to Council. It will be great to have a fresh new perspective on Shire matters.

That wasn't the only welcome, we also said hello to the Avocado Collective Shed! Manjimup's avocado industry is going from strength to strength, with the Avocado Collective unveiling a major \$20 million upgrade to its packing facility, bringing plenty of new technology and automation to the shed. More avocados, more capacity and a whole lot of clever machinery - not a bad addition to our local agricultural industry!

CEO Ben Rose, Cr De Campo, Cr Phillips and I were pleased to attend the Pemberton Chamber of Commerce Networking event in late August, at the one and only Jarrah and Jade Café. It was a great opportunity to connect with local businesses, share ideas and put our minds together to strengthen our community.

We also had a catch-up at the Pemberton Visitor Centre which was great to connect and discuss current affairs.

As for what's coming, the Shire of Manjimup Council are scheduled to attend the upcoming WALGA Convention which will take place in mid-September, spanning over three days, to be held at the Perth Convention Centre. The convention will provide an opportunity for Councillor training, networking and professional development.

My September town visit will be in Manjimup. Keep an eye on the socials for a wrap up of the September Council meeting.

As always, stay safe and be kind.

Donelle Buegge
Shire President

2026 COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULE

Meetings will commence at 5:30pm and, unless otherwise indicated below, will be held in the Council Chambers, Manjimup, on the below dates.

- 23 September 2026
- 28 October 2026
- 25 November 2026 (Walpole)
- 16 December 2026

SHIRE NEWS / WHAT'S ON

New Rural Ward Councillor - Dean Phillips

The Shire was pleased to recently welcome Mr Dean Phillips as a Rural Ward Councillor. Mr Phillips was the second unelected candidate from the 2025 Local Government Election and accepted the position through the new statutory backfill provisions of the Local Government Act 1995. We look forward to Dean's contribution and the valuable perspective he will bring to the Shire.

Manjimup Regional AquaCentre's 20th Birthday

We're celebrating 20 incredible years of the AquaCentre and its important role in our community! Join us for a free celebration featuring food trucks, market stalls, live music, demonstrations, competitions and more. Bring your family and friends and celebrate with us on 19 September 2026, from 10:00am to 4:00pm.

Planning Approval Annual Renewals

For the first time, Planning Approval Annual Renewals have been sent via email. If you operate a home business, rural home business, or holiday accommodation, please check your inbox and spam folder for an email outlining the necessary steps to renew your permit. If you expected to receive an email but haven't, please contact Planning Services on (08) 9771 7777.

Shire Rates - Due date reminder

2026/2027 rates are due by 17 September. The Shire understands the importance of managing household budgets and offers flexible payment options to make paying your rates easier. If you are experiencing financial difficulty, assistance is available through the Shire of Manjimup Financial Hardship (Rate Relief) Policy. Contact the Shire of Manjimup Rates Officer on (08) 9771 7777 or info@manjimup.wa.gov.au to discuss your options. For residents of Pemberton, Northcliffe and Walpole, in-person rates payment sessions will be available at your local libraries. Keep an eye out for our announcement of dates and times. For independent financial advice visit <https://>

ndh.org.au/ or call National Debt Helpline on 1800 007 007.

Community Grants Awarded

Council awarded the 2026/27 community grants at the recent budget adoption, where 80 applications were supported including 22 events, 18 requests for financial assistance, five youth groups and 35 projects. To read more, visit www.manjimup.wa.gov.au/our-services/community-services/community-grants.

Manjimup Heritage Park turns 40

Opened on 11 October 1986 during the Manjimup Timber Festival, Manjimup Heritage Park is celebrating 40 years of welcoming locals and visitors. Join us for a week of celebrations from Sunday 4 to Sunday 11 October 2026. More details and the full program will be shared soon at www.manjimup.wa.gov.au/our-services/events/whats-on.

Painting My Country Exhibition

Running from 5 September to 16 October 2026, Holly Booth's *Painting My Country* Exhibition celebrates connection to Country, culture and family through contemporary art. Visit the Manjimup Art Gallery - entry is free.

Clay Dragon Eggs - Free Children's Workshops

Create clay dragon eggs at Shire of Manjimup Public Libraries. For full details including dates, times and RSVP information, please visit www.manjimup.wa.gov.au/our-services/events/whats-on.

Bariatric aquatic wheelchair gifted to AquaCentre

A very generous member of the community has donated a bariatric aquatic wheelchair to the AquaCentre, exemplifying how the kindness and generosity of our community can make a meaningful difference and help us create a more inclusive and welcoming facility for everyone!

Author Talk with Natalie Woodman

On Tuesday 15 September from 5:30pm - 7:00pm, the Manjimup Public Library is hosting an Author Talk with Natalie Woodman, Nutritional Medicine and Gut Health Practitioner, as she discusses practical ways to improve gut health naturally. Entry is free - share the word!

SHIRE PRESIDENT

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PEMBERTON WASTE TRANSFER STATION

104 Pemberton Northcliffe Rd, Yeagarup
Wednesday: 11:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday/Sunday: 12:00pm - 5:00pm

SHIRE CALENDAR

Library Storytime

Manjimup - Friday 10:30am - 11:30am
Northcliffe - Monday 9:30am - 10:30am
Pemberton - Wednesday 10:30am - 11:30am
Walpole - Alternate Fridays 10:00am - 11:00am

COUNCIL MEETINGS

The next Council Meeting will commence at 5:30 pm on 23 September at the Council Chambers, Manjimup.

PEMBERTON LIBRARY

61 Brockman Street - 9776 1311
Wednesday 9:00am - 1:30pm
Thursday 9:30am-12:30pm

AQUACENTRE

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

MHCC ACTIVITIES

Boronia Club - 10:00am to 2:00pm Mon and Thu
Over 50 Exercise Group: 9:00am to 10:00am Tue and Thu
Tai Chi: 10:30am to 11:30am Wednesday
Bingo: 1:00pm to 3:00pm Thursday



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The Shire of Manjimup respectfully acknowledges the Noongar people as the Traditional Custodians of the lands in which we work throughout the region and we pay our respects to their Elders, past and present.

