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**WE WISH YOU A
MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND
A HAPPY NEW YEAR**



Pemberton Community News

Well here it is, the best time of year coming up so fast you can hardly get your head around it. All our tourism businesses will be frantically stocking and staffing to cater for the busy time ahead. Others will be slipping off to Windy or other wonderful places to—well do whatever it is you do when you are relaxing and having fun. This is the time of year that except in the rare occasion (I believe anyway) brings out the best in everyone. Whether you have a religious affiliation or not, the Christmas season just brings people together, gives them time to talk, have a laugh, spend time with kids, grandkids, friends and family that you don't get to see as often as you would like to. Sometimes it can just be the Christmas phone call or message that will brighten the day of the receiver, it doesn't have to be about the flashy gift.

Me and mine will be enjoying time in the kitchen, sharing food and time together. Just being with the family is about all I need to keep me going for another year. I love everything about Christmas and have the pleasure of bringing two teenage grandkids home for a few days to help me put up the tree. I would have the tree up all year if it was up to me, it just brings a smile to my face every time I walk into the room. Yes I have gone overboard, but this is the last tree and decorations I am ever going to buy in my lifetime, so it's pretty gorgeous and I love it.

At this time our hearts and well wishes go out to all those on the other side of the country who have lost everything, and in some cases the lives of loved ones, in the horrific fires that have devastated the Eastern States. Living in areas like ours we have to be pragmatic about it and count our blessings every day that we are not suffering the same fate. Yes those of us who live right on the edge of the forest need to be doing all we can to keep our properties as safe as possible, and we do, but it is one of those things that is always present in the mind. It can happen at any time, any where. Keep your essentials somewhere handy if you have to bolt, remembering what those essentials are and just keeping in mind that many things are replaceable. We need to think carefully about what is not and look at doing all we can to protect and preserve those things.

The last week in November could be described as a monster week for Pemberton. The Vic Conte Community Garden and the Uniting Church got together for the first of many Pemberton Community Markets and Car Boot Sales on Sat 23rd, The Regenerative Living Festival held over Sat night 23rd and Sunday 24th was a blast. 1500 people visited the festival in the Memorial Park and then the 28th saw the Cancer Spring High Tea catering to a packed Mill Hall. The generosity of the Pemberton Community once again amazes.

We will issue a smaller PCN in the New Year Week to keep you up to date. Sending every good wish for this wonderful time of the year to you and your families. Deb

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Getting Up Close & Personal

with your community



Profession:
Event Coordinator & Business Owner

By Gwen Wenli, Contributor & Yoga Teacher

Hard work does not faze Susanne. She is pragmatic when it comes to 'Life'. When she realized the things, she thought was important in her life no longer applied, she made the necessary changes. "Sacrifices" were made to live regional- a smaller school system, and adapting to a slow and more considered way of living. To her the health of social inequalities, and building a regenerative future for her children and theirs are important.



Mrs. Susanne Peet

◆ **Profile**

SHIRE OF MANJIMUP & SOUTHERN FOREST EVENTS
 Sustainable event & tourism consultant

Hobbies: Quad skating, art, trail running, photography

Work Description

- Creating opportunities for communities to come together through small scale events such as the 'Regenerative Living Festival' or the 'Community Sundowner' series
- Encouraging tourism and visitation via concerts, large festivals and fairs

1 Day's Schedule

Answering business emails over brekkie -tea & toast, then the typical parental morning rush

Finally sit down to check more business emails, and get a little study time in for my honours degree. If not, I help arrange the entertainment for the Warren Ag Show or completing secretarial duties for the PCC

Wake Up 5:30	8:00
8:00	4:00
Start work at the Shire of Manjimup. Every day is different, part of my job is to investigate compliance and regulatory requirements of events in the Shire.	Sleep 11:30
4:00	Head home via day care. Try and catch my ever-busy husband who manages the caravan park for a chat and check-in with my teenager

Ups & Downs



Community cohesion and participation is what brings my Spirits up. It brings me down when people can't and won't work together. Generally, everyone is working towards a common goal. People need to put personalities and ego aside for the greater common good. Collaboration is the only way forward. Life is too precious to dwell on disappointments, the best way for me get off such topics is to have a chat with a friendly work colleague, have a laugh and get back to task; music could do the job too.

Philosophy For Life

There are very limited tomorrows; so, do the best you can to show people you love them; care for your community; share your wealth (whatever that may be), and be careful with our world.

How does your life story fit with your work?

My family arrived in Pemberton at the beginning of this year when I got the job at the Shire. I am lucky I am able to achieve my dreams. I wanted to be a travelling DJ in America, and event manage a large entertainment area, which I have done. Now my dream is to invest in a small 'farm' where I can look forward to growing a resilient space to live and work that will provide my children the space to be themselves and connect to a new way of living. Within the next decade, I see myself living amongst the trees on a small farm and getting up close and personal with dirt.



THE RUMOUR MILL

Goodness!

Tis the season to be Merry Tra La La La La.. and so it goes with rosy cheeks, a cheerful smile all delivered with gusto from overfull lungs providing a stentorian rendition of goodwill and peace on earth.

Well that's the general idea anyway but methinks the folk of Pemberton just might be on to something of late with some measurable and renewed energy in town.

At the two recent AGMs of the PCRC and the PVC we experienced large turnouts of engaged members when compared to previous years. They were enthusiastic and constructive get togethers where the committees and boards who did the necessary drudge during the year reported to the members of the Good the Bad and the Ugly of the previous 12 months and their efforts in mapping a course for the future. With the PCCI also forming a relationship with the PVC, the combined strength in bringing the community together is undeniable

These organisations are highly active in promoting programmes that will engage locals, attract visitors and ensure their relevance in a changing economic and diverse community appealing to all lifestyles and age groups.

In short and collectively we see in not particularly any order



- A partnership formed between the PVC and CRC in delivering services via the China Desk to encourage visitation of Asian tourists to the region.
- The Pemberton Caravan Park returned to the community and transformed into a must visit destination for caravanners.
- The Winter Workshop by Deb and the team
- Pool Kiosk now trading under its former name as the Karri Kiosk
- Co-location with plans finalised and funding now pending from grant success.
- The LTA now working alongside the PVC with membership of that association now absorbed in member packages with the PVC.
- The Regenerative Festival - a recent initiative of Susanne Peet and supported by the PVC
- The Barista Course goes from strength to strength.
- Australia Day concert – where everyone goes on this day to celebrate with friends and family at the pool.
- The Unearthed Festival. This forever changing festival saw some fabulous events with that famous Epic Cheese & Wine night at Hidden River and the Street Market sausage making day with Vince Gareffa.
- Marketing via TV & Print media now an integral part of the PVC DNA with annual budgets exceeding \$25k per annum.
- The Women's Day out.
- The Street Parties....and who could forget the fun and fellowship we enjoyed on these occasions with local businesses putting on a show.
- The New Year's Eve fireworks. Generously sponsored by the Pemberton Hotel for many years will now be run by the PCCI and part underwritten by the PVC and PCP.





- Mt Bike Park. The park continues to grow in stature as a must ride venue for amateurs to riders at all skill levels. 4 major events are held annually
 1. February The WAGE Gravity Enduro Mtb event with some 300 competitors
 2. March The XCO or Extreme Cross Country with 240 riders over two days
 3. October The Pemberton Trail Fest with the Perth Trail Runners attracting 329
 4. Nov WA State Cross country marathon with 122 riders.
 If you add those numbers up and multiply by four, that will provide you with numbers these events bring to the town and its supporting businesses.
- Trails – the the trails town scheme is well advanced with Pemberton part of a unique national and world trail programme for travellers. This is not just Mt Bikes but includes walking, food and wine in the mix. Naturally the Bibbulmun track and Munda Bididi are key elements of the plan

There's more but that's enough for now.

And do we live somewhere special??



I just think we might. I have been helping out at the Caravan Park of late and the feedback from guests to the park is quite astonishing if not somewhat humbling. We all collectively know that this park is a special place and should never have been leased originally but that is water under the bridge now.

With works and improvements constantly in train, the park simply gets better but it is its intrinsic natural beauty that wows the customers.

During a recent routine walk around the park to make sure all our guests were happy, I came across two older folk enjoying scones and tea by their van toward the back of the park by the Lefroy Brook. A smile was painted on their faces never to be erased and they went on to describe paradise and having found it.

Just prior to my arrival whilst enjoying their morning tea which consisted of fresh scones smothered in jam and cream and a mug of tea, they were paid a visit by the local Kookaburra who, with a flap and a flourish of wings dove into the Lefroy next to their van and emerged with a fat, glistening Marron in its beak. It then landed at their feet and proceeded to dine somewhat enthusiastically on its find for them to witness. With me trying to appear casual as if this was a common occurrence, the fellow then pointed to a huge Rainbow Trout idly swimming around not three feet from where he was sitting. Dinner was being keeping itself fresh and available for them it would seem.

So if you think Pemberton doesn't know how to dress up and put on its best frock for its visitors, best think again. I could go on but I think you may have the idea by now.

From all of us at the PVC, the PCRC and dare I say our new friends in the PCCI, I would simply like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous New Year.

What a special place in which we live....



John Gaunt

Vistage Group Visit

Between Saturday 9th and Tuesday 11th November, Pemberton welcomed members from the Vistage Group who belong to the 700 CEO members of Vistage Malaysia. All varying in age, field of business and level of leadership experience there is one thing they have in common – the desire to improve themselves as CEO’s, managers and leaders. The PCN was fortunate to be able to meet with this group of Malaysian business owners as they met for training at RAC Karri Valley on November 11th 2019. Meeting also with Shire President Paul Omodei and with the local Chamber of Commerce, initiated discussion on the potential of increased business/export markets from the Southern Forest region direct to Malaysia. The Chairman and CEO Coach of the Vistage Group, Dr Peter Thong acknowledged that Malaysia’s previous and current business markets are predominantly with the Melbourne and Sydney Head Offices of some of Australia’s largest organisations, and felt that the relatively short distance between Perth and Kuala Lumpur should provide greater interest throughout the region for increased business and trade opportunities.

This smaller group was asked what brought them all the way from Malaysia to Pemberton? And the answer was “One of our Vistage group members had heard from friends about your beautiful part of the world, and specifically suggested that we go to Pemberton. Last year the same group came to WA, and we had a fantastic trip to the Dunsborough and Margaret River regions. They all loved it and wanted to come back to WA again this year.”

Whilst touring throughout Pemberton taking in the sights, sounds and tastes of our beautiful location before flying home to Malaysia, it was a wonderful opportunity to meet with those interested in increasing their own potential for learning and development as CEO’s and business owners running their own companies. This group also took the time to stand for a minutes silence to remember those who had given their lives to allow us to live in more peaceful times. We look forward to hearing more about this group in the future.



CWA NEWS

Well another year is almost at an end and we hope it was a good one for you and that 2020 will be even better. Our Op Shop has done extremely well this year thanks to the generosity of you and the many visitors that have visited it during the year. We will be CLOSED on Saturday 28th December and then reopening the following Saturday. We would like to thank you all for your generous support during the year as it enables us to make donations to our community during the year – next year we will be making Term donations to PDHS towards their Breakfast Club . On behalf of all the members of the Pemberton CWA I would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.



SHIRE OF MANJIMUP

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**Shire of Manjimup
Approved Contractors List
Invitation to apply**

The Shire of Manjimup has recently reviewed our processes for engaging contractors. We would like to provide all local contractors with the opportunity to become part of the SoM Approved Contractors List.

What is the Approved Contractors list?

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

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

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

Applications should be addressed to Anel van Rooyen and either posted to PO Box 1, Manjimup WA 6258 or emailed to info@manjimup.wa.gov.au For further information contact Anel van Rooyen, OSH Officer, on 9771 7779 or email: anel.vanrooyen@manjimup.wa.gov.au

Andrew Campbell, Chief Executive Officer

Community Notices

Hockey

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

Road Bike Social Ride

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

Browns Road Social Group

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

Mtb Social Ride

Saturday at 8am
 Enquiries to Mark Hudson
 0429 384 800

Boot scooting

Great fun with great people
 Every **Thursday @ 5pm**
 In the **Mill Hall**
 For details contact:
 Terrie 0439 840784.

Solitaire Club

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

Sunday Tennis

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

Accessing Government Information

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,
 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.



Boot scooting in Middlesex

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



ARCHERY NEWS

Well It's hard to believe the year has almost gone!
 Our Club is progressing even though we've had a few setbacks early in the year with
 injuries, and health problems with some members, but we are getting back on track.

Membership is growing and we welcome 3 of them into our humble group recently. So
 far they are enjoying the fun and thrill archery brings.
 We have 7 target ranges in a bush setting, along with a practice range.
 Five more are a work in progress and we hope to have 12 in total.
 Ongoing maintenance and busy bees are continuing to improve the
 ranges.



If you are interested in trying archery or need a
 place to practice, come along. We are at the
 Manjimup Rifle Club range, 4km North of
 Manjimup opposite Cosy Creek Road. Our shoot days are **2nd and 4th Sundays for a
 2pm start.** Just give us a call first to make sure we are there in case the weather
 closes in. Or check out our Facebook page for updates.

Web: southernforestsarc.wixsite.com/archery
Facebook: southernforestsarchers

Enquiries contact: Sonya 0427 247551 or Brenden 0428 609538



Pemberton Arts Group Inc

Circles of Light

In 2018 the Pemberton Chamber of Commerce and Industry approached Pemberton Arts Group Inc. with the idea of creating new and interesting Christmas lights for our Community. The PCCI had been successful in obtaining a Grant from the Shire of Manjimup.

We selected Circles of Light as the theme as circles are a universal symbol, considered sacred and divine, acceptable to all belief and value systems. It represents the notion of totality, wholeness and inclusivity of the universe.

A circle (bike rim) is the framework for these sculptures and reflects and emphasizes the strong connection of on and off-road bike riding in this area.

Many hours later, and after workshops, design trials and trolling the internet we found materials and tools suitable for our designs. These needed to be robust, sustainable, colorful, use light sources and be within budget.

PAG has proposed this as a three stage project ending in 2023. We will add to the Circles of Lights annually as money is available.

Our plan is that these sculptures will benefit the Festive Season for our Community, local businesses, attract tourists and support the work of the Shire of Manjimup and our local Artists. We will leave the lights in situ until after our towns New Years Eve celebration.

We hope you enjoy this new sculptural project and have a chance to thank those members of PAG who have contributed: Anna Czerkasow, Paul Nolan, Elaine Steele, Bill Bennitt, Jeanette Evill and Joanna Box.

Happy Christmas and New Year everyone from PAG



Installation of Xmas decorations to Pemberton shop fronts.

We would like to advise that the installation of the Xmas lights project is planned for the 1st week of December 2019

All enquiries can be directed to Anna Czerkasow on 0439 369 702
Email: chairpag@outlook.com



WHAT'S HAPPENING

SFFC AGM & NEW COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT MEMBERS

The Southern Forests Food Council (SFFC) AGM was held on Thursday 31 October and it was great to see our members attend the meeting and support the Food Council. Copies of the Annual Report etc are available by contacting the SFFC office. Following the 2019 SFFC AGM, we are pleased to welcome the new committee members who will be joining existing members to make up our 2019/20 Committee of Management. The Food Council are also pleased to welcome three new skills-based committee members.



2019/20 SFFC Committee of Management

- Monica Radomiljac - *Acting Chair*
- Mitchell East - *Acting Vice-Chair*
- Vick Grozotis - *Acting Treasurer*
- Tori Marver - *Acting Secretary*
- Victoria Howe
- Carlo Pessotto
- Neil Miles
- Nikki Griffiths - *skills based*
- Ben Arnold - *skills based*
- Nial Twigger - *skills based*

The SFFC CoM are currently undertaking a recruitment process to appoint an Independent Chair as the SFFC continues our journey towards financial sustainability. The SFFC and our members extend their sincere thanks to departing Committee members in Mark Bending, Jake Ryan, Tony Fontanini, Dean Baker and Alex Wilson who were integral committee of management members of the SFFC.

GENUINELY SOUTHERN FORESTS SUPPLY & DISTRIBUTION PARTNERS

The SFFC would like to make our members more aware of our key partnerships across the supply chain to assist with the distribution and sales of your produce. The SFFC has identified, explored, and developed key partnerships for the supply and distribution of Genuinely Southern Forests produce on behalf of our members for the local WA market, east coast Australia and export markets. If you would like more information on supply opportunities relevant to your business please contact gemma@southernforestsfood.com



PLANNING ON SUPPLYING CHAIN STORES THIS SEASON? WE CAN HELP MEMBERS DEVELOP A DATABAR



GS1 DataBar is a barcode which enables fresh produce to be identified and quickly and accurately scanned at the Point-of-Sale in a retail environment. The DataBar is incorporated into a produce label and is now a requirement for certain produce lines sold through chain stores. GS1 DataBar enables growers and packhouses to differentiate their products at POS, as the label depicts the packhouse name.

The SFFC has been working closely with members to develop cobranded DataBar labels which are now available in store. We are always on the lookout for eco-friendly labels and will notify our members as these options arise. If you need help navigating your way through the world of barcodes and label designs, please get in touch with the Food Council and we can work with you every step of the way.

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YEP—BIG YEAR . Just spent the last Saturday in November finishing off the Annual Report to our principle funder DPIRD. All these things take up enormous amounts of time, which over time, should get easier! Famous last words.

We have had some fun in the CRC over the last month, what with the last of our Foodbank lunch sessions and then Chatty Wednesday. What can I say about Chatty Wednesday. What happens during Chatty Wednesday, stays in Chatty Wednesday. This was a chance to celebrate Seniors Week and getting together and just talking and having a game or two and a laugh or two was special. There were no workshops or learning involved in this, just a time to get together and chat. I thoroughly enjoyed hearing stories of younger years and different endeavours, wish we could have Chatty Wednesday every week.



The CRC will be hosting the Free Australia Day Breakfast outside the office on the main road this January 26th 2020 and we are really looking forward to being able to see you all on the day nice and early before you go off for your Australia Day activities.

Under the care of Charles Otway the Garden Club continues to visit our local gardens looking for help, advice and tips. What a brilliant concept this is and here at the CRC we continually get interest for how this works. If you would like to have the Garden Club visit your garden to learn things will actually work in your space, become a member of the Vic Conte Community Garden for \$20/annum or alternatively become a member of the Pemberton CRC and your garden membership is automatically taken care of.



Talk to us also regarding your stall for the Pemberton Community Markets in January 2020.

The CRC has held some fantastic events and workshops over the past year and it will take all the help we can get to continue in the same way. Our principle funder DPIRD has extended our contracts which is welcome news indeed and we have been fortunate to secure funding for a new trainee for 2020.

TRAINEESHIP

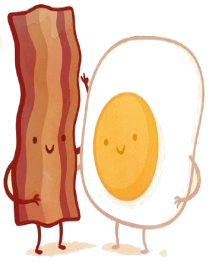
Our new trainee will be engaged as the Community decides. DPIRD would like to see a collaboration from the Business and Community groups regarding the long term employment of a trainee funded through the department. It is a different way of looking at a CRC traineeship, and while it is great to offer Business Admin courses, there may just be something out there that you are looking for that can be covered in this traineeship model. The trainee will be covered by all CRC procedures and policies, including insurances, so there is the opportunity that you may have something in mind that your business or community group needs help in delivering that you can't afford the training for. This is where we come into the equation. The training is funded, the trainee will be available and discussions are now open.

Businesses and community groups please be prepared for discussions on training needs and development. Those seeking employment as a trainee—please look out for the advertisements to follow soon.

We are your Community Resource Centre, always here to be of service, assistance and advice.

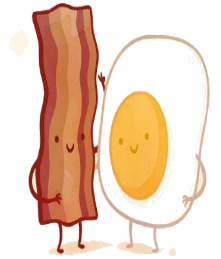
We wish you the very Happiest Christmas and New Year and look forward to “chatting” in 2020.





Here we go, another first for the CRC and under our Vic Conte Community Garden banner held our first Pemberton Community Market. Getting together with the Uniting Church who held a Car Boot Sale and a White Elephant Stall along with Devonshire Teas, we had the best day.

Our Barbee Marquee was pumping with the BBQ King himself cooking breakfast rolls. Yes they were a hit with one comment "that is the best bacon and egg roll I've ever had". Awesome. Make sure you are there for the next one. Stalls were selling their



stall booked quickly. Market days will run every second Saturday of every second month, beginning now January 11th 2020. Contact the CRC on 97761745 for all details and marquee



Letter to the editor

The heritage and history group organizes a Pemberton Precious Pioneers Day in the mill hall on November 17th for past pioneers and seniors.

A photo display started the day off followed by a great morning tea after which the movie "The water diviner" was shown.

Next a most enjoyable lunch was served, a coach trip followed along Pembertons beautiful country with local commentator made this an excellent conclusion to a great day.

This event was organized and put together by Ros Pippet, Deanne Ventris and their enthusiastic volunteers in their well known happy way.

Beautiful motivated people passionate about anything Pemberton.

Thank you so much for lovely day

John B

HAPPY AUSTRALIA DAY



Free Australia Day Breakfast at
Pemberton CRC
Sunday, 26th January 8am - 10am



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CHRISTMAS CAROLS

SUNDAY

22ND DEC 2019

6.30PM

PEMBERTON MILL HALL

BRING AND SHARE SUPPER

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

ANGLICAN CHURCH MANJIMUP 9.30AM

UNITING CHURCH CHRISTMAS EVE NORTHCLIFFE

CATHOLIC CHURCH CHRISTMAS DAY 9AM

Have you registered? WA Pensioner Free Travel is going digital



From January 2020 your WA Free Travel vouchers will be going digital

How do I register?

Visit a Transwa Booking Centre, complete online at transwa.wa.gov.au/Pensioner-Free-Travel or ask one of our friendly staff on board for a registration form.

What am I entitled to under the scheme?

All registered WA pensioner concession cardholders are entitled to one return or two single trips per calendar year. DVA Gold Health cardholders have additional free travel entitlements.

How do I book my free travel in 2020?

Bookings on Transwa services can be made online, by visiting a booking centre, accredited agent or by calling 1300 662 205. Advance bookings are required prior to the date of your intended travel.

Can I still use my WA Free Travel Vouchers from Centrelink or DVA if I have not registered with Transwa?

From 2020 you must be registered with Transwa to receive Pensioner Free Travel on Transwa services. Transwa will calculate your travel entitlement each calendar year and you will not need to provide a paper voucher.

Register Now!

For more information call **1300 662 205**

or visit transwa.wa.gov.au



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Regional Development



WEED ALERT!

Pokeweed (*Phytolacca americana*)



Have you seen this plant?

Pokeweed (*Phytolacca americana*) has recently been found in the Balingup area. This is a new weed for Western Australia. A collaborative program to eradicate this weed is now underway with government and industry working together.

The aim is to control all pokeweed plants prior to them setting seed this summer.

This plant is toxic to both humans and livestock and can contaminate agricultural produce.

What to look for

- Large perennial shrub up to 2.5 metres.
- Large bright green leaves (up to 40cm long) on a smooth purplish stem.
- White to magenta flowers in elongated clusters that hang from the branches.
- Deep purple – black berries form in summer and are the most distinctive characteristic.

Similar weeds

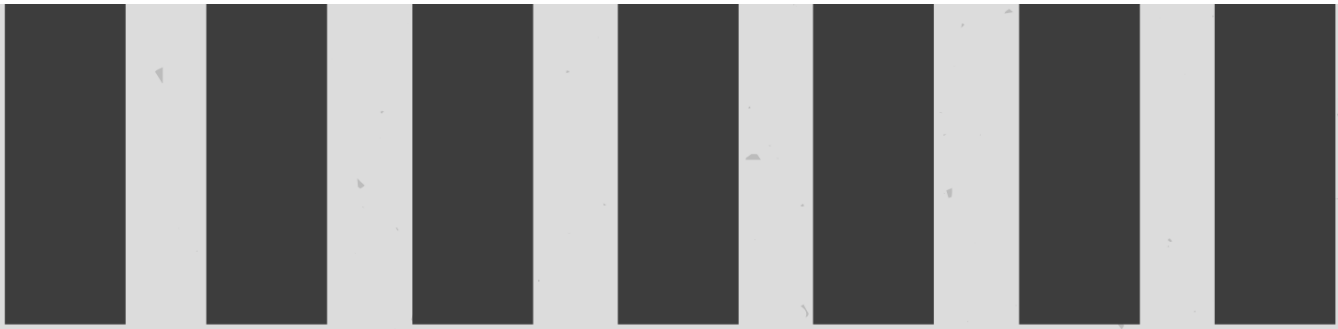
Pokeweed is similar to inkweed (*Phytolacca octandra*), which is a widespread weed in the South West. Pokeweed is taller, has larger leaves, and the berry stalks hang down.

Help to eradicate this weed!

- **Be aware** of any new or unusual plants.
- **Note** the location of the plant (using a GPS if possible).
- **Take photographs** (leaves, flowers, fruit and whole plant).
- **DO NOT** collect seeds, berries or leaves as they are all poisonous.
- **Report** to the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development by:
 - ▶ **Phone:** (08) 9368 3080
 - ▶ **Report online:** mypestguide.agric.wa.gov.au or using the **MyPestGuide™ Reporter** app
 - ▶ **Email:** padis@dpird.wa.gov.au



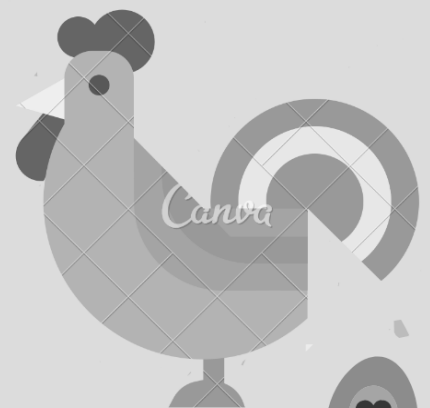
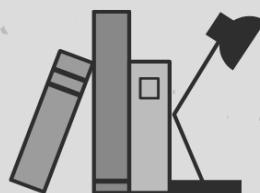
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Pemberton Community Exchange

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Regional Development



Government of Western Australia
Department of Communities



Nature has the Right to exist, flourish, regenerate, and evolve

Rights of Nature and Future Generations Bill Introduced in Western Australian Parliament

Diane Evers, a Member of the Western Australian Parliament, has introduced a Bill to recognise the Rights of Nature and Future Generations. This is the first time that legislation aiming to recognise the rights of nature has been introduced in an Australian Parliament.

The Australian Earth Laws Alliance (AELA) is working with communities and organizations in Australia, to advance the Rights of Nature. AELA assisted with legal and drafting advice for the legislation and congratulates MP Evers for introducing the Bill.

The “Rights of Nature and Future Generations Bill 2019” would secure the Rights of Nature to “exist, flourish, regenerate, and evolve,” and provide the people and government of Western Australia with the ability to defend and enforce these rights on behalf of Nature. The Bill recognises the rights of First Nations Peoples to speak for and defend their ancestral lands, and the Rights of Nature. The Bill also recognises the rights of present and future generations to a healthy environment, and includes a clause relating to the “precautionary principle” by stating that “lack of full scientific certainty shall not be used as a reason for denying or postponing the implementation, defence, or enforcement” of the Rights of Nature.

MP Evers explained that, “This is a necessary step in protecting the future of our planet and future generations as the current system is not working. We continue to see environmental destruction and actions that ensure continuing climate impacts.”

Dr Michelle Maloney, of the Australian Earth Laws Alliance, stated, “Around the world, we are seeing an increasing number of Indigenous peoples, communities, and countries introducing Rights of Nature laws. These laws improve upon the current legal system, where nature is merely human property that can be used up until there’s nothing left. Rights of Nature laws redefine what environmental protection means: putting the health of the living world at the centre of society, so that present and future generations of people and all other living beings can have a liveable, healthy and biodiverse planet to live on.”

FOR MORE INFORMATION -

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Dr Michelle Maloney

Australian Centre for the Rights of Nature

Australian Earth Laws Alliance (AELA)

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**Come together in Northcliffe for
Australia Day 2020**

Come together at the Northcliffe Town Centre this Australia Day for an Aussie brunch at 9.00 am, followed by the Official Ceremony at 10.00 am.

Feel the spirit of community as we recognise our local heroes with Citizen of the Year awards. With local musicians, moving poetry and reflections from previous Awardees, the 2020 Australia Day ceremony will be a wonderful community event.

A return journey on the Community Bus will provide free transport to Northcliffe for the event. Pick up is from the Pemberton Hotel car park at 8.30 am. Bookings essential.

For more information contact the Shire of Manjimup on info@manjimup.wa.gov.au or 9771 7712.



The Mill Hall was the venue for the Seniors Week event held recently with morning tea and lunch provided with the showing of the movie 'Water Diviner'. There were various photos displayed and was a wonderful day of social activity.

The movie '2040' was also screened recently in the hall with the Mill Hall Committee providing tea beforehand and supper afterwards. Another social event happening in the hall!

We would encourage you to become members of a fantastic organization consisting of a positive group of people who get the job done. It's great to have members for moral support. Please contact me 97761757 or Anna Starkie on 97761219 for a membership form and details.

The Mill Hall continues to provide a wonderful service to the community as a well maintained venue.

Bootscooting continues to happen every Thursday at 5pm.

- HALL HAPPENINGS COMING UP IN DECEMBER:-**
- WEDNESDAY 11TH St. Joseph's Concert**
 - SATURDAY 14TH Old-Time Dance**
 - SUNDAY 22ND Christmas Carols 6.30PM**

President
Deanne Ventris





**THANK A
VOLUNTEER BBQ**

If you volunteer in any capacity in Pemberton, please come along to this FREE BBQ to celebrate the contribution you have made to this wonderful community. Fire truck and ambulance on display for exploring.

**THURSDAY 5 DECEMBER 2019 5PM- 6PM
PEMBERTON MILL HALL CARPARK**

For more information please contact the Pemberton Chamber of Commerce and Industry



14/12 (Sat) A Sound Journey To Clear, Connect & Awaken

An experiential journey to explore a deeper layers of relationship, so that we may live, happy, healthy, and live with ease.

Opening to the POWER of SACRED SOUND and it's amazing RESONANCE is one of the greatest gifts you can give to yourself and your loved ones. Everything in our world operates on Resonance, Vibration and Frequency and it is time to RECEIVE, RESONATE, TUNE-IN, INSPIRE AND MANIFEST the lives and relationships we have always wanted.

In this 75 mins session local yoga Teacher Gwen and multi-instrumentalist Joshua Tree work with you through deep intuition, sacred instruments, connection to your body & nature, breath work and body scanning to guide you as you tap into your body's intelligence and transformation.

Where: Church on Philip Street, Bridgetown

Sessions: 1:00pm – 2:15pm Or 3:00pm – 4:15pm

Fee: \$33

Booking: namaste@bewithgwen.com / 0419774323 (gwen)

2020

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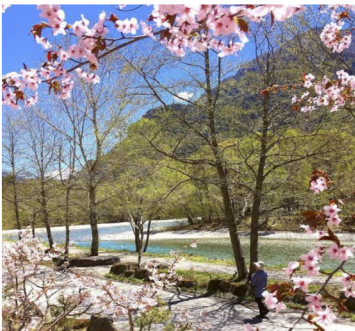
Interested in learning to teach lots of different people? We'll show you how!

You will learn to teach an empowering yoga classes and help your students reduce pain and stress, gain strength, flexibility, and resilience, and feel nurtured and cared for.

Whether you are an experienced or aspiring yoga teacher, a health professional, therapist or educator looking to integrate yoga into your work, or simply someone who is looking for a framework for personal growth, our approach to training will provide you with a unique structure in which to experience and learn to teach, great yoga. This Program is a unique opportunity for you to have a deeper awareness of yourself and your world. Yoga is for everyone and anyone can benefit from it.

"A Yoga Teacher Training is one of the most incredible adventures you will have in your life!"

Feel free to call Gwen or drop-in in any of her classes to chat.



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JAPAN RETREAT
April/May 2020

Simply Breathe Easy with Gwen | homepage www.bewithgwen.com

Going somewhere? Hire the Community Bus!



The Shire of Manjimup owns a 24-seater Community Bus which is available for hire.

For further information, phone the Shire Depot on 9771 7777 or visit www.manjimup.wa.gov.au/communitybus



PLEASE NOTE

Priority is given to the community groups of seniors (55+), youth (under 25), the disabled and supporting community organisations.

Private groups may be permitted to hire the bus if there are no buses available for hire from local commercial operators.

A driver can be arranged at additional cost.

Conditions apply.

WONDERFUL EVENT



CANCER SPRING HIGH TEA



WELL DONE ALL

CANCER SPRING HIGH TEA

On Thursday, 28 November, Pemberton held a Cancer Spring High Tea at the Mill Hall. This was the second year of this event which is a collaboration of community members and the WOMBAT's group (Women Of Mature Beauty and Talent) and friends who came together to hold this special event. What a marvellous town in which we live! Thank you so much for coming out and supporting our cause for Cancer Research. We have raised this year the grand total of \$9,842.55 for the cause, which is truly amazing and a testament to the generous nature of our community and friends.

There are so many people to thank who were helping on the day. I cannot stress enough how lucky I am to work with such a hardworking, supportive and fun group of people with organising the High Tea. What talent we have in our midst. Thanks Kathy for being our MC on the day again and especially helping with the Silent Auction, a very successful, new component of our event this year. Our Accountant, Judy, has been very busy again keeping control of the money raised.

The Artistic Director, Joy, did an amazing job with the hall and table decorations, which those present will all agree were simply wonderful. Joy and her special helpers – Judy, Susan, Pat and Sabina – worked over three days to achieve an amazing display of Spring flowers.

The pre-loved clothing Coordinator – Renata - worked very hard again on the pre-loved clothing with the assistance of Sabina on the day but others chipping in to help with the hanging of the clothes. Thanks again also to Brenda for coordinating the Fashion Show with the assistance of Sue and the fashion models for the presentation. It was a very professional display of some of the clothes kindly donated by so many people.

Kath was our Catering Manager this year and did a wonderful job of making sure that we had the balance of food and presentation correct. Kath was closely assisted by Sally and Lucie on the day with the culinary expertise provided by members of the organising group. Everyone helped with the preparation of the food!

Thank you Terri for stepping in to be the Choreographer for the Blue Rinse Allstars this year. You were so patient with us over a number of weeks! Thanks Deanne for also

helping with the music and sound to make sure we could keep in time and stepping in to participate when someone wasn't available. Our performance was very well received with lots of laughter!

Bev assisted me with the coordination of the Raffle Prizes as we had so many and only a limited time to draw them – thanks to the generosity of our supportive community

Leanne was able to attend this year and did a terrific job of keeping me on track for time and like us all - multitasking helping with the raffles, food preparation and making the tea and coffee being some of the many jobs!! Pippa also helped with the marketing of our events this year. Anyone else who stepped in to help – a big thank you!

Much appreciation to all the businesses on the day with their generous donations. You know who you are and without you we would not have been able to raise so much money with the raffle and Silent Auction. The prizes were fantastic and we recognised your valuable contribution on the day. We will be following up with more official thanks once we have recovered from the excitement of the day.

Of course we must not forget the importance of the people who attended the event on the day. Thank you very much for attending and digging deep to help raise funds for a very important cause. However, we cannot forget to recognise those who contributed to our fundraising throughout the year, including the two Wood Raffles and the Big Brook Cancer Walk.

Thank you and well done Pemberton!

Mary Morris

December

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed
<p>1</p> <p>Road Bike Social Ride 7.30am</p> <p>Sacred Heart Church Mass 8.30am</p> <p>Anglican service 11.30am</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Boxercise (circuit) 9am</p>	<p>3</p> <p>PAG Art Session 9am-12pm</p> <p>Solitaire Club 11am-2pm</p> <p>Slow Yoga 4.15pm, All Levels 5.30pm</p> <p>Boot scooting in Middlesex Hall 6pm</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Rhyme Time 10am</p> <p>Sacred Heart Mass 10am</p> <p>@RSL Memorial Library</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Road Bike Social Ride 7.30am</p> <p>Sacred Heart Church Mass 10.30am</p> <p>Uniting Church service 10am</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Boxercise (circuit) 9am</p>	<p>10</p> <p>PAG Art Session 9am-12pm</p> <p>Solitaire Club 11am-2pm</p> <p>Slow Yoga 4.15pm, All Levels 5.30pm</p> <p>Boot scooting in Middlesex Hall 6pm</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Rhyme Time 10am</p> <p>Sacred Heart Mass 10am</p> <p>RSL Meeting 4.45pm @RSL Memorial Library</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Road Bike Social Ride 7.30am</p> <p>Sacred Heart Church Mass 8.30am</p> <p>Anglican service 11.30am</p> <p>Social Tennis 3pm</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Boxercise (circuit) 9am</p>	<p>17</p> <p>PAG Art Session 9am-12pm</p> <p>Solitaire Club 11am-2pm</p> <p>Slow Yoga 4.15pm, All Levels 5.30pm</p> <p>Boot scooting in Middlesex Hall 6pm</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Rhyme Time 10am</p> <p>Sacred Heart Mass 10am</p>
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2019

Thur
Fri
Sat
5

'Painting Depth'
Tony Windberg
9.30am - 12.30pm
Boot scooting
at the Mill Hall 5pm

6

Boxercise (circuit) 9am

7

Mtb 8am
Yoga 9am - 10.15am
@Pemberton Sports Club
Model Railway Club open from 1.30pm@
Pemberton fine woodcraft gallery
CWA Op- shop open 9am-12pm

12

'Painting Depth'
Tony Windberg
9.30am - 12.30pm
Boot scooting
at the Mill Hall 5pm

13

Boxercise (circuit) 9am

14

Road Bike Social Ride 7am
Uniting Church service 9am
Social Lawn Bowls 12.45pm
Archery 2pm @ Manji Rifle Range
Social Tennis 3pm
Anglican Church Bring and share a meal
@6.30pm
Old-time dance @Mill Hall 7.30 pm

19

'Painting Depth'
Tony Windberg
9:30am - 12:30pm
Boot scooting
at the Mill Hall 5pm

20

Boxercise (circuit) 9am

21

Mtb 8am
Mill Hall Busy Bee - 9am
Yoga 9am - 10.15am
@Pemberton Sports Club
Model Railway Club open from 1.30pm@
Pemberton fine woodcraft gallery
CWA Op- shop open 9am-12pm

26

'Painting Depth'
Tony Windberg
9:30am - 12:30pm
Boot scooting
at the Mill Hall 5pm

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Boxercise (circuit) 9am

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Mtb 8am
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CRC will be closed 25th Dec 2019 and
2nd January.

Community Contacts

ARTS

Model Railway Club

Open Saturday from 1.30pm. Fine Woodcraft Gallery, Dickinson Street. Contact Simon 0488 230 707

Pemberton Arts Group Inc.

Contact Anna on 0439369702 or Jeanette on 9776 0252.

Pemberton Photography Club (PPC)

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

AT THE MILL HALL

Mill Hall Committee

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

VP: Warren South 9776 0647

Secretary: Bev South 9776 0647

Treasurer: Anna Starkie 9776 1219

Community dance

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

Boot scooting every Thursday @ 6pm

Contact Terrie 0439 840784.

CHILDREN/YOUTH

Playgroup

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

Rhyme Time at the Library

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

Youth Zone

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

COMMUNITY

Anglicare Financial Counselling

Contact Tim on 9777 1945

CRC: 9am - 4pm Monday & Friday

9am-2pm Tues-Thurs

(08) 9776 1745

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

CWA Meeting: CWA rooms 2nd

Tuesday of the month 9.30 am ,

9.30am followed by craft at 1pm

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

Karri Singers Choir

Contact Sally Rothon 9776 0993 or Deanne Ventris 9776 1757

Pap Smear Clinics

Call Pemberton Hospital on 9776 4000 for an appointment.

Pemberton Accommodation Association (PAA)

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

Contact Kathy 0438 447 795 for details.

Pemberton Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PCCI)

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

Pemberton Heritage and History Group (PHHG)

Contact Ros 0467 479 317

Pemberton Waste Transfer Site

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

Pemberton Woodlands Estate Group

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

Contact: Henk Dirks 97760171

Ribbons of Blue

Water quality and catchment issues. Contact Andy 9776 1559

RSL

2nd Wednesday of the month, 4.45pm in RSL Memorial Library.

Contact Bob Hammond 9776 1256

Solitaire

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

Vic Conte Community Garden

Julian Sharp 08 9776 0206 or

Deanne Ventris 08 9776 1757

Warren Environmental Group

Conservation and environmental group. Contact Andy 9776 1559

RELIGION

Bible Studies

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

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

Weekday mass: Wed 10am.

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

St Hilda's Family Social Club

Fellowship evening at St Hilda's Anglican Church. Bring and share a meal 2nd Saturday of the month @6.30 pm. Contact Ros Herbert on 9776 1216.

Anglican Church

Anglican Services: 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays, 11.30am, St Hilda's, Ellis St. Contact Molly on 9776 0989.

Uniting Church

Uniting Services: 2nd Sundays, 9 am, 4th Sunday, 10am Uniting Church, Brockman St. Contact Tom Backhouse 9776 1472 or Don Jackson 9776 1223.

EMERGENCY

Fire and Rescue

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

St John Ambulance - Pemberton

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

SPORTS

Archery

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

Badminton

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

Boxercise

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

Gym

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

Karate

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

Netball

Phone Natalie Callaghan 0467 654252.

Pemberton Cricket Club

Contact David Meehan 0427 441 628

Pemberton Golf Club

Enquiries to Steve Fisher 9776 1455.

Pemberton Lawn Bowls Club

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

Southerners Football Club

Contact David Meehan 0427 441 628

Tennis

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

Yoga

General: Tues 5.30pm and Sat 9am. Power flow: Sat 8am (booking reqd). Sound Meditation Contact Gwen on 0419 774323.

Blacked Out!

If you thought Aunt Mabel had a solution with lavender to a problem (November PCN), just read about Mr Toby Terry's experience. It's all because of another old fashioned solution!



Mr Terry had raven black hair and a thin raven black moustache. He kept his monthly appointments with his barber to pamper him with a haircut, but preferred to trim his own moustache once a week.

Mrs Terry noticed that her husband was starting to grey at the sides around his temples, and a bit on the forehead and moustache.

"Toby, have you noticed that you are starting to get grey hairs?" she remarked over breakfast one day. Mr Terry just nodded, but since then, thought of ways in which he could hide these aging tell tale signs. He imagined that everyone who came within close range was staring at his hair.

The following Sunday morning Mr Terry got up much earlier than usual and mixed some black shoe polish and hair cream. The hair cream was to camouflage the shoe polish smell. He applied this soft, creamy black mixture where ever he spotted the dreaded grey hairs on his moustache and hair.

"I need to get to the bathroom, too, my dear!" called out Mrs Terry who had noticed her husband's unusually long toilet routine behind a closed bathroom door.

"I'm coming, I'm coming!" he replied and emerged from the bathroom, clean shaven and as well groomed as could be.

Mrs Terry had not noticed anything unusual, but her husband kept on enquiring whether he looked good enough to face the fellow parishioners.

"You look good, as usual Toby," she assured him.

What she did notice that morning was that her husband did a quick sidestep when she reached out to ruffle his hair as she often did in a caring, teasing way.

During the church service Mr Terry's nose started to feel ticklish. He started to twitch and rub his nose, "Oh, it's probably hay fever again," he thought and reached for his white pocket handkerchief.

"A...aaah...tishoo!" and he blew his nose.

"Now what should make my forehead itch," he whispered to Mrs Terry and proceeded to wipe his forehead with his handkerchief.

Mrs Terry turned towards her husband to reply and

let out "Oh no!" in dismay. She took his arm and hurriedly ushered him past the other parishioners in the pew, down the aisle and right out of the church.

"What's wrong?" asked Mr Terry, totally flabbergasted. He was not used to his wife's hostile reaction. She took her hand mirror from her bag and showed her husband what he looked like.

The black shoe polish cream was all over his lips. His forehead was greasy black and he looked far from the usually well groomed gentleman that he was.

"Bah!" said Mr Terry, "I'll just go grey! My old fashioned remedy has let me down badly." He was sorely embarrassed and frustrated.

At home Mrs Terry served some hot tea. She sat opposite her husband now all cleaned up. She leaned over the table, parted her hair and displayed her own silver grey hair.

"Look Toby, we are getting on you know, we're no youngsters and I love you just the way you are!"

Mr Toby Terry become an elegant old grandfather and everyone admired his snowy white hair and moustache. That Christmas the photo of the three generations of the Terry family was very special.



Let this year's Christmas celebrations with your families be special too!

Rozzi in Oz
December 2019



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PUBLIC NOTICE Expression of Interest

Pemberton Public Library Furniture Items

The Pemberton Public Library has one double-sided cupboard, two book boxes on legs and one desk for disposal.

Expressions of interest must be submitted via email to the Pemberton Public Library at pembilib@manjimup.wa.gov.au

Closing date is 18 December 2019.

Andrew Campbell, Chief Executive Officer



History Corner (Bill Bryant) Celebrating Christmas

It's common practice to say 'Merry Christmas', whether it's in person, in a Christmas card, or online. The greeting originates in 1699, when an English admiral first used the term in an informal letter. The phrase was then used in Charles Dickens' 'A Christmas Carol' in 1843, and has rapidly grown in popularity since then.

Christmas Day is a holiday in many, but not all, countries. Many homes have Christmas trees and other decorations in the weeks leading to Christmas Day. Some workplaces hold Christmas parties prior to December 25. Festive activities include exchanging presents, singing Christmas Carols, going to parties.

It's a special time when children get presents from family, friends and Santa Claus or Father Christmas. For some, Christmas is an exclusive family affair, while others invite friends to a Christmas buffet or pot luck meal. Churches have special services and may include a crèche or miniature Nativity scene.

About Christmas Day

Christmas celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ, who Christians believe is the son of God. His birth date is unknown because there is little information about his early life. There is disagreement among scholars on when Jesus was born. Christians mostly celebrate Jesus' birthday on December 25; but Orthodox Christians celebrate Christmas Day on or near January 7, and in some countries the celebrations commence on December 6.

The word "Christmas" comes from the old English "Cristes maesse", or the mass of Christ. It is likely that the Christmas date of December 25 was chosen to offset the Pagan celebrations of Saturnalia and Natalis Invicti. It is also possible that the celebration of the birth of the "true light of the world" was set at the time of the December solstice because this is when the days in the northern hemisphere begin to grow longer. Christmas holiday customs derive from various cultures, including Teutonic, Celtic, Roman, West Asian and Christian.

Images and Symbols

Images of baby Jesus, the Christmas star, and other symbols associated with the religious meaning of Christmas are seen during the Christmas season.

The **mistletoe** is a commonly used Christmas decoration. By tradition, people who meet under a hanging mistletoe are obliged to kiss. Mistletoe has pagan associations. For example, the druids of Gaul regarded mistletoe growing on oak trees as sent from heaven. Other common decorations associated with Christmas are **holly and ivy** – both are associated with Pagan festivals as it was customary to decorate with greenery for these festivals.

Images of Santa Claus, snowmen, reindeer, and candy canes are also seen with the Christmas celebrations.

Some brief interesting insights about Christmas traditions around the world

In Germany the Christmas tree is usually only put up and decorated at the homes in the morning of the December 24. Festive Christmas celebrations begin on December 24, on Christmas Eve.

In Italy, a nativity scene, a '*presepe*', is usually put up in churches, town squares and often in homes. The nativity scene is a display with a crib filled with straw. '*Babbo Natale*', (Father Christmas) hands out presents to children on Christmas Day, but in many families, gifts are exchanged only on 6th of January which is the Day of Epiphany.

In Norway, children wait for '*Julenisse*', the Norwegian Santa Claus. On Christmas Eve, the '*Julenisse*', brings presents to the children.

In Iceland, children put their shoes on the windowsill so the '*Juletide Lads*', the Santa Claus, fills the shoes with little goodies. Christmas celebrations in Iceland start on December 24, Christmas Eve.

In the Philippines there is a special tradition of having a Christmas lantern, which is called '*paról*'; the lantern is star-shaped, remembering the star of Bethlehem, and mainly made out of bamboo and paper.

In France, in many regions, celebrations start with St Nicholas day on December 6. It is believed that decorated Christmas trees appeared as far back as the 14th Century. On Christmas eve, children put their polished shoes out in front of the chimney and hope that '*Pere Noel*' fills the shoes with sweets.

22 ways to greet people at Christmas

Joyeux Noël! (France) Buon Natale (Italy)
 Nollaig Shona Dhuit! (Ireland) Boas Festas! (Portugal)
 Wesolych Swiat (Poland) Sretan Bozic! (Croatia)
 Gëzuar Krishlindjet! (Albania) Merii Kurisumasu! (Japan)
 Zalig Kerstfeest! (Belgium) Glaedelig Jul! (Denmark)
 Rõõmsaid Jõule! (Estonia) Sung Tan Chuk Ha! (Korea)
 Gleðileg jó! (Icelandic (Iceland))
 Sukhsnt wan khristmās! (Thailand)
 Chuc Mung Giang Sinh! (Vietnam)
 Eftihismena Christougenna! (Greece)
 Craciun Fericit! (Romania, Moldova)
 Prettige Kerstdagen/Zalig Kerstfeest! (Netherlands)
 Frohe Weihnachten! (Germany, Austria, Switzerland)
 Kung His Hsin Nien Bing Chu Shen Tan China! (Mandarin)
 Feliz Navidad! (Spain and Gibraltar, Mexico and Central America; South America)
 Karisama te nawāṃ sāla khuṣāyāṃwālā hewe! (India, Pakistan)

•Romanian: Crăciun fericit

•Polish: Wesolych świąt Bożego Narodzenia

•Swedish: God Jul

* Czech: Veselé Vánoce



The Heritage and History Group held a 'Pemberton's Precious Pioneers' day in the Mill Hall recently to acknowledge our pioneers in the district with photos on display.

Morning Tea and Lunch were provided along with the showing of the movie 'Water Diviner'.

There was a bus tour in the afternoon through the West Pemberton area with various locals sharing wonderful memories and history about people, farms, places of significance etc.

We travelled up Pump Hill Rd and along Stirling Rd, stopping for Jill Baker to share her story of growing Finger Limes. Then we travelled on past Roche's farm and new avocado orchards to the old site of Pimelia which used to be a pine mill and still has a small collection of cottages. It was here where Kevin Dunnet was born – part of a large family. Kevin talked more about the farms and developments along Channybearup Rd, taking in the large strawberry farm. Erin and Natalie then talked about the history of the French and Stirling families since the early 1920's. A side trip to Karri Valley with its colourful history and new prospects was interesting, coming back past Dunnett's farming area and to the old site of Springfield School on the Vasse Highway and into the Treen Brook forests and then back down Thomsoon's Hill where the first creamery and slaughter shed for Pemberton butchers were housed. Finally, past the Pemberton Mill which is closed at present, although it has recently been bought. All in all it was a most interesting and enjoyable day had by all!

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Christmas Message

The end of the year is a time to reflect on what we have achieved and to also re-evaluate what is important. Often at Christmas we pause to consider and appreciate the people who have shared the journey and provided support. I certainly value all the people I have met this year, the conversations we have had, the topics we have argued, and the things I have learnt.

I am proud of my contribution to committee investigations into microgrids and the short-term accommodation sector. The reports have generated strong interest and contain a number of recommendations for Government consideration.

I hope many of these will be implemented to assist those industry sectors.

This year I pursued the Government on broken promises, Busselton Margaret River Airport, Camp schools, Community Resource Centre funding, water reforms, tourism figures, palliative care, youth mental health and bushfire mitigation. Parliamentary Questions and Freedom of Information applications have unearthed data I have used to keep the McGowan Government accountable.

As we come to the end of 2019, I look forward to some down time to connect with family and old friends, go to the beach, play with grandchildren and recharge the batteries in preparation for a busy 2020.

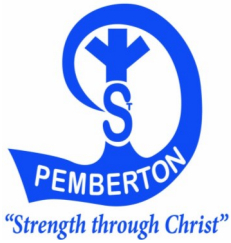
I extend my very best wishes to you and your family for a very happy and safe Christmas and New Year.

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SAINT JOSEPH'S SCHOOL NEWS

Book Week Festivities at Saint Joe's!

At Saint Joseph's, we celebrate Book Week a little later than most other schools. This year, our Book Week was November 4th-8th. We held a very successful Book Fair in our school library, with many families taking home some exciting new books to enjoy.

Undoubtedly, a major highlight is our Dress-Up Parade, where all students and staff members come to school dressed as a favourite book character. Once again, the students did not disappoint with their creative outfits.



We finished Book Week with a fairly new tradition- the Dad's Reading Day! We had many fathers and father-figures join us to spend time reading with their sons and daughters here at school. A great time was had by all and we hope our students continue to develop their love of reading.



NOVEMBER AT PDHS



SONYA STEWART'S WORK-



Year 4/5 Camp—Ngilgi Cave



Cricket Clinic



PEMBERTON DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

The year may be drawing to a close, but there is no slowing down at PDHS!

Continuing our Semester 2 theme of Indigenous Studies, we were delighted to have Sonya Stewart, a Noongar local from Denmark who works for Parks and Wildlife, visit and run workshops with our Primary students. Sonya captivated our students with her local knowledge, language and stories. She showed many photos of important historical sites in our region with evidence of Aboriginal inhabitancy dating back thousands of years. Students were welcomed to country in language and shown traditional tools, boomerangs and digging sticks.

Our Year 4/5 students also embarked on the 2019 Aboriginal Cultural Tour, their first ever school camp. They travelled from Pemberton to Busselton via Nannup, then visited the Ngilgi Cave in Yallingup where their guide, Josh, taught them about the Indigenous history and significance of the amazing subterranean landform. Students also took part in a Koomal Dreaming Cultural Tour where they heard Dreaming stories, Indigenous music and learnt some cultural dance moves.

We were excited to have Zack from the WACA come to PDHS and conduct a Cricket Clinic with all of our Primary classes. The kids loved his games and were impressed by his skills. Thanks to Zack for travelling all this way to ignite our students love of sport and create so much enthusiasm for cricket. The kids learnt to throw, catch and bowl over the one-hour session, and would have been happy to stay out there longer.


Our Year 9/10 Outdoor Pursuits students braved the elements on their camp. Over two days, they planned and executed an expedition from the Leaning Marri campsite, navigating to Lake Yeagarup and the Warren Beach sand dunes. They completed a wilderness first aid scenario and various survival skills activities before packing up camp, debriefing at the Camp School and heading back to PDHS. Our students showed fantastic independence, leadership and teamwork.



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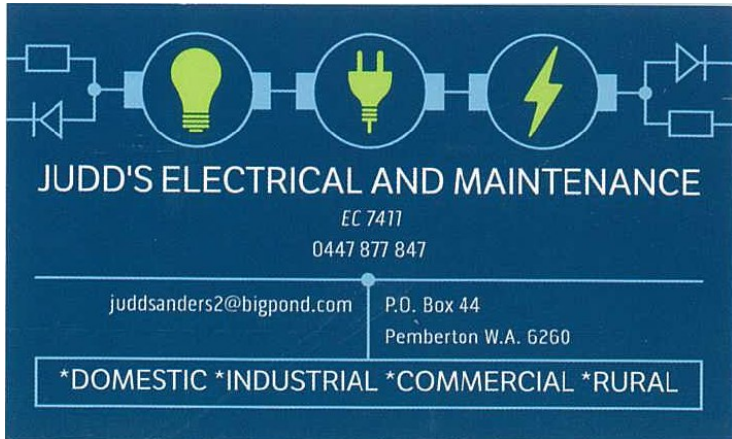
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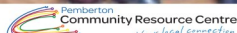


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Pick up 5 December to 8 December
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Pemberton Community Market
Vic Conte Community Garden
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Shire President's Message



30 years' of service, Lee-Anne Wood for 25 years' service and Aaron Wozencroft for 25 years' service.

I took the opportunity to speak with Commissioner Klemm in regards to upgrades at the Manjimup office to bring it into line with what is needed in the current climate.

We really cant say enough to thank our volunteers who selflessly give so much of their time to help the community.

Pemberton Golf Club

Saturday 16 November also saw the official opening of the Pemberton Golf Club by Ken Littlefair and John Bendotti.

Welcome Scroll

On the 11 November I was privileged to sign the Welcome Scroll. Currently the Welcome Scroll is on a national journey, visiting Refugee Welcome Zone Councils. The Welcome Scroll, is now almost seven metres long, with the logos of 113 Refugee Welcome Zone Councils.

Christmas Wishes

On Behalf of all Councillors, I wish all our residents and visitors to our region a very happy and safe Christmas and New Year holiday period.

Until next time...Paul

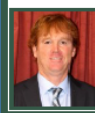
Volunteer Fire and Rescue Service (VFRS)

I had a very busy day on Saturday 16 November attending both the Walpole and Pemberton Volunteer Fire and Rescue Services celebrating 50 years of service to the community with open days.

Department of Fire and Emergency Services WA Commissioner Darren Klemm AFSM officially opened the Walpole Fire Station after its recent upgrades, presented a number of long service awards, and left some encouraging messages for members.

In Pemberton VFRS Captain Craig Martyn did an outstanding job of hosting the open day which was followed by the VFRS dinner attended by past and present members, Commissioner Klemm and local DFES Superintendent Phil Brandrett. About 80 people attended the dinner where Volunteer Employer Service Awards were presented to Mark Roche Farm Services, PJ Local Produce Pty Ltd and Kanny's Earthmoving. Service awards were also presented to 16 volunteers including John Varnavides for 45 years' service, Peter (Ray) Martyn for

West Ward Councillors



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Council Meeting

The next ordinary meeting of the Manjimup Shire Council will be held in the Council Chamber in Manjimup, entry off Brockman Street, commencing at 5:30pm Thursday 5 December 2019. Copies of the agenda are available the Monday prior to the meeting at any library within the Shire of Manjimup, the Administration Office or the Shire of Manjimup website.

Any person wishing to address or ask a question of the Council is welcome to do so at the start of the meeting.

The public are also welcome to attend the briefing which is held in the afternoon, prior to the Council meeting. If there are confidential items to be discussed, the public may be asked to leave the room for a period of time.

Christmas / New Year Hours

Administration Office and Depot

20 Dec 2019: 8.15am -10.00am
23 Dec 2019: 8.15am - 4.30pm
24 Dec 2019: 8.15am - 3pm
25 Dec 2019 - 1 Jan 2020: Closed

Re-opening: 2 Jan 2020

Pemberton Library

20 Dec 2019: Closed
21 Dec 2019: 9am - 12pm
22 Dec 2019 to 1 Jan 2020: Closed
Re-opening: 2 Jan 2020

AquaCentre

20 Dec 2019: 6am - 9.30am
21 Dec 2019: 9am - 5pm
22 - 23 Dec 2019: 10am - 5pm
24 - 27 Dec 2019: Closed
28 - 31 Dec 2019: 10am - 5pm
1 Jan 2020: Closed

Waste Management

The Pemberton Transfer Station will be **closed** on **Christmas Day** and **New Year's Day**.

There will be **no change** to any domestic kerbside rubbish bin or recycling collection services.

Commercial premises with skip bins should contact their contractor.

Pemberton public street bins will be cleared Sunday, Tuesday and Friday during the two weeks over Christmas and New Year and will be monitored for further emptying if required.

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Are you a local contractor? Have you applied to be on our approved contractors list?

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The Shire of Manjimup is committed to ensuring the safety of our contractors. The approved contractors list process ensures that your business is committed to the health and safety of your employees, the Manjimup community and visitors.

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Once a contractor has been included on the approved contractor list they can be considered for contracts with the Shire of Manjimup.

Apply at www.manjimup.wa.gov.au/approvedcontractorlist.

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Sat/Sun: 12.00pm - 5.00pm

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13 February	4 June	Walpole
5 March	25 June	15 October
26 March	Northcliffe	5 November
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