

SHIRE OF KOJONUP E-NEWS

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COUNCIL BRIEFS

Variable Speed Signs

With the financial support of the Road Safety Awareness and Enablers Fund (RSAEF), Council will soon be able to install three variable speed safety signs on the Main Street and hopefully motorists will be greeted with a happy face not a sad face because of exceeding the speed limit.

Manager Aged Care Services

Council will be farewelling Sue Northover as Manager Aged Care Services on 6 March 2020 having accepted a similar position with the City of Canning to manage its Aged Care Facility.

Sue will certainly be missed but we wish her all the very best for the future and sincerely thank Sue for her valuable contribution to the Shire of Kojonup and especially Springhaven. Council has commenced an extensive search for Sue's replacement.

Emergency Services

On behalf of the Shire of Kojonup we extend our sincere appreciation to St John Ambulance, Fire, Police, Medical and RFDS services for being there in our time of need. Your continued service to our community 24/7 is never taken for granted.



Shire President
John Benn

Chief Executive Officer
Rick Mitchell-Collins

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

SWIMMING POOL NEWS

Kevin O'Halloran Memorial Swimming Pool will be putting up a list of upcoming bookings on the notice board to keep you all up to date on the activities coming up so please have a look and come down to see some of the activities occurring here at the pool. Now that school has resumed please remember that when bringing your children into the pool, when playing in groups that haven't been 'hanging out' together for a while that all the pool rules still need to be followed and that they are being safe in the activities they do here at the pool.

SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVALS

Coming up soon are the School Swimming Carnivals where the local school children compete and have some fun against each other here at the pool. We will have the dates out for you soon so you can put it into your diary and come down, spectate and cheer on the fun.

SWIMMING CLUB STARTING AGAIN

Swimming club will be starting up again on Monday the 10 February and run every Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 3.15pm to 3.45pm for the younger group and then from 3.45pm to 4.30pm for the older group. Children who wish to join must have passed at least stage 5 at swimming lessons and have a developed breaststroke kick. You can call in at the pool and have an assessment or come down and trial to see if it the right fit for your child.

ENTRY STEPS INTO THE POOL

Have you found it hard to get in and out of the water in the past due to the vertical wall steps? If so you should come in and view/try out our new Entry Steps. They have made a huge difference in ease of access to the main pool for many people already this season so if in the past it was a bit hard you definitely come in and give them a try.

Aqua Aerobics

Our fantastic Aqua Aerobics classes are held on Monday's and Thursday's from 5:30pm to 6:30pm. Cost is \$10.00 per session which includes pool entry and \$8.00 for holders of a season pass.

POOL SUPERVISION

Please remember that now that school has started again that supervising your children is as important now as it was on day 1 of summer.

Please Always Remember to Watch Around Water



Gavin Richardson-Bunbury
Senior Pool Manager



Practical Driving Assessments

The next practical driving Assessor will be visiting Kojonup on **Friday, 6 March 2020** from 8:15am. Bookings are essential as there are only a small number of vacancies available.

Please contact the Shire Administration Office to book a place 98312400.

For more information about your Practical Driving Assessment follow this link:

https://www.transport.wa.gov.au/mediaFiles/licensing/LBU_DL_B_PDA.pdf

Be Connected with Bec!

Our favourite tech guru, BEC should have been back.....I know...I put a spanner in the works, needing to close the library last Thursday, so please forgive me.

But please keep a lookout for a message from Bec letting you know the date and time for our next lessons.

Storytime - Bringing Books to Life!

Storytime is back for 2020 fortnightly on Friday's at 10:30 am in the Library!

14 and 28 February:

13 and 27 March:

Sessions are free and last 30 minutes.

Stimulate your child's imagination and help develop their language and literacy skills with Storytime by introducing them to a wide range of awesome books and opportunities to socialise with others. We have a great time with awesome themed books, craft, colour in and rhymes too! If you would like to know more about Storytime, feel free to contact the Library/Lorreen on 9831 2412 or come along to a session.



Play Cafe – Guided Play!

Play Cafe is a regular and relaxed meeting for groups of young children who haven't yet started school and their parents or caregivers. This helps children arrive at school ready to learn, and because Play Cafe is held at the school, this helps with any anxiety as the children and adults are already familiar with the learning space.

At Play Cafe, children do organised play activities together while their parents or caregivers supervise and socialise.

Join Kat & Jordan on Wednesdays from 10:30am – 12:30pm at KDHS Kindy Room.

5, 12 and 19 February: 4, 11 and 18 March: 1 and 8 April:

Play Cafe is fully supported by the Shire of Kojonup, Communities for Children & Kojonup District High School.

There are no fees with any of our Early Years (0-4years) Events we just want and would love for you to join in and have fun with your children, while enjoying the company of adults.

Play in the Park – Open Space Play!

Play in the Park – Wednesday 26 February: 10:30am – 12:30pm at the APEX Park

Free Community Event, shared toys, story time, craft, activities and fresh fruit.

Bring your hat and water bottles and just enjoy the morning with other parents and carers.

Kojonup – Free Little Library!

It is so much more than a box of books!

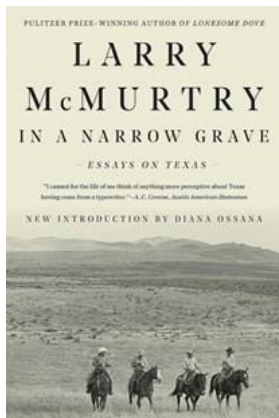
It is a place to start a conversation with people in the community and those travelling through our town. I love sitting in the APEX Park watching people standing, looking and taking a book to read for their journey.

It's like Kojonup is sharing the love of reading with everyone

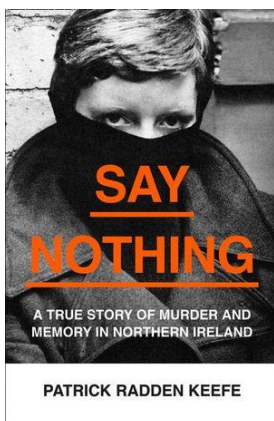
Keep a look out for the paint work happening soon, I'm quite excited that our 'Free Little Library' will be blessed with artwork from Annarine Chapman.

What's new in the library for our readers to enjoy?

I am currently waiting on our exchange from the State Library to arrive, but we have put some great reading on our shelves due to the generosity of our local readers.



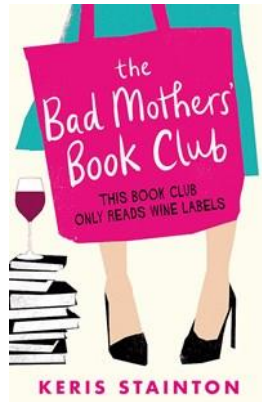
In a narrow grave - Before embarking on what would become one of the most prominent writing careers in American literature, spanning decades and indelibly shaping the nation's perception of the West, Larry McMurtry knew what it meant to come from Texas. Originally published in 1968, *In a Narrow Grave* is the Pulitzer Prize-winning author's homage to the past and present of the Lone Star State, where he grew up a precociously observant hand on his father's ranch. From literature to rodeos, small-town folk to big city intellectuals, McMurtry explores all the singular elements that define his land and community, revealing the surprising and particular challenges in the "dying . . . rural, pastoral way of life." "The gold standard for understanding Houston's brash rootlessness and civic insecurities"



Say nothing - One night in December 1972, Jean McConville, a mother of ten, was abducted from her home in Belfast and never seen alive again. Her disappearance would haunt her orphaned children, the perpetrators of this terrible crime and a whole society in Northern Ireland for decades.

In this powerful, scrupulously reported book, Patrick Radden Keefe offers not just a forensic account of a brutal crime but a vivid portrait of the world in which it happened. The tragedy of an entire country is captured in the spellbinding narrative of a handful of characters, presented in lyrical and unforgettable detail.

A poem by Seamus Heaney inspires the title: 'Whatever You Say, Say Nothing'. By defying the culture of silence, Keefe illuminates how a close-knit society fractured; how people chose sides in a conflict and turned to violence; and how, when the shooting stopped, some ex-combatants came to look back in horror at the atrocities they had committed, while others continue to advocate violence even today.

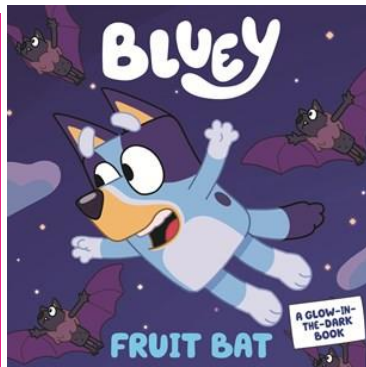
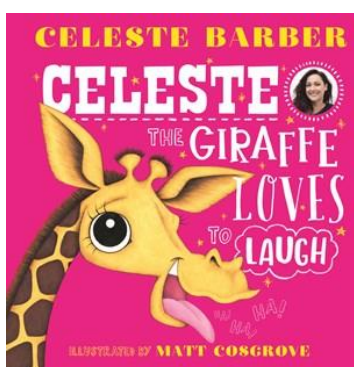
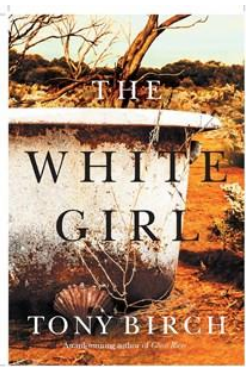
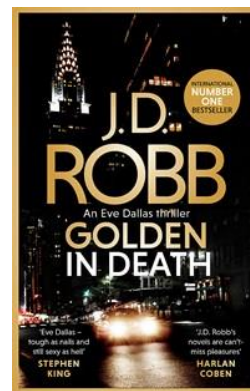
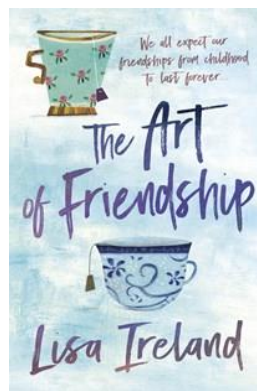
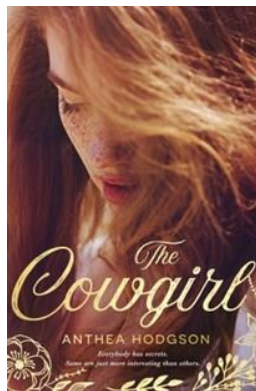
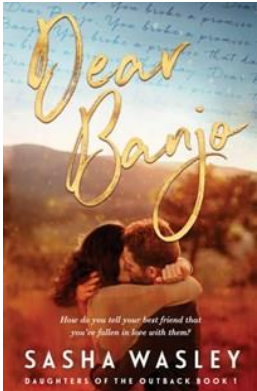


The Bad Mother's Book Club - Meet Emma, the new Mum on the block. Since moving to the Liverpoolian seaside after her husband's career change, her life consists of the following: long walks on the beach (with the dog), early nights (with the kids) and Netflix (no chill).

Bored and lonely, when Emma is cordially invited to the exclusive cool school-mums' book club, she thinks her luck may finally be about to change. But she soon finds the women of the club aren't quite what they seem - and after an unfortunate incident involving red wine and a white carpet, she finds herself unceremoniously kicked out.

The answer? Start her own book club - for bad mothers who just want to drink wine and share stories. But will this town let two book clubs exist? Or is there only room for one queen of the school gates...

Keep a look out for new local fiction titles arriving (hopefully before this newsletter is released)



Anthony Middleton
Manager Corporate & Community Services

Regenerative Farming Training

REHABILITATE- REGENERATE-REHYDRATE

Donnybrook WA 13-16 July 2020

[First time offered in WA]

Stuart and Peter Andrews from Tarwyn Park Training are offering a 4-day hands-on workshop based on redesigning your farm through Natural Sequence Farming techniques and principles to maximise productivity, enhance landscape function and minimise farm costs.

'System of farming focusing on implementing natural landscape function'



Natural Sequence Farming

Learn to

- Read the landscape
- Rehydrate the landscape
- Fully utilise your farms natural resources
- Locate, design and build landscape structures
- Redesign your own property
- Begin improving landscape function on your farm
- Lower your farm costs and boost profits

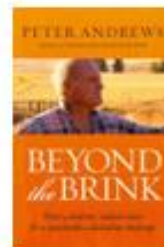


Learn from 'Agricultural Pioneer'

Peter Andrews OAM

Donnybrook WA 13-16 July 2020

The hands-on training includes course notes, catering & on farm demos.
\$2850 p/p *Limited numbers*
For more information
Shane 0408 672 237



POSITION VACANT



PERSONAL CARE ASSISTANT

If you are caring, enjoy communicating and interacting with people and have a passion to make a difference in an older person's life then this may be the position for you.

What we are looking for:

- Certificate 111 or 1V in Aged Care is desirable, but not a necessity
- A current police clearance is essential.
- An enthusiastic and genuine person with respect for the elderly.
- A reliable team player
- Some-one able to work flexible shifts as rostered.

What we can offer you:

- 5% above Aged Care Award pay rates.
- A friendly supportive multicultural team.
- A small rural homelike environment.
- Ongoing education and training.
- Assistance to complete aged care qualifications.

If you require further information please contact 98312800.

Applications including a covering letter and resume to be addressed to: Sue Northover
Manager of Aged Care Services, Springhaven Lodge, Barrack Place, Kojonup WA 6395 or email
macs@kojonup.wa.gov.au.

Applications from suitably qualified candidates will be gratefully received.

Applications close end of business Friday 22 February 2020.

Rick Mitchell-Collins
Chief Executive Officer

PUBLIC NOTICE



A "**Community Groups**" Meeting
is being held

Where: At the Sporting Complex

When: Tuesday 11 February

Time: 10.00am

Representatives will be attending from different Service/Community groups servicing Kojonup.

If you would like to come along for an informal discussion on the viability and sustainability of these groups, or to obtain more information in general, then please come along. Morning tea is provided.

For more information contact Elaine at cdo@kojonup.wa.gov.au



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What's on in Kojonup

and surrounding areas*

Kodja Place & Kojonup Visitor Centre
Kojonup Community Resource Centre
Kojonup Library

Open 7 Days, 9:00am - 5:00pm
Monday - Friday, 10:00am - 4:00pm
Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm, Saturday 9:30am - 11:30am

Ph: 9831 0500
Ph: 9831 0256
Ph: 9831 0412



Need more information? Or want your event listed?

Please call the Kodja Place or email: Kristel: bcc@kojonup.wa.gov.au

Every Sunday:	Every Monday:	Every Tuesday:	Every Wednesday:	Every Thursday:	Every Friday:	Every Saturday:
Grab a copy of the Kojonup News for Church Service times	Bridge Club , Bowling Club 9.30am Southern Singers , Lawrence House Hall 7:00pm Historical Society , 1 st Monday of every month, 3.00pm Kojonup Probus Club meeting , 4 th Monday of every Month, Uniting Church Hall, 2pm	Renew Op shop OPEN 10:00am-2:00pm All Crafts , 10am, Hockey Club ASK Youth Group , Baptist Church 3:30pm	Kojonup Men's Shed OPEN 1pm Third Wednesday of every Month	Play Group & Toy Library , Old School, 9.30am-11.30am (not during school holidays) Renew Op Shop OPEN 10:00am-2:00pm Gallery Aura Open	Renew Op Shop OPEN 10:00am-2:00pm Diabetes Clinic – Kojonup Hospital, second Friday of every month Gallery Aura Open	Gallery Aura Open
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
January 2020 26	27	28	29	30	31	1
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	School Returns		Play Café , KDHS Kindy Rooms 10.30am-12.30pm			Back to School Party , Kojonup Swimming Pool, 12pm – 4pm Free Entry
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Busselton Jetty Swim			Play Café , KDHS Kindy Rooms 10.30am-12.30pm		Valentine's Day	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		Council Meeting 3.00pm	Play Café , KDHS Kindy Rooms 10.30am-12.30pm		Red Card Fox Shoot	Wandea Races Red Card Fox Shoot Rottnest Channel Swim
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
			Play in the Park 10.30am			Race Wars- Albany Airport