



SHIRE OF KOJONUP E-NEWS

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COUNCIL BRIEFS

It is hard to believe that we are now in February and Term 1 of school has commenced. Council wishes returning and new students and teachers, an exciting and fruitful year.

Council extends its congratulations to the Kojonup Lions Club, Australia Day winners and to all those who were nominated and attended the breakfast. Congratulations to Wandecia Races Committee for conducting another successful race day.

Also, our sincere thanks to all volunteer firefighters, both local and surrounding districts, for their incredible efforts to pull up the Ryan's Brook fire under extreme conditions.

Briefing Session – 5 February 2019

1 - Received an update from Chief Bush Fire Control Officer – Tony Fisher, Zulu 2 – Roger House and Zulu 3 – Ross Fryer-Smith on the fire season to date, Emergency Services Levy, the fantastic effort of our volunteers and community to assist property owners and neighbours and reiterated the need to find a solution to the replacement/relocation or duplication of the fire communications tower. Council agreed that the Communications Tower is a high priority and as such requires all options to be tabled on or before 18 June 2019 as communications is vital to support the fire fighting and coordination efforts of volunteers.

A meeting of the Bush Fire Advisory Committee is scheduled to be held 13 February 2019.

2 - Received a proposal for a stand-alone purpose-built Medical Centre for land known as 'Walkers Block' to be established and managed by "The George Church Community Medical Centre Inc." This proposal will be the subject of an agenda item to be tabled at the 19 February 2019 Council Meeting. Council, via the CEO lodged an expression of interest seeking Commonwealth Funding under the 'Community Health and Hospitals Program' with the office of Rick Wilson, MP on 6 February 2019 for the Federal Ministers consideration.

3 - Local Government Act 1995 – Review - As previously advised the State Government is seeking community comment on potential changes to the Local Government Act. Community Members can complete the survey. Surveys are open until 31 March 2019 and can be found at:

<https://www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/localgovernment/strengthening/Pages/LG-Act-Review.aspx>

Staff Changes:

Council wishes Cassandra Fletcher (Albany City Council), Lisa Bellotti, Rebecca Wood and Daphne Sanyangore every success in their new adventures and thank you for your contribution to the Shire of Kojonup.

We welcome 4 Casual Customer Service Officers together with Personal Carers Adam Fisher and Gennielex Abalos to the team.

We also extend our best wishes for a speedy recovery to Danny Sullivan and Colin Greeuw.

Condolences

Council extends sincere condolences to the families and friends at the passing of Doreen Thelma Black, Grace McKee, Bob Drage, Nena Park and Colin Fosbery.



*Shire President
Ronnie Fleay*

*Chief Executive Officer
Rick Mitchell-Collins*

SPRINGHAVEN

Our residents and staff always enjoy celebrating Australia Day together to exult what we love about the Australian culture. The aim was for residents to reminisce through food, music and stories.



Staff hosted a traditional Aussie BBQ for residents with good Australian music in the background, live piano entertainment by Yooa and bubbly refreshments to wash it all down.

The Australian Day program was very pleasant - thank you to our wonderful staff who made this possible for our residents.

If anyone has a special talent, plays a musical instrument or if you have a special pet you would like to bring in for pet therapy with residents – please contact Jacky on 9831 2800.

Sue Northover
Manager Aged Care Services

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES



Play Cafe is Back!

Wednesdays in the Kojonup District High School Kindy Room starting from 9:30am - 11:30am.

We welcome all families 0-5 years.

Please remember to bring a water bottle & hat

Anthony Middleton
Manager Corporate & Community Services

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM

WELCOME TO THE TEAM

The Kodja Place and Kojonup Visitor Centre would like to welcome 4 new team members to the casual pool.

- Natassia Shirazee
- Laurette Costello
- Elaine Venn
- Natasha Clarke

KODJA PLACE VISITOR REVIEWS

"Thanks for all your stories Jack!! You are a Kojonup treasure." Z Bell, WA

"Such a lovely place, very informative." Flood Family, Glen Forrest, WA

"Friendly staff, great place, Thanks." P & R Ward, QLD

"Jack is the best tour guide." Hetherington, UK

Book a Tour with Jack

Are you new to Kojonup or maybe just passing through? Why not book a guided tour with our local Elder Jack Cox at The Kodja Place? Remember, entry is free for local residents of Kojonup and if you bring along visiting friends or relatives, they get in at half-price.

The Kodja Place tells the inside story of Australian country life in ways that will move and delight you. Voices, photographs, art and objects from Kojonup's Noongar-Aboriginal and settler cultures are woven together in imaginative and richly-layered interpretations.



To book a tour with Elder Jack Cox contact Kristel on 9831 0500 or email: bcc@kojonup.wa.gov.au

Growing Older In Your Community Survey

Are you 65 years of age or older, or for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people, over 50 years, have 20 minutes to spare and want to help shape and improve access to your healthcare? The State Government through WA Country Health Service is currently requesting your views by completing a survey in order to gain an understanding on what are the barriers of growing older or ageing in the community and what opportunities there are to improve the ability for people to "age in place" within their local community.

If you would like to provide input by completing a survey, it can be done by:

1. Complete the survey on paper (which can be picked up from the front counter of the Shire office) and return it by pre-paid return post.

2. Complete the survey on-line via www.surveymonkey.com/r/growinggoldincommunity;
3. Register your interest in the survey by telephoning (08) 6389 4500 and they will call you back to complete the survey by phone.

It is important to note that data collected from responses will not be tracked back to individuals. A similar survey was run in 2017 and the current survey will measure if there has been any changes since then.

Every Club Hub Is A New Online Resource For Community Sports Clubs.

Grassroots sport and recreation clubs throughout Western Australia now have access to a comprehensive online resource offering instant access to resources, support and guidance to help volunteers run their local teams.

The Every Club Hub, launched by Sport and Recreation and Volunteering Minister Mick Murray, is a one-stop shop for the State's 5,500 community sporting clubs and their volunteers. Featuring everything from guides to running club finances, writing grant funding applications, and running a social media account - the Every Club Hub provides guidance on the many tasks club volunteers need to manage.

The Hub was developed following State-wide consultation with 760 clubs and 92 Local Governments, with strong representation from the regions.

Visit www.dsr.wa.gov.au/clubs to access the Every Club Hub

AVAILABLE GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:

The Department of Local Government, Sport and Culture Industries, in partnership with Healthway, will be offering a second round of **Targeted Participation Program (TPP)** funding for eligible Category 2 applicants.

The TPP provides funding for organisations to promote participation and active engagement of Western Australian communities in sport and active recreation.

Those eligible for this Category are as follows:

- Sport and Recreation Agents
- State Sporting Associations (SSAs)
- Industry Representative Organisation/Peak Body
- Local governments

This round will be open for four weeks, from **Monday, 11 February**. The grant funding value will be **\$15,001 to \$50,000**. For further details about this scheme, please visit www.dsr.wa.gov.au/tpp Funding Opportunities

Youth Engagement Grants Program

Closes Sunday, **30 June**

Grants of up to \$10,000 are available for local governments and community service organisations to implement projects that engage young people (10–18 years old) in creative ways and help achieve positive outcomes.

Funding of up to \$5,000 is available for one-off activities or initiatives with a duration of up to six months involving one or more partners and that contribute to the achievement of program objectives. See more at: www.dlgs.wa.gov.au/GrantsFunding/Pages/Youth-Engagement-Grants-Program.aspx

Grants for Women

Closes Sunday, **30 June**

Grants of up to \$10,000 are available for local governments and community service organisations to implement projects that focus on addressing the unique issues faced by women.

Funding of up to \$5,000 is available for one-off activities or initiatives, with a duration of up to six months that contribute to the program's priority areas. See more at: www.dlgs.wa.gov.au/GrantsFunding/Pages/Grants-for-Women.aspx

Be Connected Grant Program

Please see link to grant funding for digital literacy skills activities for seniors for eligible organisations. www.beconnectednetwork.org.au/grant-program

There are three grant streams available ranging from \$2000 to \$15,000 with deadlines ranging from 1 March 2019 to August 2019 dependent on the grant stream. It is also important to note that

applicants must be members of the Be Connected Network to be eligible. If you aren't already a member, you can join the Network if you are delivering digital and social inclusion activities at a local level: www.beconnectednetwork.org.au/join-the-network-step-1

The Be Connected Network is made up of community partners from around Australia helping to make a difference in the lives of digitally excluded people. There are over 2,000 Network Partners across Australia, from libraries to Men's Sheds, community centres to retirement villages, and computer clubs to cultural groups. For more information or assistance contact connect@goodthingsfoundation.org

2019 WA Volunteer of the Year Nominations are Now Open!

Your chance to recognise Kojonup's incredible Volunteers and raise the profile of your organisation and our town.

Nominations for the prestigious **WA Volunteer of the Year Awards** are now open and you are invited to nominate a special individual or organisation to be recognised for the contribution they have made. Winners will be announced at a beautiful red carpet gala event at the Crown Perth on **22 May 2019**.

The Awards, an initiative of Volunteering WA and part of National Volunteer Week celebrations, recognise the significant and highly valued contribution that volunteering makes in our communities.

Last year's winners not only gained recognition for their own outstanding volunteering efforts but also for the organisations in which they volunteer and the awards were attended by many dignitaries including His Excellency Kim Beazley AC and the Minister for Volunteering Mick Murray.

'Our volunteers make a world of difference every single day and the awards present a wonderful opportunity to recognise their outstanding contributions,' Volunteering WA CEO Tina Williams said. 'We look forward to showcasing and thanking these incredible volunteers and organisations who give their time so generously and make our communities better places to live.'

We encourage all our members to nominate someone in your organisation or someone that does great work in the community!

How to nominate:

Nominating is very simple and is completely online at

<https://awards.volunteeringwa.org.au/nominate-someone/>

The following categories are available:

- The WA Youth Volunteer of the Year Award, sponsored by YMCA WA
- The WA Lifetime Contribution to Volunteering Award, sponsored by Silver Chain
- The WA Volunteer for Multicultural Communities Award, sponsored by Office of Multicultural Interests
- The WA Volunteer of the Year Award, sponsored by Bankwest
- The WA People's Choice 'Spirit of Volunteering' Award, sponsored by Community News, our media partner
- The WA Excellence in Volunteer Management Award, sponsored by Department of Communities
- The WA Corporate Volunteer of the Year Award, sponsored by Adcorp
- The WA Community Volunteer Organisation of the Year Award, sponsored by Lotterywest

Nominations close: 5pm Sunday 10 March 2019.

Award recipients will be announced at a formal Gala Awards Dinner Presentation at the Crown Perth on Wednesday 22 May 2019.

For more information on the awards or if you have any questions about the nomination process, please contact Manager Marketing and Communications Monika Page on monika@volunteeringwa.org.au

Local Drug Action Team - Media Competition*

The Local Drug Action Team is inviting entries for a community competition that creates awareness of the short term effects of alcohol on young people.

Interested participants are encouraged to request an information package before submitting a proposal.

Develop a media product targeted to young people aged 18 to 25, raising awareness of the short-term consequences of drinking alcohol to excess.

Anyone from within the Great Southern can apply. Top five entries for the competition will receive \$2,000 each to develop the media product. Exciting prizes for winners once the media products are developed and submitted.

Information packs can be obtained by contacting: Palmerston Albany on 9892 2100 or email: skhairnar@palmerston.org.au OR Great Southern Aboriginal Health Service on 9892 7222 or email: Jye.Walker@health.wa.gov.au

Entries close 8 March 2019

Zahra Shirazee

Manager Community Development & Tourism

REGULATORY SERVICES

Private Swimming Pool Inspection Program

The Shire has received feedback regarding the private swimming pool inspection program that was completed recently. State legislation requires local governments to inspect all private swimming pools within their boundaries once every four years. In response to the State Government's enquiry into deaths caused by drowning, the Shire reviewed its list of private swimming pools. For the Shire of Kojonup, current legislation requires that only pools within townsite boundaries be inspected so a new list was developed in 2016 from a combination of Shire building records and aerial photography of the townsites.

Under the provisions of the *Building Act 2011* an authorised person may, at any reasonable time, enter and remain on the following places:

- *A place at which it is required to conduct inspection or test equipment, machinery or system or an existing building under s.45(2)(d) {safety or health} or s.93(2)(d) {applicable changes to building standards}.*

An authorised person is not permitted to enter a part of a place in use as a residence except – with the consent of an adult occupier OR under the authority of an entry warrant OR to action a Building Order (emergency).

As the majority of swimming pools are not located within the residential portion of a property, the Shire is not required to provide written notice to owners of its intentions to undertake an inspection. While not required to, as a courtesy, the Shire issued correspondence to landowners in March 2017 and again in May 2018 informing of the intended inspections and provided a list of items that would be checked. Council determined that a fee for service be issued for owners of swimming pools i.e. so that the user pays and not all residents subsidise a service needed by only those with private pools.

A swimming pool is defined as a structure intended for wading, swimming that is more than 300mm deep. Inside the townsite boundaries a swimming pool barrier is required.

For further information regarding the requirements for pool barriers, please contact the Shire's Development Services Coordinator, Michelle Dennis, on 9831 2424.

Expressions of Interest – Disposal of Items

The Old Day Care Centre at 12 Elverd Street is earmarked for demolition to make way for a new unit development. Prior to demolition, there are a number of items that residents may be interested in purchasing. A list of these items, and relevant offer form, is available to view and download from the Shire's website. All items are offered on an "as is" basis and will be required to be removed by the successful bidder between 26 February and 8 March 2019. An "open afternoon" will be held on Thursday 14 February from 2:30pm until 4:00pm for interested parties to inspect items.

Offers are to be in writing and marked in an envelope "Confidential – Expressions of Interest – Disposal of Items" and either delivered to the Shire Administration Office (93-95 Albany Highway Kojonup) or mailed to PO Box 163 Kojonup WA 6395. Expressions of Interest close 10:00am Tuesday 26th February 2019.

For further information please contact Michelle Dennis on 9831 2424.

Michelle Dennis

Development Services Coordinator

WORKS AND SERVICES

The Depot crew have had a busy start to the year. Take a look at what they have been up to:

- The Kojonup Frankland Road widening is coming to an end – sealing will take place on Tuesday 12 February 2019.
- Finalising the Sporting Complex seal.
- Removing old kerbing and replacing it with new kerbing on 19 February 2019 for Hallam, Crescent and Partridge Roads.
- Grading of roads will continue as needed.

Not to be outdone, the Parks and Gardens crews are also busy:

- The oval has had an application of dolomite to change the pH.
- Dam levels are getting low so watering has been reduced.
- Summer weed spraying continues.
- The trees at Muradup Cemetery have been removed on the western boundary.
- Returfing of sections on football oval, Apex Park and hockey oval.

Craig McVee

Manager of Works and Services

LOCAL AND REGIONAL EVENTS AND OTHER INFORMATION

DO YOU ENJOY BEING CREATIVE?

Do you enjoy making videos, posters, memes, music or other online stuff? Want to share your creations online and be part of promoting a positive message for our community?

If yes

Local Drug Action Team based in Albany is inviting entries for a community competition

THEME
Develop a media product targeted to young people aged 18 to 25, raising awareness of the short-term consequences of drinking alcohol to excess.

WHO CAN APPLY
All age groups, amateurs, professionals, individuals, students and teams.

HOW TO ENTER

1. Request an information package.
2. Submit proposal before 8th March.
3. If selected, receive money to create media product.
4. Submit media product.
5. Winners receive prize money.

Top five entries for the competition will receive \$2,000 each to develop the media product. Exciting prizes for winners once the media products are developed and submitted.

ENTRIES NOW OPEN
Submit proposals by 8th March 2019

PRIZES
1st - \$2,000
2nd - \$1,000
3rd - \$500

Request an information pack today from:
Palmerston Albany on 9892 2100 or email: slkhairnar@palmerston.org.au OR
Great Southern Aboriginal Health Service on 9892 7222 or email: Jye.Walker@health.wa.gov.au

Full terms and conditions can be requested from: Palmerston, 62 Serpentine Road, Albany WA 6330.

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POSITION VACANT – CUSTOMER SERVICE OFFICER

The Shire of Kojonup is looking for an enthusiastic and friendly person to be the smiling face of our Shire Administration Office customer service counter.

Reporting to the Manager of Corporate and Community Services, you will join our team and lead our customer service culture. The successful applicant will be the first point of contact for all customer enquiries in the Administration Office and be responsible for Department of Transport Licensing, cashing duties, telephone enquiries, stationary purchases and other general administration. The Shire values professional development and exposure to the Library and financial management can provide career opportunities.

If you have strong customer service and numeracy skills, sound computer skills, a positive attitude, willingness and ability to be flexible and work as part of a close knit team this may be the perfect role for you. The successful applicant will be required to obtain a Police Clearance before appointment and undertake a five (5) day training course in Perth after commencement.

This full time position is offered in accordance with Level 2 - 3 of the All of Staff Agreement 2011 and the Local Government Industry Award 2010 (\$54,185p.a. - \$60,576p.a.).

Applications are to be addressed to the undersigned and close on Wednesday, 20 February 2019. To obtain a copy of the information package please go to our website www.kojonup.wa.gov.au or for further information about the position, please contact Anthony Middleton, Manager Corporate & Community Services via email mcs@kojonup.wa.gov.au or telephone (08) 9831 2405.

Rick Mitchell-Collins
Chief Executive Officer

February 2019

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



What's on in Kojonup

and surrounding areas*

Need more information? Or want your event listed?

Please call the Kodja Place or email: 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, Uniting Church 7:00pm	Renew Op shop OPEN 10:00am-2:00pm All Crafts, 10am, Hockey Club ASK Youth Group, Baptist Church 3.30pm	Play Café, KDHS Kindy Rooms 9.30am-11.30am (not during school holidays) 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	Kojonup Men's Shed OPEN 9:00am to 12:00pm Renew Op Shop OPEN occasionally 10:00am-2:00pm	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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		3			"Aunt Peggy, a Women of the 20 th Century" Book Launch, 3.30pm Lesser Hall	Wandee Races
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	School Returns			Playgroup and Toy Library open, 9.30am		Redefining Food Quality with Sabrina Hahn & Guy Jefferies, RSL Hall, 3 pm - 7 pm, Tickets Available by contacting Nightingales Nest and Nursery (9831 1496)
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Fringe World Festival 2019 Premier Mill Hotel Katanning Presents: Family Friendly Circus Spectacular 5pm Adults Only Variety Gala 8pm					Boyup Brook Country Music Festival: 5.00pm	Boyup Brook Country Music Festival continues
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Boyup Brook Country Music Festival: Finish 3.15pm		Ordinary Council Meeting Commencing at 3.00pm in Council Chambers	Kojonup Men's Shed OPEN 1pm			
24	25	26	27	28		

Compiled by the team at the Shire of Kojonup & Kodja Place for the Kojonup Community. What events do you want to know about? Contact us, we would love to hear from you.