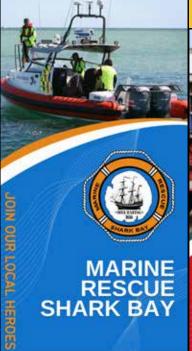


Have you been thinking about volunteering?









Now is the perfect time to join!



HAVE YOUR SAY IN THE FUTURE OF SHARK BAY

THE SHIRE IS INVITING COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO HAVE INPUT INTO THE FUTURE OF SHARK BAY BY CONTRIBUTING TO A REVIEW OF SHARK BAY'S STRATEGIC COMMUNITY PLAN.

WORKSHOP: MON 27 FEB | 5:30-7:30PM | RECREATION CENTRE
2HR FACILITATED SESSION | NIBBLES AND DRINKS PROVIDED
ONLINE SURVEY: WWW.SHARKBAY.WA.GOV.AU/NEWS
PHYSICAL SURVEY: SHIRE ADMIN OFFICE | MON-FRI 8:30AM-4PM

Executive Officer's Report

As children return to school for 2023 we in the CRC have welcomed an increase in the number of people requiring assistance to complete and lodge government-related secondary schooling documents. To make things easier for those completing schooling via School of Isolated Distant Education (SIDE) here in Denham and those boarding away, we thought we would start a list of the eligible payments you could potentially receive for your child's secondary education. Please note these are just some of the payments you might claim and may alter from situation to situation.

Students attending SIDE here in Denham are eligible for the below:

- Assistance for Isolated Children (just over roughly \$4,100 per year paid directly to parents per term). A form is required to be completed and lodged annually.
- For those parents with a health care card they may also be eligible for a Secondary Assistance Scheme
 - \$115 Clothing (paid to the parent)
 - \$235 School fees (paid directly to the school)

There may be other opportunities available so please do not hesitate to contact the school office staff.

For Students attending boarding school you possibly could also be eligible for the below:

- Assistance for Isolated Children can be paid per term to yourself, paid directly to the boarding house or even to someone you have organised private accommodation with (such as boarding kids living with grandparents etc). In this instance you could be eligible for approximately \$9,396.
- Boarding Away From Home allowance (WA Education Department) – apply in January of the schooling year.
 Can be also paid directly to the boarding house to reduce accommodation fees.
- Additional Boarding Allowance (income tested through Centrelink). Note there is no form however a call to their offices to ask if you are eligible to claim is required. Contact 132 318.
- Department of Transport (DOT) Student Travel Subsidy

 students can have their start-of-term and end-of-term travel reimbursed/paid for; including air, bus and road transportation. For those attending Perth it would be air travel. For those in Geraldton it would be by road. Parents/guardians should complete:
 - Form ODT55 Student Registration Student Travel Subsidies which registers you and your child with DOT so you can be reimbursed for travel each school holidays trip to pick up/drop off your child.
 - Once registered download and complete Form ODT57 Application for Reimbursement for Road Travel Subsidy from DOT. Have this signed by your child's school as proof they attend there then keep track of your travel. Lodge at the end of the schooling year.
- For those parents with a health care card they may also be eligible for a Secondary Assistance Scheme
 - \$115 Clothing (paid to the parent)
 - \$235 School fees (paid directly to the school)

Please keep in mind that several of these documents require the signature of your child's school as proof they







attend. These include the Department of Transport – Form ODT57, Application for Reimbursement for Road Travel Subsidy and the Secondary Assistance Scheme to claim school clothing and school fees as they need to physically sight your health care card.

Parents and students can also apply at their school reception for a Smart Rider travel card for a small fee of around \$5. It acts as a student ID card for their school but can be used to pay for bus and train fees etc. Once received create an account on the Transperth website and link the card so you can top up any funds to assist with your child's travel needs around the city and or Geraldton if needed.

Lastly another thing to remember is you don't need to purchase a Microsoft Office subscription for your child to access Word, Excel etc. Each child is assigned at their school an email login etc which gains them free access to a student subscription of Microsoft Office.

Jamie Burton - Executive Officer, SBCRC

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Shire President's Report - February 2023

Welcome Back, but also Good Byes

If you managed to have a break elsewhere over the past few weeks, I hope you've returned to the Bay relaxed and refreshed! There are several long-term residents who have either recently relocated from the Bay or will be doing so shortly. We thank them profusely for their commitment and contribution to the Shark Bay community during the period of their residency. Hope the move goes well and look forward to catching up when you're next in the Bay!

December 2022 Community Events

There were several community activities and events held during December, which included Thank a Volunteer Day and the Seniors Christmas Lunch, at which the Community Resource Centre (CRC) supported the Shire to provide local seniors with a three-course catered lunch. Also in conjunction with Seniors Week in November, a range of activities were held, which included a wood engraving workshop at the CRC.

Australia Day Citizenship Awards

These awards are presented annually to local community members who have made noteworthy contributions to the Shark Bay community or given outstanding service to the local community over a number of years through active involvement. All those nominated receive a certificate of acknowledgment.

An estimated 60 people attended the celebrations and awards ceremony on Australia Day, which was held at the Town Hall. Those attending were treated to a free hearty breakfast at the conclusion of the event, at which Cr. Ben Bellottie welcomed everyone to Malgana Country and the Hon. Neil Thomson, MLC also addressed the audience.

The current theme of Reflect, Respect and Celebrate provided a great opportunity to consider those aspects of the story of Australia; whether your story began thousands of years ago or a lot more recently, it's the story of an extraordinary nation. We can reflect on our history – both the highs and lows, respect and acknowledge everyone's stories and celebrate our nation, its achievements and its people. We are all part of this story and have much to be thankful for, and proud of, as Australians.

Congratulations to everyone who was nominated in the Shire's Australia Day Citizens of the Year Awards. Unfortunately, there were no nominees in the Youth (under 18) category this year.

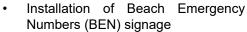
In the Senior category (over 65 years) Philip Wood and John Senteneller were nominees – with Phil receiving the award. Those nominated in the Individual (25 years and over) category were Janet Court, Karen Gidley, Andrew Wassman, Rebecca Moroney, and Barbara Storman – with Karen receiving the award.

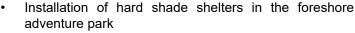
The two nominees for the Community Event or Group category were Shark Bay Fiesta 2022 and Shark Bay Downwinder 2022. The award was presented to Shark Bay Fiesta 2022.

All extremely worthy nominees who make a significant contribution to the well-being of our local community. A big THANK YOU! To Shark Bay Bowling Club volunteers, Shire staff and volunteer chefs for your support of the event.

Grant Funded Projects

Work is continuing on the following local community programs:





- Matting and beach wheelchairs accessibility to town beach area
- New reticulation and resurfaced lawn areas town oval and foreshore
- Installation of additional solar streetlights and CCTV cameras.

Funding has been confirmed for the projects below;

- \$25,000 Department of Communities for Child Care staff accommodation
- \$70,000 Department of Transport for dual use pathway along Stella Rowley Drive

Funding has been requested for the following projects;

- An application for funding of \$100,000 was submitted in November 2022 to Live Music Australia for a Beats in the Bay Festival 2023.
- An application for \$2,361.314 to the Coastal and Estuarine Risk Management Program for an upgraded/ extended seawall along the Denham foreshore has been partially successful, with \$1.76m being awarded. The remaining funds are subject to approval from State Treasury, with the outcome expected to be advised in February.

Grant Funding Applications Confirmed

- \$314,413 Recreational Boating Facilities (Department of Transport), new finger jetty at northern boat ramp carpark (adjacent to Denham Seaside Caravan Park). Council will be further discussing this application at the February meeting.
- \$4,118,200 has been awarded to the Shire through Round 2 – Social Housing Economic Recovery Package grants.

WA-Kite Downwinder January

This event held on 7th January, consisted of a 10km downwinder (featuring kites, SUPs, wings and kayaks) which commenced at 10am, plus a 40km kite race from Whalebone to Denham in the afternoon, followed by a party at Ocean Park in the evening. The second day a free wind and water festival was provided on the Denham foreshore.

Congratulations to all involved in organising, competing, sponsoring and volunteering for this amazing (and hopefully annual) event!

Cheryl Cowell Shire President

Activities

January

December 05 Thank a Volunteer Event

07 WA Local Government Assn – State Council Meeting

09 Shire Christmas Party

09 Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Act Webinar

14 December Shire Council Meeting

07 Shark Bay Downwinder – Presentations

26 Australia Day Celebrations

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CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY

JOIN THE ANNUAL DENHAM AND SURROUNDS CLEAN UP!
FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE FOR VOLUNTEERS

SUNDAY 26 FEB | 8AM-9:30AM | DENHAM FORESHORE FOR MORE INFO VISIT WWW.SHARKBAY.WA.GOV.AU



Denham 125th Anniversary

Exhibition in the Rose de Freycinet Art Gallery

2023 marks the 125th Anniversary of the Denham Townsite being gazetted (6 May 1898). The Shark Bay World Heritage Discovery & Visitor Centre is seeking expression of interest for exhibit items to assist with the celebration.

- ✓ Photographs
- News articles
- ✓ Historical objects
- Memorabilia

We are seeking items from current/past residents, local community groups and businesses that represent Denham's 'way of life' from the previous decades.

Items will be on loan from March - July 2023

For further information contact Shark Bay World Heritage Discovery & Visitor Centre on 9948 1590







PUBLIC NOTICE DATES AND TIMES FOR THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR 2023

In Accordance with the *Local Government Act 1995* Council wishes to advise that the Ordinary Council meetings for 2022 will be held as follows:

February 2023 – Wednesday 22 Commencing at 3:00 pm in Council Chambers March 2023 – Wednesday 29 Commencing at 10:00 am in Council Chambers April 2023 – Wednesday 26 Commencing at 3:00 pm in Council Chambers May 2023 – Wednesday 31 Commencing at 3:00 pm in Council Chambers June 2023 – Wednesday 28 Commencing at 3:00 pm in Council Chambers July 2023 – Wednesday 26 Commencing at 3:00 pm in Council Chambers August 2023 – Wednesday 30 Commencing at 10:00 am in Council Chambers September 2023–Wednesday 27 Commencing at 3:00 pm in Council Chambers October 2023 – Wednesday 25 Commencing at 3:00 pm in Council Chambers November 2023 – Wednesday 29 Commencing at 3:00 pm in Council Chambers; and December 2023 – Wednesday 13 Commencing at 3:00 pm in Council Chambers.

Dale Chapman - Chief Executive Officer

Shire of Shark Bay Notices



Shark Bay World Heritage Discovery & Visitor Centre

Employment Opportunity Part Time Customer Service Officer

We are seeking 2 x part-time staff member who is passionate about the Shark Bay World Heritage Listed Area and promoting tourism.

This role offers a high level of variety, autonomy and ability to use your creativity in promoting Shark Bay region. Working roster is inclusive of weekend hours with minimum 37.5 hours fortnight.

We are seeking a person with people skills to provide excellent customer service, a sales background - and a willingness to learn. Reliable and responsible person able to operate with minimal direct supervision. Experience in tourism promotion and retail will be highly regarded.

For a copy of the job description, please visit the Shire of Shark Bay website employment page.

To apply, please email a copy of your resume and a covering letter outlining your experience and skills by close of business on Wednesday 8 February 2023, to the Shire of Shark Bay at admin@sharkbay.wa.gov.au. Interviewing process may commence before closing date for the right candidate.

Shark Bay World Heritage Discovery & Visitor Centre 53 Knight Terrace, Denham WA 6537 (08) 9948 1590 www.sharkbayvisit.com.au

BAITING TO PROTECT NATIVE WILDLIFE

Under the Parks and Wildlife Service's Western Shield program, baiting to control foxes and feral cats occurs on more than three million hectares of conservation lands in Western Australia.

The baits used are toxic to introduced animals but not to native animals which have an evolved tolerance to the active compound (1080). All baited areas are signposted.

Baiting occurs on a regular and ongoing basis to protect endangered native animals including the numbat, western ground parrot and western swamp tortoise.



Attention pet owners: these baits will kill domestic dogs and cats. Baited areas must be considered dangerous for pet dogs and cats at all times.

For more information and maps on areas baited under Western Shield visit dbca.wa.gov.au/westernshield or contact your local Parks and Wildlife Service district office.

by Alcoa, Troncx and Western Areas.



EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

FOR FIRE, POLICE OR AMBULANCE EMERGENCIES CALL 000

SES EMERGENCIES CALL - 13 25 00



DENHAM VOLUNTEER FIRE & RESCUE NON-EMERGENCIES. PHONE 9948 3289



SHARK BAY STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE (SES) NON-EMERGENCIES, PHONE 0429 481 218



MARINE RESCUE SHARK BAY (PREVIOUSLY VMR) NON-EMERGENCIES, PHONE 9948 1376



SHARK BAY POLICE STATION (08) 9915 9100



SHARK BAY ST JOHN AMBULANCE SUB CENTRE NON-EMERGENCIES, PHONE 9948 3023



SHARK BAY VET CLINIC - RICK FENNY 0408 936 061



SILVERCHAIN NURSING POST (08) 9948 1400

The Shire of Shark Bay employees work very hard to keep Denham tidy.

Please help us to maintain the cleanliness of the town by transporting waste to the refuse disposal site responsibly.

Do the right thing cover or secure your load.

REMEMBER TO

COVER YOUR LOAD





PENALTIES APPLY FOR UNCOVERED LOADS **AND LITTERING**

IF YOU DON'T YOU MAY BE SUBJECT TO SUBSTANTIAL LITTERING FINES

Shark Bay WOW Op Shop

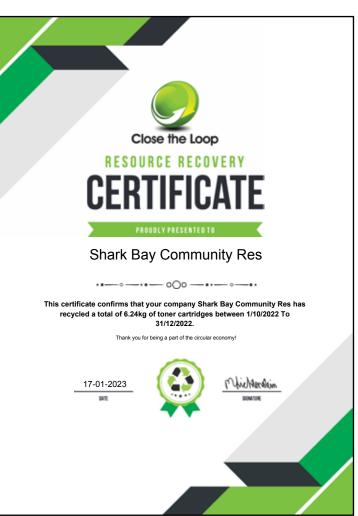
At last our new op shop is opening!

Saturday 4th Feb @ 10am - 1pm 29 Hughes St

It is still a work in progress, but we just want to get going! We are all so excited to get our War on Waste project started.

We can't take any donations at this stage, but please come and have a look. We will choose a designated donation drop off day soon, so stay tuned Shark Bay!







The Golden Lens is an opportunity for WA Seniors Card members to share photos they have taken, that celebrate the lives of older Western Australians.

All winners will win a prize donated by participating businesses of the WA Seniors Card program.

Members can submit an entry in each of the five categories.

- Active ageing
- Diverse cultures
- Artistic photography
- ▶ Flora and fauna
- **▶** Seniors Influencer

Entries close Friday 17 March 2023



For more information visit

www.seniorscard.wa.gov.au/goldenlens



Shark Bay Wind & Water Association

The Shark Bay Wind and Water Association hosted the second annual 40km downwind kitesurfing event over the weekend of the 7th and 8th of January. The weekend was the culmination of months of planning and preparation and was very well received by locals and visitors alike. Saturday got underway with a friendly 10km race from Ocean Park to the finish line in town. 32 kites, stand up paddles and kayaks took part with entrants walking part of the way because of the mid-morning low tide. Thanks to Capesy and Mira for supplying kayaks and SUPs for people to use free of charge over the weekend. A sausage sizzle put on by the Shark Bay Speedway crew was a welcome feature for competitors and spectators.

In the afternoon, 39 kite surfers from around the state and overseas nominated to take part in the 40km race which was almost double the number who competed in 2021. Up for grabs was over \$5,000 worth of prizes including a new kite for the winner, a board for runner up and a harness for third place.

Defending champion Gavin Hirshausen blitzed the field for the win, followed over the line by local lads, Ash Byrnes and Ed Fenny.

Water safety for the competitors was the top priority on the day and was overseen by five vessels and seven jetskis. Thanks to Marine Rescue Shark Bay's Cape Rose and Tamala Rose, Parks and Wildlife Marine team onboard Kwillana, Gavin Oakley and crew on his jet boat and Crash on the Joan Iris.

On the jetskis we had locals Heath, Kelvin, Kade, Quoin, Chelsea and Tiani, as well as Angus from Safety Bay Yacht Club.

Land based vehicles equipped with UHF radios were also keeping watch from six headlands along the race route to make sure all kites were accounted for at each checkpoint.

The wind was a steady 25 knot Southerly which made for super-fast racing in choppy conditions and the first competitors crossed the finish line in a little over an hour.

Saturday nights award ceremony and race after party was held at Ocean Park. The meals were top shelf and lots of happy punters took home a share of the 24 raffle prizes valued at over \$4,500 donated by generous local businesses. Shayne from Finn films had the big screen up with a highlight reel of the day's action playing. DJ George had the revelers pumped up on the dance floor well into the night. A special thanks to the awesome Ocean Park staff who made sure everyone got home safely with their drop-off at your door shuttle buses.

Sunday was a free event put on by the Shark Bay Wind and Water Association for the community. Ben from Kitewest at Coronation Beach brought up a trailer load of kites, wings and stand up paddle boards for people to use, with expert tuition from the instructors. Sausages were once again the food of choice and free for everybody. George kept the tunes going all day and created a real carnival atmosphere on the

foreshore.

Of course. these events are impossible to hold without the generous support of major sponsors. Shark Bay Wind & Water Association Inc. We received funding and in-kind

support from the Gascoyne Development Commission, Shire of Shark Bay, Dept of Sport, Strandline, Shark Bay Resources, Ocean Park, Far West Electrical and the local Business and Tourism Association.



The SBWWA Committee invited all volunteers to a debrief barbecue on Monday afternoon at George Wear Park, where everybody had the chance to make suggestions about ways the event could be made even better in 2024.

Congratulations to all the competitors and a huge thank you to all the generous sponsors, event partners and volunteers who made the weekend such a success. We look forward to the third edition of this event and hope to continue to grow and attract people to our town at what is traditionally a quiet time of year for tourism. Shark Bay really is a kitesurfing destination of world class quality and we aim to take advantage of this fact to promote our town and region.

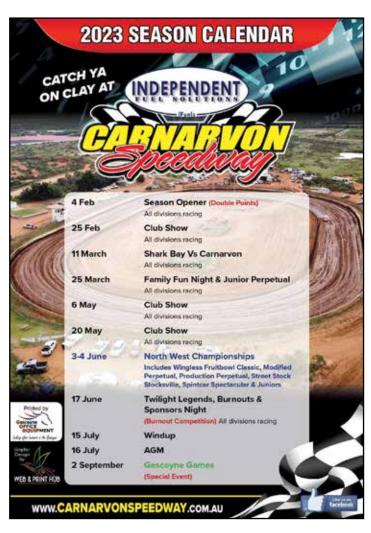
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Shark Bay

Shark Bay Speedway Club











AstroTourism WA - February 2023

Country Stargazing Planetary Conjunctions

with Carol Redford and Donna Vanzetti, Astrotourism WA

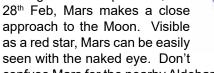
Just as our daylight skies are ever-changing, with new sunsets and cloud formations, our evening skies are constantly changing too, as the star patterns move across the sky throughout the year. And amongst the stars are a few brighter ones that seem to wander on their own path. These are of course the planets of our solar system. The word planet means "wanderer", given by the ancient Greek's who studied the night sky and began to understand their orbits.

As the planets continue their never-ending path around the Sun, their orbits can sometimes bring the planets together forming incredible conjunctions, from our perspective here on earth.

Between the 22nd of February and 8th of March, head outside just after sunset and watch the planets in motion! Jupiter and Venus will approach each other before beginning to move further apart from our perspective! The Moon will even join in on the 22nd and 23rd!

https://astrotourismwa.com.au/ february-moon/

Adding to the spectacle, on



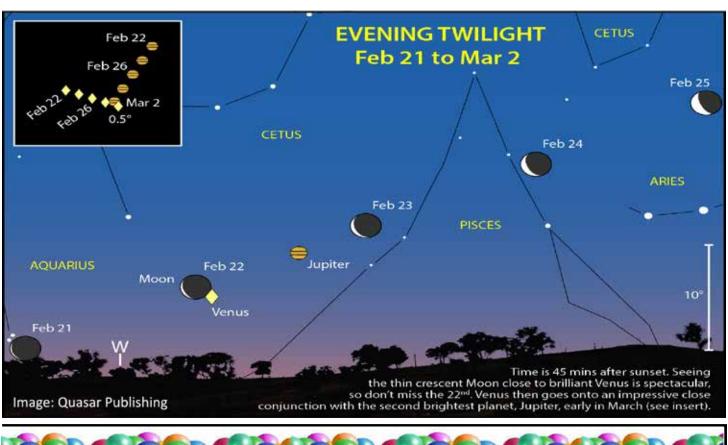
confuse Mars for the nearby Aldebaran and Betelgeuse stars however, as the three red objects and the Moon make a large triangle in the sky.

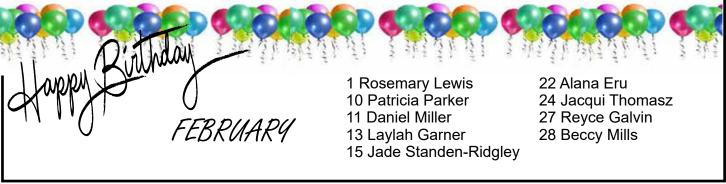
When to look: Just after sunset 22nd February to 2nd March

Which direction to look: Low to the western horizon for Jupiter and Venus. For the Moon and Mars, north north-west in the early evening.

We will have more stargazing tips and helpful hints coming up in our next article! Keep looking up and marvel at our clear, dark skies.

For more stargazing tips, visit www.astrotourismwa.com.au.





Shark Bay

Shark Bay State Emergency Service Unit

For assistance 132 500

Shark Bay State Emergency Service are recruiting!

Shark Bay State Emergency Service are looking for you! That's right – WE WANT YOU!

Whether you like getting your hands dirty or helping behind the scenes, come and volunteer with Shark Bay SES and help your community during times of need and be part of our awesome team.

As a volunteer with Shark Bay SES, you will assist in the day to day operation of an emergency response organisation including responding to a natural disasters such as a cyclone, storm, earthquake or flood or assisting in search and rescue operations. This is your time to shine and show your community what you are made of, and in return we will provide all the training you need to be a volunteer!

We are seeking volunteers to assist with the following roles.

Like Getting Your Hands Dirty?

- Storm and Water Damage Team Members and Leaders
 - o Cyclone
 - o Storm
 - o Flood
- Search and Rescue (Land) Team Members and Leaders
- Chainsaw Operators
- Vertical (Cliff) Rescue Team Members



- Logistics Officers
- Equipment and Appliance Officers
- Management Team Members
- General Duties
 - o Cleaning
 - o Gardening
 - o Drivers
 - o Catering and Welfare

Want to help but would prefer to stay clean and away from the spotlight?

- Administration Officers
- Finance Officers
- Communications Officers
- Social Media and Public Information Officers
- Recruitment Officers

The more hands we have the lighter the workload for everyone, so come down on one of our training nights and meet the team. Bring a friend and we'll give you bonus points.

Want more info? Get in touch on the contact details at the bottom of this page.

Requirements

- National Police Certificate* to be completed on application.
- Some specialised roles such as vertical rescue require a high level of fitness.

Location

98 Durlacher Street, Denham WA 6537

Commitment

- Shark Bay SES train every Monday evening, and we ask members attend at least 50% of weekly training.
- We ask that you make yourselves available as much as possible for operational requirements, however we understand a work life balance is required.



Time Required

- If you decide to be a frontline volunteer, you will be required to attend regular training and emergency callouts when you can.
- If you decide to assist behind the scenes, then we ask you to come down on training nights to be part of the team however if your role allows your duties may also be filled at a time that suits you.

Training

- General duties training is held Monday evenings.
- You don't need any previous training, as we will provide as required.
- Occasional weekend courses are available to you to upskill even further.

Express your interest

- Call 0429 481 218 and leave a message if no answer
- Email sessharkbay@iinet.net.au
- Or touch base with us on Facebook







IN AN EMERGENCY DIAL 000

Our volunteers attended this many call outs:

Feb 2022 - 8

Mar - 11

Apr - 18

May - 24

June - 20

July - 19

August - 14

September - 10

October - 9

November - 6

December - 10

Jan 2023 - 7

St John



VOLUNTEER NOW!

Skills, fun, friends, fulfillment & more. Apply now online

stjohnchangelives.com.au or talk to us 1800 069 393

Volunteer Support Officer -Non medical capacity 5hrs per

Opportunities Include:

- Membership on Committee at Sub Centre (eg.Chairperson, Treasurer, general committee member)
- Gardener / Cleaner Clean and maintain outside of building
- Cleaner Clean and maintain inside facility
- Events / Social Co-Ordinator

Volunteer Ambulance Officer

- Attend ambulance jobs. This includes emergency situations and routine patient transfers
- Attend public events to provide first aid services
- Attend training regularly to maintain skills
- Complete accurate records for ambulance calls
- Work effectively with your partner on ambulance calls and with other members of the sub centre



St John Ambulance Sub Centre Shark Bay

OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday and Thursday

8:30 am to 1:00 pm

For any Medical Attention please proceed to Silver Chain Health Centre on the corner of Durlacher St & Hughes St, or after hours call Health Direct on 1800 022 222.



Chiropractic

Gascoyne Chiropractic is visiting Denham at the Shark Bay Community Resource Centre. Our next visits are;

20th February (Monday)

To make an appointment please call 9941 1490

First Aid Kit Servicing



To assist local businesses maintain their first aid kits. St John Ambulance now has the expertise and assistance of the Geraldton Kit Servicing Field Service Officer. All first aid kits are welcome if you wish to have your personal first aid kit serviced please drop it off at the shark bay sub centre all businesses will be done on site

> In-house fee \$15 On Side fee \$25 (Depending on number of kits)

We will be in the shark bay area on the 9th & 10th Of **February**



2023



To book please call 993809000r 0428 984 315 Or Email the Geraldton fielded service officer at geraldton.kitservicing@stjohnambulance.com.au

Marine Rescue Shark Bay

Marine Rescue Shark Bay have had a quiet start to the new year with no requests from the boating public for assistance. Windy conditions and the lack of visitors to town means very little boat traffic out on the water.

Thirteen of our members were involved in the Shark Bay Downwinder kite surfing event hosted by the Wind and Water Association, providing on water safety and communications. 39 competitors raced from the shell spit near Goulet Bluff along the coast back to the finish line in town.

In total there was five boats and seven jet skis on the water plus six vehicles on headlands and vantage points keeping watch over the competitors. It was a great event which had double the number of entrants over the inaugural running in 2022.

Our team took out first prize in the Community Barefoot Bowls competition in December. This was a really fun event to be involved in which brings together people from various groups and business's around town in a relaxed atmosphere for a bit of sport and banter.

At our first meeting for the year the Committee have decided to use the prize money to commission a perpetual trophy for the Shark Bay Bowling Club to present to the winners of the event into the future.

We will be entering a team in the competition which starts on February 9 to try and defend our title. Anyone can enter a team, even if you have never played bowls before, come along and get involved. Bowls are supplied by the club and there is food available to purchase from the kitchen.



See you there, Marine Rescue Shark Bay







Consumer Watch

Dramatic increase in used motor vehicles complaints in WA

Consumer complaints for defective used motor vehicles in Western Australia (WA) skyrocketed over the last five years, increasing 730% and peaking in 2022.

With 777 complaints lodged to Consumer Protection in 2021 and 2022 compared to a total of 287 complaints in 2018 to 2020, the surge in demand for used vehicles was primarily due to long delivery delays on new vehicles during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Other contributing factors to the rise in complaints is believed to be flood-affected written-off vehicles from the eastern states being sold in WA, as well as a strong demand for used four wheel drive vehicles due to travel restrictions keeping families grounded in WA.

Many of the complaints over the last five years were for used vehicles that broke down within days of being purchased, some shortly after being driven out of the car yard.

This rise in demand for used vehicles in WA means some sellers may be enticed to off-load vehicles that may be defective.

Consumers should be vigilant when shopping around in this over-heated used vehicle market and make sure to get the vehicle inspected to check it is mechanically sound.

REDUCE. REUSE.

RECYCLE.

BATTERIES

MOBILE PHONES
PRINTER TONERS &
CARTRIÓGES
BREAD CLIPS
PLASTIC BOTTLE TOPS

DO YOUR PART IN SAVING
THE PLANET.

Recycle your used household items at the Shark Bay
Community Resource Centre

It is also recommended before purchasing, to check the used vehicle's history on the Personal Property Securities Register (PPSR) website to see if it has been writtenoff or has money still owing on it.



Specific warranties may not apply or may have expired on some used vehicles, however consumer guarantees under the Australian Consumer Law (ACL) may still apply.

Consumers should not take no for an answer when asking a seller for a refund, repair or replacement if defects are discovered.

Unfortunately private sales are not covered under the ACL, so buyers should be extra vigilant and do the same checks before making a purchase, as you could be out of pocket if something goes wrong.

The dramatic increase in complaints over the last two years in particular, has seen a total of \$6.1 million being successfully returned to consumers who lodged complaints with Consumer Protection.

Complaints relating to vehicle sales can be lodged via the Consumer Protection website or enquiries can be made by emailing consumer@dmirs.wa.gov.au or by calling 1300 30 40 54.







Living with History

Jimmy the Greek had a transport business in Roebourne. He also owned the local butcher shop and ran some stock on the town common. German Charlie, a retired bush worker, had a camp on the other side of the Harding River.

Charlie had a nice garden and sold vegetables to eke out his pension. As there was only a brush fence around the garden, hungry stock were a problem.

One evening after a session at the Vic. Hotel, Charlie returned home to find a large bullock enjoying a feed of cabbages. Being somewhat annoyed and a little drunk, Charlie grabbed his old rifle and opened fire. When the smoke had cleared Charlie found himself with another problem. He now had one large and very dead beast in the middle of his garden.

Being an honest chap Charlie trotted back to report the sad affair to Bill, the local cop. When Bill interupted Jimmy's evening meal to inform him of the whereabouts and condition of his bullock, Jim became very agitated and demanded that Charlie be charged. Bill tried to talk him out of it but Jim was adamant, Charlie had to be taught a lesson.

As old Charlie was a well-liked member of the small community Jim's popularity declined sharply. The two local

JPs declined to try Charlie so the case had to wait until the Magistrate from Carnarvon made his monthly visit. Eventually the fateful day arrived and the whole town awaited the verdict.



When Jimmy returned to his transport yard and smugly informed his staffthat Charlie had received his just desserts, he had been fined five pounds, he was met with a storm of abuse. "You're a miserable b ... b!" said Jack the mechanic," five quid is a lot of money to old Charlie." "Oh, don't worry about that" replies Jim." I felt sorry for the old cow so I paid the fine and gave him a few bob for the damage."

There was a stunned silence for a few minutes, then Ron the butcher spoke up," Jim", he said," we'd better keep the rest of the cattle away from Charlie's garden, because at those rates he's likely to shoot the flaming lot of them!"

Extracted from the written works by Nugget McClymans (deceased)

Sport & Recreation

Over December we closed for 3 weeks although on the very last day and with the high number of high school students home, we organised a high-schoolers only basketball game on the 14th of December. 9 local teenagers participated and in the future these sessions will pop up to accomodate the needs of this age group during holiday times.

After reopening on 9th January, our friendly staff set up a variety of different sporting and play equipment incuding badminton, cricket gear, ping pong, dress ups, baby dolls, basketball, cubby houses, obstacle courses, colouring in, box construction, paper weaving and play dough, just to name a few.

The Rec Centre will be back to normal hours when school goes back which includes Open Courts with Tianna on Wednesday afternoons from 2:30 - 4:30pm and the following week will be Mondays with Corina 2-4:30pm. Night sports with Khayla will be Monday Badminton and Basketball will be run on Wednesday evenings with both starting at 6pm. Kindy Gym will restart on Tuesday the 7th of February and all families with children under 5 years old are welcome to come along to join in the fun. Please remember to bring a piece of fruit to share.

Happy Sporting,

Natt Dul **Recreation Centre Manager**

















1:00pm.....Bridge @ Town Hall SB Bridge Club (fees apply) Monday_ 2:00 - 4:30pm.....Open Courts @ Rec Centre (excluding school holidays)

6:00pm.....Badminton @ Rec Centre

Tuesday 9:30 - 11:30am...Kindy Gym @ Rec Centre (excluding school holidays)

Wednesday 1:30pm......Golf, 9 hole stableford @ Boolbardie Country Club (fees apply)

2:30 - 4:30pm.....Open Courts @ Rec Centre (excluding school holidays)

2:30pm.....Croquet @ SB Bowling, Sport & Rec Club

6:00pm.....Basketball @ Rec Centre

Thursday 6:30pm.....Barefoot Bowls @ SB Bowling, Sport and Rec Club (fees apply)

1:30pm......Golf, 9 hole stableford @ Boolbardie Country Club (fees apply) Saturday

2:15pm.....Bowls, Scroungers @ SB Bowling, Sport and Rec Club (fees apply)

Sunday 1:00pm......Pistol shooting @ SB Pistol Club (fees apply)

Boolbardie Country Club





Starting fields remained low over the holiday season with many of our regular players away and no doubt the onset of the summer winds and heat. However, the fairways and greens remain in pretty good shape.

The following lists the winners and runners-up for regular club competitions in January.

Event – Stableford	Winner (Score)	Runner-Up (Score)	Nearest the Pin*
Wednesday 21 December Peter Cope (17)		Jill Deschamp (12)	Peter Cope
Saturday 14 January	Lyn Harding (15)	Jill Deschamp (14)	-
Wednesday 18 January Peter Cope (19)		Peter Llewellyn (14)	Chris Galvin
Saturday 21 January	Mick Parry (22)	Jill Deschamp (12)	Mick Parry

^{*} Nearest the Pin second shot on Wednesdays.

No changes in players handicaps were recorded in January.

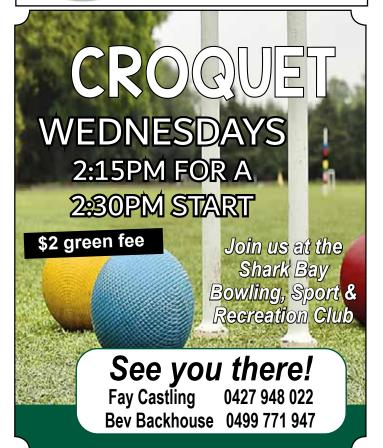
Club competitions will continue through summer with 9-hole stableford events played every Wednesday and Saturday with a 1:30pm registration for a 2:00pm tee-off. The 19th Hole bar is open following the game.

Visitors are welcome at any time and visitor green fees are \$5 for 9 holes (honour system) with cards available at the clubhouse. For those who want to have a hit after work, some shorter rounds (4 or 5 holes) are available.

Full sets of clubs (ladies, men, left and right-handed) are available at no cost on club competition days or by prior arrangement at any other time. Motorised buggies are available for hire on competition days at \$5 per player for 9 holes for non-members and \$3 each for members.



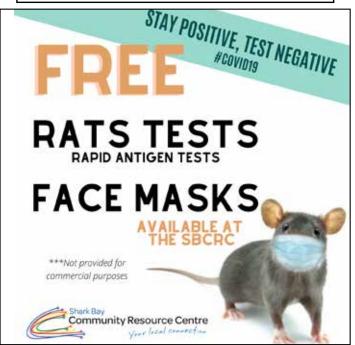
Meet Sundays at the Pistol Club. New members are always welcome, touch base with Vaughan the president on 0417 301 397 for more information.





Peter Llewellyn Club Captain





Shark Bay Bowling, Sport & Recreation Club

The Shark Bay Bowling, Sport & Recreation Club will reopen its doors in 2023 and kick off this year's events with 8 weeks of Barefoot Bowls. We have had plenty of nominations, with three players per team asked to register to participate in the weekly competition with to date over 10 teams nominating.

Our kitchen and bar volunteer team will be on site ready to provide your drinks and dinners, offering a few additions to our current menu including small pizzas and the regulars including burgers, chips and nuggets. We look forward to seeing everyone on Thursday 9th February and welcome those just keen to come down and support the Club and its players. Skeltz is our Bowls Captain, so if you have any bowling queries, contact him directly on 0419 941 276.

Due to taxes and the price increase of all drinks in Australia, our Club will be placing a 50c increase across the board on all drinks effective immediately. What's exciting for our volunteers is the addition of a new lawn mower which lan, Greg and Skeltz have mastered as well as new tiling replacing the carpet in the venue. The addition of tiles makes cleaning easier for our team of volunteers, cools the venue and is

SCROUNGES **Starts Saturday 11th February** EW TIME - 5:30pm all welcome

aesthetically pleasing without causing any sound issues. A new point-of-sale system will be up and running when we open our doors which will make ordering and paying for drinks and food far quicker and easier.



A big thank you to the Shire of Shark Bay for offering remuneration to our Club to cook the Australia Day breakfast in Denham. Every bit of extra money helps a Club and we can't thank enough our amazing team of breakfast volunteer cooks and organisers including Brian, Tegan, Mark, Kristy, Nicola, Peter and Chris. Plenty of others pitched in also so thanks for any help that was offered.

Coming Up

Barefoot Bowls – starts Thursday 9th February, mats down at 6:30pm. Marine Rescue Shark Bay is kindly donating a perpetual trophy to this competition. Thanks crew!

Scrounges – kicks off on Saturday 11th February, mats down at 5:30pm. Temperatures will be cooler at this time of night so we thought we might give it a crack. \$5 weekly entry fee per player. Come have some fun.

ANZAC Day - yes we will be applying for Two Up as well as Crown & Anchor Gaming applications so keep your eyes out closer to the date for details.

Shark Bay Bowling, Sport & Recreation Club committee

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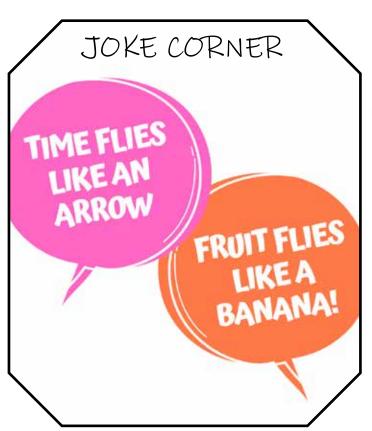
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Community groups	Contact Name	Telephone No.	
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Crisis Centre Christian Fellowship	Tim & Maggie Hargreaves	9948 1338 0429 481 338	
Denham Crafters	Bronwyn Hook	0407 310 052	
Denham Volunteer Fire and Rescue	Brian Child - Unit Captain	Call 000 for Emergency Info ONLY: 9948 3289	
Friendly Hub	Julie Robins	0417 976 005	
Kindy Gym	Natalie Dul	9948 1787	
Marine Rescue Shark Bay (previously VMR)	Drew Wassman - President	Call 000 for Emergency Info Only: 9948 1376	
Shark Bay Arts Council	Claire Cooper - President	0415 612 621	
Shark Bay Bowling, Sport & Recreation Club	Mark Smith - President Jamie Burton - Secretary	0438 436 325 - Mark 0427 272 560 - Jamie	
Shark Bay Bridge Club	Jillian Hill	0417 177 009	
Shark Bay Business Association Inc	Isobel Lockyer - Secretary	www.experiencesharkbay.com	
Shark Bay Community Men's Shed	Tony Sckardoon	0435 008 080	
Shark Bay Community Resource Centre	Contact the office staff Claire Harrower - Chair	08 9948 1787	
Shark Bay Fiesta	Shark Bay Community Resource Centre	08 9948 1787	
Shark Bay P & C Association	Tiaza Sellenger - President	0407 129 487	
Shark Bay Pistol Club	Vaughan Beavis - President Cheryl Cowell - Secretary	0417 301 397 0417 180 307	
Shark Bay RSL	Wayne Moroney	0439 347 683	
Shark Bay Speedway Club	Dave Harrower - President	0429 998 944	
Shark Bay State Emergency Service (SES)	Katie McKay - Deputy manager Shaun Burton - Deputy manager	Call 132 500 for Assistance Info ONLY: 0429 481 218	
Shark Bay Stingrays	Sam Roberts	0431 287 412	
Shark Bay Triple C (Cancer Community Connections)	Sherry Baker	9948 3324	
Shukokai Karate	Janine Standen	0400 122 439	
St Andrew-by-the-sea Anglican Church		9902 6476	
St John Ambulance - Shark Bay Sub Centre	Karen Gidley	Call 000 for Emergency Info ONLY: 9948 3023	
The Shark Bay Entertainers	John Senteneller	0400 625 138	
Yadgalah Aboriginal Corp.	Debbie Bellottie	9948 1318	
Yadgalah Community Markets	Debbie, Sherry & George	9948 1318 - Yadgalah office 9948 3324 - George & Sherry 0400 169 983	

Email	Day(s)	Location
pllewellyn@bigpond.com	Wednesday & Saturdays	Golf Club, Monkey Mia Road
sharkbayherald@westnet.com.au	24/7 Sunday	Foreshore about opposite the Interpretive Centre
hooksonline2005@yahoo.com.au	Tuesdays 1.30pm - 3.30pm	Denham Shire Hall
denhamvfrs@bigpond.com	1st, 2nd, 3rd Tuesday every Month	Dampier Road, Fire Station
sharkbaytc@westnet.com.au	Wednesdays 10.00am	Bowling Club, Francis Street
sharkbay@crc.net.au	Tuesday 9.30am (except school holidays)	Recreation Centre
vmrsharkbay@westnet.com.au	4 th Monday of every month	Marine Rescue building, Knight Terrace
clarencetot@gmail.com		Arts Shed - 10 Denham Road
sharkbaybowls@westnet.com.au	Scrounges - Saturday, 2pm	Bowling Club, Francis Street
hillhome@bigpond.com	Monday 1pm	Denham Shire Hall
sharkbaytourism02@gmail.com	1st Tuesday of every month	Recreation Centre
sbcmshed@hotmail.com	Monday 10am Wednesday	
sharkbaytc@westnet.com.au	Open Monday to Friday, 9am - 4pm	
sharkbaytc@westnet.com.au		19 th - 26 th May 2023
sharkbaypandc@hotmail.com	People can contact the School for meeting dates	School Library
vbeavis82@gmail.com chezza@westnet.com.au	Sunday	Pistol Club, Monkey Mia Road
moby@outlook.com.au		
sharkbayspeedwayclub@outlook.com	36 th Far Western - 8 th July 2023	Shark Bay Speedway Club
sessharkbay@iinet.net.au	Mondays @ 5pm	Emergency Services Building, Durlacher Street
juicensam27@westnet.com.au		
sherry.baker@aussiebroadband.com.au	1st Sunday each month @ 4pm	Yadgalah Aboriginal Corporation
jstanden@westnet.com.au	Tuesday & Friday 5pm - 6pm	Denham Town Hall
standrewssb@gmail.com	Sunday 9am	Anglican Church
sharkbay@stjohnwa.com.au	Office opening hours: Wednesday & Thursday 10am to 2pm	Emergency Services Building, Durlacher Street
sharkbay.entertainers@gmail.com		Denham Shire Hall
yadgalah1@bigpond.com	Monday - Friday	Francis Street
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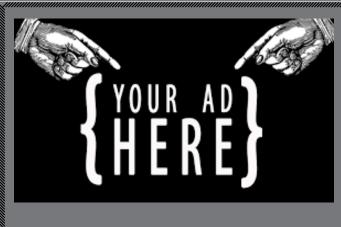
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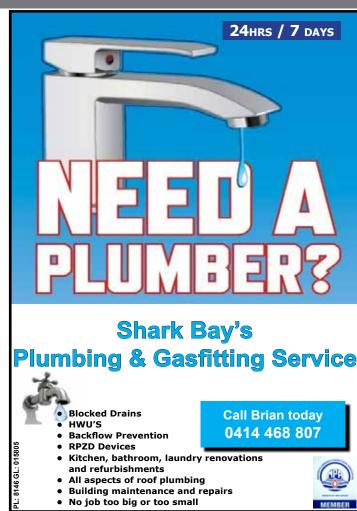
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Holiday	Fri 7 April - Sun 23 April	Holiday	Sat 23 September - Sun 8 October
Term 2	Mon 24 April - Fri 30 June	Term 4	Mon 9 October - Thurs 14 December
Holiday	Sat 1 July - Sun 16 July		