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Shark Bay 2024 Downwinders

6 - 7 JANUARY | DENHAM



Shark Bay Wind & Water Association Inc.

DOWNWINDERS DAY

Saturday 6th January

Fun Downwinder - 10km

Ocean Park to Denham

**Australia's Longest Downwind
Kiteboarding Race - 40 km**

Goulet Bluff to Denham

**Awards Presentation Dinner
and Prize Draw**

Shark Bay Hotel

KITE DISCOVERY DAY

Sunday 7th January

Kite, Wing, SUP Discovery

Engaging with the community providing free instruction and equipment use to newcomers of all ages and abilities.

Freestyle Presentation

Kiteboarding legends will showcase the highlights of the sport and have spectators in awe.



Follow us on Facebook to stay up to date



Shark Bay Wind & Water Association Inc.

sb-wwwa.com

Office reopening

For your information the Shark Bay Community Resource Centre will be reopening on Monday 8th January from 9am. We look forward to supporting your needs then after a well deserved team break.

Gascoyne Development Commission

Following the success of the Round 6 Regional Economic Grants earlier this year, GDC Grants Officer Courtney Whitehead is encouraging Gascoyne Businesses to think ahead for next year.

The Regional Economic Development Grants (RED Grants) program is a \$50.85 million over nine years (2018-19 to 2026-27) State Government initiative that invests in local projects to stimulate economic growth and development in regional Western Australia.

Up to \$250,000 is available for individual projects that contribute to increasing or sustaining jobs, expanding or diversifying industry, developing skills or capability, increasing business productivity and attracting new investment to the regions.

If you are a business or organisation thinking of applying for RED Grant Funding in 2024, email courtney.whitehead.wa.gov.au.

You can find further information on RED Grant funding by accessing this website link; <https://www.gdc.wa.gov.au/funding/regional-economic-development-grants.aspx>

Fire Plans

Does your household have a house fire emergency plan? Have you thought about what you all would do if you had to escape quickly?

Many often comment when asked this question, get out as quick as you can or get down low and go go go. However have you sat down with your household and discussed where for example you all might safely meet when outside so you are all accounted for?

Fire crews have documented that sometimes parents escape to the front yard from a house fire safely and after time realise their children are missing and venture back into the burning house to save them. Often the children have escaped through the back door and are quite safe waiting in the back yard thinking the exact same thing, where are my parents?

Your ability to get out of your home during a fire depends on advance warning from smoke alarms and advance planning. Fire can spread rapidly through your home, leaving you as little as one or two minutes to escape safely once the smoke alarm sounds.

Escape planning tips;

Pull together everyone in your household and make a plan. Walk through your home and inspect all possible exits and escape routes. Households with children should consider drawing a floor plan of your home, marking two ways out of each room, including windows and doors. Also, mark the location of each smoke alarm.

- A closed door may slow the spread of smoke, heat and fire. Install smoke alarms in every sleeping room, outside each sleeping area and on every level of the home.
- When you walk through your plan, check to make sure

the escape routes are clear and doors and windows can be opened easily.

- Choose an outside meeting place (i.e. neighbor's house or a mailbox etc) a safe distance in front of your home where everyone can meet after they've escaped. Make sure to mark the location of the meeting place on your escape plan. You could even have one in the front and or back yard to account for smaller children who might not be able to climb fences etc to make it to a front meeting point.
- Go outside to see if your street number is clearly visible from the road. If not, paint it on the curb or install house numbers to ensure that responding emergency personnel can find your home.
- Have everyone memorise the emergency phone number 000. That way any member of the household can call from a neighbor's home or a mobile phone once safely outside.
- If there are infants, older adults, or family members with mobility limitations, make sure that someone is assigned to assist them in the fire drill and in the event of an emergency. Assign a backup person too, in case the designee is not home during the emergency
- If windows or doors in your home have security bars, make sure that the bars have emergency release devices inside so that they can be opened immediately in an emergency. Emergency release devices won't compromise your security - but they will increase your chances of safely escaping a home fire.
- Tell guests or visitors to your home about your family's fire escape plan. When staying overnight at other people's homes, ask about their escape plan. If they don't have a plan in place, offer to help them make one. This is especially important when children are permitted to attend "sleepovers" at friends' homes. A great place to display the plan for example is on the back of the toilet door.
- Be fully prepared for a real fire: when a smoke alarm sounds, get out immediately.
- Once you're out, stay out! Under no circumstances should you ever go back into a burning building. If someone is missing, inform the 000 emergency operator when you call. Firefighters have the skills and equipment to perform rescues.

Jamie Burton - Shark Bay Community Resource Centre

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**FINANCIAL COUNSELLORS' ASSOCIATION
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FREE ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT FOR WOMEN WORKSHOP
Me, Myself and Money
Hosted by Shark Bay Community Resource Centre

**TOPICS
COVERED**

- Understanding healthy financial relationships
- Understanding debt and ways to manage it
- Knowing your rights and how to protect yourself financially
- Building more financial resilience
- How to access professional financial counselling support

DETAILS

- Friday 16 Feb 2024 – 10am-12pm
- 10 DENHAM ROAD, DENHAM, WA, 6537
- Phone: (08) 9948 1787
- Email: sharkbaytc@westnet.com.au

FREE lunch available



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Department of Communities**

Shire of Shark Bay Notices





COMMUNITY GROUPS AND CLUBS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT | WORKING TOGETHER

As your Community Development Officer, I am keen to understand the needs and future plans of your group, so we can discover opportunities where we can work together.

Meeting with you on a regular basis also enables me to give you up to date information on what's happening in the Shire and to pass on funding and support opportunities to help your group reach its full potential.

I look forward to catching up at a time that works for you - days, nights or weekends!
Let me know when your next Group meeting is scheduled so I can come along and get to know you all better.

Michelle Fanali
EMAIL: cdoesharkbay.wa.gov.au
PHONE: 9948 1218 or 0437 790 274

Shire of Shark Bay Notices



Shire of Shark Bay

REVENUE & ADMINISTRATION OFFICER

The Shire of Shark Bay is located in the Shark Bay World Heritage Area which is one of three World Heritage areas within WA. Located approximately 830 kilometres north of Perth, Shark Bay is a wonderland of world-class natural attractions, the clear turquoise waters are ablaze with multi-coloured sea life and stretching beyond the white sandy beaches are spectacular rust-red sand dunes.

The Shire is seeking a Revenue and Administration Officer to provide financial services including invoicing, accounts receivable, bank reconciliations, and other office tasks as required. A position description can be found on Council's website www.sharkbay.wa.gov.au.

The ideal applicant will need to demonstrate relevant experience in the accounting functions of accounts receivable, and bank reconciliations. Strong interpersonal and communication skills with the ability to work autonomously and as part of a team is essential. This role requires high skill competency in Microsoft Word and Excel. Experience in local government and SynergySoft would be advantageous though not necessary as training will be provided.

This is a full time position subject to a 6 month probationary period. The position is offered, depending on skills and experience, with an attractive salary range of \$54,477 to \$59,718 plus \$5,112 per annum Shark Bay Allowance and superannuation guarantee of 11%.

Further information about the position is available by visiting our website www.sharkbay.wa.gov.au or by contacting Jane Green on (08) 9948 1218.

Written applications including your current CV, a covering letter with a short statement highlighting relevant experience and expertise that relates to the position should be sent to: admin@sharkbay.wa.gov.au or mailed to Chief Executive Officer Shire of Shark Bay PO Box 126 Denham WA 6537 "Private & Confidential" by 4.00pm Friday 12 January 2024.



PUBLIC NOTICE

DATES AND TIMES FOR THE ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR 2024

In Accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 Council wishes to advise that the Ordinary Council meetings for 2024 will be held as follows:

- January 2024 – No ordinary meeting of Council to be held;
- February 2024 – Wednesday 28 Commencing at 1:00 pm in Council Chambers;
- March 2024 – Wednesday 27 Commencing at 1:00pm in Council Chambers;
- April 2024 – Wednesday 24 Commencing at 1:00pm in Council Chambers;
- May 2024 – Wednesday 29 Commencing at 1:00pm in Council Chambers;
- June 2024 – Wednesday 26 Commencing at 1:00pm in Council Chambers;
- July 2024 – Wednesday 31 Commencing at 1:00pm in Council Chambers;
- August 2024 – Wednesday 28 Commencing at 1:00pm in Council Chambers;
- September 2024–Wednesday 25 Commencing at 1:00pm in Council Chambers;
- October 2024 – Wednesday 30 Commencing at 1:00pm in Council Chambers;
- November 2024 –Wednesday 27 Commencing at 1:00pm in Council Chambers; and
- December 2024 – Wednesday 11 Commencing at 1:00pm in Council Chambers.

Dale Chapman - Chief Executive Officer



SHIRE OPERATIONS

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR BREAK

SHIRE OFFICE
CLOSED FROM 12PM FRIDAY 22 DECEMBER
REOPENING ON WEDNESDAY 3 JANUARY

SHARK BAY REFUSE SITE

SATURDAY 23 DECEMBER - 8AM TO 12PM
MONDAY 25 DECEMBER - CLOSED
TUESDAY 26 DECEMBER - 8AM TO 12PM
WEDNESDAY 27 TO FRIDAY 29 DECEMBER - NORMAL HOURS
SATURDAY 30 DECEMBER - 8AM TO 12PM
MONDAY 1 JANUARY - CLOSED
TUESDAY 2 JANUARY 8AM TO 12PM

RUBBISH COLLECTION

WEDNESDAYS AND FRIDAYS DURING THE CHRISTMAS/NEW YEAR PERIOD

Real Futures



Real Futures is the provider for Centrelink, throughout the year we have been successful at placing Job Seekers into various positions through out Shark Bay.

The Real Futures Office will reopen on Tuesday 2nd January 2024.

For more information about Real Futures Denham please email me or call me: barbara.stormon@realfutures.net



Phone (08) 9928 9140 or 0438 479 491

The Crew in Blue



Another year coming to a close, this is a reminder during your celebrations and events not to drink and drive, and be careful on our roads. We are working to keep you safe, and this means an increase in RBT's and traffic policing. We have noticed some cars in town either for their manner of driving or the presentation of cars and trailers. It might be time to do a maintenance check on your cars and trailers.

We need to make it 'tougher for crooks', we continue to see valuables in unlocked cars. Please don't leave valuables in cars, keep a close eye on your belongings, always secure windows and doors of your car and home. Together we can prevent some crimes before they happen. Visit www.police.wa.gov.au/TougherForCrooks for more tips.

Remember if you need Police attendance or report a crime please call 131 444 in the first instance or the station on 9915 9100.

*Sergeant Dave Gannaway - Shark Bay Police
Tel: (08) 9915 9100*

EXTINGUISH ARSON

UP TO \$25,000 REWARD

for information leading to the conviction of a person for arson in the State of Western Australia

CRIME STOPPERS
1800 333 000
Western Australia

Contact Crime Stoppers on:
1800 333 000 or
www.crimestopperswa.com.au

Conservation Matters



Last summer, confirmation of Nationally significant migratory shorebird populations added to our understanding of just how special the Shark Bay World Heritage Area is and how important it is at a global scale. Some of the birds that come to our shores have travelled over 12,000km all the way from Alaska, flying non-stop for 9 days! 17 species were recorded, ranging from the sparrow-sized Red-Neck Stints to the largest, Eastern Curlews, with a bill as long as their body.

Their identification and counts couldn't have happened without excellent community support. To continue this crucial environmental monitoring work we need your help. Join us next January, in a community workshop for enthusiastic birdwatchers who want to build their skills in shorebird identification, and then possibly help in our annual surveys. The training includes:

- 2-3hr workshop 12:30pm Sunday 14th January 2024 at the DBCA Office, 61 Knight Terrace, Denham.
- 1 or 2 x field trips afterward to local roosts.

All equipment is provided, although you are welcome to bring your own binoculars or scope. Spaces are limited, for expressions of interest or questions, please send an email to: steve.reynolds@dbca.wa.gov.au

We would love to see you there!



Western Australia

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Normal business hours
Monday - Friday
(excluding public holidays)
9.00am to 12.30pm
& **1.30pm to 4.00pm**

Telephone: 9948 1400

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for EMERGENCIES ONLY*

After Hours Emergencies

EMERGENCY

If you call the Shark Bay Health Centre after hours you will be transferred through to Health Direct where a Registered Nurse will ask you a number of questions to determine whether you need further emergency assessment by the Shark Bay nurse. If you require further assessment, your call will be put through to the local nurse.

Examples of an EMERGENCY include:

- Breathing difficulties
- Chest pain
- Severe abdominal pain
- Bleeding that can't be controlled with first aid
- Convulsions and fits
- Deep lacerations
- Eye or ear injuries
- Uncontrolled high fever
- Loss of consciousness
- Pregnancy – bleeding or onset of labour
- A very sick child

Shark Bay School

Our end of year Concert was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the year's achievements and acknowledge all staff for their above-and-beyond contributions. We have had a year of consolidating successes in student learning, along with our ongoing care for wellbeing. Again, many thanks to the staff team and to all the parents and community members who have supported us this year.

Leading Cultures of Teaching Excellence

We will be expanding distributed leadership in 2024.

Ms Brennan and Miss Parsons joined me in the Leading Cultures of Teaching Excellence program on 24 November, supporting enhanced development of best practice in teaching and student support in 2024.



Transition Morning

It was terrific to meet our incoming Kindergarten students for 2024 on Thursday 30 November, which was also the day on which our Year 6 students had their first taste of high school.

Year 6 Graduation Event

We were very proud to acknowledge our Year 6 students on Friday 1st December, after all their work in supporting younger students and school events through the year. Our special Assembly was followed by a morning tea, and then a day out at Monkey Mia.



Swimming Lessons

Swimming lessons went from 4-13 December, thanks to Mrs



Harrower our lead instructor and all the staff for their help. Swimming lessons will run at the start of 2024 as well.

End of Year Concert

We had a great turnout on a warm evening for our end of year annual



presentation concert on Wednesday 13 December and lots of compliments for our performers. Well done everyone!

Farran Oakley gave an Acknowledgement of Country and our Choir, led by Ms Barber, gave their inaugural performance.



The Guitar Group played a couple of pieces and each class presented entertaining items.



Congratulations to all the students awarded prizes. We have re-defined our award categories to link explicitly with our school's vision and values.



Award Categories

Values Award. For students demonstrating our values of caring and following instructions through their manners, support for others and care for the environment. One award per class.

- KP: Coral Teague
- Year 1-2: Lachlan Woods
- Year 3-4: James Wright
- Year 5-6: Connor Johns
- Year 7-12: Connor Cooper



Vision Award. For students demonstrating a determination to unleash their own full potential in our Shark Bay school context. One award per class.

KP: Finley Mort
 Year 1-2: Amayah Dalgety
 Year 3-4: Zahra Baker
 Year 5-6: Gloria Labriola
 Year 7-12: Juancho Ramos



Academic Excellence Award. For consistently excellent achievement. One award per year group from Y1-6.

Year 1: Xavier Harrower
 Year 2: Liam Harrower
 Year 3: Denham Fitzgerald
 Year 4: Douglas Court
 Year 5: Lilly Wright
 Year 6: Belle Sellenger



SIDE Academic Awards – presented to the highest achieving students studying through SIDE in the state:

Year 7 Dieter Gannaway – Y7 Japanese
 Year 8 Isabella Court – Year 8 Media Arts
 Y10 Visuda Pontong – Year 10 Food
 Year 10 Gian Catindoy – Year 10 Digital Technology
 Y12 Deklan Grenside – Integrated Science



Personal Growth and Leadership Award. For students showing strong self-development in all aspects of their education. (Two recipients from Secondary Block; Years 7 – 9 and Years 10-12).

Year 7-9: Dieter Gannaway
 Year 10-12: Visuda Pontong

Incredible Growth Award. For students showing strong self-development and growth in all aspects of their education. (Two recipients from K/P Class; Kindergarten and Pre Primary)

Kindy: Ruby Larter
 Pre-Primary: Bella Labriola

Yadgalah Cultural Appreciation Award: Awarded to an Indigenous student who shows pride in sharing their culture and their appreciation of country with their school community. Open to all Indigenous students from Kindy to Year 12.

Phoenix Miller



Farewell

A big thank you and best wishes to Miss Sheffield, who leaves us at the end of term. It's been great having her on our team, and we wish her all the very best for the future.

New Staff in 2024

We look forward to welcoming Ms Katelyn Robinson (Year 1-2) and Ms Kathleen Northey (HaSS specialist and Learning Support).



Hello, my name is Katelyn Robinson. Ever since I was a little girl I have always dreamed of becoming a teacher. Teaching and learning is my passion. People describe me as bubbly and always full of energy. I enjoy playing sports and love spending time at the beach. I am super excited to meet you all and look forward to a great 2024.



I'm Kathleen, and I'm delighted to join the Shark Bay community. With ten years of experience in education, I'm passionate about creating highly engaging learning experiences. As a parent myself, I understand the importance of a supportive educational journey. I love

exploring history and our rich and dynamic land. I'm very excited to collaborate with you all to provide an enriching educational experience for all students.

P&C

The Christmas Disco held on Friday 8 December was a great success – lots of happy dancers, amazing decorations, lots of fun. Thanks to Sarah, Brad and all the helpers!

School Council

The Annual General Meeting was held on Monday 4 December at 5:15pm at school, previewing the 2023 Annual Report and making a slight modification to our Sun Protection Policy. We would like to thank the parent and community members of our School Council, Julia Fenny and Katie McKay, and our Chair, Jay Hayes, for their time and support through the year.

Health and Safety on site

Please be aware of our Bushfire Plan. We depend upon being able to contact parents quickly and easily. Please check that you have the Dojo App and use it regularly to keep it active. We hope for a summer unaffected by weather events of emergencies, but you never know.

Headlice continue to recur. Please check your own children and let us know if you need help or advice.



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Shark Bay School cont.

COVID-19 is still very much around. Please monitor your child/yourself for symptoms.

<https://www.healthywa.wa.gov.au>

WA Health 1300 316 555.

Further help is available:

- KidsHelpline 1800 551 800
- Youth Beyond Blue 1300 224 636
- Headspace.org.au



Coming up:

Students start T1 2024: 31/01/24

Swimming lessons 2024 start: 31/1/24

Early Close 5/2, 19/2, 18/3

Parent Meetings 8/2

Assemblies 8.30 am 9/2, 23/2, 8/3, 22/3 P&C 14/2, 20/3

School Council 20/2, 26/3

Labour Day Public Holiday 4/3

Year 6 Camp 20/-22/3

Students' last day and Reward Day 28/3

First day Term 2 16/4

Shark Bay School

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Principal: Celia.Elissegaray@education.wa.edu.au



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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.

Western Shield is generously sponsored by Alcoa Foundation, Tronox and Western Areas.



Department of Biodiversity,
Conservation and Attractions





Local Unit

Here we are at the start of yet another year. I trust you all had a happy Christmas and were able to enjoy some time off. 2023 flew by without too many incidents for our local unit but the year wasn't without its challenges. We are excited to announce that our recent acting District Officer Natural Hazards, Elsa Alston had been appointed in the role on a permanent basis. This is a major boost to units in our area as Elsa brings a wealth of knowledge to the role and as a recent Unit Leader in Carnarvon can relate first hand to the challenges directly facing Units and members. Elsa begins officially on the 2nd January.

There are quite a few training opportunities coming up this year with 3 courses earmarked for our Unit to host. As more members are also attaining their trained assessor qualifications the possibility of in house training is becoming more accessible to units. Obviously training is the major factor in a successful Unit we are excited for the year to come.

Our unit recently joined with members from Marine Rescue Shark Bay and Shark Bay Police to complete bushfire safety awareness training. This course was to enable DFES members outside a fire capacity the ability to enter a fire ground to run logistics and assist our bushfire fighters. Our main focus would be to move vehicles, transport firefighters to and from the fire ground, run food, water and supplies etc. Just as when we are deployed to a storm or a search capacity, there are many jobs required for an operation to run smoothly and we look forward to being able to assist when required.

If any of this appeals to you we are always ready to welcome new members with open arms. We meet the first and third Wednesday of every month with our first training back for the year being the 7th February.

YOUTH in Emergency Services (YES) Challenge

Recently, over 60 emergency services cadets from across the state gathered at Langley Park to participate in the Youth Emergency Services (YES) Challenge, as part of the Mining Emergency Response Competition (MERC).

The YES Challenge drew cadet teams from John Tonkin College (Mandurah) Emergency Services Cadet Corps (ESCC), Moora YES, Northam YES, Quinns Rocks YES, and Two Rocks YES, all eager to demonstrate their emergency response skills.



Watched closely by adjudicators from Mandurah State Emergency Service and Dwellingup Bush Fire Brigade, the YES Challenge featured seven teams engaged in two emergency scenarios designed to test their teamwork, leadership, first aid and communication skills. The first scenario unfolded as a fire erupted from an explosion at a chemical warehouse near an airport, requiring swift and coordinated action from the cadets to assist injured workers and extinguish the fire. The second scenario involved a multi-casualty vehicle and bus crash challenging the cadets to respond effectively.

The skill level demonstrated by the cadets was extraordinary and the competition was tight with only a few points between all teams. Congratulations to the John Tonkin College (Mandurah) ESCC Cadets for taking out the top prize. The YES Challenge provided an excellent opportunity for cadet units to showcase their emergency service skills while also fostering teamwork and camaraderie.

Although locally Shark Bay currently doesn't have a Youth cadets program across any emergency service organisation, discussions continue amongst groups to possibly establish one to ensure the longevity of our local volunteers.

For more information about the YES Programme contact the Coordinator Youth in Emergency Services, Lynelle Fozard at Lynelle.fozard@dfes.wa.gov.au or 0429 377 703

Shaun Burton - Unit Leader, Shark Bay SES



Training - 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month from 5:30pm
We will resume training on the 7th February. All welcome!



January
Happy Birthday

1 Jan	Debbie Bellottie	29 Jan	Janet Court
3 Jan	Kieran Cross	30 Jan	Linda Sewell
3 Jan	Amy Trezona	31 Jan	Belle Cuadro Arriola
3 Jan	Julie Robins		
10 Jan	Tinka Martina		
20 Jan	Charlotte Harrower		
21 Jan	Irene Marquis		
27 Jan	Cath Roberts		

Anniversaries

11 Jan	Beales, Barry & Alison
21 Jan	Robins, Geoff & Julie
21 Jan	Francis, Heath & Danielle

BreastScreen WA

coming soon to

Denham

Women aged 40 years and over, make your appointment now for a **FREE** screening mammogram.

12/02/2024 - 15/02/2024

(Dates may be subject to change)

Bookings open now!
phone 13 20 50



BreastScreen WA's mobile will be located at:

Shark Bay Recreation Centre, 30 Francis Road



Book your free screening mammogram online
www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au
or phone 13 20 50

Free mammograms for women in Denham

BreastScreen WA's FREE screening mammogram service is coming to Denham from 12/02/2024 - 15/02/2024 and the mobile clinic will be located at the Shark Bay Recreation Centre car park.

Women 40 years and over with no symptoms are eligible for a FREE screening mammogram. Breast cancer is the most common life threatening cancer for women and 1 in 7 women in Australia will develop breast cancer in their lifetime.

Having a screening mammogram (breast x-ray) every two years significantly increases the chance of a woman surviving breast cancer and reduces the amount of treatment required. More than 75% of breast cancers occur in women over the age of 50. Research shows that screening is most effective for this age group.

BreastScreen WA's Medical Director Dr Elizabeth Wylie, said screening mammography was the most effective method for early detection of breast cancer. "Screening every two years is vitally important to increase the chance of a breast cancer being detected when it is too small to feel or be noticed. Finding a cancer at this early stage often means that the breast cancer is small and more treatable". "A free screening mammogram is one of the best things that women can do to look after their health. Breast screening saves lives and only takes 20 minutes," said Dr Wylie.

Screening mammograms may detect 70-90% of breast cancers. Any woman with a persistent change in a breast should contact her doctor immediately. Dates may be subject to change.

If visit dates are not suitable participants are welcome to book at the clinic in a different town or at any of our permanent clinics. For more information please visit BreastScreen WA's website www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au.

To make your free screening mammogram appointment – book online www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au or call 13 20 50. Early detection is your best protection.



IN AN EMERGENCY DIAL 000

Our volunteers have responded to this many calls outs this year:

January - 8
 February - 7
 March - 14
 April - 23
 May - 7
 June - 10
 July - 20
 August - 7
 September - 10
 October - 18
 November - 8
 December - TBA

Total to date -
132



St John

Shark Bay Sub Centre



Office Hours:
 Wednesday & Thursday
 8:30am - 1pm

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 5 hrs per month

Opportunities include:

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

Volunteer Ambulance Officer

Duties include:

- 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 you partner on ambulance calls and with other members of the sub centre

JOIN OUR LOCAL HEROES

2024

First Aid Courses Denham

St John



Shark Bay Sub Centre

Upcoming First Aid Training for 2024

05/03/24	HLTAID009	CPR Refresher	2:00pm to 4:30pm
06/03/24	HLTAID011	Provide First Aid	8:30am to 4:30pm
15/05/24	HLTAID009	CPR Refresher	2:00pm to 4:30pm
16/05/24	HLTAID011	Provide First Aid	8:30am to 4:30pm
23/07/24	HLTAID009	CPR Refresher	8:30am to 11:00am
23/07/24	UETDRRF004	Low Voltage Rescue	11:00am to 12:30pm
24/07/24	HLTAID011	Provide First Aid	8:30am to 4:30pm
10/09/24	HLTAID011	Provide First Aid	8:30am to 4:30pm
11/09/24	HLTAID009	CPR Refresher	8:30am to 11:00am
07/11/24	HLTAID009	CPR Refresher	2:00pm to 4:30pm
08/11/24	HLTAID011	Provide First Aid	8:30am to 4:30pm

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Truck Driving in the 1940s



The first road train in the world was built by Kurt Johansson in 1947 and was driven by myself Nugget doing the Alice Springs to Darwin run. 100 tonnes-1000 miles-100 hours. My pay rate was 7 pound a week and all the bully beef you could eat! It had a cyclone stretcher on the top of the cab for the driver with a tarp in case of rain! Wind wasn't a problem with a maximum speed of 20mph overdrive! Every two hours you had to pull up and walk up and down kicking 72 tyres to check them!

Monday morning, I walk across to the depot from the old cottage where I live with three other drivers. The truck is still loaded with asbestos; I got in too late on Friday to unload. The PT Samson goods yard is not open weekends unless there is a ship in. I go into the off ice and get the first bad news of the week. The boss tells me to load timber!

They are building a township at Wittenoom so timber is coming up by the shipload. Its in assorted sizes and lengths and is dumped hell west and crooked all over the goods yard. Loading it is back-breaking and time consuming. There are a couple of casual workers waiting to help me. There are always a few around. They work the ships and pick up a few hours loading and unloading the trucks. The steady, reliable ones make quite a good living and enjoy the carefree lifestyle.

We head off on the twelve miles to the port. The Public Works is building new asbestos storage sheds there and has promised elevators for unloading. For the present though it's all hard work. The asbestos fibre is in jute sacks, twenty to the ton. We have to pick each bag off the truck and carry and stack them in the shed. When we finish unloading we have a smoke while inspecting the timber stacks and then start loading. We have a short break to boil the billy and have lunch of bread and tinned meat. By mid afternoon we have what I think is a fair load. I then have to spend an hour tying down the load with wire ropes. I know I'll lose some; you cannot hold the bloody stuff. There is a rumour that a grazier on the Tableland is building a new shearing shed with material that falls off the trucks; I quite believe it.

I head back to Roebourne, drop the truck at the depot and head home to shower and change my dusty clothes. While I'm doing this my Aboriginal offsider will top up the fuel and load our tarps and other gear. Peter Munda is my offsider. He is an ex-police boy. He's a good worker and is always neat and clean. He and I are good mates. He cannot help me load at the Port, as the union will not allow Aboriginals to work there.

The truck we drive is an ex-army Diamond T tank recovery vehicle, modified for cargo work. It has an enormous, slow-moving diesel motor connected to two gearboxes, but has a top speed of only twenty miles an hour. The truck has a 24-foot tray and we pull a 32-foot tri-axle trailer. We have the power to pull much heavier loads but could not get the extra trailers around some of the bends on the road. In the Northern Territory, the same vehicles were pulling one hundred tons, on four trailers, from Alice Springs to Darwin. I walk back to the depot and after checking everything and picking up loading cart notes from the office, we head down the hill and across the concrete crossing over the Harding River.

Quite often, there are Aboriginals waiting opposite the native camp looking for a lift up the road. If at all possible, we always let them hop on the load. They are not fussy and they distribute their swags, kids and dogs on top quite happily. However, this trip we have no passengers.

The fifty-odd miles to the foot of what is known locally as the Big Hill is not too bad. Modern motorists would never think of travelling it in anything but a four wheel drive, but we reckon it's pretty good. It was even graded a couple of years ago. Several dry creek crossings slow us up a bit so it takes about three hours to reach Snake Creek at the foot of the hill. By this time, it's that time of day when lights are not much good but it's too dark without them.

While I'm checking the load and our 22 tyres, Peter gets the tucker box off the load and puts the billy on. Luckily, we have no flats so after a quick meal of bread and more tinned meat, Peter packs up the tucker box and spreads his swag on top of the load. No flash sleeper cabs in those days.

The next seven miles winds up through Devil's Elbow. The Switchback, Graveyard Pinch and finally Mt. Herbert. If we don't have any trouble it will take us about one and a half hours. A couple of trips ago we found Ron Thomas stuck on the Graveyard with a broken axle. With no room to get past him I had to creep up behind his trailer in dead low gear, and use the Diamond T's massive bumper bar to bulldoze the whole works up to the top. The old truck's extra power came in handy that night.

Mt Herbert is the last bad pull. The road winds around the hill and up at a one in seven grade. The old teamsters used to stop at the top of the hill to chain the back wheels of the wagon. They fitted steel shoes under the wheels and dragged them down. It was the only way to stop the wagon rolling over the team. The wagons weren't the only ones to come to grief. If you look over the side you'll see the remains of Band R's big Studebaker Truck. It stalled, ran back over the side and burned. Jack Barrett jumped just in time. The next couple of miles onto the Tablelands are winding enough to break a snakes back, but no bad grades.

A stop at the top to check tyres, then off again. The road on the tableland is pretty level but there are numerous dry creek crossings, which necessitate changing down a few gears. All drivers smoke. It keeps you awake. You get pretty adept at rolling cigarettes while driving. We did not take pills in those days. Lack of sleep plays funny tricks; sometimes you see things that are not there. Ron Armstrong slammed the brakes on one night; he swore he had run over a woman pushing a pram. This was at Number Eight Bore half way to Wittenoom. I pull up every couple of hours, check tyres and wash my face in cold water from the tank slung under the truck.

I pull up at Mount Florence Station shearer's quarters. When I turn the engine off I can hear a tyre going down. It's a back trailer wheel, so after a few heartfelt words, I get the jack and tools out. Peter wakes up and hops down to help.



Doug Francis, who is foreman grader driver and everything else of the tablelands Road Board, is camped at the quarters. He wakes up and makes a billy of coffee and I yarn to Doug, I ask Peter how he feels.

"I'm right mate," he says and so I get up on the back and Peter takes over. We have seventy miles to go. After awhile I doze off. When I wake it is breaking day and we are just turning round into the timber yard off the town site. There is no one at work yet so we boil the billy and chuck a tin of sausages on the fire. After breakfast there is still no sign of anyone. Timber is bad loading at this end too. The bloke in charge is a surly type who always has an excuse for not giving you any labour to unload.

We undo all the ropes and as no one appears we start shoving timber off both sides. After two hours of hard work we have most of the load off. The timber boss then appears and complains that it's in the wrong place. Quite a few hot words are exchanged and he takes off threatening all sorts of things. A couple of chaps then appear. They say to take no notice of the so and so and help throw the rest of the load off.

We head off for the mine, which is about six miles up the gorge. There are eleven shingly creek crossings in the six miles. When the gorge runs the workers camp at the mine is cut off.

We pull in alongside the mill to load asbestos. The MacRobertson Miller pilots say they can pinpoint Wittenoom from one hundred miles away by the column of blue dust over the mill. If you go in the mess for a meal you have to sweep the asbestos off the table and seats. Mac, the mill boss, is a decent sort. He gives us a couple of New Australians to help load. Mac does not know it yet but in the next thirty years asbestos will kill his entire family. The floor of the mill is at the height of the truck bed so it's just a matter of shouldering the bags out on to the truck. The trouble is you can hardly see in the mill for dust and very shortly you're coughing and spitting out blue clots of it. The workers are given primitive masks but they soon clog up. The baggers are on contract, so they cannot afford to stop work.

After we have loaded and tied down we go into the change room for a shower. This is a dark gloomy place full of dirty clothes and boots, but it's the only place available. By this time it's too late for lunch in the mess so we head out. A chap has asked for a lift out but we cannot take him. He has to have a clearance from the company and if we break the rules our boss could lose his contract.

Loaded with twenty tons it's a slow trip back out to the town site. We pull up there and find we have another flat. We change the wheel and as we have no more spares I decide to mend the two flats, better now in daylight than in the middle of the night. When this is done and all the gear stowed away it's getting late. We pull out and by the time we reach Windamurra mill twelve miles out, it's dusk, so we stop for tea. After tea Peter says he'll have a camp so he can relieve me later on.

I pull into Mt Florence to see if Doug has any mail but he is not there. A native Stockman comes across from the camp and says Doug has hooked his truck behind

the grader and moved down the road. I move on and just past the abandoned Tambray Station I see Doug's camp alongside the road. It consists of a cyclone stretcher alongside the truck. I pull up and Doug gets up and puts the billy on. After a mug of coffee and a yarn I've got my second wind so decide not to wake Peter.

Next stop is the top of Mt Herbert. It pays to check everything before heading down, and make sure you are thoroughly awake. There's plenty of smart gear work in the next seven miles. You can't rely solely on your brakes and it doesn't pay to miss a gear change, cowboys don't last long on this road. An hour later I pull up at Snake Creek to find I have got another flat. While I'm getting the jack and tools out Peter wakes up. We change the wheel and my mate takes over while I try for a couple of hours sleep.

I wake up when the truck stops at the native camp. Peter gets off and I drive across the river and park at the depot. As I walk across the cottage it is breaking day. While I'm having a shower, one of my mates calls out to me, do I want some steak and eggs for breakfast? Do I what! It's a change from tin dog.

After a leisurely breakfast and a smoke it's over to the depot, to report into the office and start the same routine for the second time this week.

Saturday it is half a day servicing the truck and then we get paid. I collect fourteen pounds ten shillings or twenty nine dollars. This is for two trips at seven pounds per trip and ten shillings for the three pence per ton bonus for asbestos carted.

Peter collects three pounds per trip and I feed him on the road. Compared to his mates Peter is well off. For this princely sum I have lumped one hundred tons of assorted cargo on and off the truck, worked about one hundred hours mostly without sleep and driven eight hundred miles.

Strangely enough we thought we had a pretty good job. There was always some youngster waiting to start on the trucks with their father or brother. Some of those kids were driving when they were fourteen years old.

Of eight drivers who worked together over a period, I am the only survivor. The asbestos killed the rest of them years ago.

Extracted from the written works by Nugget McClymans (deceased)



Above photo: the Johannsen ex-army Diamond T roadtrain carted 63,000 empty drums after the war.



Sport & Recreation

Closure

The Centre will be closed for all day and night sports until Monday the 8th January. Doors will be open Monday to Friday from 9am - 1pm for open courts sessions. Night sports will also resume on Monday's and Wednesday's.

Kindy Gym

Kindy Gym had their final session at their annual Christmas party on Tuesday the 12th December, I would like to thank everyone who came along to enjoy the festivities. A special mention to the following in their assistance towards making it all happen: Shire of Shark Bay, Macca, Denham Furies and Brizza, Shark Bay Hotel, Sarah and Brad Lyons, Sharyn, Barb, Parent Helpers who helped pack up and the fabulous CRC team.

Recreation Centre team



DOG WALKING

IF YOUR FURRY FRIEND NEEDS A WALK
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Meet Sundays at the Pistol Club. New members are always welcome, touch base with Vaughan the president on 0417 301 397 for more information.



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FROM 8/01/24

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Night sports Mondays (Volleyball) 6pm
Wednesdays (Basketball) 5:45pm

QUERIES: SHARK BAY CRC
PH 08 9948 1787

Shark Bay Community Resource Centre
Your local connection



Christmas

Lolly Run

Santa delivered 40kgs of lollies to all of the little and big kids in Denham on Christmas morning. A massive thank you to the Shark Bay Hotel, Shark Bay Home Assist, Shark Bay Coastal Tours, Shark Bay Recovery, Denham Volunteer Fire Bridge and the Shark Bay CRC for supporting this community event!

Also a huge thank you to our volunteer community organisers; Rebecca Stanley, Janet Court & Veejay Court. Superstars!!!



Other Sports & Recreation



1:30pm Tuesdays
@ the Hall
Starts at 1:30pm

\$3 per session

Any enquiries please
ring Bron - 0407 310 052

Shark Bay Club




BRIDGE

The Shark Bay (social)
Bridge Club

Meets every Monday at 1pm in the Denham Town Hall on Hughes Street (opposite the Silver Chain building). Beginners are welcome! Session fee of \$3 which includes afternoon tea.

Why don't you come and join us for a friendly game of bridge?

For more information please contact:
Jill: 0417 177 009



SHARK BAY SPEEDWAY CLUB 2024 RACE CALENDAR

16th March - Practice Day

6th April - Club Meet
Production Sedan Perpetual Trophy Day

20th April - Club Meet
All divisions racing

11th May - Gascoyne Development Series rd 1
in Carnarvon - all divisions racing

15th June - Gascoyne Development Series rd 2
in Shark Bay - all divisions racing

6th July - 36th Far Western Championship

17th August - Club Meet
All divisions racing

21st & 22nd September
All other divisions Perpetual Trophy weekend
22nd September - Presentation evening

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SPORTS & REC

SHARK BAY WEEKLY TIMETABLE

Monday	1:00pm..... Bridge @ Town Hall SB Bridge Club (fees apply)
	2:00 - 4:30pm..... Open Courts @ Rec Centre (excluding school holidays)
	6:00pm..... Badminton/Volleyball @ 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)
	2:30pm..... Croquet @ SB Bowling, Sport & Rec Club
	5:45pm..... Basketball @ Rec Centre
Thursday	2:30 - 4:30pm..... Open Courts @ Rec Centre (excluding school holidays)
Saturday	1:30pm..... Golf, 9 hole stableford @ Boolbardie Country Club (fees apply)
	2:30pm..... Bowls, Scroungers @ SB Bowling, Sport and Rec Club (fees apply)
Sunday	1:00pm..... Pistol shooting @ SB Pistol Club (fees apply)

Boolbardie Country Club



Chip Shots

Summer is upon us and the temperature and winds have picked up and some members have left for their southern summer pastures. A result, playing fields have reduced to the usual suspects of Shark Bay stalwarts with the odd sprinkling of visitors. As this has been a very dry year (the course was mown once in 2023, that being last February), the course is now quite bare of grass and a number of the greens, though still playing true, require some additional sand and treatment. It is expected that the green replenishment will be completed in February or March ready for season 2024.

The following details the winners of the \$50 vouchers provided by the SHARK BAY FISH FACTORY for December.

SHARK BAY FISH FACTORY STABLEFORD	Winner (Score)	Runner-Up (Score)	Nearest the Pin*
Saturday 2 December	Peter Cope (15)	Chris Galvin (12)	-
Saturday 9 December	Peter Llewellyn (16)	Mick Parry (15)	-
Saturday 16 December	Peter Llewellyn (14)	Lyn Harding (14)	Jill Deschamp

Wednesday Stableford Competition winners for the past month are listed below.

Wednesday Stableford	Winner (Score)	Runner-Up (Score)	Nearest the Pin*
Wednesday 29 November	Mick Parry (17)	Jill Deschamp (16)	Jill Deschamp
Wednesday 6 December	Lyn Harding (17)	Chris Galvin (12)	Lyn Harding
Wednesday 13 December	No Play	-	-

* Nearest the pin shot on Wednesdays.

Member's handicaps remained fairly static during the month although Mick Parry (10) lost a stroke.

Club competitions will continue through summer (weather permitting) 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 \$6 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 possible.

Full sets of clubs (ladies, men, left and right-handed), balls and tees are available at no cost on club competition days or at any other time – ring Peter (0418 193 735) to get the combination for access to the loan clubs. Motorised buggies are available for hire on competition days at \$6 per player for 9 holes for non-members and \$4 each for members.



A reminder that the Club has a practice driving range on the hill up from the clubhouse between the buggy sheds (signposted). There are numerous balls up on the range and players and visitors are most welcome to collect some balls up there and have a hit. Players are also welcome to use the fairways as driving practice but PLEASE collect your golf balls from the course as this can slow down play considerably on competition days as players search for their balls amid any balls left on the course after a practice session.

Peter Llewellyn - Club Captain



Join us Mondays at 10am. Everyone is always welcome!

CROQUET

ON BREAK UNTIL LATE JANUARY

WEDNESDAYS 3:15PM FOR A 3:30PM START

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John Senteneller 0400 625 138

@ the Shark Bay Bowling, Sport & Recreation Club

Shark Bay Bowling, Sport & Recreation Club

Barefoot Bowls

The battle of the barefoot bowls ended with Robbie Morgan's team, Wax On taking out the 2023 Barefoot Bowls competition. Other worthy place getters included Water Rats (Marine Rescue), Bowl Scratches (Trent, Adam & Porter) and our local SES team.



Final results;

1st	Wax on	9 + 27
2nd	Water Rats	9 + 24
3rd	Bowl Scratches	8 + 73
4th	SES	8 + 35
5th	Trailor Trash	8 + 22
6th	Back Draft	8 + 23
7th	Monkey Rats	8 - 22
8th	IGA	6 + 5
9th	The Shams	4 - 7
10th	Blue Bowls	4 - 12
11th	Breaking Bad	4 - 14
12th	Bread Rollers	4 - 28
13th	Fish Fingers	2 - 33
14th	Pub Run	0 - 73



Barefoot Bowls will resume in February 2024 so start considering your teams of 3. Please note we can only accomodate 14 teams on our green so to save disappointment make sure you nominate as soon as our Club Captain Skeltz starts advertising later in January.

AGM

We held our AGM on the 3rd December and can advise there has only been a small adjustment to our 10 person team. Thank you to retiring committee member Fiona Oakley for your contributions over the last few years.

All 2023/2024 positions were filled and include;
 President - Peter Francis (Pedro)
 Vice President - Brian Child
 Treasurer/Secretary - Jamie Burton
 Captain - Robert Skelton
 Committee - Ian Dinsdale, John Senteneller, Dale Chapman, Tegan Tomshin, Barry Beales, Min Cooper.

Fisheries question

Q: Is a WA Recreational Fishing licence card enough or do you need to hold onto the paper receipt at all times as well?

A: Where required to hold a Recreational Fishing license the fishers should have the license card, or a copy of it on them. However, officers are pretty reasonable, and if they can check up via an internet connection they will, failing this they may require the person to produce the license to a Fisheries Officer, however we would always give them a week to produce the requested license.

Thank our Volunteers

The Shire of Shark Bay recently held the community Thank a Volunteer celebrations. Our team has been keeping a well documented list of each and every volunteer over the 2023 as no one can make it through life without the help of someone else. We greatly appreciate every contribution and we wish to recognise all the below locals particularly for helping us out;

Peter Francis	Chris Rewi	Jess Fynamore
Ian Dinsdale	Rumor Blackman	John Brennan
Dale Chapman	Louise Lambie	Siobhan Hoare
Jamie Burton	Shaun Burton	Emily Duff
Brian Child	Tamala Sellenger	Cheryl Bell
Fiona Oakley	Natt Dul	Sherry Smith
Robert Skelton	Claire Harrower	Deb Roberts
Barry Beales	Cheryl Richardson	Ronnie Baynes
Min Cooper	Nick Brennan	Bec Moroney
John Sentenellar	Jayson McFarlane	Brittany McIntosh
Tegan Tomshin	Katrina Steadall	Robbie Morgan
Mark Smith	Lisa Storman	Jodie Morgan
Nicola Motuzas	Rosemary Lewis	Karen Gidley
Greg Bell	Bob Archibald	
Peter Motuzas	Kathy Hill	

Break

The Club will be closed until mid to late January as our maintenance team has cored the green. Besides it is far too hot to stand out in our summer sun and battle the winds. We will advise when we will be back open playing scrungers and or the green will be free for anyone to come and play a game out of hours. We have installed a honesty box for those accessing the venue outside of hours and ask a \$5 donation per player be contributed to the box. All funds go towards maintenance of the green.

Shark Bay Bowling, Sport & Recreation Club



OP SHOP

Donations welcome
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- Clean, quality items
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- NO large items



OPENING HOURS

Monday	10:00am - 1:00pm
Tuesday	10:00am - 1:00pm
Wednesday	10:00am - 1:00pm
Thursday	10:00am - 1:00pm
Friday	10:00am - 1:00pm
Saturday	10:00am - 1:00pm

**OPENING TIMES
MAY VARY OVER
THE HOLIDAY
PERIOD**

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Consumer Watch

Danger on the road: Protect yourself from unlicensed car dealers

Unlicensed motor vehicle dealers are a danger to the community and they're illegal. The vehicles sold can be riddled with problems, possibly making them unroadworthy. This puts you and other road users at risk, which could result in a serious accident or even death.

These so-called 'dodgy dealers' also don't offer warranties that are required by law on their second-hand vehicles. This means if you have mechanical issues after your purchase from these illegal operators, you won't be protected in the same way you would if you had purchased from a licensed car dealer. The unknown cost to repair your vehicle is the risk you take by purchasing from an unlicensed dealer.

Illegal traders generally do not repair any faults in a car once sold, leaving you out-of-pocket and possibly stuck with a lemon.

In 2023, Consumer Protection successfully prosecuted six unlicensed vehicle dealers in WA, with \$106,000 in fines issued. The most recent prosecution saw Alix Alchikh Ebrahim Aljilani of Thornlie, fined \$47,600 for buying and selling more than 100 cars in a seven month period. This sizeable penalty reflects the serious nature of the offence and we're warning more prosecutions will follow.

If someone sells or exchanges four or more vehicles in any 12-month period to or with people that are not dealers, they're carrying on a business and need to be licensed.

Unlicensed car dealing creates an uneven playing field in the marketplace and undermines the integrity of the motor vehicle industry in WA.

You can protect yourself from dodgy unlicensed car dealers by doing some simple checks. Before buying a car, check that the seller is licensed by asking to see their Motor Vehicle Dealer's Licence. If you are unsure whether the person you are buying from is licensed, visit Consumer Protection's licence and registration search.

Go through our car buyers checklist at www.dmirs.wa.gov.au/buyingacar. This checklist empowers you to know what to look out for when shopping around for a second-hand car and gives you the best chance at driving away with a safe and reliable vehicle. Also remember to spend \$2 on Personal Property Securities Register check at ppsr.gov.au to ensure the vehicle hasn't been written off, isn't unregistered or has money owing on it.

Help protect yourself and others on the road by dobbing in unlicensed dealers to Consumer Protection on 1300 30 40 54 or consumer@dmirs.wa.gov.au

Refunds, returns, repairs and gift cards: know your rights

What happens when you don't like the socks Grandma gives you for Christmas? Or what if Santa delivers your little one a broken toy?

Under the Australian Consumer Law (ACL), consumers

have rights when it comes to gifts that are faulty, unsafe or not as described.



Australian retailers must offer a remedy such as a refund, replacement or repair, even if the gift was on sale. If the problem is minor, a business can offer its choice of a remedy, but if the fault is major - you get to choose. You do not have to accept a credit note instead of a refund and no longer having the packaging is not a reason to refuse you a remedy.

When it comes to making a claim on faulty gifts, proof of purchase is required. This can be a receipt (or photograph of), a credit or debit card statement, a lay-by agreement, a warranty card with details about the purchase or some combination of these which supports your claim.

So long as you can reasonably demonstrate that you or the gift giver purchased an item, a business may be breaking the law if it denies your right to a refund, repair or replacement for an item that fails to meet a consumer guarantee.

But what about those socks from Grandma? If a gift is not your preferred colour, is the wrong size, or you got the same gift twice, it's considered a "change of mind" and is not covered by the ACL. The business does not have to offer you any form of remedy, but if they choose to do so, it is out of their goodwill. For this reason, it is up to the business as to whether they will exchange it, offer a refund or provide store credit.

It's important to know most gift cards and vouchers must have an expiry period of at least three years. This is the law. Gift vouchers are like cash – if you lose one, you can't claim a replacement, so keep cards in a secure place until you are ready to go shopping.

Finally, if a gift failed to turn up in time for Christmas, you may be entitled to a remedy but it is best to contact the retailer to resolve the issue first before lodging a complaint with Consumer Protection.

If issues can't be resolved with the retailer, then lodge a formal complaint on the Consumer Protection website. Enquiries can be made by email consumer@dmirs.wa.gov.au or by calling 1300 30 40 54

A/Senior Regional Officer for Midwest, Cheryle Dennis



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New Years Eve

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Country Stargazing



2024 New Year Stargazing!

2024 will bring a 'cosmic treasure trove' of stunning astro events throughout the year. We can look forward to more amazing meteor showers, a special line-up of planets, Super Moons and more!

To bring in the new year, January has two lovely conjunctions to look for, starting with brilliant Venus sitting only 5 degrees from the thin slither of the Moon. The time is 45mins before dawn on the 9th, looking to the east. This is followed by a stunning meeting of the half moon and Jupiter in the evening sky on the 18th.

For constellations, Orion the Hunter is a famous summer constellation and is up in the early evening to see now. First thing in the evening, look directly to the east. The brightest star you'll see is Sirius. Directly to the left of Sirius is what is often referred to as the "Saucepan". The "Saucepan" is part of the Orion constellation. There are three bright stars in a fairly straight line that make up the base of the saucepan and a handle sticks out at the top right.

Orion has been known since ancient times. In Greek mythology, Orion is a hunter. His image is upside down in the southern hemisphere! The three bright stars of the base are Orion's belt, and the handle is his sword.

And how about looking at some galaxies! The Large and Small Magellanic Clouds (sometimes abbreviated to LMC and SMC!) are galaxies outside of our own Milky Way Galaxy and form a stunning spectacle. From Earth, they look like two faint clouds in the southern night sky. We are



super lucky here downunder as they are only seen from the Southern Hemisphere.

The best time to see the Magellanic Clouds is when there's no moonlight. Look to the south from 8.00pm, between 10–15th January.

Pop these dates into your cosmic diary and have a star-filled New Year!

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

Carol Redford and Donna Vanzetti,



The Golden Lens

2024 Photographic competition

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.

Entries close **17 March 2024**

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

- Active ageing**
- Cultural identity**
- Wander out yonder**
- Blast from the past**

For more information visit

www.seniorscard.wa.gov.au/goldenlens



Community Groups

Community groups	Contact Name	Telephone No.
Boolbardie Country Club	Peter Llewellyn - Club Captain	0418 193 735
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
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Shark Bay Arts Council	Sofie Hayes - President Abby Leyendekkers - Vice President	0400 256 829
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Shark Bay Bridge Club	Fay Castling Jillian Hill	0427 948 022 0417 177 009
Shark Bay Business Association Inc	Mira Vankova	www.experiencesharkbay.com
Shark Bay Community Men's Shed	Tony Sckardoon Carlos Elissegaray	0435 008 080 0427 010 869
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	Brad Lyons	0422 927 527
Shark Bay Speedway Club	Dave Harrower - President	0429 998 944
Shark Bay State Emergency Service (SES)	Shaun Burton - Local Manager George Livesey - Deputy Manager	Call 132 500 for Assistance Info ONLY: 0429 481 218
Shukokai Karate	Janine Standen	0400 122 439
St Andrew-by-the-sea Anglican Church		9902 6476
St John Ambulance - Shark Bay Sub Centre	Alana Eru	Call 000 for Emergency Info ONLY: 9948 3023
The Shark Bay Entertainers	John Senteneller	0400 625 138
Yadgalah Aboriginal Corp.	Debbie Bellottie	9948 1318
Daycare	Marie Gamble	0457 040 867

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 Town Hall
denhamvfrs@bigpond.com	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd 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
hello@sofieseyah.com		Arts Shed - 10 Denham Road
sharkbaybowls@westnet.com.au	Scrounges - Saturday, 2pm	Bowling Club, Francis Street
hillhome@bigpond.com	Monday 1pm MUST contact Fay or Jill in advance	Denham Shire Town Hall
sharkbaytourism02@gmail.com	1 st Tuesday of every month	Recreation Centre
sbcmsshed@hotmail.com	Monday 10am Wednesday	
sharkbaytc@westnet.com.au	Open Monday to Friday, 9am - 4pm	
sharkbaytc@westnet.com.au	17 th - 24 th May 2024	
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
bradmlyons@hotmail.com		
sharkbayspeedwayclub@outlook.com	37 th Far Western - 6 th July 2024	Shark Bay Speedway Club
sessharkbay@iinet.net.au	Mondays @ 5pm	Emergency Services Building, Durlacher Street
jstanden@westnet.com.au	Tuesday & Friday 5pm - 6pm	Denham Shire 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 Town Hall
yadgalah1@bigpond.com	Monday - Friday	Francis Street
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