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Lesmurdie artist Mike Collings says the project took five years to complete but is now an animated art piece ready to be viewed.

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The 2023 Swan SES unit.

*Swan SES celebrates 60 years of service to the community*

FROM a humble beginning of storing equipment in the Midland Town Hall Clock Tower to a state-of-the-art emergency services facility, Swan State Emergency Service (SES) has faithfully served the City of Swan and the Shire of Chittering across many and varied emergencies over the past 60 years.

While their prime focus is assisting with cyclones, earthquakes, floods, storms and tsunamis, Swan SES also responds and provides support for many other emergencies including search and bushfires.

Swan SES has been in operation since 1964, when the unit was originally known as the 'Town of Midland Voluntary Emergency Service' (VES), which was part of the WA Civil Defence and Emergency Service.

The first coordinator was Ron Gray of Midland who attended a federally funded counter-disaster course at the National Emergency Services College in Victoria. On his return he was responsible for forming a Midland VES.

There were no training facilities available, and the equipment was stored in the Midland Town Hall Clock Tower. When there was an emergency, Ron would call on all his seven members to assist.

In 1970, the Town of Midland and the Shire of Swan-Guildford united to form the present Shire of Swan, and the unit was renamed the 'Swan Voluntary Emergency Service'.

In 1980, the unit established its own Emergency Operational and Training Centre in the City of Swan Works Depot, off Bishop Road. The Swan Shire and the WA SES each provided \$10,000 to establish the initial basic Swan Voluntary Emergency Headquarters, and it was around this time that the Swan VES changed its name to 'Swan State Emergency Service'.

In 1984, Paul Shakes took over the role of coordinator with the title changing to local manager in the early 1990s. Knowledge and ideas from people with different backgrounds came together over the many years that Paul was in the position, allowing the unit to continue its success.

In 1989, there was a combined opening of the operations centre and the Swan SES 25th anniversary, with 30 volunteers at the time in the Swan SES.

During the 1990s, the Swan Welfare van was known as the largest catering van in the state and provided a major support role for firefighters.

In December 2010, Emergency Services Minister Rob Johnson turned the first sod at the site of the new Emergency Service Facility (ESF) on the corner of Bishop Road and Great Northern Highway in Middle Swan.

One year later, the unit moved into the new building, and December 8, 2012 was the official opening of the \$1.2 million purpose-built combined Swan ESF which houses both Swan SES and the Swan Communication Bushfire Brigade.

The state government funded \$860,000 for the new building, comprising \$700,000 from the FESA Capital Works Program and \$161,000 from the emergency services levy - capital grants scheme.

The City of Swan complemented the government's contribution by providing \$350,000 for the extension of the sewer lines, building of a carpark and management of the contract.

A Swan SES logo and motto was developed in 2017 to better reflect the direction of the unit.

The new motto was 'Myself, My Team, My Community', and in 2019, Swan SES received the City of Swan Australia Day 'Active Citizenship Award' for "Recognising outstanding community contribution." Daryl Coleman is the current local manager, and



Ladder and ropes training at a flooded John Forrest National Park (1986).



Taken from a newspaper article in the 1970s, coordinator Murray Lisk and other volunteers doing stretcher training under their previous name Swan Volunteer Emergency Services.

there are now 62 volunteers at the Swan SES.

Across these 60 years, Swan SES has been involved in significant deployments, major incidents and community engagement.

Significant deployments included severe tropical cyclones Elaine and Vance (1999), Moora floods (1999), Adelaide storms and floods (2016), severe tropical cyclone Seroja (2021), NSW floods (2022), and Fitzroy Crossing floods (2023).

Major incidents included the Barrass search near Muchea (1998), Waroona-Yarloop fire support (2016), Muchea search (2016), Muchea vehicle control point during COVID (2020), and Wooroloo fire support (2020) where the unit became a staging area for the west division.

Swan SES is celebrating their 60th anniversary on Saturday, May 18 at Jack Mann Oval from 10am to 3pm. There will be a Swan SES historical display, food vans, fire trucks, face painting, the RAC simulation helicopter, live music and more, with an official ceremony will be held at 11am.



Rescue at Bells Rapids Lookout in 2021.

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# Midland audience applauds Fini's shot at bureaucracy

GUANHAO CHENG

**HESPERIA** director Adrian Fini said the only way we're going to have an efficient government was "when Canberra burns down," during the 'Midland the new Dalkeith' business breakfast last Friday.

Mr Fini was asked a question related to bureaucracy and the frustration of big developments, such as the Bullsbrook Centre of National Resilience, sitting idle when they could be used as available accommodation for people in need.

The crowd cheered and applauded the question as Mr Fini prepared to give his answer.

Mr Fini said the lack of leadership and thousands of excuses that went all the way back to Canberra were responsible for the long wait times for development completion.

"As I mentioned, the film studios took 23 years. The state buildings took 20-something years. So, we work with government every day," he said.

"We've got a federal capital sitting only for politicians that doesn't actually touch normal people, it's ludicrous."

This line of questioning came off the back of another emotive question put to the keynote speaker regarding housing ex-offenders, so they did not relapse into old habits.

Hanssen Construction leading hand Scott Locke said he

owed his success of staying out of jail to his adequate housing and asked Mr Fini what could be done for others.

"Because part of the problem is when people come out of jail, there's no housing. Part of my success rate is coming out from ReSet," he said.

"When you get into work, and you live in a hostel, and people are using drugs, after a while that wears you down.

"For me, I don't do that, but I live in my own house and that's part of my success rate.

"I believe for us ex-offenders, we need, please, housing. That stops everything."

Mr Fini said he was passionate when he was working for the state housing commission but it's a gruelling job.

"I've got submissions in presently on 500 or 700 build-to-rent models with federal and state funding," he said.

"My staff, and one of my sons works on it. They're worn out.

"The ministers can't get to the bottom of it. Obviously, the previous minister was removed. There's a new one trying.

"They've kind of tried to tear it apart and put the housing component back with DevelopmentWA. It's maybe going to get there this year. I don't know.

"But you've just had a government department that actually hasn't been able to operate



Keynote speaker Adrian Fini and MC Mike Match. Pictures: Guanhao Cheng



for about a decade, sadly."

Mr Fini ended his keynote speech reminding the attendees that everything could be better and not to forget their vision.

"Change does take a long time, but you've got to actually know what you're aiming at," he said.

"Continually readjust your sight. Don't assume you know the answer. Keep actually trying to refocus and review to achieve hitting that star that you want to hit.

"It's a lot of effort, but it's a lot of fun."



Attendees at the Midland business breakfast.



## Kalamunda dentist has registration reinstated

PETER W LEWIS

**THE Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA) has reinstated the dental registration of Peter Terzi from Terzi Dental in Kalamunda, but with a number of strict conditions.**

On April 2 the State Administrative Tribunal of Western Australia imposed the following conditions on the registration of the practitioner under the Health Practitioner Regulation National Law.

The AHPRA website states: "Following the imposition of these conditions the practitioner:

(a) must not employ, or allow the practice to employ, any female employee who is under the age of 18 years;

(b) must not have any personal contact with any female employee outside the workplace; and

(c) must not engage in any personal or private activities or engagements with any patient of the practitioner, the practice or any external practice otherwise than in accordance with the Code of Conduct."

Other conditions involve the supervision of Dr Terzi, including:

The practitioner must engage Dr David Hallett and Dr Kang Kim (or any such other person approved by the board in the event that either person is unwilling or unable to continue as a supervisor) of his professional conduct and practise for a period of six months;

The practitioner must also ensure that the supervisors review, and if considered by either of them appropriate, audit the practitioner's billing practices (including billing to patients, Medicare and private entities), working conditions of the practitioner's workplace and adherence by the practitioner to these conditions;

Ensure that a supervisor meets the practitioner in the workplace or via video link at least once per fortnight, and at any other time the supervisor or supervisors consider appropriate without notice to the practitioner;

Ensure that the supervisors monitor the practitioner's compliance with the Dental Board's continuous professional development (CPD) program; Attend any CPD course or training nominated by a supervisor including as to note-taking or billing practices;

Ensure that the supervisors provide a report to a nominated officer of AHPRA of the practitioner's compliance with these conditions every two months for a total of six months, with the first such report to be provided on May 28.

Dr Terzi's nursing registration remained suspended as of May 9.

In *Nursing rego suspended for Kalamunda dentist* (Echo News, March 29) it was reported that Dr Terzi's legal team said he also planned to appeal the board's decision to suspend his nursing registration.



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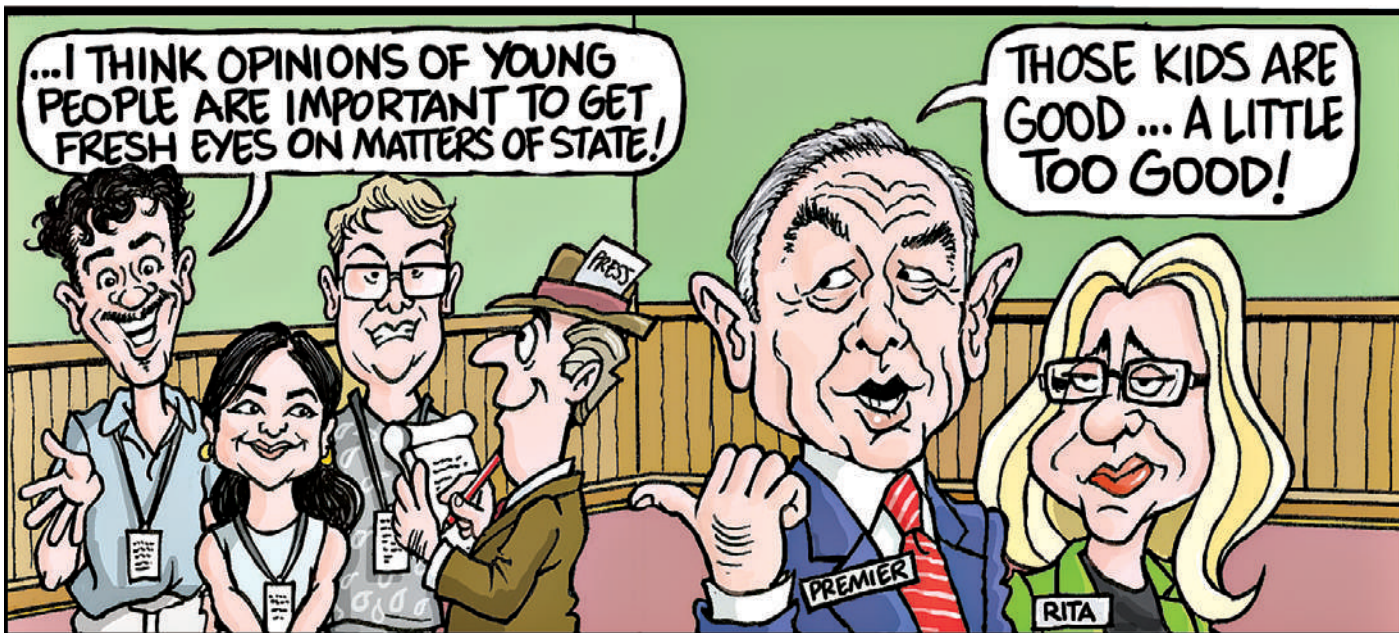
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**Climate change blamed again!**

**Dear Echo News,**  
Whilst I am sure they are well intentioned your story *State climate change experts converge on Parliament steps* (Echo News, April 26) remind me somewhat of those stories we learnt in histo-

ry of religious zealots moving about the countryside banging drums and saying repent now. Somehow climate change has become a new phenomenon and one blamed for every unusual weather event that we experience.

The reality is climate change has always been happening and thank goodness it has because it lets us know that the things that really influence climate change such as the sun and the earth's planetary forces are still working fine.

But somehow, we have allowed a mantra to develop where climate is never supposed to change.

I am not being flip-pant about the environmental consequences of climate change, there are plenty, good and bad, but it is part of the natural process and maligning carbon, which is actually the linchpin of life, is just ignorance.

Our self-appointed climate experts should just calm down a little, save their preaching for the pulpit and let the planet keep on doing what it has done very successfully for many millions of years.

**H Dawson Millendon**

**Talbot 4G tower bush fire risk**

**Dear Echo News,**  
Over the years catastrophic bushfires in WA have caused loss of life, destruction of hundreds of homes and buildings, massive financial loss and traumatic pain and suffering for those affected.

Some communities have never recovered.

Mobile phone communication and electric power were disabled during fires causing chaos and confusion and crippling emergency services during vital

response periods.

Ignoring this experience, the Shire of York has approved construction of a long-awaited 45m high phone tower in Talbot to service a local blackspot area.

But the isolated site and access to it are zoned high fire risk, being on a high ridge completely surrounded by huge areas of flammable cereal crops and remnant wandoo woodlands.

The tower and sensitive equipment are 2km from the nearest public road, accessible only via a steep dirt track.

There is no local water supply to replenish tankers. Electric power is supplied by a flammable power line that runs through seven kilometres of high fire risk pasture crops and bushland from the Great Southern Highway.

Common sense says this vital tower should be located in Talbot Brook or Talbot West on a public road, supported by fire brigade appliances with a permanent water supply, and readily accessible secure reliable electric power.

If not, history is likely to repeat itself.

**D Grimwood Talbot**

**Call for compulsory military training**

**Dear Echo News,**  
I heartily agree with D d'Lima's *Call for compulsory military training* (Echo News, May 3).

Back in the early 1950s we had what was compulsory National Service training for all 18-year-olds. This consisted of three months basic training and five years Reserve training.

The Reserve train-

**Thought for the day**

"Working hard for something we don't care about is called stress; working hard for something we love is called passion." – **Simon Sinek**

ing included frequent weekends and the occasional two-week camps, and meant that Australia was ready for any war contingency.

This was not just infantry training, but included all aspects of the armed services requirements (example, I was in the survey corp).

The added bonus to the National Service Training was its effect on 18-year-olds who were straying into the wrong way.

I saw the change in many young guys who, coming from poor, anti-social backgrounds, came in with a 'chip on their shoulder' intending not to give into authority – "I'm not going to do that!", "they can't make me do this!"

Initially they balked and created problems and the rest of us felt like giving them a hiding, but as time went on, they learned to enjoy the camaraderie of working as a team, both in the field and on the parade ground.

So, besides being trained to defend Australia, if necessary, the majority finished the three month basic training camp with a much better attitude to life and society.

In meeting with them at the various NS camps over the following few years, it was obvious that they were still enjoying their new way of life and had become proud Australians ready to do their part.

As your letter writer says, many countries have compulsory military training and, with the world as unstable as it is, so should Australia.

The 1950s system I mentioned above gives this preparation with-

out interfering with the normal youth's life of an apprenticeship or university plans.

**S Oliver Ellenbrook**

**Underpass call for Cale St**

**Dear Echo News,**  
Why didn't they build an underpass at Cale Street, and a second McIver-like siding at Brockman Street end for the hospital carpark through to the Office-works complex with more car parking there too.

That would have been more useful to commuters and pedestrian traffic if housing rezonings were included in that Sayer Street block.

As to overpasses they don't work except in uber high pedestrian usage like the central Perth CBD. Great for more night-time muggings in Midland.

One gets the feeling that Midland's political leaders in a place that once built trains have come up with a main train terminal that is more of an opera house starring politicians than a simple transit terminal for bus and train commuters.

They could also have closed off that road back to Lloyd Street behind McDonalds, its blooming dangerous as hell.

**R Wood Lesmurdie**

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# Swan Active Midland to open after delay



The City of Swan is holding a free event on Saturday to celebrate the reopening of Swan Active Midland.

ANITA McINNES

**SWAN Active Midland is reopening on Saturday, May 11 after a \$30 million refurbishment with the project taking longer than originally expected.**

After a review of the 2022-23 budget last year an officer's report to a City of Swan council meeting said Swan Active Midland required an extra \$750,000 due to latent conditions on the site.

"The additional \$750k is required to undertake roof repairs above both sport halls as the leaking is causing damage to the court surface," the report said.

"The works need to be completed immediately to minimise any further damages during the upcoming winter period."

This week Mayor Tanya Rich-

ardson said the extra funding was needed to address latent conditions and carry out urgent roof repairs to minimise damage.

"Delays in completing the works could have led to more damage during the winter months and additional costs to the city," she said.

"The new indoor sports court surfaces were not damaged."

The project started in August 2021 and after an anticipated 18-month closure, the city said the scheduled reopening of the project had been delayed by a few issues.

These included site conditions, shortages, supply disruptions, and complications caused by Covid-19.

The city said the refurbishment of Swan Active Midland includ-

ed upgrades to the gym, fitness room, creche, indoor pools, sports courts, changing rooms and main entry-façade.

It also includes improvements to accessibility and inclusivity – a new ramp and stair access with handrails to the pool, varying depths to the lap pool, a new accessible changeroom and improved access and new design to the spa – another \$8.4m is budgeted for future work.

Daylight fireworks, AC/DC and INXS tribute bands, Aboriginal cultural dancing, inflatable challenges, a scavenger hunt, bottomless gelato, face painting, guided tours, giveaways and more will welcome people to the new-look facility.

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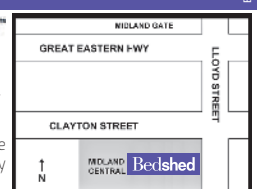
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# Nationals pledge to reform DAPs

**THE Nationals WA will reform the state's development assessment panels (DAPs) to boost local representation and enhance community engagement in planning and decision-making.**

Leader Shane Love said DAPs have become increasingly contentious following reforms which came into effect on 1 March 2024.

"The introduction of DAPs over a decade ago ripped local decision making out of our communities in favour of assessment panels which have long been controlled by ministerial appointed specialists, with just two roles on each panel for local representation.

"These panels have continually eroded the role of local government, and communities across WA are frustrated at the potential loss of their local identities and their unique sense of place.

"Many of the changes introduced by Labor this year have further centralised decision making to state government, and our reforms will help empower local voices in planning for the future of their communities."

The Nationals will seek to add an additional local government role to each DAP, delivering equal representation between the specialist members and local representatives and ensuring these panels are balanced.

Mr Love said the Nationals would also seek to increase the threshold for which projects could be referred for assessment from \$2 million to \$5m.

"With escalating construction costs, we are seeing relatively minor projects totally side-step local planning laws by reaching this low threshold and referring themselves straight to DAPs.

"There are currently dozens of pro-



Nationals leader Shane Love.

jects which fall within this threshold awaiting assessment, including child-care centres, service stations, kennels, gyms, and short stay accommodation."

Almost 35 per cent of the applications currently before the development assessment panels related to projects valued under \$5m.

Mr Love said these types of projects warranted community-based decision making to ensure they were appropriate and that matters like noise, amenity, traffic and parking were properly managed.

"We shouldn't be seeing developers circumvent local planning by virtue of costing a few dollars more than similar existing projects.

"And we shouldn't be seeing new housing projects and significant industry projects which are so desperately needed being held up behind service stations, fast food outlets and AirBnBs.

"Raising this threshold will streamline assessment, clearing projects from the backlog, and allow DAPs to get back to their key role of approving and advising on truly significant projects."



Ellenbrook resident Caz Boyd, who has cystic fibrosis, has supported Cystic Fibrosis WA for more than 40 years.

## Caz recognised on 65 Roses Day

**ON 65 Roses Day people living with cystic fibrosis are recognised, including Ellenbrook resident Caz Boyd who this year celebrates 30 years since having a double lung transplant.**

Cystic Fibrosis WA has set the bar high with a fundraising target of \$130,000, which they hope to achieve via pre-ordered bouquets (must be ordered before May 17), their Virtual Rose Garden and the 20,000 long stemmed roses which will be available across WA on 65 Roses Day on Friday, May 24.

When Ms Boyd was born in 1971 her mother was told she had cystic fibrosis, and at the time the life expectancy of children born with it was between 12 to 16 years.

Ms Boyd made it to her teens but needed an urgent double lung transplant in 1994, with the life expectancy then being about seven years post-transplant.

She waited 18 months for a lung transplant spending over 12 months in Sydney...with her last three to four months on oxygen and during her last 12 hours prior to the transplant, her physician did not believe that she would survive it.

Ms Boyd is a ray of sunshine in the lives of many and a professional in the health industry by day, but her side passion project is supporting Cystic Fibro-

sis WA in every which way she can.

She has supported them for over 40 years as a volunteer, regular speaker, board director for more than 10 years, vice president and president.

The 65 Roses theme for the national day of awareness started in 1965 when Mary Weiss became a volunteer for the Cystic Fibrosis US Foundation after learning that her three little boys had cystic fibrosis.

She would call social clubs and service organisations to seek financial support for cystic fibrosis research.

Her young son Richard listened closely when she made calls.

One day after several calls, Richard told his mother he knew what she was working for.

His mother was shocked as four-year-old Richard did not at that stage know that he had cystic fibrosis.

When his mother asked him what she was working for he replied that she was "working for 65 roses".

Funds raised throughout May will help CFWA continue to provide support services to people with cystic fibrosis and fund research.

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# New home for Parkerville Children and Youth Care

**PARKERVILLE Children and Youth Care officially opened its newly relocated George Jones Child, Youth and Family Centre last week.**

The event marked a significant milestone in the organisation's ongoing commitment to providing radically personalised care and advocacy for children, young people and families impacted by trauma and abuse.

"The relocation to its new purpose designed facility outside the Armadale Central Shopping Centre demonstrates our dedication to creating tailored spaces for children and young people impacted by adverse experiences," chief executive officer Kim Brooklyn said.

"Collaborating closely with WA Police and MKDC consultants throughout the design phase, the new centre exemplifies our commitment to trauma-informed care and comprehensive support."

The centre will host the multi-agency 'investigation support team', composed of professionals from diverse backgrounds, including the WA Police, psychologists, advocates, family therapists, domestic violence experts, and allied health practitioners from Parkerville Children and Youth Care.

"This integrated approach enhances efficiency, reducing the risk of re-traumatisation and faci-

tating recovery. These spaces honour resilience and inspire hope for a brighter future," Ms Brooklyn said.

"The centre stands as a pillar of hope and healing for children, young people and families, offering a wide range of services and includes counselling and therapy rooms, interview suites, and meeting spaces, all designed with accessibility and inclusivity in mind to ensure every child and young person feels valued, respected, and empowered."

She said the need for child, youth, and family centres was highlighted by alarming statistics: in Australia, one in three girls and one in five boys experience sexual assault, with 78 per cent facing repeat incidents.

With 3158 reported cases of sexual assault in Western Australia in 2022 alone, the demand for services is urgent.

The centre was officially opened by Police Minister Paul Papalia and Early Childhood Education, Child Protection, Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence and Community Services Minister Sabine Winton.



Parkerville Children and Youth chief executive officer Kim Brooklyn, Police Minister Paul Papalia and Early Childhood Education and Child Protection Minister Sabine Winton.



Freya Jackson researching bees. Inset: Bee nesting pot.

## Help to save native bees

**WHILE many associate bee conservation with honeybees in hives, Murdoch University researchers say Australian native bees are under-researched and in decline.**

The majority of bee species (up to 80 per cent) live underground, and various factors such as climate change, construction, artificial lawn and weather events have left them with limited places to nest.

Murdoch University PhD student Freya Jackson's research is focussed on one of these native species, the *Lasioglossum dotatum*, and through this research she discovered the attributes of an ideal native bee habitat.

"If you study bees, you kind of have an idea of the overall ecosystem health. So, when you protect the bees, you protect entire ecosystems," Ms Jackson said.

"If native bees were to disappear, the plants that they have evolved beside for millennia would also disappear."

Ms Jackson said she hoped to convey the importance of native bees for ecosystem health, and help the everyday person become a citizen bee conservationist.

She learned through observations what made the preferred habitat for her study species as well as a number of other ground-living bees and developed a prototype bee bed to be released with her PhD thesis.

In the meantime, Ms Jackson said anyone could create conditions from home that would help save native bees.

Her recommendations included leaving an open patch of dirt, making sure it stays moist (but not totally saturated) by using a hose or automatic watering sticks and keeping a watchful eye out for invading ants.

Native plants such as bottlebrush and eucalyptus, as well as a variety of herbs like rosemary were also attractive to the species.

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## Debut novel from former Perth Hills writer

**FORMER Perth Hills resident Deborah Pike has recently launched her debut novel *The Players* with half the book set in the Walliston and Bickley Valley areas.**

“Many sections of the book were drafted at the Katharine Susannah Prichard Writers’ Centre in Greenmount,” Ms Pike said.

The *Players* is a work of literary fiction, described as ‘a sweeping epic of friendship where all the world’s a stage.’

In short, it’s about a group of young amateur actors and their lives across 10 years and spanning the globe (half of it set in Perth and the hills, and the other half in Berlin, Dili, London, Paris, Berlin).

It is told from multiple perspectives with some meta-themes in it around the roles they perform in *The Marriage of Figaro*.

The first part of the novel is a somewhat nostalgic take on 1990s Western Australia. To

that end, *The Players* is a story about Western Australia and Western Australians.

“This includes first and second-generation immigrants and refugees, travellers as well as descendants from landed gentry.

“While the rehearsal scenes take place in the Perth Hills, around the area of the Bickley Valley, the John Forrest National Park and Kalamunda, there are other scenes set in Crawley on the UWA campus, Cottesloe, Kings Park, Northbridge, Fremantle, Kardinia, Midland, Guildford, North Perth, central Perth, as well as Geraldton and the south coast of WA, in a fictional town called Starfish Bay.”

Place is very much part of the novel’s action and shapes the characters’ identities.

With so many Australian novels set in the east, this narrative is a refreshing depiction of Western Australian stories and locales.

Ms Pike said her creative side had been largely influenced by her mother Jane Pike, who was a much-loved member of the hills community, a long-time member of the Kalamunda Bridge Club, and a director, choreographer and producer of an opera in Stirk Park during Covid.

The Perth launch will be held at Manning Library on May 17 [www.events.humanitix.com](http://www.events.humanitix.com) and books are available for \$34.99 at [www.fremantlepress.com.au/books/the-players](http://www.fremantlepress.com.au/books/the-players)



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Jaeger Doornbusch Peters, Sonaa Aneja and Blake Mercer attended their first Youth Parliament training session.

## Bassendean, Ellenbrook and Caversham students selected to Youth Parliament

PETER W LEWIS

**THREE young people from Bassendean, Ellenbrook and Caversham have been selected to be part of this year’s Y WA’s Youth Parliament program.**

Jaeger Doornbusch Peters will represent the Bassendean electorate, Sonaa Aneja from Ellenbrook will represent Swan Hills, while Blake Mercer from Caversham is representing the Midland electorate.

Jaeger said this was the first time that he had attended the Youth Parliament program and he joined because he wanted to form a better understanding of the legislative process.

“I also wanted to find like-minded individuals to connect with,” he said.

He said he was specifically interested in the government portfolios of science and innovation, his favourite areas of study.

“By being part of the program I hope to gain insight into the inner workings of government to enable more effective government participation and advocacy in the future,” he said.

“Young people provide a different perspective on the current issues, facing different problems and thus having different priorities.

“I think the opinions of young people are important to get fresh eyes on matters of state.”

Fifty-nine young people from across WA make up the diverse group chosen to represent their local electorates in the program providing young West Australian’s the opportunity to engage in a once in a lifetime political leadership experience.

Preparations are underway to determine which topics will be debated covering issues from any state government portfolio.

The four-month program, run by the Y, offers a unique opportunity for young people to actively participate in the democratic process and have their voice heard by policy makers.

Offering an insight into the world of Australian politics, participants have already met to discuss the training they will receive, which will include three full day training workshops as well as online meeting as they draft, debate, and advocate for mock youth-focused legislation.

Y WA chief executive officer Tim McDonald said the program, now in its 29th year, offered young people an insight into the workings of government and policy development.

“What makes it so special is that it aims to be truly representative of the views and concerns of the state’s next generation of community leaders,” Dr McDonald said.

Throughout the program, participants act as ‘youth members’, representing a state electorate in parliament.

The program will culminate in members attending Parliament House on July 8, 9 and 11 to participate in a live debate in the chamber.

On completion all bills are presented to members of the government and opposition for their review and consideration, as well as being presented to the Governor of Western Australia, the Lord Mayor of Perth and the WA Department of Communities.

Previous Bills, all chosen by the youth, have covered daylight saving, sexual health, housing affordability, environmental responsibility, water provision, education, juvenile justice, health access in the regions, entertainment precinct curfews, youth-based decision making and learner driver laws.

“It’s an incredible opportunity for young people to advocate, grow skills and make life-long connections. Programs such as this offered by the Y WA are impactful and make a real difference through providing people with the opportunity to reach their full potential,” Dr McDonald said.

The Youth Parliament is led and run by a team of young people, volunteers and former participants.

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# Revo Fitness launches new Ellenbrook location with prizes on offer



REVO FITNESS is opening its latest gym on Monday May 13, 2024 in the rapidly expanding City of Swan, with the unveiling of a new 1,760 square metre gym in Ellenbrook.

It's the leading Australian gym's 26th club in Western Australia, and 41st in Australia.

To celebrate the occasion, Revo are giving the first 41 members through the door a Revo gym bag, with one lucky member set to find a brand new Apple Watch Series 9 inside their bag.

The space, located at 186 The Promenade, Ellenbrook, is the gym giant's third location in the City of Swan region after opening Midland in 2023 and Malaga in 2024.

It comes amid rapid growth in the region with the population in the City of Swan soaring from around 168,000 in 2023 to almost 300,000 by 2050.

Revo Fitness founder and managing director Andrew Holder said Ellenbrook is a key location for Revo Fitness as the City of Swan is one of the fastest growing populations in WA.

"It's our mission to bring affordable and accessible fitness to as many people as possible," Mr Holder said.

"Ellenbrook is a great step forward for Revo Fitness, as we continue to meet demand for affordable fitness for all, while dynamic growth of communities in The City of Swan continues," he added.

The space boasts state-of-the-art equipment and facilities including HIITFIT and Tempo Pilates 24/7 circuit training, ten squat racks and a range of cardio and weight equipment.

Members also have access to 'The Studio' - a self-run, on-demand reformer Pilates and recovery space, fitted with nine reformers and four massage chairs.

Revo Fitness' Ellenbrook gym launches Monday May 13, 2024 and is currently offering new members their second and third months free.

Members wanting to score themselves a new gym bag and the chance to win an Apple Watch will need to head down to the opening at 7:00am.



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# In focus – diagnostic photography



Head front and lateral views of an exotic black imported fire ant (*Solenopsis richteri*) worker, focus stacked with a stereomicroscope and dedicated high-resolution digital camera.

## Imaging technologies have evolved significantly over the past decade in terms of image resolution, quality, and magnification.

It's easy to observe these changes just by looking at the continuous advancements in digital cameras and mobile phones. Less apparent to many is the progress made in macro and micro photography, significantly enhancing the ability to identify invertebrates, fungi, bacteria, and other subjects.

Modern software has evolved too. One such development is a process called 'focus stacking'. Multiple images, focused at different distances are combined, or 'stacked' to form a single, fully focused image. The images featured in this article were produced through focus stacking, making complex diagnostic features easily identifiable.

### Our subject

The ant photographed is about 3 mm in length. This species is not present in Australia and is of biosecurity concern. To identify this species, diagnosticians (aka taxonomists) need to be able to see its microscopic features, which include a 2 segmented waist and 10 segmented antennae, with the last 2 segments forming a distinct club.

To get a bit more technical, a characteristic seen only among the 2 species of imported fire ant, is the median tooth centred along the front edge of the clypeus, which is flanked by 2 lateral teeth. The clypeus is one of the plates that form the 'face' of an insect.

### The digital advantage

Having digital reference material provides so many advantages. Photographing living specimens prior to curation allows for the full colour spectrum of a species to be captured and permanently recorded. Preserved specimens can lose their colours over time, for example, the eye colour of dragonflies and fruit flies fade shortly after they die.

Diagnostic imaging can facilitate fast-tracked identification as photos may be shared directly with specialists across the globe. This is particularly useful when local experts are not available or further verification is required. Utilising diagnostic photos also reduces the need to send specimens and helps safeguard them from damage and loss.

When communicating about the various pests or diseases that are present in WA or highlighting those to look out for, being able to show them in the environment, and the damage they cause is essential. Our department's imaging specialist helps to do this by creating high-quality digital products. Many of which are available on the Pest and Disease Image Library ([padil.gov.au](http://padil.gov.au)) and are featured on our website and communication products like posters, factsheets, and videos.

### Flash or not?

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Mundaring Sporting Club president Jon Doncon and committee member Sue Summers.

## Mundaring community groups receive grants

A TOTAL of 19 community groups have been awarded a Shire of Mundaring community grant totalling \$59,640 to support a variety of valuable community driven initiatives across the shire.

Among the grants, three community events and 13 matching grants were awarded to the value of \$28,089.

The Mundaring Sporting Club was awarded \$2000 to procure tee area materials and disc golf tee pad signs.

The materials will be used as part of their project to upgrade the disc golf course from one to two 18-hole courses ahead of hosting the World Flying Disc Federation World Team Disc Golf Championship in November.

Disc golf committee member Sue Summers said to host the championships later this year, the event required a minimum of two 18-hole courses.

"We are very grateful for the shire awarding us the funds to help make this championship come to fruition.

"The upgrade will uplift Mundaring Sporting Club's profile in 'disc golf' and enable us to hold events that meet the growing needs of the community, as well as benefit high performance 'disc golf' athletes who are looking for training facilities in Perth."

A \$2500 annual milestone event grant was awarded to Mount Helena Junior Football Club to celebrate their 60th anniversary, whilst Wheels Inc received a \$3000 InspireArts community creativity and cultural fund grant for a community art project,

while the Darlington Sports and Recreation Association also received \$3000 for costs associated with production of a community led film about Darlington.

Roar Inc secured a \$23,051 youth engagement partnership fund grant for their 'fast fit roar' program.

Deputy shire president Trish Cook said she was looking forward to seeing the impact the grants would have across community groups in the shire.

"We have amazing, active, volunteer, community groups which are a credit to our shire," she said.

"Council appreciates and supports our community groups to achieve their goals and contribute to our long-term community strength and resilience.

"Thank you to all the volunteers and congratulations to the community groups who applied and received a grant in this round."

Community groups interested in applying for a grant can visit the community grants page on the shire's website.

Matching and event grant recipients:  
Glen Forrest Sports Club, GidgeHills Scout Group, First Friends Playgroup, Mount Helena Junior Football Club, The Hills Choir, Eastern Hills Community Kindergarten and Playgroup, Glen Forrest Community Kindergarten, Parkerville Playgroup, Mundaring Netball Club, Mundaring Sporting Club, Hills Rangers Football Club, Darlington Scout Group, Swan Districts Junior Football Umpire Assoc, Hills Lions Basketball Club, Perth Hills Junior Cricket Club and Mundaring Toy Library.



## Work underway to secure future scheme water supply to Perth Hills and Goldfields

A VITAL project to secure drinking water to more than 24,000 properties in the Perth Hills and as far afield as Kalgoorlie-Boulder is ramping up, with the Water Corporation beginning work on a key 1.2km pipeline section in Helena Valley.

The entire project will see 2.4km of pipeline laid through parts of Helena Valley and Hazlemere, including a vital section along Helena Valley Road.

Water Corporation assets investments and planning general manager Evan Hambleton, acknowledged the project would cause some short-term disruption, but reassured residents every effort was being made to complete work as quickly and safely as possible.

"This is a really important project not only for the local area, but also for communities that receive drinking water from the Goldfields Pipeline," Mr Hambleton said.

"In scoping these works, we've made every effort to compress timeframes and reduce impacts to those living nearby, but we are conscious there may be in-

convenience for some residents.

"For that, we would like to apologise in advance and also thank people for their patience and understanding while our crews are in the area."

Measuring 1.4m in diameter, the pipeline is some of the largest of its type in WA, and its installation is considered essential to the future water security of more than 100,000 Western Australians who receive drinking water via the Goldfields Pipeline.

Each 12m pipeline section weighs around eight tonnes and will be installed in a trench between 2.5m and 4m below ground.

To ensure the safety of residents and road users during the 10-month project, Helena Valley Road westbound will be closed at various times, with traffic management and signage in place.

The road's eastbound lane will remain open, as will an adjacent footpath.

For project updates on the Hazlemere and Helena Valley water pipeline, visit [watercorporation.com.au/hazlemerepipeline](http://watercorporation.com.au/hazlemerepipeline)



Bucephalus displayed in artist Mike Collings' Lesmurdie home art studio. Picture: Guanhao Cheng

# Bringing Bucephalus to life in Lesmurdie

**GUANHAO CHENG**

LESMURDIE artist and retired mining engineer Michael Collings exhibited his mechanical horse Bucephalus at a Lesmurdie Arts and Crafts Group (LAC) exhibition held on the weekend.

Mr Collings said Bucephalus was a hit with the crowd, drawing much praise at the event, which gave him a sigh of relief.

"I was worried a piece might fall off during a demonstration, and I'd have to tell them, 'That wasn't meant to happen'. But that didn't happen," he said.

"They (LAC) popped me in the foyer, and I nabbed people as they came through.

"It did get a lot of interest and I think I got a whole list of their comments about how it was, 'amazing and wonderful'.

"I do this not for publicity, but it is nice to receive recognition for the work and passion that's gone into it."

The project took five years to bring to its current stage, with much research, trial and error, and deliberation to inform its creation.

Mr Collings' home office contained folders and files with anatomical references,

hand-drawn maps of leg motions to plan out Bucephalus' movement, and his previous mechanical art pieces, which each took about a year to build.

He said Bucephalus was special because he had not had reference material to guide him except the concept picture that inspired the work, so everything had to be designed from scratch.

"I saw this concept art of an armoured horse, and I said, 'I want to build that with moving legs'," he said.

"The previous projects had YouTube videos to give more guidance and plans existed to work off.

"There were no plans for the horse, all I had was the picture."

Mr Collings said he hoped to exhibit Bucephalus more in the future and planned to display it in the Canning Show in November.

"I don't think someone would want it for their living room," he said.

"If someone were to take him off my hands, my hope is they'll put him in an exhibition next to similar works.

"Hope you enjoy watching the model as much as I did in making it."

# Great turnout for Hartfield Senior Classic

**THE annual Hartfield Senior Classic golf event saw a great turnout of 80 players with great weather one day and more challenging conditions the next day.**

The golfers enjoyed perfect weather on the first morning, which made for an excellent start to the tournament.

After the first round, the men's gross leader was Nigel Barnes from Wanneroo with a score of 72, closely followed by Paul Chappell from Hartfield with 73 strokes.

In the ladies' division, Janice Gaudet from Lake Karrinyup Country Club led with a score of 85, while Shirley Van Der Bruggen was hot on her heels with 86.

In the men's stableford, Vince Tuck and Graham Endersby tied on 34 points after the first round.

For the ladies, Karen Melville and Janet Grimoldby were neck and neck, each scoring 30 points,

while Linda D'Abbs trailed closely behind with 29.

The weather on the second day proved to be much more challenging, with a strong and gusty breeze making the game more difficult.

Barnes achieved a score of 71 on the final day, which made him the winner of the men's gross.

Shirley Van Der Bruggen emerged as the winner of the ladies' gross, scoring 84, while Janice Gaudet finished with 88.

In the stableford side, Phillip MacDonald pulled off a come-from-behind win with a score of 68 points, followed by Mike Conroy, and Ivor Ladwig in third place with 61 points.

Karen Melville was the winner of the ladies' stableford with 35 points, beating Janet Grimoldby of Cottesloe by only one point with a combined score of 67 points.



Senior Classic mens best gross 36 holes Nigel Barnes.



Senior Classic ladies best gross 36 holes Shirley Van Der Bruggen.

# Water projects to support Swan housing and growth

A NEW primary school in Henley Brook is among the first developments to benefit from a \$36.5 million state government investment in water and wastewater infrastructure in the City of Swan.

Delivered by Water Corporation, part of the project saw a 2.6km drinking water pipeline installed along Starflower Road and Park Street, Henley Brook.

In addition to supporting housing development in Perth's fast-growing northeast, the new pipeline had the taps flowing at Henley Brook Primary School for the start of the 2024 school year.

Water Corporation has also completed an 18km wastewater pipeline from Bullsbrook to Ellenbrook, and has constructed a new pump station. The projects have diverted flows from the Bullsbrook Wastewater Treatment Plant, supporting the Bullsbrook facility's closure.

The City of Swan is the fastest growing area in WA, and the ninth fastest growing region in Australia. Although many properties are semi-rural, the population is expected to grow by almost 80 per cent by 2051 to 310,000.

To further support population growth in the City of Swan, the state government is investing \$8.4m to build a 1.5km water pipeline from Dayton to Caversham. The project started in December and is expected to be completed

mid-2024.

The government is delivering \$487.5m to metropolitan water, wastewater and drainage projects through the 2023-24 state budget, supporting the delivery of reliable, high-quality water, wastewater and drainage services.

Water Minister Simone McGurk said the Water Corporation was constantly planning ahead to ensure communities like those in and around Ellenbrook benefit from secure, reliable water and wastewater services.

"This financial year, \$487.5m has been allocated to metro water, wastewater and drainage projects that will support growing Perth suburbs long into the future."

West Swan MLA Rita Saffioti said Perth's north-eastern suburbs are going through an exciting transformation, with work progressing on the Metronet Morley to Ellenbrook line and plans for a new recreation and aquatic centre in Ellenbrook.

"The projects are very important, and so are essential infrastructure works, which can often go unnoticed because pipelines are buried."

Swan Hills MLA Jessica Shaw said the City of Swan is growing faster than any area in WA, meaning strong investment in new water infrastructure is essential to keep pace with growing demand.

"These projects will support current and future residents, and the creation of more housing options."

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## Mayor's message

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This is a very exciting month for us all with the highly anticipated opening of two major projects.

You are all invited to the grand reopening of Swan Active Midland on Saturday, May 11. We are celebrating the \$30 million

refurbishment with family entertainment, including DJs, face painting, live music, food trucks, inflatable challenges, gelato, a scavenger hunt, giveaways and so much more. This free event runs from 10am-2pm. I look forward to seeing you there.

We have also opened Dayton District Open Space to residents and visitors, another \$30 million project.

This incredible space features youth facilities, sports pavilions, sports ovals, hockey fields, netball/tennis courts, a half-court basketball court and other play areas. It's situated in one of the fastest growing areas of Swan and it's going to be such a fantastic asset to our local sports club and the wider community.

I encourage everyone to go along and check out these top-class facilities. I also want to thank you for your patience while we completed these projects. They were major undertakings, but I'm sure you will agree they have been worth the wait.

**Tanya Richardson**  
Mayor, City of Swan



## Engage with us



### Altone Skate and Recreation Zone

The City is redeveloping the existing skate and recreation spaces at Altone Park and we invite you to share your ideas and preferences for the area.

Your feedback will play a pivotal role in guiding the redevelopment process and ensuring the area meets the needs and desires of our diverse community.

Go to [swan.engagementhub.com.au/altonereczone](https://swan.engagementhub.com.au/altonereczone)



### Community Safety Plan

Have your say on our Draft Community Plan by close-of-business Friday, May 17, 2024, and let us know whether it covers your priorities before it is endorsed by Council. We want to get this right for our community's safety.

A summary document has been prepared outlining the six focus areas we are proposing.

Please read through the document then complete the short survey.

Go to [swanengage.swan.wa.gov.au/communitysafety](https://swanengage.swan.wa.gov.au/communitysafety)



### Urban Road Safety Program – Midland

The City and Main Roads WA are working on new road safety initiatives in Midland as a part of the Urban Road Safety Program. The program involves installing road safety treatments on local roads across Midland to reduce the likelihood of fatal and serious injury crashes. We want your feedback. Go to our website for a list of locations and more information.

Have your say by Monday, May 13, 2024.

Go to [swanengage.swan.wa.gov.au/midlandroadsafetytreatments](https://swanengage.swan.wa.gov.au/midlandroadsafetytreatments)



## What's happening

### Swan Active Midland reopening

Bring the family to the reopening of Swan Active Midland from 10am-2pm on Saturday, May 11, 2024. See the results of our \$30 million refurbishment, including upgraded indoor pools, gym, wellness room, creche, café and more. The free event will have fun for the whole family including face painting, daytime fireworks, live music, a scavenger hunt and more. Come to **27 Gray Drive, Midvale**.

### Royal Lifesaving WA resuscitation course

Take a free resuscitation course at Ballajura Public Library on Saturday, May 18, 2024, to learn the skills you need to help in life-threatening situations. You will learn how to tell whether a person needs resuscitation, the steps to follow and the care to provide while medical help is on the way. Bookings essential. Call **(08) 9207 8686**.

### Step into volunteering

Come along to a free information session at Swan Volunteer Resource Centre 10-11.30am on Tuesday, May 21, 2024, to find out all about volunteering. You'll find out about the value of your contribution, your rights and responsibilities as a volunteer, how to find volunteer positions, and more. Call **(08) 9278 9690**.

### Worm farming

Learn how to use a worm farm to transform household food scraps into useful products for your garden. Come along to this free session presented by Kevin Smith from The Worm Shed from 10.30am-12.30pm on Saturday, May 25, 2024, at Ethel Warren Bullsbrook Community Centre. Bookings essential. Call **(08) 9267 9282**.



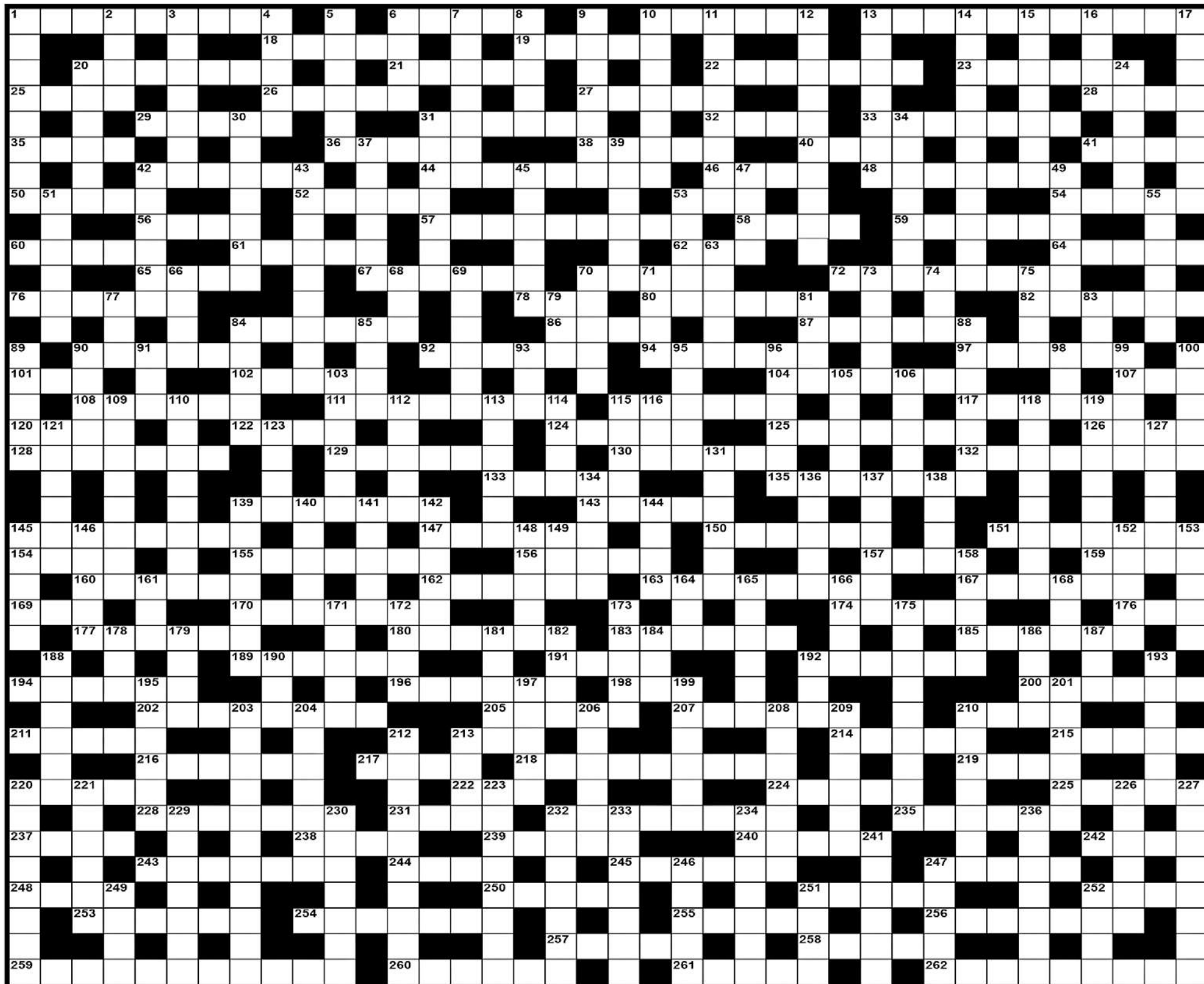
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# Mind Boggler Crossword

1166



- ACROSS**
- 1 Personal stories
  - 6 A club
  - 10 Lively intelligence (Fr)
  - 13 Dutch kingdom
  - 18 A coronet
  - 19 Rich tapestry
  - 20 A kneecap
  - 21 A kingdom
  - 22 Children's room
  - 23 Picture shows
  - 25 Base of plant
  - 26 Therapeutic help (coll)
  - 27 Ancient philosopher
  - 28 A stalk
  - 29 Slopes
  - 31 Carpentry tool
  - 32 Wander
  - 33 Cricket stewards
  - 35 Type of drink
  - 36 A fracas
  - 38 Abnormal fluid build-up
  - 40 A frizzy hairstyle
  - 41 Cicatrice
  - 42 Picture in pieces
  - 44 Told a story
  - 46 Untidy state
  - 48 Riddles
  - 50 An eagle's nest
  - 52 Monastery head
  - 53 Lacking discipline
  - 54 A recurrent theme
  - 56 Old emperor
  - 57 Set to do
  - 58 15th March
  - 59 Clothes maker
  - 60 Give a lift-up
  - 61 Iris flower
  - 62 Large container
  - 64 Tusk material
  - 65 A sign
  - 67 Cutting tool
  - 70 Joined by heat
  - 72 In small pieces
  - 76 A quality of sound
  - 78 A couple
  - 80 Drinking vessel
  - 82 Sheriff's assistant
  - 84 Sleepy
  - 86 US space agency (init)
  - 87 Ancient Greek city
  - 90 Scribble idly
  - 92 A minor part
  - 94 Shines brightly
  - 97 Distant
  - 101 Handy vehicle
  - 102 Musical instrument
  - 104 A try
  - 107 An untruth
  - 108 Writing desk
  - 111 Profuse
  - 115 A deviation
  - 117 Assert
  - 120 West Asian country
  - 122 Burial place
  - 124 Vigilant
  - 125 Three-legged stands
  - 126 A defeat
  - 128 Keep doing
  - 129 Whole
  - 130 Room to move
  - 132 Atmosphere of place
  - 133 A hold-up
  - 135 A thug
  - 139 A Japanese warrior
  - 143 Creates
  - 145 Spinal bone
  - 147 Agile
  - 150 A flower
  - 151 Beats
  - 154 Absent without leave (abb)
  - 155 Overnight flights (coll) (3,4)
  - 156 Call to action
  - 157 Tofu source
  - 159 Chance
  - 160 Swiss city
  - 162 Force of crash
  - 163 About word meanings
  - 167 Stroke
  - 169 Day before
  - 170 Legendary ancient palace site
  - 174 Solemn
  - 176 Allow
  - 177 Brick remains
  - 180 Gag
  - 183 A bequest
  - 185 Breathe out
  - 189 Inner parts

- DOWN**
- 1 Food for gods
  - 2 Common talk
  - 3 A herb
  - 4 Main actors
  - 5 Great confusion
  - 6 A spike
  - 7 Windpipe
  - 8 Cites
  - 9 One of three
  - 10 Fled from capture
  - 11 Wide view
  - 12 Disciplinarian
  - 13 Cherish
  - 14 Hovering bird
  - 15 Mediterranean resort region
  - 16 Lumberjack tools
  - 17 Sink
  - 20 Think about
  - 24 Masonry finish
  - 30 Military sub-unit
  - 31 100 years
  - 34 Check over
  - 37 Print with raised design
  - 39 A mental illusion (Fr) (4,2)
  - 42 An instructor
  - 43 A star sign
  - 45 Pervaded
  - 47 Leave
  - 49 A long step
  - 51 Foreign
  - 53 Flood barrier
  - 55 A buccaneer
  - 63 A maxim
  - 66 Darn
  - 68 Shy
  - 69 Length of cotton
  - 70 Young horses
  - 71 Adult male deer
  - 73 Hoist up
  - 74 A newt
  - 75 A cheese
  - 77 Provide your own alcohol (init)
  - 79 Place of education (abb)
  - 81 Whispered call
  - 83 Light blow

- 84 First appearance
- 85 Untidy person
- 88 Skilled worker
- 89 Dutch-associated flower
- 90 Ban
- 91 A paddle
- 93 Girl's name
- 95 A coffee
- 96 Willing sufferer
- 98 A Japanese sash
- 99 Singer, ... John
- 100 Highly strung
- 103 Australian stork
- 105 A robber
- 106 Native New Zealander
- 109 Arouse
- 110 Clothing outfit
- 112 Beyond the usual
- 113 Hymn
- 114 Hire car
- 115 River mouth
- 116 Before (poet)
- 118 One secretly damaging
- 119 Small earrings
- 121 Critique
- 123 A killer whale
- 127 Outriders
- 131 Great judgment
- 134 Fuse metals
- 136 In the dark
- 137 Bad failure
- 138 Nautical greeting
- 139 A crusader's opponent
- 140 A form of address
- 141 Of regal blood
- 142 In original position (2,4)
- 144 Piano parts
- 145 A male servant
- 146 Pirate flag, Jolly ...
- 148 A fight
- 149 A resin
- 152 A passage
- 153 Boast
- 158 Land expanses
- 161 Pen point
- 164 An ovum
- 165 Curved

- 166 Isolated land
- 168 Historic period
- 171 TV host, ... DeGeneres
- 172 Leave out
- 173 Indifferent to
- 175 Biblical city
- 178 America (init)
- 179 Cut into with the teeth
- 181 Cigarette lighter (tm)
- 182 Female sheep
- 184 Direction
- 186 A greek goddess
- 187 Destiny
- 188 A large lizard
- 190 Expression of disgust
- 192 A large reptile
- 193 Bowman's shafts
- 195 Fiery particles
- 197 Entrance hall
- 199 A flowering plant
- 201 A flag
- 203 Flesh-eating
- 204 A speech
- 206 Long line
- 208 Pieces put into
- 209 Wheedle
- 210 Endurance
- 212 Soft red fruit
- 213 Ship's pole
- 220 Small firewood
- 221 Surrenders
- 223 A base for statue
- 226 Mass leaving
- 227 States of disorder
- 229 One storing secretly
- 230 Relating to the stars
- 232 Coloured arc in sky
- 233 A meal course
- 234 Unlawful ones
- 236 Sign as permitted
- 241 Kidnap for gain
- 246 Lariat
- 247 Thick sauce
- 249 An inflamed eyelid
- 251 Sibillant sound
- 252 A formal dance

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**Read between the lines**  
by Ken Duffy



Growing up, Mothers Day has always been special to me. I was fortunate enough to have two Mothers, my own Mum and the Mother of my best mate who is closer than a brother, I called Mrs 'Nev', Mum number two.

Both ladies were great Mothers and wonderful cooks. I still cherish the memories of the young people clustered in Mrs Nev's kitchen each week with a specific job to do, preparing Mrs Nev's best Lamingtons for the week ahead. Most Sunday nights a huge group of young people from our Church gathered to sing and gorge on the Lamingtons. My own Mum was a great scone and pie maker. In fact there were a lot of great cooks in our Church and you were always welcome for 'bite or two'. Any wonder our Church was jam-packed on Mothers Day and each Mum was presented with the best white flower we could get. Men who never went to Church gathered on Mothers Day to honour them. My two best mates and myself had it worked out for the 'best' places to visit!

Years later I married an incredible woman who is a great Mother, Grand Mother and Great Grandmother.

Anna Jarvis who started Mothers Day in 1908 later regretted the commercialisation that crept in and spent her latter days trying to abolish it to no avail. I wonder? Have modern attitudes and lifestyles tried to abolish the Bible and Church today? "When will we ever learn?"

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**Upcoming Events**

- Midland Friendly Garden Club** meets at 9.30am every second Thursday at Bruce Douglas Pavilion, Brown Park, Salisbury Road, Swan View. The next meeting will take place on May, 16. The guest speaker will be Stuart Tindale from WA Gerbera Society. A variety of plants will be available for sale. Visitors and new members will be welcomed. For more information call Steve on 0409 157 447 or Jenny on 0424 553 002.
- Mt Helena Voluntary Bush Fire Brigade** is holding its annual general meeting at 7.30pm on Monday, May 27 at the station on Chidlow Street, Mt Helena. All members and the public are welcome to attend.
- The Mundaring Probus Club** meets at the Glen Forrest Sports Club, McGlew Road, Glen Forrest on Monday, May 13 at 10am. The guest speaker is John Rando, who describes himself as solicitor, musician and existential philosopher. He has and continues to lead, a full and interesting life. His topic sex, crime, corruption, existential philosophy and tarantella music is sure to entertain. For more information call 0412 427 533.
- Midland CWA** meets at the Midland Railway Yards Blacksmith Lane (West) Midland on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10am. CWA Flags are displayed on Yelverton Drive, Midland on meeting days. CWA offers a diverse range of interests and each branch works to meet local community needs. Call Maureen on 0456 962 476 or email maureenbarker1@gmail.com
- Orienteering WA's** next bush event is on Sunday, May 19 at Mt Billy off Great Southern Highway, east of The Lakes. You can register online until 5pm the day prior, or on the day from 9am to 10am at the caravan. Orienteering is a map reading sport where participants have to find their way around a course marked on a map in as short a time as possible. There are various levels and lengths of courses at every event. Check out Orienteering WA's full program of events on the website at www.wa.orienteeing.asn.au/events and just go along - no experience or equipment necessary - briefing given to newcomers. For more information call Helen on 0409 889 944.
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## Swans break losing streak with 17-point win

CHRIS PIKE

SWAN Districts kicked the last four goals of the game with the first three from Leigh Kohlmann to break their drought at Revo Fitness Stadium and beat Claremont by 17 points on Saturday.

Swans came into the game having not won at Tigerland since 2013 and before the redevelopment took place, but also having lost their past three matches this season.

The black-and-whites needed the win on Saturday and had to dig deep, but ended up kicking the last four goals of the game to secure the 9.9 (63) to 6.10 (46) victory and improve to a 2-3 record on the season and back into fifth position on the WAFL ladder.

Leigh Kohlmann continued his standout start to the season as the main target in attack for Swan Districts kicking another four goals from seven kicks and three marks, including the first three goals of the last quarter.

Jesse Glass-McCasker also kicked two goals for the black-and-whites as that second marking option up forward.

Swans also had some huge ball winners throughout the afternoon led by Nik Rokahr with 32 possessions while Jesse Turner racked up 30 disposals, Josh Cipro 25, Aidan Clarke 22, Jarvis Pina 22, Jackson McLachlan 22, Jye Chalcraft 21 and Nathan Blakely 19 to go with 13 hit outs and five tackles in the ruck.



## Aryang dominant in netball defence

SWAN Districts Netball Association product Sunday Aryang's efforts in defence played a big part in West Coast Fever's 16-goal win over the NSW Swifts on the weekend.

Aryang ended her game with 11 deflections, four of those in the last quarter.

She played a big role in shutting down the shooting capabilities of England Rose Helen Housby who only managed three goals against Fever's defensive unit.

In the first quarter the combination of Aryang's pressure in the goal circle and mid-courter Kadie-Ann Dehaney's quick hands resulted in four deflections and a rebound from the pair.

The Swifts came out swinging in the second quarter, making the girls in green work that bit harder after Fever won the first quarter 23-15.

Aryang's awareness of the ball was incredibly impressive, taking a deflection from a distance to round out her three from the quarter.

But at half time the score was 34-33 with Fever just in front.

Australian Diamond Aryang seemed to be flying throughout the match, constantly aware of the ball and its movements, both in the goal circle and throughout the court.

Fever slowed down the chaotic nature of the second quarter, listening to head coach Dan Ryan's call to once again control their movements, taking back control to finish the third quarter 57-48.

In the final quarter Aryang had four deflections while at the other end of the court goal shooter Fowler-Nembhard demonstrated just how good she really is with a 98 per cent shooting accuracy – both helping Fever to their 75-59 win.



Pickering Brook took control of the game against Gidgegannup early and went on to win by 101 points.

## Hawks too good for Bulldogs

BRIAN PALLISTER

PICKERING Brook gained an early jump on Gidgegannup in their round four encounter when Jackson Shilling palmed the ball to teammate Steven Caccetta who kicked the ball forward to where Michael Brescacin marked and converted.

The Hawks went on to win 20.19 (139) to 6.2 (38) setting up the game of the round this coming weekend when the Hills Football Association ladder leaders play Swan View who have also won three games but sit behind the Hawks on percentage.

Against the Hawks the Bulldogs had Jarrad Young along with Liam Marriott as the ground support for Declan Whife in the ruck.

Brett Wolfenden had a run on the ball

allowing John Armstrong more space deep in the Hawks forward line.

Bulldogs Dylan Cahill, Alan Rigg and Josh Carter had the task of trying to keep the Hawks forwards quiet.

At the first break the Hawks had slipped out to a 33-point lead.

Gidgegannup managed three goals in the second, unfortunately not enough to counter six by the Hawks.

A Pele' style mid-air soccer goal by John Armstrong one of the game highlights.

Sam Pedley-Mulcahy and Lachlan Ostojich both converted for the Bulldogs as they tried to stay in touch.

But Hawks Harley McInerney, Steven Caccetta and Luke Outridge were picking up possessions at will, delivering the ball to teammates with pinpoint precision.

Mitchell Shilling went into the ruck to offer brother Jackson a spell.

Cory McIvor teamed with Josh Vellinga to repel several Bulldogs forward moves.

The last quarter started with the Hawks holding a 66-point lead.

Gidgegannup could only manage one goal to Pickering Brooks' six in the last term as the deficit opened up to 101 points.

The Hawks two key forwards John Armstrong and Brett Wolfenden finished with six goals each, while Michael Brescacin would be somewhat disappointed with his two goal return from eight attempts.

The game of the round this weekend will be the contest between the undefeated Swan View and Pickering Brook.

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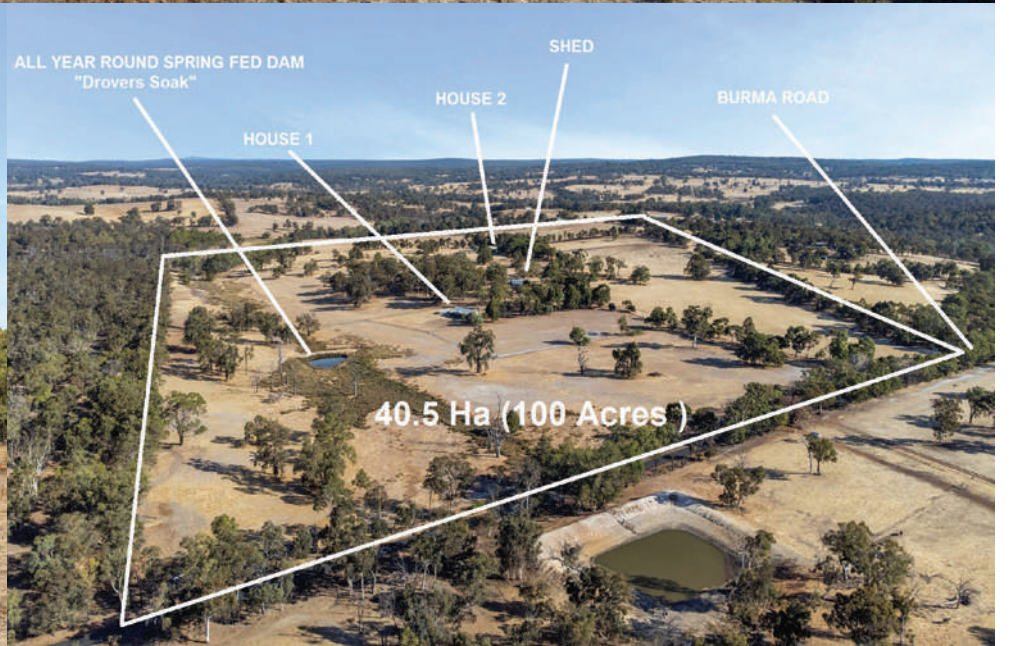
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