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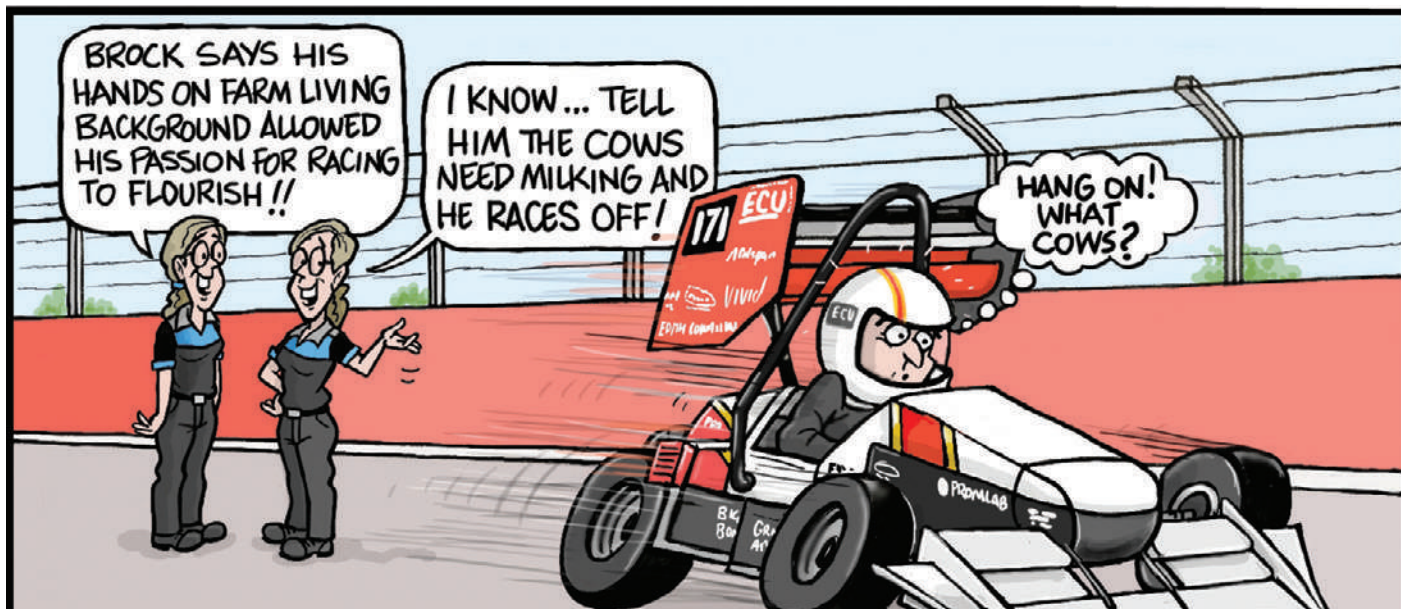
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### Swan school parking fines are unfair

**Dear Echo News,**

I would like to know why parking fines issued by the City of Swan are so high around Woodbridge Primary School.

In August 2023 the council enforced a fine around Woodbridge Primary School at a cost of \$45, now the fines are \$180.

Why are the fines more than other schools, streets and local businesses which are far less or they are not fined?

The fine infringement was also on a very wet day, I feel the council just wants easy money and are exploiting their position of power.

The large sum amount in penalty is not an accurate reflection of any loss suffered so I feel it is not a reasonable charge.

Why can't the parents be exempt during the school hours zones from 7.30am to 9am and 2pm to 4pm?

**H Colja Woodbridge**

### Impact on vegetation questioned

**Dear Echo News,**

*Impact on 'remnant vegetation' questioned (Echo News, August 9)* raises awareness about MRS Amendment 1421, which proposes urbanising land that two lines of our family sold to be part of Whiteman Park.

The consultation period has now been extended to August 30.

The subject land is between Drumpellier Drive and Isoodon Street, currently zoned parks and recreation.

Many readers will remember the late Lew Whiteman, who signed to sell his Mussel Pool farm on June 26, 1975, and the following day the WA Government Gazette announced that land in that precinct was to be rezoned from rural to parks and recreation.

The timing suggests Lew would have felt assured his land would be used as parkland for posterity.

He had also just announced his intention to give his vast and eclectic antiques collection in its entirety to the people of Western Australia.

A document obtained through FOI in 2007 states he was aware he could have obtained more for his land on the open market, but accepted a lower offer because he wanted the government to build a museum to house his collection.

In the years between 1975 and his death in 1994, no agreement was reached.

A small but important part of his collection now forms part of Revolutions transport and heritage museum at Whiteman Park.

The vast remainder, estimated in 1975 to be worth \$2 million to \$2.5m, was auctioned and the proceeds donated to charity.

Adjoining land owned by Lew's cousins, the Day family, my direct line, could never be sold on the open market after it was rezoned in 1975.

The softener for us, when selling became inevitable, was that we believed it was to remain part of Whiteman Park, because parks and recreation was the zoning.

There could only be one buyer.

Now the state and a developer look set to profit.

We saw the writing

on the wall when Metronet maps appeared, showing land between the rail line and the park perimeter coloured white when it was still green on metropolitan region scheme maps, consistent with its parks and recreation zoning.

'Dumbing down' the

public had begun, we maintain.

What next? Nearby Arthur Street – the road with the \$7.5m bridge over Reid Highway, terminates at Harrow Street, just across the road from Bush Forever Site 200.

Will Bush Forever

Site 200 be next?

Have your say, by Friday, August 30 at <https://haveyoursay.dph.wa.gov.au/mrs1421standard>

**C Rogers West Swan**

### Thought for the day

"Happiness is the only thing that multiplies when you share it."

— Albert Schweitzer.

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# North Stoneville hearing adjourned

ANITA McINNES

**SATTERLEY Property Group has succeeded in delaying a directions hearing on North Stoneville SP 34 while it waits for a federal government environmental decision on the proposal.**

On Wednesday, August 14 the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage (DPLH) said at the request of Satterley the State Administrative Tribunal (SAT) made orders at a directions hearing on Friday, August 9 to adjourn the SAT proceedings until a further directions hearing to be held on Friday, October 4.

“The applicant has sought an adjournment from the SAT to await the outcomes of their application to the commonwealth for approval under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation (EPBC) Act 1999,” a DPLH spokeswoman said.

Meanwhile, Save Perth Hills (SPH) said it is seeking to ‘intervene’ as an official ‘party’ in the SAT hearing.

Prior to the directions hearing moving to October 4 a North Stoneville update by DPLH said applications to intervene under section 37(3) of the

State Administrative Tribunal Act 2004 or to make submissions under 242 of the Planning and Development Act 2005 were to be made to the tribunal by August 23.

SPH chair Peter Brazier said if successful, SPH would be only the third external group in almost 20 years to be accepted in this type of hearing.

Mr Brazier said Satterley wanted to wait for federal Environment Minister Tanya Plibersek’s decision on its EPBC application and proposed offset plan – due on September 18 .

He said Satterley needed to prove to the federal minister they could offset the loss of about 200ha of forest and bush, including endangered black cockatoo habitat at Stoneville by purchasing similar land in another location.

The original North Stoneville structure plan 34 was refused by the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) in July 2020 and Satterley applied to SAT for a review of the refusal.

Until Friday’s adjournment a directions hearing had been listed for August 30 to enable SAT to continue programming the matter towards a final hearing.



Save Perth Hills is seeking to intervene in the North Stoneville hearing.

# Mundaring budget to focus on services for community

PETER W LEWIS

**SHIRE of Mundaring’s 2024-25 budget has allocated \$12 million in capital works to improve community services, facilities and infrastructure including \$2.8 million towards community recreation and \$6.5m for improvements to the shire’s road network.**

A statement from the shire said the budget aligned with the recently adopted council plan, and prioritises environmental protection, social advancement and economic prosperity for current and future generations, while remaining sensitive to the rising cost of living and its impact on residents.

Shire President Paige McNeil said the budget emphasised council’s commitment

to deliver on community priorities with enhanced financial transparency.

“In addition to this, council is dedicated to bolstering tourism to the area,” she said.

“We have significantly increased our tourism marketing and promotions budget to attract more visitors to our shire – Heart of the Perth Hills, and we’re committed to revitalising the Mundaring town centre, which includes the advancement of our exciting flagship project - the Mundaring cultural hub,” she said.

“Council is committed to building a vibrant and sustainable shire that reflects our shared values and aspirations. We are excited about the opportunities ahead and eager to collaborate with our community to deliver positive outcomes for everyone in our

shire.”

The \$6.5m for the road network will largely go to Old York Road, Stoneville Road, and Clifton Street.

The big winners in terms of \$2.8 million in funding for community recreation include the Brown Park flood lighting upgrade and carpark enhancement, Parkerville Oval cricket nets upgrade, Darlington Oval water tank and reticulation upgrade, and Sawyers Valley Oval drainage and reticulation improvements.

Almost \$1.5m will go to modernisation projects for the Bilgoman Aquatic Centre changerooms, along with a new public toilet block at Norris Park, Parkerville Hall car park upgrade, Darlington heritage walkway, and Wooroloo Hall and reserve upgrades.

An allocation of \$565,000 for footpath upgrades, double the previous figure, will benefit Vista Drive (Kilburn Road to Dodington Place), Ridgehill Road (Maguire Road to Helena Valley Road), and Old York Road (Throssell Road to John Forrest National Park).

Drainage improvements will see \$867,000 spent on projects including Old York Road, Barussela Avenue, and Sawyers Valley Oval.

The shire president said council acknowledged the financial challenges some residents may be facing and encouraged those experiencing difficulties with rate payments to contact the shire to arrange a suitable payment plan.

The budget was adopted at a special meeting of council on July 31.

# Bowling Club to take over rec centre in time for York show

PETER W LEWIS

**PLANNING is underway for the York Recreation Centre to be reopened in time for this year’s York Show to be held on Saturday, September 7, along with a pending liquor licence, following moves by the York Bowling Club.**

In the 2024-25 Shire of York budget council allocated \$1.9 million overall towards the recreation centre with a specific contribution of \$124,000 towards the first year of operating the bar and kitchen services.

“The York Bowling Club approached the shire and expressed an interest in operating the bar for the bowls club, football club, tennis club, cricket clubs and the general population of York when required,” York Bowling Club president Peter Thorpe said.

Currently the facility, which has not fully operated since December last year, can be used by sporting club members but there are no alcohol sales at all while the club awaits the outcome of a liquor licence application.

“The bowling club started having monthly meetings with the shire to discuss the progress. We now meet as required as we are fast approaching an outcome that will be both beneficial to both parties and the general population of the Shire of York,” Mr Thorpe said.

He said the shire has agreed to assist with the start-up costs and pay a monthly fee to assist with the operational costs of employing a bar manager for the first year, and then reassess the operational cost with the shire.

“The shire has a consultant working with both the shire, the York Bowling Club and the Liquor Licensing branch to ensure that we achieve the best outcome for all concern,” Mr Thorpe said.

“The York Bowling Club felt that we needed to do something so that we did not lose the use of the facility and have to play our home pennant games at

other clubs.

“The idea is to have the bowling club start the process and then move on to a model that has a management committee comprising members from all the clubs who will share the responsibility for the operation of the facility.”

The Shire of York reached a management agreement with Belgravia Leisure in November 2021.

Two years later Belgravia requested an early exit from the contract due to lack of profitability, which was concluded in December, with the return of management of the precinct and buildings to the shire.

In March, shire officers, 150Square business planning consultants and York sporting clubs worked on a club management proposal, and in June council supported the York Bowling Club’s proposal to run the bar and kitchen.

A shire spokesperson said the shire would work with York sporting clubs to transition to an overarching sporting association.

“We want to encourage the community to support local clubs and keep the service available to all participants,” a shire spokesperson said.

“The York Bowling Club will manage the bar and kitchen services, aiming to provide a community-focused service rather than competing directly with other local venues,” they said.

There will also be dedicated facility support with an additional cleaner and a club development officer providing onsite support and promoting club development.



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York Recreational Centre will reopen its bar and kitchen.



# Middle Swan resident takes home Formula Student trophy

GUANHAO CHENG

A MIDDLE Swan resident has returned victorious from the UK after his team became grand champions at the Formula Student (FS) 2024 event in July.

FS is Europe's most established educational engineering competition for students and celebrated its 25th anniversary the previous year.

Middle Swan resident Brock Kelly returned home last week after being part of the Edith Cowan University (ECU) race team that took out first place at the motorsport competition.

Mr Kelly was part of the mechanical engineering branch of the team responsible for data acquisition systems and ergonomics, collecting important data to inform the improvement of the vehicle.

"Competing in Formula Student this year was awesome — the team was lucky enough to be sent to the UK to race at Silverstone," Mr Kelly said.

"This involved us competing against 100 other teams from 20 different countries."

"My role within the team initially began by conducting an ergonomics study on how the driver sits within the vehicle to try and improve driver comfort."

"From that I then moved into the data analysis section which meant ensuring all 30 sensors were operational and then later analysing them to increase performance."

Mr Kelly said growing up in Middle Swan gave him an environment that nurtured his interest in motorsports.

"I was into go-karting so that's where the real passion came from," he said.

"My dad grew up on a farm, so he's been very hands on and that's been



Middle Swan resident Brock Kelly pictured here with members of the grand champion team that took top spot at the Formula Student 2024 competition.

handed down to me.

"The block sizes in Middle Swan are rather large so I could go out to the shed and tinker but we're also close to go-kart tracks like the one in Wundowie in the hills."

"Near (SpeedDome Middle Swan) there are always car meets and so that atmosphere was always there."

"I attended Swan Christian College, where we had woodworking and engineering so the manufacturing skills, I picked up there then acted as a prelude to me studying mechanical engineering at uni."

The ECU racing team near the end of last year revealed a lighter, quicker and more powerful car.

Weighing in at 164kg, the car is capable of reaching 100km/h in under four seconds.



Finalists Miley Nguyen of Wattle Grove and Ivan Tarakanov of Kalamunda.

## Students reach finals

JACKI ELEZOVICH

KALAMUNDA and Wattle Grove students have made it to the final round of this year's WA Training Awards.

Ivan Tarakanov of Kalamunda and Miley Nguyen of Wattle Grove are both finalists in different categories: WA international student of the year and WA vocational student of the year, respectively.

This year the awards received a record number of applications, with more than 40 students nominated for recognition of their hard work.

The applicants are training in a diverse range of industries, from automotive and agriculture to social work and creative industries.

Industry judges commended this year's pool of applicants as outstanding.

Ivan Tarakanov, a finalist for WA international student of the year, said winning a training award would help him find his feet as an international student.

"I left Russia in 2022 and haven't been back home since then. To find friends to become part of life in WA, it all takes time. This award would open some doors for me and will help me to connect with the broader community," he said.

"I worked as a dancer/choreographer and my industry was heavily impacted by Covid. By that time, I felt that screen was a chance for me to reach audiences during isolation. The more I dived into that process the more I discovered how fascinating the world of cinema is, as well as how much knowledge you need to have to create a single shot."

Ivan also studied filmmaking before he left Russia, producing a documentary titled 'Follow My Voice', which has been selected for multiple international film festival programs.

He has also submitted a new music video he made with WA-based composer Valery Niazov, produced as part of his TAFE study, to international film festivals for consideration.

"I want to continue producing music videos and short films as well as documentary works. My dream is to one day produce feature films. Studying at TAFE helps me get the knowledge I need to make that dream a reality," he said.

"It is important to bring the narratives that are valuable to our society to life. The kind of stories being told through the screen are shaping our future in one way or another."

Miley Nguyen, a finalist for WA vocational student of the year, was previously pursuing a career in civil engineering. She said she transferred to a social work pathway to help make a difference in the community.

"My journey towards my current job and study have been shaped by a long-time reflection on what I want to do in the next chapter of my life. Who I want to be, what truly brings me joy and fulfillment. My path has gone through different roles, until I explored my true passion for working with people, particularly those facing adversity," she said.

Miley initially enrolled in a certificate four in community services, then later a diploma in mental health.

"With a desire to engage at a higher level and make a deeper impact on individuals, I pursued a diploma in mental health and I am now grateful to be contributing to CarersWA, dedicatedly improving the lives of family carers living in WA," she said.

"My goal is to apply this advanced knowledge in a professional way where I can make a meaningful impact on others around me. I aspire to be in a role where I can leverage my skills to provide transformative support and difference in the field."

Training and workforce minister Simone McGurk said record numbers of students were taking up vocational training, ensuring the sector continues to thrive.

"The calibre of this year's WA Training Awards finalists reflects the world-class training on offer through our state's vocational training system," she said.

"The individual finalists are fantastic ambassadors for vocational training and their stories demonstrate how training changes lives."

The minister congratulated this year's finalists and said she looked forward to learning more about their journeys at the awards ceremony later in the year.

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# The Nationals hold preselection for new federal seat



**ANITA McINNES**

**THE Nationals are holding preselection for the new federal seat at a special state council on Saturday, August 17 with Mia Davies confirming she is a candidate.**

On January 27 last year the Central Wheatbelt MLA surprised many when she announced her resignation as opposition leader, Nationals WA leader and her decision not to recontest the 2025 state election.

In June WA federal Nationals leader David Littleproud said publicly he would be keen to see Ms Davies in federal Parliament, which may have helped sway her to stay in politics.

But Ms Davies said the emergence of a new federal electorate offering an exciting challenge and the opportunity to ensure WA families, communities and industries have a strong voice in Canberra convinced her to seek preselection.

"The Albanese Labor Government has delivered nothing but pain for Western Australia," she said.

"They have put politics before people, destroying communities reliant on the export of sheep, and introducing mountains of green and red tape to bind up the mining, agricultural and business sectors that Western Australians rely on for jobs and our future prosperity.

"After serious consideration, I believe my experience and commitment to public service will provide a strong foundation to make a difference and am looking forward to this new challenge."

If preselected Ms Davies said the federal issues she would focus on included the cost-of-living crisis, healthcare and infrastructure.

"Every household budget is under strain amidst a cost-of-living crisis.

"Too many people are struggling to access a GP and affordable healthcare, and many grapple to find aged care and childcare services.

"Investment in infrastructure to improve telecommunications reliability, and improving our community preparedness to respond to natural disasters will also be a priority."

Echo News asked Ms Davies if she was ready for all the air-travel involved in being a federal politician from WA.

"For 16 years I have represented an electorate that spans 100,000sqkm and am very used to travel and being on the road.

"As the former leader of The Nationals WA and a minister I was regularly in all corners of our state – travel is a part of the job and something I am very accustomed to already."

As for commenting on her greatest achievements in state politics she said she would leave her legacy for others to comment on.

"But (I) am particularly proud of the funding secured to improve aged care services, hospital upgrades and health services, housing to support our seniors to remain close to family and friends, and investment in our schools and colleges," she said.

"Being a part of the team that fought for and delivered royalties for regions remains a significant highlight of my time in state parliament.

"On an everyday basis, helping constituents is one of the most rewarding parts of the job."

Meanwhile, 11 submissions were made at an inquiry into objections to the proposed redistribution of electoral divisions in Western Australia on August 7.

The Australian Electoral Commission is yet to make a final call on the name and boundaries for the proposed division of Bullwinkel.

The Nationals Mia Davies hopes to win preselection for the new federal seat in WA. Picture: Angie Roe Photography



## Get ready to FOGO in 2024!

The City of Kalamunda will be rolling out its new FOGO three bin system across the City, starting from 2 September 2024.

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# Prisoners help reduce bushfire risk



Wooroloo Prison Farm prisoners help in fire mitigation works in the Perth Hills.

**PRISONERS** from Wooroloo Prison Farm are helping authorities reduce bushfire risk on hundreds of bush blocks in the Perth Hills, in preparation for the summer bushfire season.

The Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) manages about 400 parcels of fire prone land in the Shire of Mundaring alone.

DFES has collaborated with the correctional facility to allow prisoners to remove what's known as ladder fuels – woody weeds and undergrowth – to reduce fire fuels and the impact of bushfires.

The teams consist of minimum-security prisoners, who have been screened and approved for community work under supervision.

Vocational Support Officer (VSO) Garry said the prisoners take the fire mitigation job very seriously.

"It's hard work, but the men take pride in their effort, knowing it's going to help lessen the fire risk for residents."

When the site is small, about half a hectare, mechanical fuel reduction is preferred over planned burning.

The prisoners are also taught how to work with tools like chainsaws, pole saws and woodchippers, and receive training in the safe use of chemicals like herbicides.

"This training is all delivered to a national unit of competency. It qualifies them to work in a range of jobs when they're released from prison," VSO Garry said.

Fire and Emergency Services Commissioner Darren Klemm praised the partnership between the Department of Justice and DFES to support a vital community service like bushfire mitigation.

"Reducing fire fuels is particularly important around high-risk bushfire areas in the Perth Hills to help reduce the chance of intense, out of control fires that can threaten lives and homes," he said.

"At DFES we are driven to build a safer state. This program fits the bill and also allows us to help the Department of Justice build new skills in prisoners."

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Musician Mitch Tambo was a huge hit with Darlington students.

# Indigenous music icon arrives in Darlington

JACKI ELEZOVICH

**GAMILARAAY** musician Mitch Tambo has been around the country on a music and Aboriginal culture tour for Aussie school kids.

Visiting schools, learning centres and youth hubs, he said his aim with his Walanbaa youth tour was to inspire, educate and empower young minds through music and storytelling.

Now coming to a close, the tour has seen Mr Tambo perform more than 100 shows across the country.

Last week, he visited Darlington Primary, where the whole school enjoyed two hours of musical fun while learning about Aboriginal culture and language.

Mr Tambo said the positive response to the tour has been overwhelming.

"It's heartening to see schools eagerly embracing this initiative. To effect real change in future generations, we need to challenge existing mindsets and foster cultural awareness from a young age," he said.

"The kids have such a fun time, they are so pumped dancing and singing along to the songs, it's a really joyful atmosphere."

Darlington Primary students certainly connected with the whole school on their feet for most of the performance, while singing, dancing and clapping along.

His performances feature songs in his native Gamilaraay language with unforgettable didgeridoo renditions of well-known classics, encouraging student participation while they learn a new language and culture.

Mr Tambo said another goal of the tour was, drawing on his own professional experience as a social worker, to create safe spaces for open, honest conversations.

After the musical component had ended, he sat down with Darlington's Year 6 cohort for a yarning circle, sharing any and all aspects of his own journey as the students asked questions.

"I'm very open about sharing challenges I've had in the past and talking about how I got to where I am today – a music artist and proud man with a wife and kids. I always say that my visits are safe spaces for important conversations," he said.

"Children really need to believe in themselves and understand they really can achieve great things if they cultivate a positive mindset to be prepared for anything life throws at them these days."



# Kalamunda and police unite against homelessness

**CITY of Kalamunda and WA Police have joined forces to tackle the pressing issue of homelessness within the community.**

Forrestfield Police Station officer-in-charge Senior Sergeant Brad Robinson and City of Kalamunda Mayor Margaret Thomas are spearheading the collaborative initiative aimed at providing both immediate relief and long-term solutions for those experiencing homelessness.

"Homelessness is a complex social issue that requires significant cooperation between government and non-government organisations (NGOs). In a prosperous state like ours, it can be difficult to fathom that someone could be without a home," Snr Sgt Robinson said.

"However, it's a reality we must address with both legal enforcement and compassion. We are working closely with the City of Kalamunda, businesses and various organisations to explore all options and implement effective solutions.

"The city is dedicated to working alongside WA Police and other agencies to ensure that we provide not just temporary relief, but also long-term strategies that address the root causes of homelessness," Kalamunda Mayor Margaret Thomas said.

"By engaging the community and fostering partnerships, we can create a supportive environment where everyone has the opportunity to thrive."

The initiative focuses on establishing strong partnerships between local government, NGOs and businesses to create a coordinated approach to homelessness.

Engaging the community through awareness programs and volunteer opportunities is also a key element, aiming to foster a supportive environment for those experiencing homelessness.

Immediate relief efforts include providing temporary housing solutions such as shelters or crisis accommodation centres, while ensuring access to comprehensive healthcare, including mental health ser-

vices, for homeless individuals. Outreach programs are being developed to connect homeless individuals with necessary services and support.

Both WA Police and the City of Kalamunda are committed to upholding local laws, criminal laws, and health department regulations while maintaining a compassionate approach towards individuals experiencing homelessness. They are also examining successful strategies from other regions to guide their efforts and improve outcomes.

For those experiencing homelessness or anyone looking to help, numerous agencies offer online support. The Department of Communities Office of Homelessness provides valuable information and resources.

For further information contact the City of Kalamunda on (08) 9257 9999 or email [enquiries@kalamunda.wa.gov.au](mailto:enquiries@kalamunda.wa.gov.au) or call Forrestfield Police Station on (08) 6371 1555 or visit <https://www.police.wa.gov.au/Contact-Us>



## Mundaring adopts 10-year future plan

**SHIRE of Mundaring has adopted its plan for the next decade 'Our Plan for the Future' 2024-2034 following community consultation.**

The plan was devised in consultation with the community through interactive workshops and a shire wide survey that attracted an unprecedented 3014 responses.

The 10-year plan maintains a strong focus on sustainability, community and environment with a place based approach to address the unique needs and priorities of each region; the foothills, the hills, and the rural communities.

Key focus areas include the revitalisation of Mundaring Town Centre and the development of the Mundaring Cultural Hub, a multipurpose facility that will include an art gallery, visitor centre, local history museum, contemporary library and community spaces.

Protecting and enhancing the natural environment, improving recreational and sporting facilities and bushfire mitigation are other key focus areas that align with the vision of being the 'Heart of the Perth Hills' and a place for sustainable living.

Shire President Paige McNeil said the resulting plan captured the community's aspirations with a detailed outline of how objectives will be achieved by council over the coming decade.

She said the council plan was an exciting and forward-thinking strategy that reflected the vision of the community and would steer the shire through a decade of projects and revitalisation.

"Council consulted heavily to understand the aspirations, ideas and priorities of ratepayers and we are dedicated to creating more opportunities for community engagement.

"We remain committed to protecting our biodiversity and ensuring our natural landscapes are accessible and enjoyed by residents and visitors. We are also aware of the increasing need to be bush-fire safe in managing our unique conservation responsibilities.

"Guided by council's core values of community focus, proactivity, respect, and accountability, this plan will steer the shire for the next decade, with annual reviews to ensure it stays relevant and responsive to evolving needs."

The plan is available to view or download via the Shire of Mundaring website.

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# The Tonkin Gap project now officially complete

**THE Tonkin Gap project is officially complete, and is now benefitting thousands of commuters, path users and the local community with significant improvements to journey times and amenities.**

Construction started in 2020, and the project was delivered on time despite several project challenges including completing works under live traffic conditions, removal and replacement of the Broun Avenue Bridge and duplication of the Redcliffe Bridge (now Mooro-Beeloo) with minimal impact to the Swan River ecosystems.

Last December the notorious bottleneck on Tonkin Highway was alleviated with additional lanes opened and the speed limit subsequently reinstated to 100kmph.

Other improvements include new interchanges at Great Eastern Highway and Guildford Road, and new bridges over the Swan River, Dunstone Road, Railway Parade and Guildford Road.

The new BMX and mountain bike skills area under the Mooro-Beeloo Bridge has also become a popular recreation area in the local community.

Rail-enabling works for the Morley-Ellenbrook line are nearing completion, with Tonkin Highway in both directions between Reid Highway and Collier Road reinstated to 100kmh.

The final section of Tonkin

Highway between Hepburn Avenue and Reid Highway will be reinstated to 100km/h in both directions once Malaga footbridge works are complete, expected later next month.

The project's supply chain involved over 250 sub-contractors delivering packages of work with a focus on local spend and supply, creating more than 3000 jobs.

Transport Minister Rita Saffioti said the Tonkin Gap was one of the most important road infrastructure projects being undertaken in the Perth metropolitan area.

"Completing this project highlights our commitment to supporting more efficient transport solutions for people travelling through Perth and improving safety, by eliminating the interface between pedestrians, cyclists and cars."

"This has been a challenging program to deliver, so I'm really pleased that it's been completed on-time and is able to improve travel times for commuters and better connect cyclists and pedestrians across the city."

Federal Member for Swan Zanele Masekane said the project showed that both the federal and state governments were seriously committed to improving transport for drivers around Perth.

"This investment is all about making roads safer, separating pedestrians and cyclists from cars, and giving commuters in this booming area the infrastructure they need."

Kalamunda trained swimmer Ceinwen Roberts visited the UK this time as the coach of an open water swimming group before breaking the Bristol Channel world record.



## Kalamunda trained swimmer breaks straits world record

GUANHAO CHENG

**KALAMUNDA trained open water swimmer Ceinwen Roberts has broken the world record for swimming across one of Britain's most challenging straits by 17 minutes.**

The previous female and overall record for the Bristol Channel swim via Porthcawl to Devon according to Guinness World Records was nine hours and 24 minutes.

Ms Roberts reportedly completed her swim from Porthcawl to Devon in nine hours and seven minutes.

She is recognised as the co-founder of the port to pub swim, a sporting event in which swimmers cross the channel from Fremantle to Rottnest Island.

Ms Roberts is also the only woman to cross between Cottesloe Beach and Rottnest Island three times in one day, swimming a combined 59.1km.

She said taking on the swim was diving into the unknown due to the scarcity of information about the route.

"It was all very unknown as there is not much information out there about this swim and the tides are not as predictable over this channel," she said.

"We requested to swim at night as we needed to get to Dover the next day for our teammate to swim the channel the next day."

"Looking back, I am glad we swam through the night as the water was so brown and murky and tasted disgusting."

"It was flat and calm on the surface, but the tides

below were like nothing I have ever experienced."

Ms Roberts' mother, Maida Vale Masters Swimming Club president Andrea Williams said her daughter visited the UK this time as the coach of an open water swimming group.

"They set off at 10pm from a village in Wales to (Devon) on the coast of England," she said.

"The Bristol Channel is one of the channels with one of highest tide ranges, six to 13m, and the same thing happens in the English Channel."

Mrs Williams said they'd been training in Lake Leschenaultia in preparation, which is usual for English Channel swimmers since it was so cold and so dark.

"Maida Vale Masters run an open water swim at Lake Leschenaultia every year," she said.

"As a young girl, (Ceinwen) was allowed to swim in that and that's when she realised, when she was 12, she was an open water swimmer instead of a pool swimmer."

Ms Roberts said her support crew watched and cheered relentlessly through the night and kept a close eye on the swimmers.

"We had to stick within a body length apart from each other," she said.

"It wasn't until the morning when we had a few kilometres to go and were swimming on the spot for a while when the crew said we could just go for it to try and beat the record."

"Sprinting as hard as I could for an hour and going seemingly nowhere was exhausting."

"The cliffs where we finished were the highest in England so it was a spectacular scene."

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## Kalamunda Enterprise Awards now open



**More than 15 individual awards were handed out at the 2023 Kalamunda Chamber of Commerce business awards night.**

**NOMINATIONS are now open for the 2024 Outstanding Enterprise Awards hosted by the Kalamunda Chamber of Commerce.**

The awards are in its 18th year and are a platform to gain recognition for local entities and the positive impact their dedication has on Kalamunda's community.

Nominees do not need to be a member of the Kalamunda Chamber of Commerce to enter the business excellence awards and nomination is free.

For each nominee who completes their submission, names will be entered into the draw to win jewellery to the value of \$500 donated by Matuk Jewellers.

For the first time, all businesses that complete an award submission are automatically entered into the people's choice award with the winner to be decided by the attendee's popular vote.

There are 15 separate categories to nominate for and not-for-profit enterprises as well as individuals can also nominate for the awards.

Kalamunda Chamber of Commerce chairper-

son Jon Elbery said the organisation was proud to bring back the awards to showcase another round of Kalamunda's local heroes.

"Kalamunda is home to a thriving network of businesses, not for profit organisations and individuals driving community activation," he said.

"We're proud to shine a spotlight on our local heroes."

"The 18th Annual Outstanding Enterprise Awards celebrate the businesses and individuals that go above and beyond."

"We encourage everyone to head to our website and nominate their favourites."

Entrants are not limited to one nomination and may submit their businesses for any number of categories where entrants may be successful in more than one category.

Nominations close September 18, and the awards night will be held at Chalet Rigi on November 2.

To enter, visit [www.kalamundachamber.com/outstanding-enterprise-awards/2024-outstanding-enterprise-awards-nominations/](http://www.kalamundachamber.com/outstanding-enterprise-awards/2024-outstanding-enterprise-awards-nominations/)



# Brewing plan to boost Swan and Avon Valley craft beers

SWAN, Bassendean and Avon Valley craft beer brewers are among those who will benefit from a new state government supported strategy to grow WA's craft beer sector.

The state government revealed on August 2 a new strategy to boost WA's craft beer sector production, create jobs and promote the industry's 'paddock to pint' tourism experience.

The paddock to pint narrative is about brewing with locally sourced ingredients, supplied through to local brewers, distributors, retailers, and to consumers.

The industry-led strategy aims to boost production, with the goal of tripling either the volume or value of locally produced beer over 10 years.

The strategy was developed in partnership between the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) and the Independent Brewers Association, Western Australian Brewers Association (WABA) and South West Brewers Alliance.

Swan's Mash Brewing, Bailey Brewing Co, Homestead Brewing, Feral Brewing Co, Funk Cider, Bassendean's Nail Brewing and Eclipse Brewing Co in Northam are all WABA members who will be impacted by the strategy.

The Western Australian Craft Beer Strategy comes as

a first in WA to bring together all parts of the craft beer supply chain to drive forward a unified and sustainable industry.

It also strives to improve supply chain integration, including those that produce homegrown barley, hops and malt, and the local businesses that provide packaging, distribution and retail services.

WA is considered to be the birthplace of Australia's craft beer sector, with the establishment of a handful of now iconic breweries in Perth in the 80s and 90s.

Beer manufacturing contributed an estimated \$648 million to the WA economy in 2020-21, directly supporting around 967 full-time jobs and indirectly supporting more than 4,000 jobs across the state.

The five strategic priorities are industry leadership, brand awareness, market access and export opportunities, supply chain management, and regulation.

A summary of the strategy can be viewed at [www.agric.wa.gov.au/craftbeer](http://www.agric.wa.gov.au/craftbeer)



Agricultural Minister Jackie Jarvis says WA's craft beer industry uses premium ingredients grown in the state providing a paddock to pint experience an increasing number of customers are drawn to.



## Swan Valley licence plates up for grabs

The Swan Valley Tourism Alliance Inc is undertaking the production and sale of a new range of number plates to help promote the Swan Valley, the state's oldest wine region.

By purchasing a Swan Valley licence plate, buyers will be helping the not-for-profit Swan Valley Tourism Alliance (SVTA) put the Swan Valley's people and places first.

This is one of the SVTA's projects based around promoting tourism while preserving the region's rural heritage and traditional activities, such as grape growing and winemaking.

The limited-edition plates will be available in the

Swan Valley resident Brooke Parker tests out a new, limited edition Swan Valley number plate.

sequences SWVA 1-9 and SWVA 00 to 99.

Number plate SWVA 0 will be raffled at the Swan Valley Tourism Alliance AGM at Sandalford Wines on Thursday, September 5.

Plates SWVA 1-9 will be sold via an online silent auction starting on September 5 and concluding on the night of the AGM. The reserve price for these plates will be \$400 plus transfer costs of \$101.10.

SWVA 00 to 99 will be sold via fixed pricing from \$400 per plate plus transfer costs on a first-come, first-served basis on the SVTA website from 12pm WST on Friday, September 6.

Once these plates are sold out, they are sold out. No more will be manufactured.

More details on how to register for the auction will be available on the SVTA website [svta.net.au](http://svta.net.au) or by emailing [auktion@svta.net.au](mailto:auktion@svta.net.au)

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## Have your say MRS Amendment 1421 (Standard) – Brabham and Dayton Urban Precincts

### Public comment period extended

The Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) is seeking public comment on a proposal to amend the Metropolitan Region Scheme (MRS) for land in the City of Swan.

The amendment proposes to transfer approximately:

- 11.94 hectares (ha) of land in Brabham from the Parks and Recreation reservation to the Urban zone, and remove the designation for Bush Forever Area 200 over approximately 1.22ha of this land
- 5.11ha of land within Brabham from the Public Purposes – Special Uses reservation to the Urban Deferred zone
- 2.79ha of land in Brabham and Dayton from the Public Purposes – Special Uses reservation to the Urban zone
- 0.63ha of land in Brabham from the Primary Regional Roads reservation to the Urban Deferred zone.

The proposed amendment is to be progressed as a standard region scheme amendment as it does not reflect a significant change to the strategic planning for the Metropolitan region.

The Amendment Report and plans showing the proposed change can be viewed online at <https://haveyoursay.dplh.wa.gov.au/hub-page/statutory-matters>

Submissions close **Friday 30 August** and can be lodged online, via email to [regionplanningschemes@dplh.wa.gov.au](mailto:regionplanningschemes@dplh.wa.gov.au), or posted to: **The Secretary, WAPC, Locked Bag 2506, PERTH WA 6001**. Late submissions may not be considered.

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MASTEC's Stephen Hewett, Shire of Mundaring waste operations supervisor Brad Watson, EMRC operations manager Aaron Blair and Allan Bruce from RJ & Sons Transport.

## FOGO to reach 250,000 households

**MORE households than ever before will soon have access to the Food Organics, Garden Organics (FOGO) recycling with the City of Swan, Shire of Mundaring and Town of Cambridge rolling out the three-bin system.**

The system is a crucial part of WA's waste avoidance and resource recovery strategy 2030 and is supported by the state government's \$20 million Better Bins Plus: Go FOGO program, and is improving recycling and reducing waste, with participating local governments achieving a recovery rate of 56 per cent.

That's compared to 39 per cent for those with the Food three-bin Go FOGO system and 14 per cent for those with the two-bin system with 250,000 households in WA to soon have access to the three-bin system.

The system is currently available to Town of Cambridge and Shire of Mundaring residents with City of Swan to stage its rollout as part of a transition to the FOGO system.

It's expected nine more local governments in Perth will introduce FOGO by June 2026.

City of Swan Mayor Tanya Richardson said the city was excited to introduce a new three-bin kerbside collection system, including a FOGO bin, to households.

"We're committed to promoting sustainable consumption and reducing waste production and FOGO will help us achieve this by separating waste materials at the source."

"Currently, each residential property in our city

puts about 850kg in its general waste bin every year, and over half is organic material.

"This new system aligns with the state government's waste strategy, and more importantly, it will protect our natural environment for future generations."

Environment Minister Reece Whitby said local governments statewide were excited to adopt the Food Organic, Garden Organic three-bin system.

"They're doing their bit to avoid waste, improving recycling rates, and ultimately doing what's right for WA's environment," he said.

"While this is an important milestone, I want to see even more local governments listen to WA households and get on board with this system."

Shire of Mundaring President Paige McNeil said the FOGO service aligned well with the shire's long-term strategic plan to preserve its natural assets now and into the future.

"Shire of Mundaring introduced the new FOGO service to its communities from July 1 to help greenhouse gas emissions and save valuable space in landfill," she said.

"The quality testing results for the Shire of Mundaring's FOGO collections have been promising, showing minimal contamination levels."

"This outcome reflects positively on those in our community who are transitioning their waste to FOGO."

To find out more, head to [www.wasteauthority.wa.gov.au/programs/view/food-organics-and-garden-organics](http://www.wasteauthority.wa.gov.au/programs/view/food-organics-and-garden-organics)

## Franklin & Clement awarded silver

**HOVEA producer, Franklin & Clement, has won a Silver Medal at the Royal Melbourne 2024 Australian Food Awards, with the judges scoring the Jammed Chilli entry an impressive 88.8 out of a possible 100 points.**

The prestigious national award for the Perth Hills small batch producer marks just one year since founder, solopreneur and head jam maker, Emilie Jones, left the corporate world in hot pursuit of taking Franklin & Clement Jammed Chilli to the world.

Before hitting the shelves of some of Perth's most prominent gourmet grocers and speciality stores, including Boatshed Market, The Herdsman Market and The Re Store, Jones spent almost 10 years gifting the now award-winning jam to family and friends.

"Sharing food is my love language so for almost ten years that's exactly what I did. I gifted my Jammed Chilli to family and friends and, in turn, friends of family and friends," Ms Jones said.

"Testing the jam for so many years gave me resounding confidence in the product. Everyone loved it, everyone wanted the recipe, and everyone told me that I should seriously consider commercial production."

"The elegant heat factor means the jam is incredibly moreish. The combination of tomato, garlic, ginger and chilli balance perfectly for an indulgent umami flavour base. The kick from the chilli comes in a little late, lingers for a beautiful moment and leaves you wanting just a little bit more."

"I dreamt about creating a brand and going into production for almost a decade, but I never really believed it would happen. Creating something from scratch is hugely overwhelming. Small business is incredibly rewarding but it's also relentless."

"But a lot can happen in 12 months, especially



when you believe in your product and your mindset is fixed on finding solutions for the hurdles you will inevitably face."

She said it was massive for a WA small batch producer like Franklin & Clement to win such a prestigious and national award and with so many local producers doing equally great things in food at the moment.

"It's a really exciting time be supported and endorsed by the Buy West Eat Best group and to be part of the wider West Australian food scene," she said.

All producers who enter the Australian Food Awards have the opportunity to benchmark their products against their peers and gain valuable feedback from a panel of leading industry experts.

Franklin & Clement award winning Jammed Chilli is available online at [www.franklinandclement.com.au](http://www.franklinandclement.com.au) or in store at Perth's most prominent gourmet grocers and speciality stores.



# Parents encouraged to vaccinate children against respiratory virus

**WHILE the state government's \$11 million immunisation program has reached a major milestone with 20,000 children now protected from respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), the call is out for more children to be protected.**

As reported in *Woodbridge mother puts spotlight on RSV virus risk* (*Echo News*, June 16, 2023) RSV is a highly infectious respiratory virus that infects up to two-thirds of all babies in their first year of life and, every year, hospitalises more than 1000 infants in WA.

Parents who have not had their eligible babies immunised are encouraged to book an appointment with their GP, Community Health Clinic or Aboriginal Medical Service that provide childhood immunisation. Parents of newborns will be offered the immunisation before they leave hospital.

Babies born from October 1, 2023,

Aboriginal children and some medically at high-risk children born from October 1, 2022, as well as newborns in birthing hospitals, can receive Nirsevimab for free until the end of September this year.

The RSV immunisation program is expected to prevent thousands of emergency department presentations and GP consultations this year.

WA was the first state to introduce a free RSV immunisation of the antibody Nirsevimab for eligible children earlier this year, which protects infants for up to five months to cover the duration of the average winter RSV season.

Recently published data from the Northern Hemisphere shows that for every 25 doses of Nirsevimab administered, one RSV-related hospitalisation is prevented.

This means that WA's RSV immuni-

sation program has so far prevented 760 hospitalisations this year, which is a huge game changer for paediatric medicine.

While WA's RSV season is just beginning, data through to the end of July shows that RSV-associated hospitalisations among Nirsevimab-eligible babies aged under eight months are down 53 per cent compared to the same period last year.

Health Minister Amber-Jade Sanderson said she encouraged all parents of eligible children yet to get their babies immunised from RSV to book an appointment with their local provider to ensure their newborns are immunised against this highly infectious disease.

For more information on the free RSV immunisation program visit [www.health.wa.gov.au/Articles/N\\_R/Respiratory-syncytial-virus-RSV-immunisation](http://www.health.wa.gov.au/Articles/N_R/Respiratory-syncytial-virus-RSV-immunisation)



Last year mother Elli Anderson spoke to the *Echo* about her son Jimmy's RSV battle.

## Seniors discount directory now out

**THE 2024-2025 discount directory for WA Seniors Card members is now available, offering a wide range of discounts on goods and services to help older Western Australians with the cost of living.**

The free discount directory lists hundreds of local Western Australian businesses which generously support the community by offering discounts to seniors.

Many discounts encourage seniors to stay connected, engaged, and active in their communities. The discount directory also encourages seniors to buy and shop locally, which benefits local businesses and the state's economy.

The directory also features images from the 2024 Golden Lens photography competition, which reflect the lives and interests of Western Australian seniors.

This initiative builds on the raft of measures available to Western Australians with a WA Seniors Card, which offers some of the most valuable state government concessions and rebates in the country.

Card members have access to free off-peak public transport, concessions on local government rates and water service charges, the \$400 safety and security rebate and a cost of living rebate which has provided more than \$421 million assistance since launching in 2009.

Seniors and Ageing Minister Don Punch said the annual discount directory was a resource for WA Seniors Card members, reducing the cost of living through a wide range of discounts offered by participating businesses.

"This discount directory would not be possible without the generosity of many businesses across our state, and I would like to acknowledge their contributions to the WA economy. I strongly encourage



everyone to support our local businesses where possible.

"Western Australian Seniors Card members continue to have access to a valuable range of State Government concessions and rebates. This includes free off-peak public transport, and concessions on your local government rates and water service charges.

"Further relief is being provided in the annual cost of living rebate as payments begin to roll out to registered Seniors Card members, with singles receiving a payment of \$107.12 and couples receiving \$160.68 this year."

Copies of the hard-copy discount directory can be found at selected libraries, Community Resource Centres or from the offices of local members of Parliament.

To browse the list of all discount offers online, please visit [www.seniorscard.wa.gov.au/discounts](http://www.seniorscard.wa.gov.au/discounts).

WA Seniors Card members can request a copy to be posted directly by contacting the WA Seniors Card Centre on 1800 671 233 or emailing [info@seniorscard.wa.gov.au](mailto:info@seniorscard.wa.gov.au)

## Intersection of Roe and Great Eastern Highway is ranked 5th for congestion

**THE intersection of Roe Highway and the Great Eastern Highway in Hazelmere has been ranked in the top five in the city for congestion.**

Main Roads has included the intersection in its list of the top 20 worst in the Perth metropolitan area.

RAC's 2023 Commuting and Congestion survey revealed 50 per cent of Perth's peak-hour drivers were unhappy with their commute, with satisfaction levels dropping the more they had to drive in peak hour.

Almost two-thirds of members said fixing pinch

points, such as those at busy intersections, would be the most effective method of easing congestion on Perth roads.

The number one worst intersection was Reid Highway and Erindale Road in Balcatta, with three on the Tonkin Highway, which just last week marked the completion of the Tonkin Gap.

Main Roads said planning was also underway for upgrades at Roe Highway and Great Eastern Highway Bypass and Wanneroo Road and Hepburn Avenue.

## eye on crime

### High Wycombe serious crash investigation

**OFFICERS from the major crash investigation section are investigating a serious crash that occurred in High Wycombe on Friday, August 9.**

About 6.30pm, a white Isuzu DMAX Utility travelling east on Kalamunda Road and a black Yamaha motorcycle travelling west on Kalamunda Road were involved in a collision.

The 46-year-old male rider of the motorcycle was taken to Royal Perth Hospital for treatment of critical injuries received.

The 24-year-old male driver of the utility was

uninjured.

Major crash investigators are conducting an examination of the scene and are appealing for any witnesses to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or report the information online at [www.crimestopperswa.com.au](http://www.crimestopperswa.com.au)

Dash-cam or mobile phone vision relating to this crash can be uploaded directly to investigators via this link: <https://wapf.au.evidence.com/axon/community-request/public/kalamunda-serious-crash>

Police want anyone with information regarding the above incidents to call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or you can make a report online at [www.crimestopperswa.com.au](http://www.crimestopperswa.com.au)



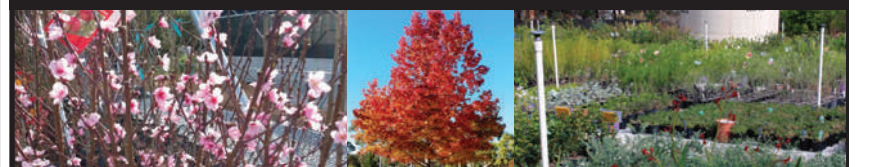
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Ashleigh van Nierop at her home-based clinic.

## BioSoul Naturopathy opens in Kalamunda

**BIO SOUL Naturopathy, a new holistic home-based health clinic, has opened its doors earlier this year on the scenic Kalamunda escarpment.**

Founded by local resident and naturopath Ashleigh van Nierop, this home-based clinic aims to bring naturopathic health care to the community.

"I believe in the power and importance of a holistic approach to health. By opening my clinic, I hope to encourage naturopathic, holistic care within the community and contribute to the overall wellness of Perth Hills residents.

"I wish to emphasise the clinic's commitment to education and prevention.

"My goal isn't just to treat symptoms, but to treat the root cause of health conditions, educate patients about health, and empower individuals to take charge of their well-being. In today's fast-paced world, we're seeing the limitations of 10-minute GP appointments that often can't delve deep enough into the root causes of a person's health condition.

"I take the time to truly understand everyone's health journey. I want to share my knowledge and help people understand how natural approaches can complement modern healthcare."

The clinic's location, nestled near Mundi Regional

Park, reflects her philosophy of harmony with nature.

"Being surrounded by the natural beauty of the escarpment inspires my work. It's a constant reminder of the healing power of nature and our connection to it," Ms van Nierop said.

BioSoul Naturopathy is a Naturopathic Medicine Clinic offering personalised naturopathic appointments.

The clinic takes a holistic and patient-centred approach to health and wellness, adhering to core principles that advocate for treatments in harmony with the body's natural healing power.

Ms van Nierop crafts individualised care plans that consider the whole person - mind, body, and spirit - prioritising lifestyle, social, and environmental factors, with a focus on disease prevention and health promotion.

Blending traditional wisdom with modern health science and research, she provides comprehensive health evaluations and draws upon evidence-based practices, physical assessments, functional and pathology testing, nutritional medicine, herbal medicine, lifestyle guidance, and emotional-spiritual wellbeing assessment.

For further information go to [www.biosoulnaturopathy.com](http://www.biosoulnaturopathy.com)

## Large animal rescue responder training

REGISTRATIONS are now open for the 2024 WA technical large animal rescue responder (TLAR) training which will be presented by former Hawkesbury SES deputy commander David King who will bring his global knowledge and experience in animal emergency incident management.

The two-day training will be held on August 23-24 at the State Equestrian Centre in Brigadoon, which will also include a one day vehicle incident management course.

The course format will combine theory and practical application of large animal manual and mechanical rescue techniques through case studies, as well

as scenarios utilising large animal mannequins, rescue equipment and the WA Horse Council's custom engineered horse float rollover simulator.

TLAR techniques are aligned with the Australian and New Zealand National Council for Fire and Emergency Services (AFAC) large animal rescue operations guidelines.

A brief course overview with learning outcomes and objectives is available on the WA Horse Council website.

For further information please contact Shauna on 0412 485 536 or email [horsecouncilwa@gmail.com](mailto:horsecouncilwa@gmail.com)

Registrations to the course can be made via the website [www.wahorsecouncil.com.au](http://www.wahorsecouncil.com.au)



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# John Deere's latest combines set to boost yields

**THE vast expanses of the Western Australian wheatbelt demand machinery that is not only powerful but also efficient and reliable.**

As WA farmers brace themselves for another harvest season AFGRI Equipment will launch the new John Deere S7 900 Combine at the Dowerin Machinery Field Day on August 28-29.

These innovative machines are designed to push the boundaries of efficiency and productivity, an innovation set to transform the landscape of modern farming in 2025. With four new models, the S7 600, S7 700, S7 800, and the formidable S7 900, this series promises to deliver unparalleled performance and efficiency tailored for the unique needs of the Wheatbelt region.

The S7 900 is the most powerful model in the S7 lineup, boasting a staggering 543 horsepower and peaking at 617 horsepower delivered by the John Deere PowerTech™ 13.6L engine, which offers 10% more maximum torque and 10% less fuel consumption compared to its predecessors. These enhancements translate to lower operational costs and higher efficiency, vital for farmers managing vast expanses of wheat fields.

A significant innovation in the S7 900 is its improved grain loss monitoring system, which now includes double the number of sensors. This advancement provides more accurate readings, enabling farmers to monitor and minimise grain loss effectively. Additionally, the high-efficiency residue management system ensures even distribution of crop residue, promoting soil health and reducing the need for additional field passes.

The S7 900 is equipped with the G5PLUS CommandCenter™, an integrated StarFire™ 7500 receiver, and a JDLink™ modem. These features bring a suite of automation packages, including Predictive Ground Speed Automation, Harvest Settings Automation, and Machine Sync. Predictive Ground Speed Auto-

mation uses cab-mounted stereo cameras and pre-harvest satellite field images to adjust the combine's speed automatically, optimising feed rates and minimising grain loss even in varying crop conditions.

The S7 900 features the new, larger X9 cab, designed to provide maximum comfort for long harvesting days. The cab includes an integrated G5Plus CommandCenter™ Display, which offers a 35% larger screen and faster boot times, ensuring that operators have all the information they need at their fingertips. Improved visibility and a quieter environment contribute to reduced fatigue and enhanced productivity.

John Deere's S7 900 is engineered for high-capacity harvesting in challenging conditions. The TriStream™ rotor, with its rifled elements and spiral vanes, ensures efficient movement of crop material, reducing the force required and maximising fuel efficiency. The Dyna-Flo™ Plus cleaning shoe provides superior cleaning capacity, especially in shoe-limited conditions, boosting productivity by 14% in crops like wheat and canola compared to previous models.

The S7 900 is designed to keep farmers in the field longer with features like the 400-bushel grain tank, which reduces the frequency of unloading. The ProDrive™ system allows seamless shifting between field and transport speeds, enhancing mobility and saving valuable time. Additionally, the combine's suspended track system offers a smoother ride and better ground following, reducing compaction and allowing earlier entry into fields.

The S7 900 represents the pinnacle of John Deere's commitment to innovation and farmer success. With its blend of power, precision, and automation, this combine is poised to redefine harvesting efficiency in the Wheatbelt. Farmers can look forward to a machine that not only meets but exceeds their expectations, delivering higher yields and improved profitability.



The John Deere S7 900 combine is more than just a piece of machinery; it's a partner in the field. Its advanced features, robust performance, and operator-friendly design make it an invaluable asset for any farmer in Western Australia. As the demands of modern agriculture continue to evolve, the S7 900 is ready to lead the charge, ensuring that farmers can harvest with confidence and precision.

Come see AFGRI Equipment launch the new John Deere S7 900 Combine at the Dowerin Machinery Field Day on August 28-29 or contact your nearest AFGRI Equipment branch today to preorder your MY2025 S7 Series Combine.



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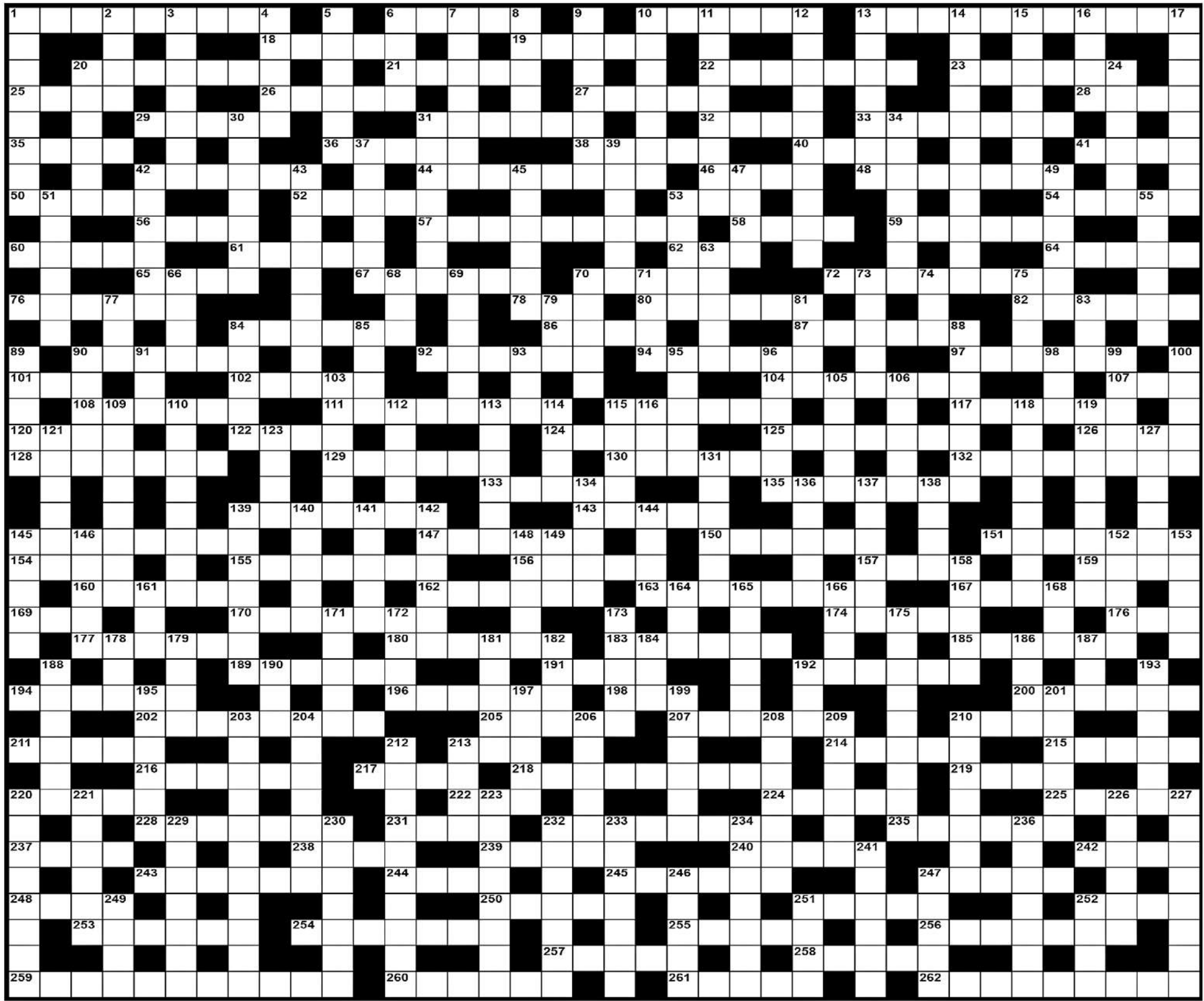




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Mind Boggler Crossword

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1	Enchanted	87	Ploughed rut	194	Soft	1	Skin bubbles	84	Carrying weapons	168	Floorcovering	206	Dressed logs
6	Bitterly pungent	90	Fiddle around	196	Kiss and cuddle (coll)	2	A false god	85	Pain	171	Lying flat	208	Secures with a lead
10	Canal boats	92	Gouged turf pieces	198	Flightless bird	3	Type of reindeer	88	A spendthrift	172	Musical piece	209	Counsel
13	Arousing sexual desire	94	Strawberry container	200	Beam in roof	4	Bedding ...	89	Chocolate substitute	173	Speed contests	210	Garment fasteners
18	Precious stones	97	Put on	202	Wizard	5	A type of sausage	90	A coronet	175	Majority of opinion	212	Pirate flag (5,5)
19	An earthy pigment	101	Boxer, Muhammad ...	205	Endures	6	In present condition	91	Prefix - new	178	Finish	213	One-sided view
20	A singer	102	Glee	207	One's life formula	7	Put back	93	A Kimino sash	179	A hairstyle	220	Giving prickly sensation
21	Amount inserted	104	Of no assistance	210	A ballet skirt	8	Bestowed excessive love on	95	Cow's milk bag	181	Garlic mayonnaise	221	Fence part
22	Scoundrel	107	To seal off	211	A curving recess	9	Deep-seated as a disease	96	Triumphant exclamation	182	Expressions of surprise	223	Movable articles
23	Types of lizards	108	Extreme point of orbit	213	Baby dress protection	10	Dupe	98	Place of education (abb)	184	Crash into	226	Pacific country
25	Inner self	111	Device for using wind	214	Australian wild dog	11	Extremely hungry	99	Brilliance of success	186	Conman's scheme	227	Midday snack
26	Comes close	115	Zeal	215	Faint-hearted	12	Cut of beef	100	Higher	187	Santa's helper	229	First settler
27	A small egg	117	Excited feeling	216	Ancient king against Romans	13	From Asia	103	In twos	188	A star sign	230	Sheep clipper
28	Tempest	120	A monster	217	Mongolian desert	14	Reformed	105	Dress out	190	Regret	232	Shallow coastal havens
29	A US President	122	Daybreak	218	Some illumination	15	Mathematical point	106	Come in	192	That woman	233	A planet
31	Declare not guilty	124	Be in accord	219	A teacher	16	Smoke and fog	109	Liar in court	193	Examine and correct	234	Army officer
32	Not any	125	Imaginary global circle	220	Partially intoxicated	17	Of the brain	110	Defensive force	195	Short literary compositions	236	Late arriving
33	Destructive wave	126	Comfort	222	Top card	18	A logic puzzle	112	Laws	197	Metal rope	241	Cooking formula
35	British boys' school	128	Carriers	224	Japanese verse form	19	Jockey's seat	113	A large hawk	199	Game arbiter	246	Oxen-drawn carts
36	Biblical name	129	Lump of cream (coll)	225	Motor inn	20	A relic	114	Young sheep	201	A season	247	Crickets trophy
38	Snow hut	130	Irregular stripe	228	Broken limb supports	24	Verdant	115	Upbeat (mus)	203	Flesh-eating	249	Rice wine
40	Downpour	132	A lift	231	Light punishment	30	Oily fish	116	Part of wind instrument (4,4)	204	Musical presentation	251	A legume
41	German river	133	Jewish scholar	232	Light punishment	31	An African river	118	Pamphlets			252	Writers' fluids
42	Apex	135	Clothing	235	Oily fish	34	Hail (naut)	119	Japanese woman entertainer				
44	A feeler	139	Momentary view	237	An African river	37	Cognisant	121	Military absenteeism (init)				
46	Rounded vases	143	A valuable item	238	Hail (naut)	39	Command	123	Small attack				
48	Stockyards	145	Influential qualities	239	Cognisant	42	Part of face	127	Appreciation				
50	Aqualung	147	Strata	240	Command	43	Eyeglass	131	Moisten while cooking				
52	A salary increase	150	Preserve a body	242	Part of face	45	A fissure	134	Braid				
53	Country (init)	151	Photographic-like recall	243	Eyeglass	47	Foot levers	136	Fleet of warships				
54	Bell sound	154	Crippled	244	A fissure	49	Beasts of burden	137	Border				
56	Midday	155	Have a rest (3-4)	245	Foot levers	51	Camera part	138	Famous astronomer				
57	A beach expert	156	A wharf	247	Beasts of burden	53	A fish	139	Intestinal division				
58	Cipher	157	Afresh	248	Camera part	55	Male animals	140	Snapshot (abb)				
59	A water boiler	159	A woody plant	249	Beasts of burden	63	A skin irritation	141	Climatic weather cycle (2,4)				
60	Large leaf	160	A sultanate island	250	Camera part	66	Summer pavilion	142	Tofu source				
61	A characteristic	162	Obstruct	251	A fish	68	Easily broken	144	Circus entertainer				
62	Large cove	163	Let in	252	Male animals	69	Eurythmics singer, ...	145	A fossil resin				
64	A graceful dance	167	Disinclined	253	A skin irritation	70	Lennox	146	Cast out				
65	As well	169	Misery	254	Summer pavilion	71	Famous escapist	148	A colour				
67	Horse shed	170	Cast scorn on	255	Easily broken	73	Children's nurse	149	A lock of hair				
70	Academy Award	174	Prickly bushes	256	Eurythmics singer, ...	74	Copious	152	A tree				
72	Cooked thoroughly (4-4)	176	Large body of water	257	Lennox	75	One who attends uninvited (coll)	153	Unwanted children				
76	Part of head	177	Treat lavishly	258	Famous escapist	77	Children's nurse	158	Sheepskin boot ô				
78	Flow back	180	A vegetable	259	Children's nurse	79	Copious	161	A month (abb)				
80	In agreement	183	Roofed-in gallery	260	Copious	81	One who attends uninvited (coll)	164	Classic motorbike				
82	A Bowman	185	Forms with heat	261	One who attends uninvited (coll)	83	Awakens	165	Reflected sound				
84	Car safety device	189	Gilded metal	262	Awakens		A reception-room						
86	Of aircraft	191	A killer whale		A reception-room		Ovine pelt						
		192	Hunting dogs		Ovine pelt								

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# WHAT'S ON



## Celebrating 177th Year of the York Show

The York Agricultural Society proudly presents the 177th York Show at Forrest Oval on Saturday September 7th from 9am.

Come and experience traditional and modern agricultural displays and activities, including the Junior and Senior Farms Skills Competitions which teams can sign up for on the day.

Enjoy rides, showbags, food trucks and more including the animal exhibitions.

There will be family entertainment from The Lulus, music from Refractory Road, Drum for Fun with Beat It! Drum Therapy, and much more on the main stage, plus the big finish with the Shire of York fireworks at 7pm.

This year the Scarecrow making and Scarecrow colouring competitions are back; see the York Agricultural Society Facebook page for details.

Tickets are available at the gates on the day and children 15 and under receive free entry.

Sign up to participate in the equestrian, poultry, and pavilion events by visiting [www.yorkagricultural society.org.au](http://www.yorkagricultural society.org.au)



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**Father's Day Lunch:** Join us for lunch from 12.00pm to 3.00pm with a set menu, \$75 per person for two courses or \$85 per person for three courses. Dads will love our specially crafted dishes, and of course, a complimentary glass of beer to toast the occasion.

**Father's Day Dinner:** End the day with a dinner from 5.00pm till late. Our set menu is \$75



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This property comes with three bedrooms and one bathroom.

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bathroom, and a rotary clothesline is installed in the backyard.

Outside, there are two sheds that can also double as workshops for any hobbyists or craftspeople looking for a home with space to tinker.

The property has a single carport that flows on to the big backyard area.

In the backyard, fruit trees grow including a lemon tree and a 100-year-old fig tree.

In the way of accessible schools, La Salle College is a six-minute walk away.

Blackadder Creek is within walking distance to enjoy some waterside activities.

ties.

The property is near Viveash and Woodbridge, with Ray Marshall Park within a three-minute drive for a big green space for activities in nature for the instances when the multiple smaller parks nearby aren't enough.

Real Estate Plus managing director Milton Rendell said this was the first time the property had been available in more than 70 years.

"There's plenty of space in the backyard to run around in and it belonged to a family that had been in the community for years and years, so it's a storied place,"

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## Brabham houses and Midland units sell fast

**HOUSES and units are selling quickly including in Brabham and Midland respectively, according to REIWA.**

For July www.reiwa.com data showed the fastest selling suburbs for houses were Dianella, Greenfields, South Yunderup and Yangebup (five days) and Bentley, Langford, Banksia Grove, Beeliar, Brabham and Clarkson (six days).

The fastest selling suburbs for units were Bentley (five days); Tuart Hill, Como, Wembley and Yokine (six days) and Rivervale, Scarborough, Subiaco, Midland and Innaloo (seven days).

Houses sold in a median of nine days in July, one day slower than June and one day faster than a year ago.

Units sold in a median of nine days in July, two days faster than June and seven days faster than a year ago.

REIWA President Joe White said houses and units were selling in record timeframes.

"The change in demand for units can be seen in the change in its median time on market, falling from 16 days a year ago to nine days now," he said.

Perth's median unit sale price has reached the previous peak set in 2014, rising 2.2 per cent over July to \$450,000.

Mr White said it had been a long wait for unit owners.

"The median house sale price exceeded its 2014 peak in December 2022 and has been experienc-

ing strong growth since then.

"The unit market was slower to respond to market conditions and prices were fairly stable over 2023 but growth has accelerated this year and seen it equal the previous record."

"This is a result of the rising demand for units, which provide a more affordable entry point to the market for buyers, particularly in suburbs close to the CBD."

"More price growth is expected over 2024, which will be welcome news for unit owners."

Mr White said the increase in demand for units was evident in the data for new unit listings and sales.

"New unit listings in 2023-24 were 13.0 per cent higher than the

five-year average but sales were 26.6 per cent higher than the five-year average," he said.

"The demand for units is also reflected in the decline in the time to sell, with days on market at a record low."

The suburbs that saw the most median unit sale price growth in July were Balga (up 4.6 per cent to \$375,500), Cannington (up 4.2 per cent to \$375,000), Osborne Park (up 3.5 per cent to \$367,500), Claremont (up 3.2 per cent to \$797,000) and Fremantle (up 2.7 per cent to \$532,000).

Mandurah, Leederville, Wembley, Midland and Nedlands were also among the top performers, recording growth of 1.3 per cent or more over the month.

The median house sale price continued its rise, reaching \$675,000 in July, an increase of 2.3 per cent on the \$660,000 reported in June and 19.5 per cent higher than July 2023.

The suburbs that saw the most median house sale price growth in July were Heathridge (up 4.6 per cent to \$701,000), Coodanup (up 3.8 per cent to \$500,000), Wannanup (up 3.6 per cent to \$725,000), Swan View (up 3.5 per cent to \$590,000) and Quinns Rocks (up 3.2 per cent to \$740,000).

Maddington, Greenfields, Parmelia, Ballajura and High Wycombe were also among the top performers, recording growth of 2.2 per cent or more over the month.

### Read between the lines

by Rev Ken Duffy



Most of us have days when we feel as though everything is falling apart. Those days when we don't feel wealthy enough, loved enough, or even acknowledged enough. We could 'drop off the perch' and who would notice or even care.

Life is actually like that even for the wealthy and significant people, would you believe? Life is full of twists and turns, ups and downs, good things and bad things. If only I had a house, clothes and car that made everyone goggle? Or how about an intellect that made everyone around feel stupid?

In the Bible, Job 14:1 reminds us that anyone born, is short-lived and full of trouble. How about that! While current TV personalities are theorising we could live forever!! (But what would be the ideal age etc?).

Christians actually believe that regardless of what is going on in our lives; failing health, dwindling finances, strained marriage, family crises or a fragile world situation, there is still an unfailing God who is in charge and worthy to be praised and trusted.

They can choose to rejoice even in the most difficult of days, because there is God who loves us and is ultimately in charge. Romans 8:28 says "All things work together for good to those who love God." The Old Testament tells us of a guy named Job who lost absolutely everything, including his wife, family, and wealth yet he still wrote: "The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away, Blessed be the Name of the Lord." Incredibly, he went on to live a truly great life.

### Upcoming Events

- **The Swan Athletic Seniors Group** is holding a fund raising event in the form of a lunch at the Swan Athletic Sporting Club premises, McDonald Road, Herne Hill on August 29. There will be a three-course hot menu and monster raffles. Let Tom know on 0401 803 675 if you would like to help the worthy cause or Val on 0467 034 529. Bookings essential for catering purposes.
- **South Guildford Community Garden** at 9 Wilkie Street is seeking keen gardeners who want to volunteer whether they are in the local area or not to attend their weekly sessions. Park down at the end of Bridge Street. The group is currently funded by the Department of Communities to set up their community garden. They invite you to share a cuppa, your

wisdom and a yarn. They have permaculture educator Christel from Gaian Heart Wisdom so there is lots to learn and share. For more information call Margaret 0434 308 114.

- **Kalamunda Prostate Cancer Support Group** meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at Falls Farm, 41 Cagney Way Lesmurdie from 10am-1pm. For more information call Roy 9295 2522 or Ray 0427 095 892.
- **Midland Ascension Craft Group** meets in the Parish Hall every Tuesday of school term from 1pm to 3pm. All most welcome to join for a chat, cuppa, any craft and sometimes a guest speaker - 17 Spring Park Road, Midland. Call 04332 65683.

**Noticeboard is for non-profits and community groups advertising free/low cost events/programs. Entries must be emailed to editorial@echo-news.com two weeks before the event.**

### Woofers of the week



Zues is a 14-month-old staffy and rottweiler cross. His owner has had to move into a unit and there is no room for Zues. He is sterilised, vaccinated and microchipped. Costs apply. Contact Bakers Hill Dog Sanctuary on 9574 1438.



# Swan Districts hang onto third spot

**CHRIS PIKE**

**SWAN Districts' undefeated streak has come to an end but with two rounds of the WAFL season remaining they are still well placed sitting in third position.**

Heading to Joondalup Swan Districts had gone undefeated over the past nine games this WAFL season which included eight wins and a draw two weeks ago with South Fremantle.

The challenge on Saturday was taking on the reigning premiers East Fremantle on neutral turf but the Sharks shot out of the blocks with five goals to one in the first quarter and six to three in the second to lead by 47 points at half-time.

Despite Swans kicking five goals to four in the second half, East Fremantle still prevailed 15.10 (100) to 9.10 (64).

Luke Kelly finished up kicking three goals over the afternoon for Swan Districts with key forward pair Leigh Kohlmann and Tom Edwards adding two goals apiece.

Aidan Clarke gathered 28 possessions for the black-and-whites, Jesse Turner 28, Jarvis Pina 22, Josh Cipro 22, Nik Rokahr 21, Jake Pasini 14, Jye Chalcraft 14 and ruckman Nathan Blakely 14 to go with 20 hit outs.

East Fremantle made a blistering start beginning with an early goal to Cam Eardley and then another through former Swan Districts product Blaine Boekhorst.

Cody Leggett, Jono Marsh and Jed Hagan then also combined to give the Sharks the first five goals of the afternoon.

Swans got on the board just before quarter-time with a first career goal from Lewis Tester to bring the margin back to 25 points.

Swan Districts then made it consecutive goals when Tom Edwards opened the second term by also kicking truly, but then the Sharks again hit back with three goals in the space of six minutes.

When Milan Murdock added another it was a 45-point lead for East Fremantle, but Leigh Kohlmann did manage a couple of goals to close the half for the black-and-whites to at least limit the lead for the Sharks to 47 points at the main break.

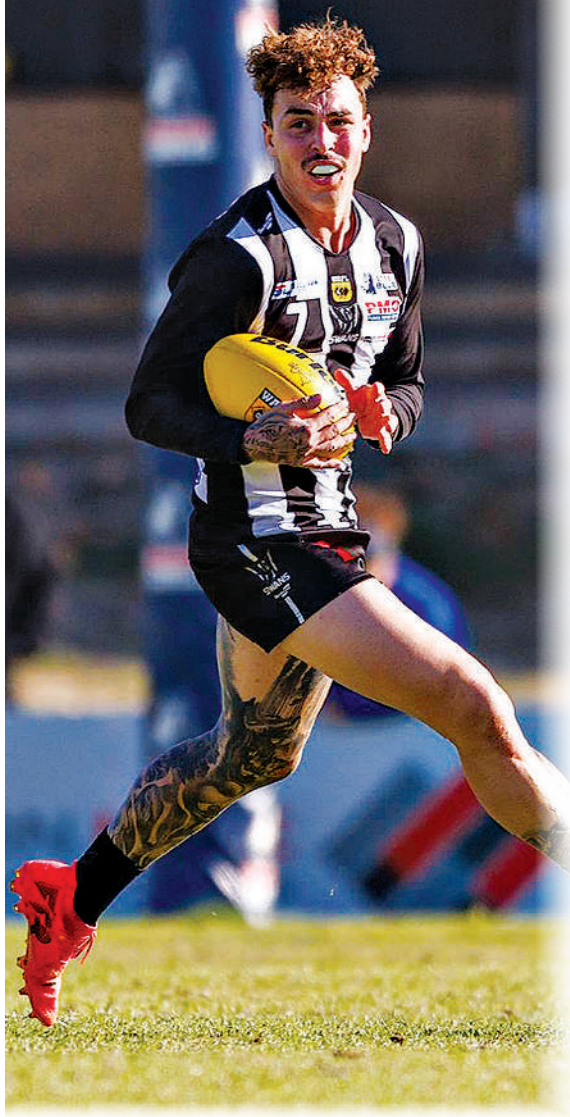
Swans were in an unfamiliar position this season being so far down coming into the second half and it was East Fremantle who managed the first goal of the second half too to push that advantage out to 50 points.

But Swan Districts then kicked the next four goals of the term firstly through Luke Kelly and then thanks to Edwards, Brad Lynch and a second to Kelly.

Swans were back within striking distance cutting the deficit to 26 points but East Fremantle ended up leading by 33 points at three quarter-time with a late goal from Dillon O'Reilly.

The Swans kicked the first goal of the last quarter thanks to Kelly, but that took more than 15 minutes and then East Fremantle finished the game with two more goals to secure the eventual 36-point victory.

The black-and-whites have games against Peel Thunder and Perth respectively in the next two rounds.



Aidan Clarke had 28 possessions for Swan Districts in their 36-point loss to the Sharks on the weekend. Picture: Blake Parry



For two weeks in a row Mundaring have taken charge of the game in the third quarter setting themselves up for a win including against Mt Helena in round 17.

## Roos overpower Lions in third quarter

**BRIAN PALLISTER**

**MUNDARING defeated Mt Helena by 65 points on the weekend following on from their win over the Bulldogs in the previous round.**

In their 22.10 (142) to 12.5 (77) victory Roo Austin Thomas was unstoppable, finishing the game with 13 goals.

Mt Helena's Ryan Watters scored the first goal of the match.

Lion Bo Read was tasked with the role of matching up against Matthew O'Keefe in the ruck and showed that it was going to be a very competitive duel.

Roo Robert Di Salvio has regained his early season form after game time in the HFA country carnival team while

Thomas was able to remain deep in the Roos forward line as they had a more steady start this week.

Mundaring held a 15-point lead at the first break after a see-sawing quarter.

But the Lions held their nerve when the Roos came out hard after the break and both teams went goal for goal.

Sateki A'Vard delivered the ball forward for Mundaring where Jamie Humble marked and kicked a goal.

Lion Riley Maturo had plenty of ground to cover as Thomas was prepared to cover a lot of ground offering leads to his midfielders as they drove the ball forward.

Matthew Ellwood managed to toe poke a goal through for the Lions.

After an accurate second quarter with

five goals straight the Roos had slightly increased their lead to 19 points at the main break.

Mundaring came out after the break full of running as Jayk Jones and Dylan O'Loughlen worked their way into the game.

It seemed that every time the Lions kicked a goal the Roos replied with two of their own kicking exactly double the Lions third quarter tally.

Lachlan Walter teamed with Maitland Bol to foil several of Mt Helena's forward moves.

Ryan Schwagereit continued to contest along with Brendan Agnew and Andrew Holness.

Ryan Watters scored another goal to bring his game tally to five.

## ENTERTAINMENT & GIG GUIDE

### Your local Gig Guide

**Fri 16 August**

**Settlers House York**  
Lez Karski.  
5.30pm. Free.  
125 Avon Terrace York

**Parkerville Tavern**  
Gerry Azor.  
6pm-9pm. Free.  
6 Owen Rd Parkerville

**Chidlow Tavern**  
Adelle & John.  
6.30pm. Free.  
4 Thomas St Chidlow

**Rose & Crown**  
Jinan Dodd.  
5pm-8pm. Free.  
105 Swan St Guildford

**Bassendean Hotel**  
DJ Roller.  
8pm-Late. Free.  
Jazz Night.  
8pm-Late. Free.  
25 Old Perth Rd Bassendean

**Woodbridge Hotel**  
Breezin.  
9pm. Free.  
50 East St Guildford

**Sat 17 August**

**Settlers House York**  
The Back Verandah  
Band. 5.30pm. Free.  
125 Avon Terrace York

**Parkerville Tavern**  
Shane Turner.  
6pm-9pm. Free.  
6 Owen Rd Parkerville

**Bassendean Hotel**  
80's Underground.  
8pm-Late. Free.  
25 Old Perth Rd Bassendean

**Woodbridge Hotel**  
Touché.  
9pm. Free.  
50 East St Guildford

**Sat 17 August cont.**

**Mount Helena Tavern**  
Calico.  
6pm. Free.  
900 Keane St Mount Helena

**Hemingway & Co**  
Jazz Tuesday.  
7pm-9pm. Free.  
6/7095 Great Eastern Highway Mundaring

**Sun 18 August**

**Glen Forest Sporting Club**  
UkeArama (Ukulele Festival).  
2pm. Free.  
33 McGlew Road Glen Forrest

**Parkerville Tavern**  
Fenton and Mel.  
3pm-6pm. Free.  
6 Owen Rd Parkerville

**Chidlow Tavern**  
Ronnie Domp.  
12.30pm. Free.  
4 Thomas St Chidlow

**Rose & Crown**  
Terry Hart.  
2pm-6pm. Free.  
105 Swan St Guildford

**Bassendean Hotel**  
Greg Scott.  
2pm-5pm. Free.  
25 Old Perth Rd Bassendean

**Tues 20 August**

**Hemingway & Co**  
Jon Knox Mathews & Phil Waldron.  
7.30pm-9.30pm. Free.  
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**Chidlow Tavern**  
Jam Session  
(All welcome).  
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4 Thomas St Chidlow

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