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Elizebeth Stribley's husband Geoff says they were always there for each other.

Saying goodbye to Elizebeth Stribley

GEOFF Stribley first met his wife Elizebeth at a friend's party on December 16, 1995, they were engaged on December 25, 1996 and then he had to say goodbye to her on December 1, 2024 so December will always now be a month of happy and sad memories for him.

He said Elizebeth enjoyed life, she was funny, she was hilarious when she didn't mean to be, she was loyal, she had opinions, she was generous, she was loving and kind-hearted, she was beautiful, she was his wife.

"I will miss her everyday, I miss her laugh, her advice, her conversations on anything and everything, her creativity, I will miss her support and love which was breathtaking," he said.

"We were a team and always there for each other, no matter what."

They both enjoyed music from opera to rock, to blues to Elton John, Frank Sinatra and everything in-between.

"I have memories of when we would put on our CDs Saturday mornings and play all our music over the weekend, we both would sing loud, although Elizebeth would hum more than sing along but would close windows and the back door when I started to sing – at least I knew the words.

"We loved entertaining, we loved food, we loved having friends over, yet Elizebeth also enjoyed the solitude of ourselves, she would love nothing more than to curl up with a good book but if we decided to have a get together, a dinner or a party, Elizebeth's plans became the biggest, the best and a show, she was fun.

"How can I explain about this perfect match, her and I, a match that was meant to be, I won't even try, there wouldn't be enough time but I was lucky enough to live it for 28 years, it felt as if we were together for a lifetime, as I've been thinking over the last few weeks my thoughts are crammed full with happy memories of fun, great times, some sad times and of love.

"Elizebeth worked for National Australia Bank for 12 years, she loved the job and gave her all and sometimes

above what was expected, the number of times we ran into people who were customers of Elizebeth at the Midland branch sang her praises of how much she helped or did for them, this happened regularly when we were out.

"After leaving the bank Elizebeth landed a job at Midland Brick, she loved her new job as it was very different than the bank, she started as a data entry clerk and over a couple of years she became Midland Brick's site maintenance supervisor, she became a pioneer for women in a male-dominated industry and she always did her job perfectly and was acknowledged for her hard and dedicated work, she was at Midland Brick for 10 years.

"After Elizebeth left Midland Brick we could look to plan what life would be for us heading into our retirement, I would work for the next few years, Elizebeth then started a dream of hers making greetings cards.

"Elizebeth loved pretty things, I guess that's why she fell in love with me, she loved pink things, Elizebeth was in her element, with all her beads, bows, ribbons and anything glittery and shiny.

"Elizebeth was so proud of herself, I was proud of her when people wanted to order and pay for these spectacular cards as gifts, her spare time was taken up making her cards, sorting all her pretty craft stuff and watching YouTube for inspiration to create her cards.

"Sadly, around this time her eye problems started, then her other health issues were to follow in the next few years.

"I will now take life's journey by myself, a journey I thought would be with Elizebeth at my side – never dreaming it would



Geoff and Elizebeth Stribley.

end, Brett and Rebecca have lost their beloved mum, their greatest supporter and she told me how proud she was of them both and told me to always let them know this, in the last few days she told me constantly.

"We now face the future without Elizebeth (but) Brett, Rebecca and I will become stronger together as we are held together with the memory of an extraordinary woman who influenced our lives greatly with unconditional love."

He said family, friends, extended family and work colleagues would also feel the loss of Elizebeth.



Geoff Stribley's portrait of his wife Elizebeth.

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Water Corp meets with Chidlow residents

GUANHAO CHENG

WATER Corporation has confirmed there is a power curtailment agreement with Western Power affecting pumping capacity as Chidlow and Wooroloo residents continue chasing solutions for pressure-related issues.

Chidlow resident Roberta Selleck chaired the meeting attended by about 35 residents, including residents from Wooroloo who were also experiencing issues with water outages and fluctuations.

Wooroloo residents met with Water Minister Simone McGurk during a February 4 meeting, but Ms McGurk did not attend the Chidlow meeting citing heavy commitments.

Mrs Selleck said candidates at a state and federal level from the major parties were in attendance and expected the issue to be known to all parties as a result.

“Our local candidates are definitely doing the right thing as we were being heard by the candidates and those with interest in what’s going on in Chidlow and Wooroloo,” she said.

“What we’re incredibly disappointed by was Minister McGurk’s inadequate response at this point in time.

“She wrote us a letter claiming heavy commitments and basically told us that the Chidlow scenario was still under investigation, even though we know there are reports that have gone to the minister.

“So fundamentally Minister McGurk is undertaking stalling tactics and has not made any commitments to resolve the issues.”

Mrs Selleck began experiencing water issues in January 2023 and made a complaint as the low water pressure meant they weren’t able to shower at night as reported in *Residents say water not pumping enough in Chidlow* (Echo News, January 31)

She then headed an action group within the Chidlow Progress Association, recording the number of impacted households and continu-

ing to liaise with Water Corporation and relevant parties for the affected residents.

In *Water Corporation responds to Chidlow complaints* (Echo News, February 7) it was reported that Water Corporation had installed a header tank and pump at Mrs Selleck’s property, but a wider community solution was still needed.

A Water Corporation spokesperson said there was a power curtailment agreement in place.

“Like many high energy users, Water Corporation occasionally reduces its electricity use during high demand periods to support wider stability of the power grid.

“This arrangement has been in place for more than 15 years and includes infrastructure which draws on high amounts of electricity, including pumping capacity along the Goldfields pipeline.

“Since April 1, 2024 electricity has been curtailed across various assets 11 times for an average of three hours each time.

“The Chidlow pump station is part of the wider Goldfields Agricultural Water Scheme, up to and including Kalgoorlie and receives water via the Goldfields pipeline.

“Water Corporation is continuing to investigate the root cause of low-pressure issues to a small number of properties in Chidlow and is communicating with those customers directly.”

Mrs Selleck said Wooroloo residents had received a letter from Water Corporation which outlines they would not be resolving the area’s low pressure issues but will put in place non-standard service agreements.

“(This) abrogates Water Corporation responsibility for the standards of the service



Chidlow residents worry Water Corporation will write off their complaints under a non-standard water service agreement. Picture: Guanhao Cheng

being supplied,” she said.

“The Chidlow residents are concerned this will become the default solution which means the issue won’t be resolved and will only become exacerbated as development and growth continues.”

The letter Wooroloo residents received confirmed Water Corporation wouldn’t investigate the area’s water pressure any further.

“As your property is serviced under a non-standard water service (NSWS) agreement, it is important to understand that fluctuations in water pressure are a known and expected condition on your service,” it said.

“While we recognise that changing water pressure has caused frustration, these fluctua-

tions are inherent to the nature of the NSWS arrangement.

“As such, Water Corporation will not be proceeding with further investigations into water pressure in the area.

“We understand that this outcome may be disappointing, but it reflects the terms of service agreed upon for properties with a non-standard water service.

“If you remain concerned or wish to seek further review of the decision, you may contact the energy and water ombudsman.

“We hope this provides clarity and understanding of Water Corporation’s final position and we thank you for working with us through this process.”



Residents and representatives gathered to present on their reasons for opposing the new development.

Residents at Stirk Park protest new development

GUANHAO CHENG

HUNDREDS of Kalamunda residents gathered at Stirk Park on Saturday in a show of strength to oppose the new McDonald’s and car wash development proposal.

The rally comes on the back of a City of Kalamunda annual general meeting of electors where a motion was moved to bring awareness to the City of Kalamunda that there was widespread community dismay and disapproval for the McDonald’s and car wash development, as reported in *Heath Road restaurant and car wash opposition grows* (Echo News, February 7).

The motion was passed unanimously by the electors at the annual general meeting.

Speakers at the event included Kalamunda North Ward councillor David Modolo, a senior resident living near the proposed development site, Greens Kalamunda candidate Janelle Sewell, and Cancer council obesity prevention manager Ainslie Sartori.

City of Kalamunda Mayor Margaret Thomas was in attendance and spoke about the development assessment panel (DAP), its focus on plan-

ning and how the DAP meetings worked.

Kalamunda resident Amanda Newell said from the perspective of the residents opposing the development, the DAP process was problematic as the process afforded a short timeline for residents to research into planning and provide feedback which is then summarised for the assessment panel.

“Noting only planning elements are considered,” she said.

“We feel this process does not allow a true representation of community concern and is all about a planning process.”

Greens candidate for Kalamunda Janelle Sewell said the development had not addressed several key concerns in the submitted plans.

“I think we have got a lot of support out there and the plans aren’t entirely transparent in terms of the liveability of the trees (on the site),” she said.

“The traffic testing that they did wasn’t for Canning Road, it was for Heath, and obviously Canning is the busy one.”

Residents had previously cited traffic congestion concerns and the removal of mature trees as some of the major concerns driving their opposition of the new development.

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See a detailed map of the fee-for-parking area in the town centre on the City's website: www.swan.wa.gov.au/ellenbrook-parking-plan



Stephen Cain
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Kalamunda fast food concerns

Dear Echo News,
In reference to a proposed fast food and car wash at Kalamunda (*Echo News*, Letters January 24).
I agree with residents' concerns as my wife and I live very close to a fast food outlet, with reasons that the proposed outlet at Kalamunda being re-

jected by residents being some fast food outlets attract antisocial behaviour.
My wife and I have seen, on a few occasions, trouble makers evicted from the store.
We are also sick and tired of picking up disposed wrappings from our verge from people that have made purchases from the fast food outlet.
F Cherry
South Lake

about various AI systems have not touched upon how this could contribute to climate change.
It is not widely understood that AI requires huge amounts of power and water.
The first law of thermodynamics (conservation of energy) says that energy cannot be created or destroyed, but merely changed.
So, every watt of energy a non-renewable generator releases will find its way into the environment, whether it be from the cooling tower belching steam or the rivers and streams used to cool the plants or domestic and commercial use.
A recent ABC news item (January 28) reported: "Previous studies have focused on AI's energy usage and generating an image takes about as much energy as fully charging your phone, while water usage shows a 50-question ChatGPT conversation may use about half a litre."
Scientific American Magazine reported: "Technology giants like Microsoft have announced billion-dollar plans to build data centres around the country. In some cases, they've inked deals to power the facilities with nuclear and low-carbon energy."
Another article states "1.5 million servers would consume at least 85.4 terawatt-hours of electricity annually—more than what many small countries use in a year."
Further, similar amounts of energy are used in mining cryptocurrencies such as Bitcoin.
Just as worrisome, creating these digital resources guzzles energy at a prodigious rate, contributing to climate change.
KG Blake
Lesmurdie

Thought for the day
"We must let go of the life we have planned, so as to accept the one that is waiting for us."
— Joseph Campbell

Ongoing water problems

Dear Echo News,
Just read your article about low water pressure in Chidlow, *Water Corp responds to Chidlow complaints* (*Echo News*, February 7).
I wish to make you aware of the problems with water and water pressure we have been experiencing over probably 30 years.
I have approached three ministers now and also the ombudsman still to no avail.
We have experienced in some periods bursts on the main with regular occurrence.
In some bad periods it has burst every couple of weeks over a 12-month period, with one neighbour recording over 70 bursts with outages lasting a few days.
Water Corp, against our advice installed a pressure reduction valve on the pipeline which has resulted in some residents getting no water at all when the pumps at Chidlow aren't operating.
To add insult to injury, Water Corp behind our backs as no one was consulted, started putting customers on service agreements or non-standard water service agreements negating their responsibility to provide a consistent service at a reasonable pressure, urging customers to install their own water tanks and pressure pump and water purification system for water supply of two days!
This struck a chord when I read your article about Chidlow residents.
D Barker
Woorlooloo

Christine clarifies

Dear Echo News,
Regarding the letter Midland Station is Hopeless (C Hughes, *Echo News*, February 7).
I am delighted to agree with every sentiment expressed by C Hughes on this occasion, but not on all topics this frequent contributor comments on.
I too am tagged with the name C Hughes, and from time-to-time ownership of the views are wrongly attributed to me.
So, to make sure I don't get into too much hot water, I would be grateful if the *Echo News* could publish the first name of this contributor when noting authorship.
Many thanks for your understanding.
Christine Hughes
Woodbridge

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Dear Echo News,
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Nor can we support a plain-clothed policeman in an unmarked car pulling a gun on a peaceful protest against Woodside.
The use of fossil fuels must end now and companies like Woodside should be held financially accountable for the damages of massive floods and major weather events such as two "once in a lifetime" floods in Queensland in six years, and raging bushfires elsewhere, by paying to compensate victims of their neglect.
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Midland Meals is St John's charity of the year recipient



Midland Meals founder and CEO Loren Pratt, hospital director mission integration, Michele Allum and Hospital CEO, Paul Dyer with Midland Meals volunteers.

MIDLAND Meals Inc has been announced as St John of God Midland Public and Private Hospitals' (SJGMPPH) second charity of the year, receiving almost \$11,000 in donations from fundraising activities in the lead up to Christmas.

Potential candidates are nominated by hospital caregivers with a key criterion being that candidates should deliver positive outcomes within the local community.

Nominated by caregiver, Janice McEwen, Midland Meals is a community-driven, non-profit organisation serving individuals and families facing food insecurity in Mid-

land, Ellenbrook, and Bassendean.

Every week, they prepare and deliver more than 870 nutritious, home-cooked meals to those in need.

Operating without government funding, the organisation relies on the generosity of volunteers and community support to continue their vital work of offering nourishment, hope, and a sense of community to those facing difficult circumstances.

SJGMPPH chief executive officer Paul Dyer said the initiative has the potential to realise positive impacts within the community it serves.

"We have many caregivers at the hospital

who have demonstrated their overwhelming commitment to charity and helping those in need who are already volunteering at Midland Meals and I'd encourage everyone to consider doing so," Mr Dyer said.

"The funds we raise through the charity of the year will make a very real difference at Midland Meals. The work they do is invaluable, and we look forward to supporting them throughout the year."

Midland Meals founder and chief executive officer Loren Pratt said the charity was thrilled to be the hospital's second charity of the year recipient.

"It was such a terrific surprise and we

are so grateful to the hospital. We are busy all year and Christmas is particularly busy. \$11,000 was a genuine boost," she said.

"It is money we will use to buy food, supplies and equipment so that we can keep providing meals to those who need our assistance," Mr Pratt said.

"We are busier than ever and keeping up with demand is a challenge. We are always looking for volunteers and I'd encourage anyone interested to check out our website for more information".

For more information about Midland Meals and volunteering visit www.midlandmealsinc.com.au

Libs and Nats critical of Labor's cool the schools

CINDY CARTOJANO

LIBERAL leader Libby Mettam and Nationals leader Shane Love both agree WA Labor's cool the schools package should have already been an ongoing project, not just an election promise.

Eighty-nine million dollars is promised by the Cook Labor government to deliver air conditioning upgrades at some of WA's oldest public schools, if re-elected.

The upgrades are intended to improve learning environments for students, teachers and school staff, according to a Labor spokesperson.

"Air conditioning has become a necessity in many parts of WA in recent years, and the proliferation of more affordable systems means the time is right for all public schools to be properly air conditioned," Premier Roger Cook said.

The schools expected to receive upgrades include Mount Helena PS, High Wycombe PS, Herne Hill PS, Dawson Park PS, Kalamunda PS, Mundaring PS, Ellenbrook Secondary College, Ashfield PS and Eden Hill PS.

WA Labor candidate for Midland Steve Catania said he looks forward to delivering this commitment considering Midland can be warmer than other parts of Perth.

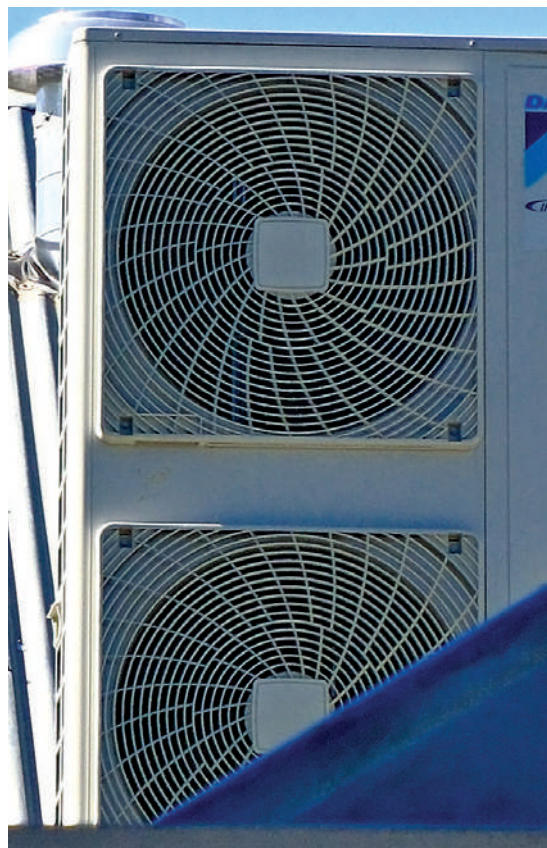
Under a separate investment, Mr Catania is promising to deliver more than \$1.5m to improve learning environments and upgrading facilities which will include air conditioning upgrades.

"These local commitments are great news for school communities at Guildford PS, Middle Swan PS and Moorditj Noongar Community College," he said.

MLA Shane Love said the eastern suburbs should be prioritised as this area is hit hardest by extreme temperatures.

"Many are still relying on outdated and inadequate cooling systems, leaving students and staff to struggle in unbearable conditions," he said.

"The fact that Labor has had eight years in government and is only now making commit-



The Liberals and Nationals expressed their concerns with Labor's inaction on upgrading air conditioning at public schools.

ments because an election is around the corner is farcical."

MLA Libby Mettam said, "This is basic stuff government should have been doing anyway."

"Labor has had nearly a decade to do this, it should already be done."

If elected, the Liberals plan to invest \$127m towards school infrastructures.

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Advocacy tops Steve Catania's list in Midland run

ANITA McINNES

ADVOCATING for people and giving back to the community are two passions that inspired Steve Catania to run for the seat of Midland after Michelle Roberts decision to not contest this year's March 8 election.

Some years ago his father started a travel business in Midland and the family lived in Guildford for years with the Labor candidate now living in Bassendean.

He is on the committee of the Swan View Agricultural Society and a member of the Guildford Association and Guildford Historical Society.

In his day job as a lawyer he has represented small businesses, workers and bigger companies.

"But certainly most recently I've focused on representing workers and occupational safety and dignity in the workplace and fighting for a fair day's pay," he said.

Some of his colleagues who are also legal practitioners keep their practicing certificate in a pro-bono capacity.

If he is successful in his bid to represent the Midland electorate he does not intend to follow suit.

"My intention is to be the member of Midland full time."

He is a long-term member of the Labor party – in the vicinity of 25 years.

"It is wonderful to have the opportunity to run.

"Growing up I learnt the value of hard work and service to the community from my father Nick.

"He instilled in us – my family and me – the values of equity and compassion and community and that's why I became an advocate and that's why I became a lawyer myself.

"It's really about giving back to the community as much as possible.

"I'm really proud actually of what Labor governments have achieved in the area.



WA Labor candidate for Midland Steve Catania says his whole life he's been an advocate for people and he hopes to take that skill to state Parliament.

"The opportunity has arisen for me to put my hand up and be able to play my part in terms of service to the community so I'm really passionate about that because that's the way we were brought up and so that is why I want to really reinvest as much as possible at a local level."

If elected one of his strategies will be to invest in the local and grassroots level – community groups, sporting clubs, schools

and the Swan View Agricultural Society, which puts on the Swan View show.

"Part of my election commitments are to invest in the agricultural society to be able to purchase equipment to be able to put on that historical show once again."

He said the skills he would bring to the role included advocating and getting across policies and issues.

"My whole working life I've been an ad-

vocate for people – that's what I do on a daily basis.

"Also I have the capacity understand policy requirements both from a law and a legislative perspective.

"Part of being a lawyer is understanding issues and taking up those issues and fighting on behalf, in this case, for the community.

"I've been passionate about that my whole life."

When he's been out door knocking people have been concerned about the cost of living and access to healthcare.

Education is also another topic raised by people in the electorate.

He said in relation to health care there was a major election commitment on Monday, which if he was elected and the Cook government were re-elected would increase the capacity of beds in the emergency department for Midland Health Campus and create a mental health unit.

"This is different to what is currently being created at the Midland Health Campus through St John of God.

"There's more work to do but it's a really significant announcement.

"The total announcement is \$140 million but the emergency department and outpatient is \$104m with scoping starting next year so that's really to address the emergency sector of that hospital, which is really positive.

"This will include the triage, greater access for ambulance services as well to reduce ramping so it's going to be a really significant project."

He believes that in the area more broadly there is a fantastic opportunity to work with small business but also to be able to drive investment in the area – that can include creating further investment in the council particularly to create density including affordable housing initiatives such as the Tuohy Gardens project on the corner of Great Eastern Highway.





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Bassendean PS receives \$80,000 creative boost

CINDY CARTOJANO

BASSENDEAN Primary School will receive \$80,000 from the Cook government as part of a state initiative to help schools connect Western Australian arts organisations and creative practitioners.

“The lessons and benefits students gain by incorporating creativity across curriculum areas are essential to every child’s educational experience,” Culture and the Arts Minister David Templeman said.

Twenty thousand dollars will be set aside for the school’s The Bilya Project 2025: Stories of Us, while the remaining \$60,000 will go towards the Night/Time project.

“Creative learning is important to allow stories to be told in new and imaginative ways,” Bassendean PS primary educator and arts specialist Kylie Barr said.

The Bilya Project 2025 is an extension of the 2023 project which explores the relationship between residents and the local river.

“Most people in Bassendean see themselves as closely linked to the river,” Mrs Barr said.

“If you ask people where they’re from, they say, ‘Bassendean, we live by the river’.”

The 2023 project involved students collecting stories from community members of all ages and from different walks of life.

The new project will still involve this line of storytelling but will include the students working collaboratively with young WA artist, Kristy Nita Brown.

The collected stories will be



A Cook government funding boost will allow Bassendean Primary School students to work collaboratively alongside local artists.

published in a book with the children’s artwork alongside it in late term four.

The Night/Time project is in collaboration with local artists in the scope of multimedia, filmmaking, choreography, visual art and music.

“We’ve come together to celebrate storytelling again,” Mrs Barr said.

“But through the magical space and time between dusk and dawn.

“It will incorporate lots of dif-

ferent ideas about constellations, the night sky, monsters underneath the bed and nocturnal animals.”

The final product will be presented to the community in September as art installations in buildings along Old Perth Road.

Mrs Barr said people will be able to walk in and reimagine the old buildings through the projections, videos and physical artworks.

“It’s about revitalising parts of Bassendean and letting the com-

munity see it in a different way.

“But also giving our kids the artistic experience of the community seeing their artwork.

“Not just their friends and family who come to an art exhibition in the school grounds.”

Mrs Barr hopes the projects will encourage all Western Australians to explore the benefits of creativity.

“Through these artistic endeavours, they can really explore who they are in this place, space and time.”

Cassius Turvey murder trial

ANITA McINNES

THE four people accused of murdering teenager Cassius Turvey are on trial in the WA Supreme Court with the trial set to take about 10 weeks.

Jack Steven Brearley, Aleasha Louise Gilmore, Brodie Lee Palmer and Mitchell Colin Forth, who all deny murdering 15-year-old Cassius in October 2022, are appearing before WA’s chief justice Peter Quinlan.

Mr Brearley, Ms Gilmore and Mr Forth along with Ethan Robert MacKenzie also face several charges relating to the alleged detention and assault of a 14-year-old and the alleged detention and stabbing of a 15-year-old.

Cassius was allegedly attacked with a metal pole in Middle Swan on October 13, 2022.

As reported in *Three more charged with murder of Cassius Turvey* (Echo News, January 28, 2023) Cassius spent five days in hospital before being sent home where he suffered a seizure and two strokes.

He was placed in an induced coma but died on October 23.

In the days and weeks after Cassius’ death, thousands gathered across Australia at more than 40 vigils and rallies to remember his life.

Echo News understands Cassius’ mother Mechelle Turvey has received legal advice instructing her to make no further public comment until the conclusion of the trial.

Invitation to Meet WA State Candidates for the Seat of Kalamunda



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KALAMUNDA ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES

Nationals candidate Lisa Logan runs for Kalamunda

GUANHAO CHENG

KALAMUNDA resident Lisa Logan is the Nationals' candidate for the seat of Kalamunda and says she wants to help the community by correcting government overreach and being the area's voice.

Mrs Logan has eight years of experience in the political landscape and previously managed a mixed cropping and sheep farm in the Wheatbelt before moving back to the hills.

She said she wasn't a career politician and found herself drawn to the position through a combination of happenstance and a desire to help others.

"I didn't seek out local government," she said.

"At 18, I would have taken a job at the telecentre, but it just so happened that it was with the local shire," she said.

"That then put me in touch with watching how the mechanisms of all of that works.

"I just learnt more about how important it is to get involved in these things, and how much I enjoyed it."

Mrs Logan spent about 10 years in the Wheatbelt before moving back to the hills in 2015.

She said she loved the sense of pride residents had for the place they lived and that she hoped to protect it.

"We need to also then protect it for future generations and make sure that it is still a home in the hills and a home in the forest, and make sure that we do try and keep that unique sense of identity," she said.

"That makes more people want to move here and when they do move here then they want more development and you've got to find the right balance.

"Everyone's come out against the North Stoneville development.

"It doesn't need 2000 houses when you could have five acres or two and a half-acre lots out there instead of 400sqm lots.

"We're not against development but it's



Nationals candidate for Kalamunda Lisa Logan at the site of the proposed Pickering Brook Fire Station.

about doing it sustainably and in the correct areas because one of the things that I find a lot out here is people want to stay and they're ready to downsize but we don't have that housing stock here.

"Developing in Kalamunda is difficult as we don't have the sewage and the water systems in place.

"We've got a \$1 billion headworks funds that we've announced because we shouldn't have those barriers and we've got to be able to help industry.

"We need to get rid of those financial barriers so we can grow more business and grow more tourism and continue to have that local economy thriving.

"Nobody wants a main street with no shops in it."

Mrs Logan said another area of focus was

helping areas like Parkerville, Chidlow, Wooroloo and Beechina get better funding.

"They're distinct, unique communities and they are effectively small towns.

"They're a little bit closer to services, but they tend to be almost to the forgotten area because they are in what's called the metro area, so they miss out on a lot of funding for things that are considered regional, but their needs are the same.

"There's no different need to someone who lives in Wooroloo than to someone who lives 5km up the hill in Bakers Hill and yet there is distinct funding differences that they can tap into because they are regional.

"One of the things that I will be fighting for strongly here in Kalamunda is the idea of this regional boundary and how it doesn't exist anymore because McGowan changed

the legislation.

"There is no longer a metro city line in the sand and the creation of the federal seat of Bullwinkel shows that exactly because they have actually gone, 'well, no, you can cross the border'.

"So then having discrete funds and what is defined as regional needs to be looked at – they've missed out on a lot of funding."

Mrs Logan said she always wanted to stand up for people and using lending her voice to others was her way of doing it.

"This isn't a flash in the pan idea for me – I wasn't, you know, tapped on the shoulder or pulled in," she said.

"This is my community where I live, and I will be back in four years' time to try again because this is important to me that our community is well represented."



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Forrestfield man charged for impersonating DFES officer

DETECTIVES from the arson squad have charged a 60-year-old Forrestfield man as a result of their investigation into a person impersonating a Department of Fire and Emergency Service (DFES) officer.

About 7.35pm on Tuesday, January 14, the man attended a truck stop located on Abernethy Road in Kewdale.

It will be alleged whilst wearing overalls and a helmet with

DFES embroidery, he got into a parked Holden Rodeo utility. The vehicle was marked with reflective signage and stickers which depict a DFES vehicle.

It will be further alleged, as the vehicle travelled on Baldwin Street in Kewdale, the man activated red, white and blue flashing lights and audible sirens installed on the car.

On Monday, January 20, arson squad detectives apprehended the man at a residence

on Leake Street in Belmont.

During a subsequent search of the property, detectives located and seized the imitation DFES equipment and clothing, including the Holden Rodeo utility.

The investigation is ongoing and detectives urge anyone with any information relating to this or similar incidents, to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or via www.crimestopper.swa.com.au

Swan View man fined \$4K after abusing his pet dog

A 22-year-old Swan View man has been fined \$4000 and banned from being in charge of an animal for two years after pleading guilty to beating his one-year-old Bull Arab Mastiff cross, Archie.

Last year Midland Magistrates Court heard at the offender's family home in June, he became angry with the dog for chewing a child's teddy bear.

He is said to have forcefully punched Archie several times with a closed fist while holding him by the throat, punching him several more times while holding him by the scruff of the neck (during which Archie urinated), and kicking him while wearing steel capped boots.

Onlookers described Archie as fearful and trying to run away. They attempted to intervene, and police were called. An RSPCA WA inspector attended the offender's property after receiving a cruelty complaint from WAPOL.

He denied the incident, stating he only softly tapped Archie on the nose with the chewed toy.

The inspector seized the dog, who continues to be cared for by the RSPCA. Magistrate Greg Benn

described the attack as "prolonged and vicious".

RSPCA WA Inspector Manager Kylie Green said Archie's case was heartbreaking.

"There is never a situation which warrants intentionally hurting an animal," she said.

"This kind of behaviour is not tolerated in our community, and I am pleased justice could be achieved for poor Archie today.

"Ramifications from treatment like this are profound for the animals involved and Archie's ongoing behavioural difficulties are testament to that."

The offender was sentenced under sections 19(1) and 19(2)(a) of the Animal Welfare Act 2002.

He was found to have been cruel to the dog in that he maliciously beat him. The maximum penalty for a charge of animal cruelty is a \$50,000 fine and five years in prison.

He was also ordered to pay legal costs of \$1245 and reimburse the RSPCA \$936 for care costs.

The RSPCA relies on the community to report incidents of suspected cruelty and neglect. Report cruelty 24/7 on 1300 CRUELTY (1300 278 358) or at rspcawa.org.au

Swan resident running for mental health awareness



Ryan Barron at the 2023 Perth Running Festival.

CINDY CARTOJANO

SEEING his close friends lose family members due to mental illness inspired Swan resident Ryan Barron to raise funds for Beyond Blue this March.

Mr Barron will be running every day to highlight the importance of mental health awareness.

Suicide is the leading cause of death for people aged 15-44, according to the Australian Institute of Health and Welfare.

When Mr Barron discovered this fact, he said the effort to address the issue wasn't good enough considering it is largely preventable.

"Beyond Blue directly helps treat and manage people suffering with anxiety, depression and suicide," he said.

"So, I thought they were the best fit for the cause."

As a physiotherapist and fitness coach, Mr Barron said he has witnessed firsthand the important role of movement and exercise in maintaining mental resilience and mental health.

Throughout the week, Mr Barron runs mostly in the Swan area and said his favourite area was Whiteman Park.

"It's beautiful running in the early morning, listening to, and experiencing nature."

Mr Barron said some days are harder to wake up and get out the door, but he said this campaign isn't just for him.

"It's for the ones we've loved and lost," he said.

"I think having a purpose bigger than yourself, is one of the key drivers to fulfilment and improving consistency in training and in life.

"We'll always do more for other people than we do for ourselves."

Mr Barron hopes this initiative will spark conversations and generate awareness on the importance of mental health.

"If this movement encourages one person to reach out for help, start running or makes them realise they are not alone, then that is mission accomplished."

If you would like to read more about the campaign or donate, visit <https://team.beyondblue.org.au/ryan-barron>



Kalamunda meeting to discuss water mining

KALAMUNDA Greens candidate Janelle Sewell and Bibbul Ngarma Aboriginal Association director Francesca Flynn will host a meeting on February 18 discussing concerns about water mining in the area.

The meeting, to be held at Pickering Brook Sports Club at 6.30pm, comes as a proposal was lodged to the City of Kalamunda to extract 30,000 kilolitres of water a year which raised resident concern, as reported in *Pickering Brook water extraction proposal raises resident concern* (*Echo News*, January 17).

Ms Sewell said it will be an important event for residents to attend if they wanted to be informed on the current state of water mining and how it impacts their areas.

"In attendance, we'll have residents whose properties have been impacted and we'll have Francesca Flynn speak about her understanding from her work in the community within the Helena catchment,

and also her work for the Bibbul Ngarma Aboriginal Association.

"We've also got Greens water spokesperson Jess Beckerling who will talk about the need for water reform because WA is the only state that has not signed up to the national water initiative."

At the event there will also be discussion of the current Water Act and how it has become outdated due to being written in 1914.

"The act no longer appropriately deals with our population and our issues to do with climate change," Ms Sewell said.

"We aren't getting the same rainfall as in 1914 and when we start drawing out of these water bores, that's when we get the brown-off across the hills with all the trees dying.

"It is an area that needs greater regulation and monitoring, and if we don't get these regulations in, it will continue.

"If people care about this issue it's so important that they attend."

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February Hour of Power a story of resilience

GUANHAO CHENG

THE Swan Chamber of Commerce's first 2025 Hour of Power networking event kicked off with a story of resilience and rediscovery by SLW Transport owners Shane and Leanne Willcox.

Mrs Willcox said she had come from a broken home in a small country town in New Zealand where she found it difficult to integrate at school.

"I hated school – I went to three different high schools from which each one I was asked to leave," she said.

"The third one I went to I was 14 and that's where I saw Shane, and I didn't really know who he was, but I saw him around the school.

"But the day I turned 15, I was asked to leave, much to my mum's disgust.

"My mum then got me a job as a cleaner at the hospital and that started my working career, then I transitioned in from there, and I started working as a nurse aide.

"And then at 16, I met Shane, and we'd started dating and had gone out for six weeks, and I just thought I'd share this story because this is how incredible my husband is.

"So, about six weeks later, he comes over to my house and he said, 'Leanne, have you got something to tell me?'"

Mrs Willcox said she revealed she was having a baby.

"So, we'd been going out for six weeks, and I was about to have a baby in two weeks," she said.

"And I said to him, 'hey, look, I fully understand if you don't want

to see me anymore', and he turned around and said to me, 'hey, I love you and I'll raise this baby with you'."

Mr Willcox shared his side of the story about also coming from a broken home but finding a sense of purpose in being a provider for his new family.

Mr Willcox wanted to come to Australia to drive trucks and when he moved, he walked to a transport yard to find a job and was able to land a role as a supervisor through volunteering to repair their pallets while unemployed.

He said his vision was to own his own transport company, and by learning the skills of finance, budgeting and management he was able to set the foundation before he bought his truck.

Though there were challenges where the business had seemed to begin falling apart, through mentorship and continuing to learn and letting go of ego, Mr Willcox said the two were able to survive the challenges that came their way.

Mr Willcox said the secret to being together for a long time in both life and business came down to accepting each other for who they were entirely.

"People often ask us what's the secret to longevity?" he said.

"I am an imperfect husband, she is an imperfect wife and we do our very best to never give up on each other – that's the secret."

Mrs Willcox also shared a story about her first time attending the Swan Chamber of Commerce and feeling unsure about going inside, but then the life-changing outcome that moment of courage had for



Shane and Leanne Willcox joined by their two daughters at their sides. Picture: Guanhao Cheng

her.

When asked what the key driving Mrs Willcox's change in self-confidence was, she said the answer was in embracing the uncomfortable.

"I've learned to be a confident woman, and I don't think I was

that for a very long time," she said.

"But I've had to learn that's not going to serve me, it's not going to serve people and I've got to get out.

"Don't get me wrong, I'm still uncomfortable at times but when you're uncomfortable, that's where

the magic happens.

"I still have to make phone calls, and I have to talk to myself like, 'just pick up the phone and make the call', and sometimes you make the call and then they don't answer.

"But you've got to pluck up the courage again and again."

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Mundaring art exhibit explores the human impact on nature

MUNDARING Arts Centre will begin their 2025 exhibition program with works from artist duo Audrey Fernandes-Satar and Arif Satar's *Audrey Fernandes-Satar and Arif Satar's Bird Song* collection.

Mr Satar and Mrs Fernandes-Satar are artistic partners, their practice woven together over years of cross-disciplinary collaboration.

Together, they share an interest in uncovering complex memories and histories, both personal and collective.

Through their artistic explorations they draw from their own rich cultural narratives, personal journeys and ancient stories.

Inspired by the sudden removal of a magnificent old Lilly Pilly tree in the vacant lot next to the artists' home, Mr Satar and Mrs Fernandes-Satar questioned the implications of human intervention on the natural world.

With the cutting down of the tree representing a home lost, the birds who inhabited it left with nowhere to perch, the artists felt a tangible sense of chaos and sorrow had taken over the place and the next day the duo noticed a raven return in search of its tree.

The artists said they saw it moving strangely and unable to settle, clearly in a state of confusion at the loss of its home.

Mr Satar and Mrs Fernandes-Satar resonated with this sense of displacement and destruction of home as it echoed in their own lives as migrants – and so began *Bird Song*.

Shown across two galleries, this collection of hybrid works draws from ancestral stories, rituals and crafting techniques, to create a rich dialogue between the past and the present.

Bird Song is on display at Mundaring Arts Centre from February 15 to April 6.

For further information and Public Program details, visit the website mundaringartscentre.com.au



Arif Satar's *Almustanir (Enlightened)* 2024, recycled paper and synthetic fur, paint emulsions.

New Bassendean social housing units completed



The recently completed one and two bedroom social housing units in Bassendean.

THE State Government has recently completed construction of two complexes of one and two-bedroom homes for social housing in Bassendean.

The new double-brick homes were built by Shelford Constructions and Swan Group WA, and are centrally located, close to public transport, shops, schools and recreational facilities.

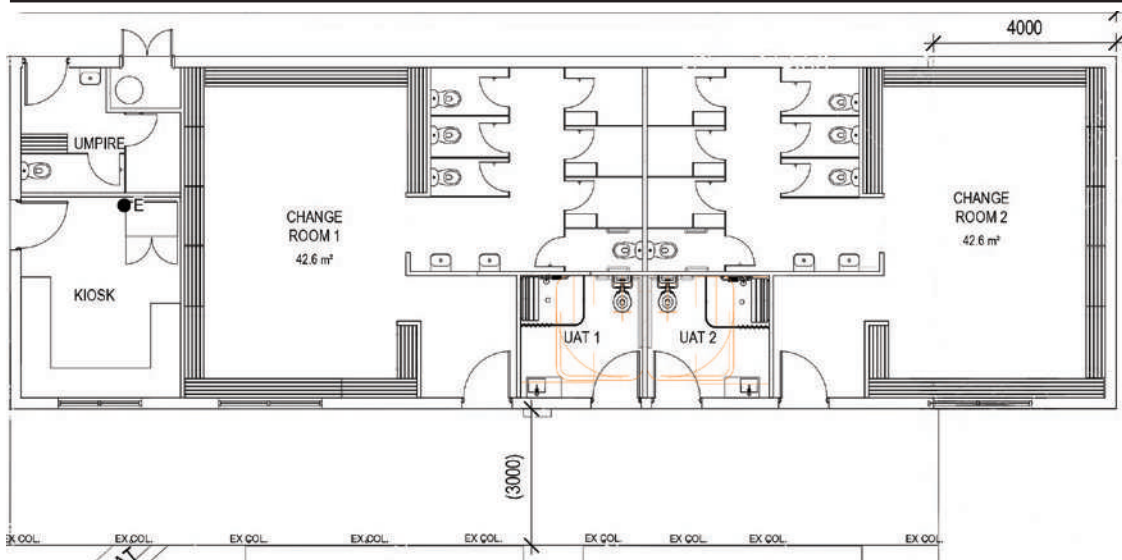
The properties are now in the process of being offered to applicants from the public housing list.

Bassendean MLA Dave Kelly said more safe and affordable housing in Bassendean meant more housing choice and diversity throughout the electorate.

“The Cook Labor Government continues to deliver and drive investment and more housing into Bassendean as we respond to our community’s needs,” he said.

Housing Minister John Carey said the 21 new home units will provide safe and affordable homes to some of the most vulnerable members of our community.

“Since the Cook Labor Government’s record \$4.5 billion investment in housing and homelessness measures, we’ve added more than 2800 social homes, with more than 1000 social homes currently under contract or construction, throughout Western Australia,” he said.



Planned upgrades to the Elsie Austin Oval change rooms.

Elsie Austin Oval change rooms update

PLANNED upgrades to the Elsie Austin Oval Pavilion change rooms are progressing following detailed design work by Hodge Collard Preston Architects who have been engaged by the Shire of Mundaring.

The new designs will be based on building concepts developed previously with the community.

The improved facilities at the Mount Helena oval were made possible with a \$485,000 investment by the state government and will include upgraded and expanded change rooms, a universal change room/shower, a new umpire’s room and larger storage room, improved kitchen/kiosk and upgraded entrance and surrounding outdoor areas.

All works will comply with modern accessibility requirements to include widened doorways and smooth pathways to increase universal accessibility, as well as lockable cubicles in the female change rooms and LED lighting throughout the building and between the carpark and building.

Of the total investment of \$485,000 made by the state government, \$410,000 has been allocated through the community sporting and recreation facilities fund (CSRFF), a program administered by the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries.

The Shire of Mundaring aims to proceed with the upgrades in 2025/26 and is working with commu-

nity groups to secure further funding for the capital works which are expected to cost around \$1.8 million to \$2 million.

Kalamunda MLA Matthew Hughes said the upgrade will support the high-profile and successful sports for all that already exists.

“We’ll get comprehensive upgrades to the Elsie Austin Pavilion change rooms where the home clubs have successful, well-promoted and prioritised programs to encourage diverse participation in sports, including the StarKick All Abilities Football Program.”

Sport and Recreation Minister David Templeman said the state government was committed to supporting the development of sports and recreation facilities to meet the growing needs of communities.

“These upgraded facilities will improve accessibility for a broader range of community groups to be able to participate in sport and recreation activities and to benefit from a more active lifestyle.

“The CSRFF program continues to provide value to WA communities through its support of local community projects.”

To find out more about the CSRFF program, visit www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/funding/sport-and-recreation-funding/community-sporting-and-recreation-facilities-fund

Sunset Series

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Friday 31 January Bluebeard Stink Park, Kalamunda	Friday 14 February Captain Underpants Maida Vale Primary School	Friday 21 February Mayka The Forest Song Mary's Mount Primary School, Gooseberry Hill
Friday 28 February G-Force Lesmurdie Primary School	Friday 7 March Migration Walliston Primary School	
Friday 14 March Wolf and the Lion Kalari Park, Wattle Grove	Friday 28 March Pokemon: Detective Pikachu Dawson Park Primary School, Forrestfield	

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Notice of Meeting - Annual & Risk Committee Meeting

Pursuant to clause 3.4 of the City of Kalamunda *Standing Orders Local Law 2015*, notice is hereby given that a Meeting of the Audit and Risk Committee will be held in the Council Chambers, Administration Centre, 2 Railway Road, Kalamunda, on:

Tuesday 18 March 2025 at 6:30pm

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Liberals pledge to boost Kalamunda health services

THE WA Liberals have pledged \$5.5 million to provide four dialysis chairs, chemotherapy day beds with tele-chemotherapy capabilities, and outpatient specialist rooms for Kalamunda Hospital.

Liberal leader and opposition health spokesperson Libby Mettam said the additions will enhance the hospital's existing services and provide residents with easier access to critical care close to home.

"The dialysis unit will offer local treatment for chronic kidney disease patients, tele-chemotherapy will allow cancer patients to receive care under remote specialist supervision, while the specialist outpatient rooms will support consultations in key medical fields, reducing the need for patients to travel to Perth for routine appointments," she said.

Three million dollars was also pledged to allow community pharmacies across the state to dispense specialist medications, which currently only qualify for a discount if they are dispensed through a hospital pharmacy.

Ms Mettam said the increasing complexity of medicines has seen a corresponding increase in the number of medicines that can only be accessed by patients at an affordable price through a hospital pharmacy.

"This initiative will allow community pharmacists to expand their practice to include dispensing hospital prescriptions at the PBS discount price and charging the prescribing hospitals for the service," she said.

"It will mean that our hospital pharmacies can focus on critical clinical activities and preparing dis-

charge medications, improving discharge times."

Liberal candidate for Kalamunda Adam Hort said the promised new services at Kalamunda Hospital would have a significant community impact.

"Beyond health benefits, the hospital expansion will stimulate the local economy by creating jobs, increasing activity in Kalamunda's town centre, and supporting local businesses through increased foot traffic," he said.

"This proposal represents a transformative opportunity to strengthen healthcare access and community well-being in Kalamunda.

"As a former heart transplant pharmacist and the chief pharmacist for Australia's largest country health service, I understand the impact that the tyranny of distance can have on access to care and health outcomes."



Low interest farming loans for new low emissions machinery

FARMERS for Climate Action (FCA) has welcomed news that low-emissions heavy equipment, trucks and utes will be eligible for low-interest loans under a new scheme supported by the federal government.

The emissions reduction incentive program for farmers will offer loans at 1.15 per cent less than market rates through NAB's arrangement with the government-owned Clean Energy Finance Corporation.

Hybrid, electric and hydrogen powered trucks, utes and machinery, will be eligible.

Some \$300 million is available under the program, with loans expected to largely be in the amount of \$1m to \$5m.

This means farmers could save in the order of \$50,000 a year on interest costs.

FCA CEO Natalie Collard said it was fantastic to see the government using the carrot rather than the stick with farmers on emissions reduction.

"This is exactly the sort of program our 8400

farmer members have been calling for. Farmers want to know how to reduce emissions whilst remaining profitable, and this program gives them a way to do that, if they choose. That's how you keep farmers farming. Credit where credit is due," Ms Collard said.

"Farmers know why we need to reduce emissions - this year's bushfires remind us that climate change is hurting farmers now.

"We warmly welcome this scheme because it gives farmers choice. If a farmer wants to choose a hydrogen, hybrid or electric powered machinery, the farmer can choose to take a low-interest loan to get it. As the technology proves itself, other farmers can also choose low-emissions machinery if they wish.

"Australia's farmers have a tradition of clean, green farming, and we want to continue that tradition so our kids can farm forever."

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Nominate your exceptional emergency services hero

WEST Australians are being urged to reward the exceptional feats of emergency services volunteers and staff throughout the state by nominating them for gongs in the 2025 Western Australian Fire and Emergency Services (WAFES) Awards.

The annual WAFES Awards celebrate the achievements of emergency services personnel who have made a significant contribution and demonstrated a high level of commitment in the past 12 months.

Emergency Services Minister Stephen Dawson said it was important to recognise the selflessness of WA's emergency services volunteers and staff who work hard to keep their communities safe.

Fifteen awards are up for grabs in three categories - individual, team and young person - covering Marine Rescue, State Emergency Service, Volunteer Fire and Emergency Services, Volunteer Fire and Rescue Services, Bush Fire Brigade, career firefighters and Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) corporate staff and operational personnel.

Eligibility for the Young Person Awards, previously known as the Youth Awards, has changed to volunteers aged 18 to 28.

Last year's winners included recognition for successful ocean rescues in pitch darkness and after a DFES volunteer and career personnel responded to 33,949 incidents in 2024 including

5,489 bushfires, 1,344 structure fires, 3,000 road crashes, 1,112 hazardous materials incidents, 2,371 rescues and 296 searches.

Emergency Services Minister Stephen Dawson said over the past year volunteers, career firefighters and DFES staff had once again faced incredible challenges, responding day and night to a range of incidents including bushfires, storms, cyclones, floods and land and sea search rescue operations.

"They do this without hesitation, selflessly putting themselves at risk to serve their community. These awards are about bringing their stories to light.

"These are the people who help us prepare for and withstand disasters and they are the people

we turn to when rebuilding our communities.

"Nominating a local emergency services superstar in your area is another way to say thanks to the 26,000 volunteers and around 1800 DFES staff who consistently step up when they're needed most."

Nominations close on March 17.

Finalists will be announced on May 19 with the winners named at the WAFES Awards gala dinner later this year.

People who nominate a finalist will receive an invitation to the WAFES Awards gala dinner.

To nominate a DFES volunteer or staff member visit www.dfes.wa.gov.au/awards-and-events/wafes-awards



Wilai Fashion to feature at next Perth Makers Market

CINDY CARTOJANO

HEAD down to Perth Makers Market on February 23 from 9.30am to 3.30pm at Applecross to see Kalamunda-based brand Wilai Fashion.

Born in a rural village in Thailand, brand owner Wilai Carney said the villagers had to find creative ways to live.

Mrs Carney said the women in her family grew silkworms which were then used to make fabric for the village.

"I grew up with silkworm in the house and we fed the silkworm with mulberry," she said.

Mrs Carney said she doesn't remember when she learned the technique of how to make silk, it was just part of her culture.

"We don't learn, we just become part of it."

At 12-years-old, Mrs Carney said her life changed when she was taken from her village to become a child labourer at a clothing factory.

Mrs Carney remembered how inhaling the strong chemicals at the factory made her feel dizzy and sick.

"I came from fresh air at the village.

"And then I'm suddenly put in the factory.

"But you can't say much, you still have to do what you have to do."

She moved to Perth in 2004 after she decided with her husband that Australia would give them a better life to build a family.

After she had her first child, she said she wanted to find some way to do work because working made her days meaningful.

She reflected on the skills she'd gained throughout her life, which led her to create Wilai Fashion in 2009.

Mrs Carney's sister also flew from Thailand to help start the brand and the pair experimented with different fabrics such as silk and cotton.

As an immigrant, Mrs Carney said it's tough launching a business in this industry.

"But I'm persistent," she said.

"I'm not sure if I have a fashion mindset but I love to create for women."

Mrs Carney hopes her designs will complement the power already within women.

She said events like Perth Makers Market are especially important for small businesses because it helps build connections with customers and other business owners.

The event will feature locally made fashion, jewellery, homewares, art and gourmet food to celebrate and support independent creators and sustainable craftsmanship.



Kalamunda's Wilai Fashion is a brand committed to sustainability and traditional textile techniques.

WA Livestock Exporters' Assn congratulate Cook's advocacy

PETER W LEWIS

THE Western Australian Livestock Exporters Association (WALEA) has congratulated Premier Roger Cook for his advocacy to the federal government in opposing the 'Nature Positive' legislation leading to its withdrawal and its opposition to the live sheep ban.

In an open letter to the Premier WALEA stated the live sheep ban policy was driven by extreme activists and sadly the federal government had become a mouthpiece for them.

The letter outlined that farmers in WA are suffering at the hands of the federal government and that the WA sheep flock declined by 25 per cent in 2024, and it is expected to reduce in 2025 to around six million – a 50 per cent decrease in two years.

WALEA said two major abattoirs have closed in WA since the federal government came to power due to concerns about future viability and that wool production in WA is at its lowest since the 1920's due to the flock liquidation, while shearers are reporting their businesses have dropped by 30 per cent in the last 12 months.

"The reason for these outcomes is simple, a viable WA sheep industry needs competition from three markets – meat processing, wool production and live exports," the letter stated.

"You take one of these away then the viability of sheep production in WA is damaged and all three of these industries will suffer dire consequences because of the ban. This means less money flowing into local businesses and therefore less people being able to remain in those communities.

"For the WA flock to be self-sustaining it requires a minimum of 10 million sheep and the flock has already dipped well below this. WALEA is greatly concerned that this policy may not only spell the end of the live sheep export industry, but the sheep processing and wool industries as well.

"Even if a transition was possible – the federal government has given no time and superficial support. Three years does not allow time for businesses to restructure their flocks. \$139m barely scratches the surface of the economic loss of this ban, particularly when considering that only approximately \$45m is earmarked for producers and the supply chain.

"Good governments do not shut down industries that support regional businesses and communities for political purposes."



Western Australian Livestock Exporters Association chair John Cunnington.

Young people are urged to vote

THE Western Australian Electoral Commission is calling on 18-30-year-olds to check they are enrolled for the WA State election, with more than 10 per cent of eligible Western Australians in this age group not enrolled to vote.

For many in this age group, this election represents a significant milestone - the first opportunity to vote. The WA Electoral Commission encourages young voters to take an active role in shaping the future of WA by enrolling and voting in the state election.

The latest data shows 89 per cent of Western Australians aged 18-30 years who are eligible to join the electoral roll are currently enrolled to vote, making this age group the most under-represented cohort.

In comparison, 94 per cent of eligible Western Australians aged 30-39 are enrolled to vote, increasing to an estimated 99 per cent of eligible voters aged 70+.

Electoral Commissioner Robert Kennedy is urging young people to recognise the importance of their participation.

"This election is your chance to influence the policies and decisions that will help shape the future of our state," Mr Kennedy said.

"Young voters have a unique opportunity to champion the issues that matter most to their generation – whether climate action, housing, education, job opportunities or the cost of living. Voting provides a huge opportunity to impact the decisions that affect your life, so your vote goes a long way to shape your future."

The WA Electoral Commission has launched targeted initiatives including social media campaigns to engage younger voters and break down the common barriers to participation.

"We understand that many young people may be voting for the first time or unsure of the process, and we're here to make it easy and accessible for everyone," Mr Kennedy said.

Young voters are encouraged to check they are enrolled and ensure their details are correct, so they are ready to cast their vote.

For information visit www.elections.wa.gov.au

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From 6.30pm.
6/7095 Great Eastern
Highway Mundaring

Fri February 14

Bassendean Hotel
DJ Roller
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25 Old Perth Road
Bassendean

Mahogany Inn & Distillery
Ben Graham
6pm-9pm. Free.
4260 Great Eastern
Hwy
Mahogany Creek

Parkerville Tavern
Table for Two
6pm-9pm.
Free.
6 Owen road
Parkerville

Mt Helena Tavern
The Heights
From 6pm.
900 Keane Street
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Veruschka Duo
From 7pm. Free.
22 Lyric Lane Maylands

Sat February 15

Settlers House York
Nathan Ward
From 6pm
Avon Terrace York

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Sun February 16

Bassendean Hotel
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Childlow Tavern
Live Music
12.30pm – 3.30pm.
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Muso Jam Night
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Upcoming events

• **Woodbridge Ratepayers Association** will hold its annual general meeting on Sunday, March 23, at Hazelmere Hall, Lot 9963 West Parade, Hazelmere. Doors open at 3pm and the meeting will run from 3.30pm to 5.30pm. The association encourages all interested residents to attend. Committee nominations will open on Saturday, February 22 and close on the Saturday, March 15. Forms will be emailed to all members. For more information contact 6056wra@gmail.com or call Lynn on 0417 188 626.

• **Mundaring CWA** will meet on Wednesday, February 26 at 10 am at the CWA Centre (Sculpture Park), Jacoby Street, Mundaring for morning tea and a former board member from state office will be the guest speaker. Visitors are always welcome to join them with a show and tell craft until 3pm. For more information contact Marg on 0417 956 628.

• **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 0460 777 557 or email maureenbarker1@gmail.com

• **Celebrate the music of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart** at St Cuthbert's Church, Darlington Road (on the corner of Hillsden Road), Darlington at 3pm on Saturday, March 1. Alongside Mozart there will be works by three of his contemporaries, including Beethoven and WFE Bach (a grandson of Johann Sebastian Bach). Flautist Emily Gunson is joined by two musicians from the West Australian Symphony Orchestra, associate principal violin Kylie Liang and principal viola Daniel Schmitt from Germany. For more information and bookings phone 9574 1591.

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

Radar is a six-month-old kelpie. While still just a puppy he is very smart and eager to learn. He would suit a bigger property as he is very energetic. He is not sterilised but is vaccinated and microchipped. Costs apply. Contact Bakers Hill Dog Sanctuary on 9574 1438.

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Children love our classes and parents love the results says Helen O'Grady Drama Academy principal Merylena Sulak.

"We are very proud of our programme which covers a wide variety skills that incorporate speech train-

ing, creative movement, improvisation, script work, performance techniques and much more," she said.

"Drama not only gives children and teenagers an opportunity to express themselves in a fun, safe environment but also enables them to practise everyday life skills such as leadership, discussion and negotiation."

Weekly classes are held for 5 to 8-year-olds, 9 to 12-year-olds, and 12 to 18-year-olds.

There are five studios operating in the eastern suburbs area: Swan View, Kalamunda, Guildford Homeschool, Mundaring and Dianella.

Enrolments are now open for Term 1, 2025. Although many of their classes fill very quickly before the term has even started!

They also offer school clubs and incursions in liaison with your school Principal or P&C. Call Merylena on 9378 4332 or 0490 808 206, visit www.helenogrady.net.au or email merylena.sulak@helenogrady.net.au for more information.



Discover the Birds in Your Backyard with Mike Green

Calling all bird lovers! Renowned bird-watching expert Mike Green returns with his much-loved Bird Talk series, inviting you on a fascinating journey into the world of local birds.

Over three engaging sessions, you'll gain the skills to confidently identify up to 40 different species that visit gardens across the City of Kalamunda.

In this first session, Green will share his vast knowledge, teaching you how to recognise birds

by their appearance, calls, and quirky behaviours. His entertaining presentations bring bird-watching to life with amusing imitations, stunning photographs, and captivating videos.

Whether you're a lifelong birdwatcher or simply enjoy spotting birds from your backyard, this is an event not to be missed! Join us at Lesmurdie and High Wycombe libraries for an enjoyable and insightful morning with like-minded nature lovers.

Seats are limited, so secure your spot early!

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Mike Green, avid bird watcher, has a wealth of knowledge about the birds throughout the City of Kalamunda and he'll show you how to recognise 40 different local garden birds, their appearance, calls and habits.

Learn practical ID tips, watch amusing imitations of bird behaviour and view superb bird photographs and videos. Become more confident in identifying the birds in your local gardens and enjoy your birds even more.



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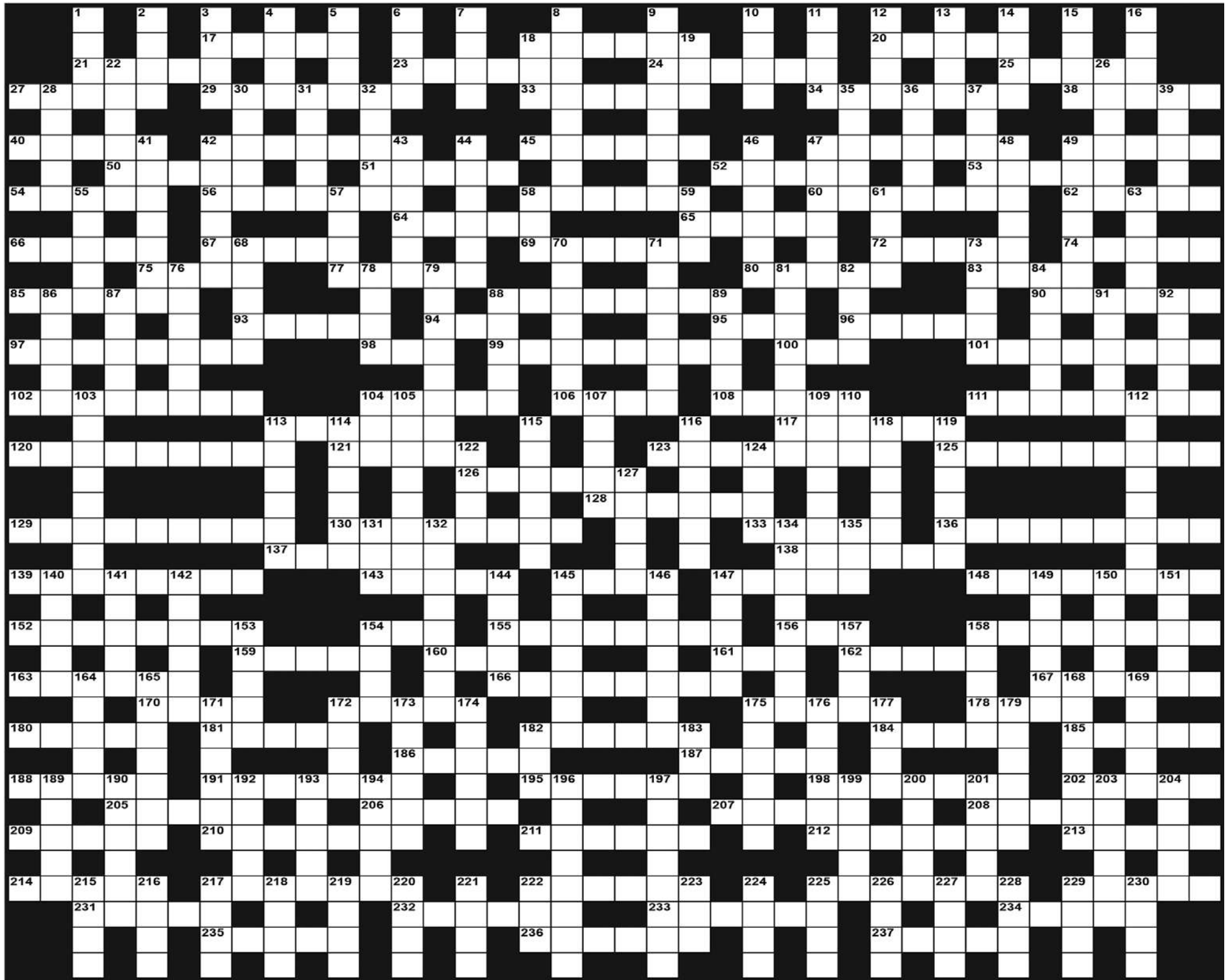
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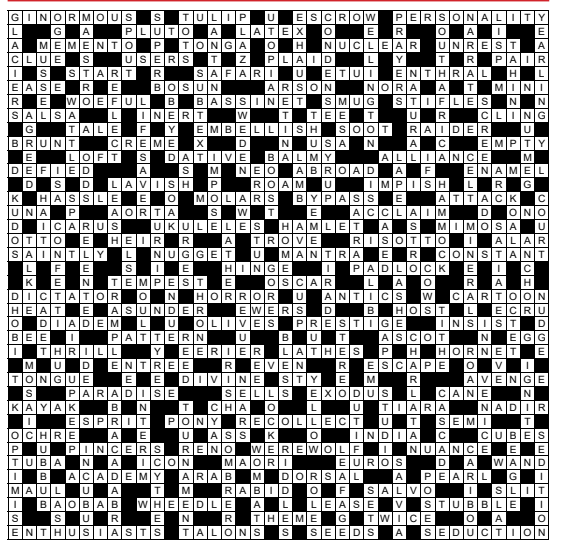
Mind Boggler Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- 17 Light in movement
 - 18 Door fittings
 - 20 Become weaker
 - 21 Building block
 - 23 Alleviation
 - 24 Wanderers
 - 25 Tiny particles
 - 27 Many times
 - 29 Multiple river mouths
 - 33 A mixture
 - 34 Pope
 - 38 A set
 - 40 Factual
 - 42 Surrender
 - 45 Paid killer (coll)
 - 47 Biblical book
 - 49 Group of fish
 - 50 Magnate
 - 51 Energetic
 - 52 Sharpens
 - 53 Iced as a cake
 - 54 Great bodily heat
 - 56 High flat area
 - 58 Native American's shelter
 - 60 A planet
 - 62 A live coal
 - 64 Ingenuous
 - 65 Army observer
 - 66 A gain
 - 67 Truthful (coll)
 - 69 Affectedly modest
 - 72 Minimum
 - 74 A prickle
 - 75 Part of foot
 - 77 Enmity
 - 80 Perfume
 - 83 One from Thailand
 - 85 Attacks
 - 88 Spent lavishly
 - 90 Type of drink
 - 93 Eat away
 - 94 A burnt remains
 - 95 Qld town, Mount ...
 - 96 Curse
 - 97 Pioneers
 - 98 Accelerate motor
 - 99 Highly delighted
 - 100 A gutter
 - 101 Small room off kitchen
 - 102 A guard
 - 104 A minder
 - 106 A seat
 - 108 "Inferno" author
 - 111 Foreman
 - 113 Walks proudly
 - 117 Deviating from the norm
 - 120 Italian dish
 - 121 Lady of Troy
 - 123 Brief in speech
 - 125 Chews the cud
 - 126 Counting frame
 - 128 Small hammer
 - 129 By that very fact (Lat) (4,5)
 - 130 Not tried
 - 133 Fasten to
 - 136 Try for a settlement
 - 137 Picture in pieces
 - 138 Shining
 - 139 Type of telescope
 - 143 Brilliance of success
 - 145 Billiards sticks
 - 147 A country
 - 148 Lacking diplomacy
 - 152 In large numbers
 - 154 Curved line
 - 155 Happening momentarily
 - 156 Writing fluid
 - 158 Gleams faintly
 - 159 Bridge part
 - 160 High explosive (init)
 - 161 Possess
 - 162 A small bay
 - 163 Religious woman
 - 166 Dregs
 - 167 A stretcher
 - 170 A fruit
 - 172 Circular plates
 - 175 'Calamity Jane' actress, ... Day
 - 178 Eager
 - 180 Heartless
 - 181 Sleep noisily
 - 182 Ocean travel
 - 184 A figure of speech
 - 185 Perfect
 - 186 Freight carried
 - 187 Makes aware
 - 188 Ancient civilization
 - 191 Male fowl
 - 195 Trinket
 - 198 Sugar syrup
 - 202 Intertwine
 - 205 A tree
 - 206 Prise
 - 207 Supernatural being
 - 208 An eagle's nest
 - 209 Night butterflies
 - 210 Lacking energy
 - 211 Egyptian monument
 - 212 Sincerity
 - 213 Flowing garment
 - 214 A theatre attendant
 - 217 Young hare
 - 222 Found fault constantly
 - 225 Infatuated
 - 229 A lizard
 - 231 Cherish
 - 232 Parts of mines
 - 233 Far distant
 - 234 Tusk material
 - 235 A brittle fragment
 - 236 Place of bliss
 - 237 Faithful
 - 5 Queen of heaven (myth)
 - 6 Unrestrained anger
 - 7 Placid
 - 8 Survival aid
 - 9 A rebel
 - 10 Half open
 - 11 Speak indistinctly
 - 12 Grassed area
 - 13 A rajah's wife
 - 14 A plant part
 - 15 Untidy person
 - 16 A head sculpture
 - 18 A garment edge
 - 19 A sauce type
 - 22 Rule of government
 - 26 Great confusion
 - 28 Blaze
 - 30 Type of oar
 - 31 In one piece
 - 32 A Cuban dance
 - 35 Corpulent
 - 36 Luxury
 - 37 Pretend
 - 39 Lifting machine
 - 41 'Wizard of Oz' character
 - 42 Lithe
 - 43 Asian island
 - 44 Aim
 - 46 Full of pores
 - 47 Not rough
 - 48 A detective
 - 49 Disbeliever
 - 55 Face guard
 - 57 Newts
 - 58 Make hay
 - 59 Compass point
 - 61 Animal hide
 - 63 Give a lift-up
 - 68 Santa's helpers
 - 70 Joins a group
 - 71 Boat competition
 - 73 Agitates
 - 76 High regard
 - 78 A jetty
 - 79 Cross
 - 81 Wind instrument
 - 82 Bird home
 - 84 Smart
 - 86 Extended dramatic work
 - 87 A garret
 - 88 Transparently thin
 - 89 Chopped finely
 - 91 Leers
 - 92 Cut into
 - 103 A debased likeness
 - 104 Actor's mark
 - 105 An ocean
 - 107 Juice of the poppy
 - 109 Honest
 - 110 Be wrong
 - 112 Assess
 - 113 Type of TV show
 - 114 A type of monkey
 - 115 Knives
 - 116 Voting ticket
 - 118 An additional room
 - 119 Constant absentee
 - 122 Seizes (coll)
 - 124 A jot
 - 127 Soothing ointment
 - 131 No (Scott)
 - 132 Specially chosen
 - 134 Large aquatic bird
 - 135 Freezing
 - 140 Measure depth
 - 141 Domestic birds
 - 142 Awaken
 - 144 Bunches of hair
 - 145 Type of cheese
 - 146 Slender pieces of wood
 - 147 A gold brick
 - 149 Type of hot sauce
 - 150 Outer edge
 - 151 Wait on a table
 - 153 Refuse to accept
 - 154 Prefix - against
 - 157 A New Zealand bird
 - 158 A belt
 - 164 Not sharp
 - 165 Joins ropes
 - 168 Stupid
 - 169 Famous Roman fountain
 - 171 Of the stars
 - 172 Dexterous
 - 173 Holy
 - 174 Iced confectionery
 - 175 Australian city
 - 176 Of the country
 - 177 An inflamed eyelid
 - 179 Light covering
 - 182 A male swan
 - 183 A female sheep
 - 189 Moves very rapidly
 - 190 Resounded
 - 192 Give a speech
 - 193 Follow straight on
 - 194 Select group
 - 196 Satisfies
 - 197 Dallied
 - 199 Kingdom
 - 200 Check accounts
 - 201 With distinction, Summa cum ... (Lat)
 - 203 Metal joiner
 - 204 Pretentiously stylish
 - 215 Angel's headwear
 - 216 Chess piece
 - 217 Minus
 - 218 Small glass container
 - 219 Travel by bicycle
 - 220 Former Russian emperor
 - 221 A lure
 - 222 Infinite degree
 - 223 A lair
 - 224 Be an omen of
 - 225 Ego
 - 226 Doing nothing
 - 227 Playthings
 - 228 An African river
 - 229 Metal, symbol Au
 - 230 A bluish colour

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Visit the RDA Wheatbelt website for the full application package. Submit a two-page cover letter addressing the selection criteria and a CV with two references. <https://rdawheatbelt.com.au/job-opportunity-study-hub-coordinator/>

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CITY OF SWAN

REQUEST FOR CLOSURE OF A PUBLIC ROAD. A PORTION OF COAST ROAD, CAVERSHAM

Notice is hereby given in accordance with section 58 of the Land Administration Act 1997, of receipt of an application seeking to permanently close portion the following portion of public road – Portion of Lot 3000 Coast Road, Caversham. Please be advised that this notice is to amend and extend the advertising submission period for comments from the previously advertised date of Friday, 14 February 2025, to Friday, 14 March 2025.

A plan showing the location of the road proposed to be closed can be inspected online at <https://swanengage.swan.wa.gov.au>; at the City's Administration Centre, Morrison Road, Midland; or at any of the City's libraries, during office hours.

Prior to Council considering this matter, submissions from the public are sought. Anyone wishing to object, support or otherwise comment on the proposal may do so by lodging a written submission, addressed to the undersigned, City of Swan, PO Box 196, Midland, WA 6936, or via email to assetmanagement@swan.wa.gov.au, on or before Friday, 14 March 2025.

Stephen Cain
Chief Executive Officer



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ADOPTION OF LOCAL HERITAGE SURVEY

At the meeting held on 28 January 2025, Council adopted the Shire's Local Heritage Survey (LHS).

In accordance with the *Heritage Act 2018*, the LHS identifies places that in the Shire's opinion are, or may become, of cultural heritage significance.

A copy of the adopted LHS can be found via the Shire's website: www.mundaring.wa.gov.au

If you have any queries please contact the Shire's Planning Service on 9290 6740 or via shire@mundaring.wa.gov.au

Jason Whiteaker
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



Public Notice

CITY OF SWAN

DA-953/2024 & EXL-953/2024/1 INDUSTRY EXTRACTIVE & ASSOCIATE WORKS (10 YEARS) LOT 23 (NO.38) APPLE STREET & LOT 51 ALMERIA PARADE UPPER SWAN WA 6069

The City of Swan has received a proposal for the above land. Any interested persons are invited to view the documentation at the City of Swan Administration Centre, 2 Midland Square, MIDLAND between the hours of 8:00am and 5:00pm Monday to Friday or on the City's website:

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Should you wish to comment on this proposal you may do so via the Online Feedback Form available on the City's website on or before 28 February 2025.

Stephen Cain
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PO Box 196, Midland, 6936



CITY OF SWAN

PROPOSED INDUSTRY EXTRACTIVE APPLICATION RENEWAL & EXCAVATION LICENSE RENEWAL (UNDER THE BY-LAWS) – DA-954/2024 & EXL/954/2024/1 LOT 2 APPLE STREET, UPPER SWAN WA 6069

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CITY OF SWAN

RENEWAL OF EXTRACTIVE INDUSTRY APPROVAL AND EXCAVATION LICENSE (UNDER THE BY-LAWS) - DA-59/2025 & EXL-59/2025/1 LOT 5892 MARALLA ROAD, BULLSBROOK WA 6084

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OPTUS vodafone

PROPOSAL TO UPGRADE UPPER SWAN MOBILE PHONE BASE STATION INCLUDING 5G

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- The following works are proposed:
 - Existing lattice tower to be strengthened and the existing headframe to be swapped with new headframe.
 - Recover existing Optus 3x panel antennas and installation of new Optus 3x Commscope IPAA panel antennas with dimension 2100mm (H) 498mm (H) 370mm (H) on new mounts.
 - Recover existing Vodafone 3x panel antennas and installation of new Vodafone 3x Commscope R2WV-6533C-R5-V3 panel antennas with dimension 2499mm (H) 395mm (H) 228mm (H) on new mounts.
 - Installation of new Optus 3x AENB antennas with dimensions 730mm (H) 520mm (H) 185mm (H) on new mounts.
 - Installation of new Vodafone 3x AEQE antennas with dimensions 750mm (H) 450mm (H) 240mm (H) on new mounts.
 - Recover all existing Optus RRUs and the installation of new Optus 12x RRUs on new mounts.
 - Recover all existing Vodafone RRUs and the installation of new Vodafone 12x RRUs on new mounts.
 - Installation and removal of ancillary equipment such as transceivers, MHA feeders, cabling, combiners, diplexers, signage, and other associated equipment, including rearrangement.
- In accordance with Section 7 of C564:2020 Mobile Phone Base Station Deployment Code, we invite you to provide feedback about the proposal. Should you require further information or wish to comment, please contact Caitlin Spencer at Ventia, +61 7 3033 3741, community.consultation@ventia.com or 2/25 Barker Street, Belmont by 5pm Thursday 27th February, 2025.

Midland Guildford senior females win run chase

JOSHUA MCKENZIE

MIDLAND Guildford senior female and female U17 teams completed matches last weekend while a number of male teams played in ongoing matches.

The female A grade side faced Wanneroo away from home.

After winning the toss and bowling first, a collective effort that was led by Molly Lincoln (three wickets for 23 runs from 10 overs) saw the side dismiss their opponents for a total of just 114 runs in 40.1 overs.

A fast start to the innings was provided by Ruby York (23 runs from 20 balls) and Abbie Whybrow (29 from 32) put the side in a strong position, before Morgan Pires (19 from 14), Bree Hyde (20 not out from 24) and Sheldyn Cooper (12 not out from 23) finished off the run chase in 21.5 overs with four wickets to spare.

Playing against Melville, the female B grade could only post 146 all out despite Alisha Kozma top scoring with 69 from 88.

The side could only dismiss three batters from the opposition and they lost the match by seven wickets.

In the female U17 match against Melville, the side would set a modest total of 9-158 after winning the toss and batting first.

Georgia Baker (28 not out from 61) and Kaitlyn Magistro (20 from 39) were the leading scorers in the innings.

Sharna Abbott (3-25 from eight overs) was the best bowler as they restricted their opposition to 148 all out to secure a 10-run victory.

Magistro and captain Rebekah Farr would also take two wickets each in the win.

The matches coming up this weekend will have big implications for teams hoping to play finals at the end of the season.



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