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ECHO YOUR THOUGHTS allocation of resources **Biodiversity** to achieve goals.

action plan

This week it's likely

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Dear Echo News,

Is intent enough?

Despite the weak-ness of the document, our council will endorse it.

Again, preservation of status quo.

Hours of feedback, genuine attempts for content change, for the common good to preserve, protect or recognise our local diversity - so critical are the times between black cockatoo, water quality, bush and wetland loss

Beyond good intentions what purpose does the state of this document serve to actually make a difference

Why is our money spent on pointless publications?

Is this how they intend to spend this proposed four per cent rate increase?

Intentions are not going to save our local biodiversity and there is little evidence of action arising from this plan doing so either – disappointingly.

L Deering Woodbridge Ratepayers **Association** president

Thought for the day

"You can't have a new reality with an old mentality." Unknown

Call for **National**

THE SWAN SES OPERATING FOR 60 YEARS WILL BE HOSTING IT'S FIRST EVER OPEN DAY ON SUNDAY 25TH MAY, HIGHLIGHTING TO THE PUBLIC BEING STORM READY FOR THE COMING WINTER ALONG WITH ACTIVITIES, DEMONSTRATIONS AND TOURS OF THEIR FACILITY.

BEING STORM READY! Swan State Emergency Service SES

Dear Echo News,

Service

If ever society is crying out for the re-introduction of National Service for our youth, it is right now.

The army would soon "knock" them into shape.

They would be educated, learn new skills, and would be disciplined.

They would learn to respect themselves.

It's no good the government saying they could not afford it.

The cost to our country right now is colossal.

It would free up our police force for instance allowing the police to go about their intended business without chasing car thieves and the myriad other things the idle youth get into.

A Bailey Lesmurdie

Thanks to volunteers

Dear Echo News,

This National Volunteer Week (May 19-25). I want to extend my deepest thanks to the extraordinary people across our local communities who generously share their time and often, their most personal stories to help change the future for women impacted by gynaecological cancer.

These remarkable volunteers, many of whom are survivors or carers, bring lived experience to the Australia New Zealand Gynaecological Oncology Group's (ANZGOG) work in research, education and advocacy.

Through our survivors teaching students program alone, they've helped nearly 20,000 medical and health students better understand the realities of gynaecological cancer - its emotional toll, the importance of early diagnosis, and the value of compassionate care.

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Have your say:

It takes immense courage to speak out after a cancer diagnosis.

To those who do: thank you. Your voices help guide clinical research, influence policy, shape the future of care and inspire hope in others. You are helping to save lives.

We honour each of you this week - and every week. Your contribution is not only powerful, it is essential.

If you're a survivor. carer or family member with a lived experience, we invite you to join this special community. Visit anzgog.org.au to learn more.

A Evans CEO **ANZGOG**

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on living in a residential park.

CONSUMER PROTECTION

Living in a caravan park? Here's what you need to know about rent and electricity

With Commissioner for Consumer Protection Trish Blake

Residential park living is unique. The parks can provide a location and facilities you may not normally be able to afford to buy.

Residential parks provide sites upon which relocatable homes are placed as well as shared facilities for use by tenants. Longstay tenants either rent a home and a site, or rent a site only and own the home on the site.

Whether you own the home or not, park living always involves renting the site but this style of living is covered under the Residential Parks (Long-stay Tenants) Act 2006 (Parks Act).

Long-stay agreements will

often allow for rent to be varied

Make sure you understand how much rent will cost under the long-stay agreement and when and how it may be increased.

It's important to keep in mind that different rules apply depending on the type of agreement and whether it was entered into before or after January 31, 2022.

In limited situations a park operator may be able to increase the rent at times not detailed in your agreement to cover significant increased operational costs or unforeseen repairs. The park operator will be required to either obtain the tenant's consent to this rent increase or apply to the State Administrative Tribunal to approve the increase in rent.

In all cases, a park operator during the term of the agreement. must give 60 days' written notice of a proposed rent increase, and when it will begin. There must be a minimum period between rent variations or increases of 12 months for site-only agreements and six months for on-site home agreements. A shorter period can apply for example, a park operator reviews rent for the whole park on July 1 every year.

You can also be charged for other costs including costs for internet access, garden maintenance or utilities.

Electricity costs are normally made up of a supply charge and a consumption charge.

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Prisoner rehabilitation tour calls for employers to step up

GUANHAO CHENG

BUSINESS leaders were given a behindthe-scenes look at an employment model for former prisoners during the Swan Chamber of Commerce's transforming lives through employment tour in Hazelmere.

The April 30 morning tour showcased Hanssen Construction's Stirling Crescent facility and visitors were guided to a circle of chairs beneath the trees in the yard behind the warehouse where former detective turned prisoner rehabilitator Chris Bown vetted ex-prisoners for rehabilitation.

Mr Bown spent more than 15 years with the WA Police Force before leaving policing in 2015 to join Hanssen.

As reported in Ex-cop turned prisoner rehabilitator (Echo News, January 12, 2024), Mr Bown worked with Hanssen founder Gerry Hanssen to develop a program that offered structured employment pathways for former prisoners.

"Prisons are not working – they're making

people worse, not better," Mr Bown said.
"We spent \$3000 a day locking kids up to make them worse.

"One of the most frustrating things for me as a copper was dropping young boys of 13-14 years of age at a detention centre where I knew they were going to come out worse because 13 to 14-year-old kids, all they want

"So, they adapt to the environment that they're put in and they become like the people in there and we literally set them up for a life of crime when they're very young and some of them never break out of that.

Hanssen managing director Darren Linton said employing ex-prisoners was not a one-



Thrive Integration director Chris Bown (centre) with Thrive participants Brody Hill and Cheyenne Little at the reducing recidivism tour. Picture: Guanhao Cheng

way road, as employers and employees both benefitted from the model.

"We gave opportunities to people to get out of prison and get their foot in employment and do well for themselves and the family," he said.

"And it's benefited us greatly because some of these workers are some of our leading hands and some of the best workers we

Mr Bown said the repeated knockbacks ex-prisoners receive from trying to find employment after serving time often compelled them to return to the familiar, so he wanted to break that cycle.

"You don't have to be a rocket scientist to realise what they're going to do," he said.

"They're going to go back to their old ways and their old mates.

"But what is going to fix it is men that rise

up and lead and be role models.

When these guys post photos of themselves working, it goes out to so many people and so many people see that, and they aspire to be like them.

Thrive Integration participant Brody Hill has been in and out of prison since he was a child and said being employed for the first time at 26-years-old was a game-changer.

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Mundaring telecomunications tower under review

CINDY CARTOJANO

THE proposal for a telecommunications tower on Pechey Road is a point of discussion for Mundaring residents who have concerns about the size and location of the structure, but also the need for better network coverage in the area.

At last week's May 13 meeting, an officer's report called on the council to consider the development raised by Telstra, who were represented by planning consultant Waveconn.

In the report Telstra justified its application and said the "facility has been proposed where it can be most effective at providing improved coverage and network performance whilst also having regard for existing facilities within the surrounding network.

Jane Brook Community Association president Mathew Merson spoke in favour of the infrastructure to address the unreliable network service which affected the residents.

"Many residents are unable to make or receive calls, send text messages or access email reliably," Mr Merson said.

"It's not uncommon to see residents standing on their verges in Jane Brook holding their phones aloft hoping for a usable signal, hailing to the gods to try to get one or two bars so that they can make a phone call.

Mr Merson said access to emergency service providers was be impacted due to the un-

"If you need emergency help, if you're out and about in Jane Brook, whether that be the police, ambulance, emergency services or even a call home to your mum, there's a good chance you'll be on your own as you'll struggle to find adequate mobile cover.'

Mr Merson said Midland MLA Steve Catania recently door knocked in Jane Brook and confirmed poor mobile coverage was a common issue among residents.

"When (Mr Catania) attempted a test mobile call to me from just 10m away from my house, the call failed," Mr Merson said.

Mr Catania said he supported the expand-

ed and enhanced mobile network coverage in Jane Brook.

Mr Catania said comprehensive planning as well as local and federal government approvals processes needed to be followed before a new infrastructure could be established.

"This robust process will ensure that new infrastructure is designed to serve its purpose effectively in a local context."

Central ward councillor Doug Jeans raised a motion to not approve the application, based on the tower's location.

With a creek running through the area, Cr Jeans said the proposed section on Pechey Road was the lowest part of the road.

"I had a look at the site and it's definitely in a low area that possibly won't service Jane Brook that well anyway," Cr Jeans said.

Some residents expressed their concerns about the potential health risks associated with the tower.

West ward councillor Jo Cicchini said there was a lot of angst about the health and wellbeing of families who live close to the tower.

'Residents have also expressed the real prospect of wanting to move from their homes and relocate somewhere else if this tower goes through," Cr Cicchini said.

"I understand that the environmental EME reports states that there is only minimal exposure to radiation, but this will be constant on nearby residents with the closest house being only 103m away.

According to the Australian Radiation Protection and Nuclear Safety Agency (AR-



There is a proposal for a telecoms tower on 1805 Pechey Road in Mundaring.

PANSA), "Given the very low levels recorded and the relatively low power of these types of transmitters, it is unlikely that the radiofrequency radiation from base stations would cause any adverse health effects, based on current medical research.'

Potential impacts to the natural environ-

ment were also raised at the meeting.

A shire officer visited the site and was satisfied the chosen location wouldn't have a significant impact.

"No habitat trees or other vegetation of significance will be directly impacted," the officer said.



Community Drop-In Session

Bullsbrook Scheme Water Infrastructure PFAS Investigation and Management Program

Defence is holding a community drop-in session to answer questions and provide information on the provision of scheme water infrastructure for the Bullsbrook community.

This is an opportunity for the community to meet with project representatives to discuss pipeline construction activities and connections to scheme water infrastructure, and per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) remediation and management actions for RAAF Base Pearce.

Community members can drop in at any time, no bookings are required.

Light refreshments will be provided.

Session details:

Date: Saturday 24 May 2025

Venue: Bullsbrook Museum (outdoor area) 22 Turner Road, Bullsbrook WA 6084

Time: 10:00 am—1:00 pm

Contact: If you have any questions regarding the

event, please contact the project team. Phone: 1800 987 614

Email: bullsbrook.defence@ghd.com

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Aveley man walks for suicide prevention



Following a life changing motorcycle accident Aveley resident Ted Lee is preparing to raise funds for suicide prevention agency Lifelife WA.

In 2021 Ted Lee's life changed in an instant when he was run-over by a semi-trailer while riding his motorcycle – a devastating accident that left him paralysed.

Now the 26-year-old Aveley resident is defying all odds as he prepares to walk 3km to raise money for leading suicide prevention agency Lifeline WA.

It has taken 275 days in hospital and more than 30 gruelling surgeries, but the mechanical engineer is determined to participate in this year's HBF Run for a Reason on May 25 to inspire others who may be facing their own physical or mental health battles.

"After my accident I was in a medically induced coma for two weeks before waking up to face the unimaginable news that I would never walk again," Mr Lee said.

My days were spent staring at the ceiling of the trauma ward questioning my future and my sense of purpose just

"I can't recall how many times I broke down, but it was a lot."

Despite the bleak prognosis Mr Lee spent months in intensive physiotherapy, undertook strength training and relied on the emotional support of family and friends to achieve his dream of once again standing on his own two feet.

That milestone was finally achieved last year, and the joyous moment inspired his decision to sign up for HBF Run for a Reason 2025.

"The HBF run marks my first physical challenge since my accident, it will be a proud moment and a celebration of resilience," Mr Lee said.

"Just four years ago, taking a single step seemed impossible, but now I'm preparing to walk 3km for a cause close to my heart."

HBF Run for a Reason is Perth's biggest annual fitness fundraising challenge and each year thousands of participants choose a charity and fundraising goal to run, walk or wheel towards.

Mr Lee chose to support Lifeline WA due to his deeply personal connection to mental health.

"I lost a close friend to suicide last year, and I've had my own battles with mental health since the accident," he said.

There were days when I felt like giving up. That's why Lifeline WA is so important, they're there for people when they need it most."

In 2024, Lifeline WA crisis supporters handled an unprecedented 152,879 conversations – a staggering increase of 31 per cent on 2023.

Mr Lee's goal is not just to raise money to support Lifeline WA's lifesaving work, but to give hope to others who may be facing adversity.

"I want people to know that recovery is possible, and that help is out there," he said.

"If my story encourages even one person to reach out to Lifeline WA, then it's worth every step.

To donate visit www.runforareason25.grassrootz.com/ lifeline-wa/ted

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Kalamunda family raise funds and stroke awareness at HBF Run for a Reason 2025

When Tracey Keating lost her husband Rhyan in July 2023, her world changed for-

Now, nearly two years on, Mrs Keating and her two daughters, Summer (17) and Chloe (14), are preparing to honour Mr Keating's incredible spirit by taking part in the HBF Run for a Reason 2025 on Sunday, May 25.

Rhyan Keating was just 40 years old when he passed away after suffering a stroke, his second

The first struck in January 2021, and Mr Keating responded with remarkable determination.

Over the following months, he lost 75kg and built a routine of running up to 10km multiple

times a week He was reclaiming his health and his life.

"He defied every expectation. He was so fo-cused, so determined. He did everything right," Mrs Keating said.

But on July 13, 2023, Mrs Keating rushed her husband to the emergency department, thinking he had vertigo.

Hours later, they were told a second clot had formed in his brain. Mr Keating underwent emergency surgery, but he never regained consciousness.

Ten days later, Mr Keating passed away, leaving behind his devoted family and a legacy of courage and perseverance.

Stroke Foundation chief executive officer Dr Lisa Murphy thanked the Keating family for sharing their story and turning their grief into a powerful tribute.

"Rhyan would be so proud of Tracey and his girls for honouring him in the way that meant so much to him after his first stroke. Their strength and dedication shine a light on the lasting impact of a stroke, which affects more than 45,000 Australians of all ages every year."

This May, the Keating family will take to the streets not only to raise awareness and much-needed funds for stroke prevention, treatment and recovery supports, but also to celebrate Mr Keating's life and his amazing legacy.



The Keating family: Summer, Rhyan, Tracey and Chloe.

"Running was something Rhyan fought hard to get back. This event is a chance to do something he loved, together as a family, in his honour," Mrs Keating said.

The Keatings hope that by sharing their story, they can inspire others to prioritise their health and remind those facing loss that there is strength in coming together, and in moving forward.

To donate to Mrs Keating's fundraising page visit www.runforareason25.grassrootz.com/ strokefoundation/tracey-summer-chloe-s-fun draiser-for-rhyan-keating

Trillion Trees wetlands fundraising appeal

GUANHAO CHENG

HAZELMERE based environmental restoration non-profit Trillion Trees is raising funds to help revegetate the Helena River with native sedges, rushes and trees for wildlife in the area.

Trillion Trees ecological restoration manager Doug Laurie said many of the organisation's planting projects currently focused on restoring wetland ecosystems.

"Comprised of aquatic, riparian and terrestrial niches, these areas are special because they can host an incredibly wide variety of species which are responsible for an equally complex array of ecosystem functions," he

"Restoring these parts of the landscape is crucial for improving the environment's resilience to threats, sequestering carbon and combating habitat fragmentation.

"Wetland restoration often leads to a rapid establishment of healthy ecological communities – waterways often have existing native vegetation around them and their close proximity to water also results in higher rates of

survival in the saplings planted.
"Wetland restoration projects can provide a natural linkage between restoration sites and existing bushland, called habitat corridors, which are effective within and between urban and rural landscapes."

Bibbul Ngarma Aboriginal Association director Francesca Flynn confirmed the work done by Trillion Trees in restoring native vegetation would be beneficial for the health of the Helena River.

"Planting sedges and rushes will improve the health of the Mandoon Bilya (Helena River) by helping to filter the water and improve its general quality, as well as helping to stabilise the riverbanks and decrease erosion," she said.

"In addition, planting any local species, including understory and trees, will also in-



tion and support wildlife by providing habitable areas. Picture: Francesca Flynn

crease biodiversity and provide habitat and food for a wide range of birds, reptiles, insects and other animals, including black cockatoos.'

One of the more recent discoveries at the river was a mainland population of quokkas, a species mainly known for being in Rottnest Island, as reported in New quokka population in hills (Echo News, December 20, 2024).

Trillion Trees chief executive officer Mark Hullett said the effort was an important push in combatting the effects of climate change.

Wetlands and waterways shape our iconic landscape in WA and play a critical role in the fight against climate change," he said.

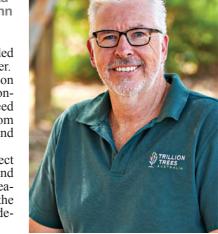
'We know that wetlands absorb carbon at a faster rate than forests, while also providing habitat for an enormous range of native wildlife from birds to turtles.

'One of our most significant and degraded waterways in the region is the Helena River.

With so many critical wetland restoration projects available to us, and no access to ongoing government funding, we urgently need it to rain – both from the heavens and from the generosity of community donors to fund

'The end of financial year is the perfect time to donate as tax returns are just around the corner and so is the winter planting season, with several of our projects requiring the combination of seasonal rains and tax-deductible donations to help them thrive."

Donations may be made by visiting the Trillion Trees website at trilliontrees.org.au/ wetlands-appeal



Trillion Trees chief executive officer Mark Hullett.



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Midland build-to-rent development taking shape

ANITA McINNES

A BUILD-to-rent development due to provide 51 apartments in the centre of Midland is taking shape on the corner of Tuohy Lane and Great Eastern High-

Known as Tuohy Gardens after the garden that was originally on the site back in the 50s and 60s ,the project is being developed and built by Bluerock Projects, who will ultimately be the landlord as

Bluerock Projects director Daniel Rainone said the name was chosen after community consultation.

The company started on the site in October last year and all going well hope to be welcoming their first tenants late this year or early next year.

"Hopefully we'll have residents in January, February of next year, subject to how the weather holds up, but we should have the roof on

in about six weeks time," he said.
"We've also got just over 700sqm of ground floor retail as well that will be leased out, which obviously fronts Great Eastern highway as well."

Mr Rainone said their leasing agent CBRE was currently out to market leasing that space.

"We've had really good interest, and I think we've had good interest, not just in the retail space, but we have a list of people wanting to move into the apartments already, and we haven't started that leasing process

"There's a massive demand for housing in Midland with all the investment that's going on in the area, the new train station, the new



Bluerock Projects director Daniel Rainone at the company's Tuohy Gardens build-to-rent development on the corner of Great Eastern Highway and Tuohy Lane in Midland. Picture: Anita McInnes

hospital, the university extensions, the new hospital extension, and then all the work the city's doing to revitalise the town centre.

"It's a wonderful place to live, and I think we can see more and more demand from residents in the area and people from outside the area wanting to call this their home, and that's sort of the importance for us of providing good quality housing.

He said the development was not social housing.

"It is built in a sustainable manner and it is professionally run by a professional landlord.

"So it doesn't rely on govern-

ment grants – it doesn't rely on handouts of any sort.

"It is a for profit development, but it is tailored to the entry level market, more of an affordable rental product.'

He said all the timber for the development was produced and sourced in Western Australia and once it was completed it would be the largest timber frame apartment development in the state.

'So it's about producing sustainable and affordable apartments in communities that really need it.

That being said, we are a for profit company, and that's sort of part of our mandate, we have to be able to build and deliver projects that are sustainable, that don't rely on government grants, but can also provide much needed housing to the local community, which is really important to us.

Bluerock Projects owns and operates the building just opposite Tuohy Lane.

That was our first development that's nine apartments in a commercial space.

We used it as a bit of a test bed, if you will, to prove the timber construction methodology here in Western Australia, that's currently the largest timber apartment building in Western Australia (and)

that's fully rented.

We manage that building as well, and most of our tenants have been in that building since the day we finished, which was in 2020 so we have had tenants that have been in there four or five years.

The Tuohy Gardens site marks the route of the railway tracks of the former Midland Railway Com-

One of the pieces of artwork they will be installing will be a bit of a homage to that historical link.

We found some of the old railway tracks and we'll be reinstalling them across the building so that public can enjoy them again.



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The winners are:

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2nd Prize	\$1,000 Bendigo Bank Account	Michael Fouldes	Darlington Community Garden
3rd Prize	\$1,000 Bendigo Bank Account	Mia Wilkinson	Sacred Heart Primary School P&F
4th Prize	\$1,000 Bendigo Bank Account	Eryn Savell	Sacred Heart Primary School P&F
5th Prize	\$1,000 Bendigo Bank Account	Nathan Van Beek	Gidgegannup Junior Football Club
6th Prize	\$1,000 Bendigo Bank Account	Brian Durham	Save Perth Hills

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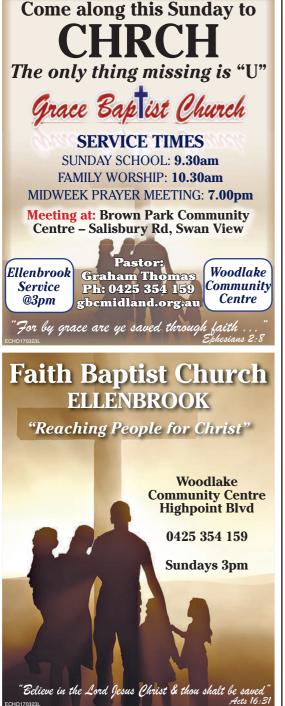
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Swan SES to host first open day



THE Swan State Emergency Service (SES), which has been aiding the community for 60 years, will be hosting its first open day on Sunday, May 25.

Swan SES historical records officer Melanie Rybka said the idea came about to help empower the community to be storm ready this coming winter.

The idea came about after two large storms hit the City of Swan area within a matter of weeks before the official start of the storm season, resulting in a large number of requests for assistance," Miss Rybka said.

Miss Rybka said the open day would involve family friendly activities, viewing demonstrations, a tour of the facility and vehicles, as well as a sausage sizzle for patrons to enjoy.

Swan SES said the demonstrations would cover flooding, roof safety and gutter maintenance.

"We wanted this event to be a one stop shop for storm information, so we have invited the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) community preparedness, the City of Swan and Australian Red Cross to come and provide information to the community during the event," she said.

The event will be held at Swan SES, on the corner of Bishop Road and Great Northern Highway from 11am to 2pm.

Prisoner rehabilitation tour calls for employers to step up

from page 3.

"I got locked up at the age of seven for smashing my principal's car," he said.

"I was bad - never liked being at home because mum and dad (were) drinking all the time so I'd always run off and that's where it started, and I was just in and out of juvie at a young age.

"It just took me so long to just realise it's not life, man.

"Because most of my life has been beyond a door and watching four walls and you can't wake up on the wrong side of

"Otherwise, in jail, you get forced what to do and there is no answers to questions but you've got to do it like, 'yes boss,' and if you don't, they'll make it hard for you.

"I just don't want my kids to go through the same sh*t I've been through.

"Lost family, my nanas, pops, best mates – my best mate, who I went to day-care and grew up with, died two weeks before I got out.

Mr Hill said a moment that stuck with him was the first reaction his eldest daughter had when he was released, as well as the realisation that life had much more to offer than jail.

'The day I got out of jail my oldest daughter was there as I was walking up the stairs with all my stuff, and she just came running and started telling me, and

grabbed me, you know, and she said, 'Dad, I never ever thought you was getting out," he said.

"I would never want to do that to her ever again – eight years of her life gone and my (youngest) daughter just turned four last month.

'It was my first birthday ever being out for her in her life and the first paycheck I got was \$800, and I spent \$700 and it was the best thing ever.

"I had to have it at home because I was on an ankle bracelet, but I just bought her everything and had a good party for her.

"I'm 26 now and I only got out about five months ago now and when they said to me you get \$30 an hour, when in jail you get like \$3 a day, I was like to myself, 'I'll do that there for the rest of my life'.

'At the end of the day, I'm only trying to get myself better at the moment.

'I can't help anyone if I'm broken, and I've still got to fix myself.

"Might take a short time might take a long time, you just never know – it's just a whole work in progress, you know?"

Mr Bown said although Hanssen construction was playing a critical role in being the first to try the model, more willing employers were needed to give opportuni-

ties in all sectors.
"We've literally got 30 people on our waiting list right now that I've inter-



Hanssen managing director Darren Linton at the Hazelmere facility.

viewed that are all ticketed up, that are all ready to start work and we just can't place them all.

"And you know the sad thing is I know that some of them are going to fall off and go back because we can't place them.

"So, if anyone can help us, let us know." Mr Bown may be contacted by mobile at 0400 383 192 or by email at chris. bown@thriveintegration.com.au

Katanning sheep processor funding

A MAJOR sheep processing plant in Katanning has been given a \$12 million loan to expand and upgrade its facility through the state government's co-operative companies loan scheme.

The three-year loan will fund capital works to enable the farmer-owned Western Australian Meat Marketing Co-operative (WAMMCO) to expand its lamb and sheep meat processing capacity.

In addition to expanding the processing facility, other improvements will include a new high-tech freezing unit and the construction of additional staff accommodation.

The new loan is in addition to a previous \$12m loan provided in 2024 for stage 1 of the Katanning upgrades for a new chain and container park.

WAMMCO's Katanning plant is currently the only major producerowned co-operative meat processing and marketing company in Australia, with more than 700 farmer members across WA's agricultural regions.

Agriculture and Food Minister Jackie Jarvis said investing in local sheep processing facilities has never been more important to build capacity and assist industry to respond to the changing global landscape.

"The Cook Government is supporting our sheep producers to capitalise on international market opportunities by supporting WAMMCO to expand production.

"The co-operative's Katanning plant is the largest employer in

the Great Southern, with more than 300 staff. "This increased processing capacity will provide a welcome boost to the local economy and state's sheep industry as a whole.'

More than \$151m in loans have been provided to Western Australian co-operatives for capital purchases since the co-operative companies loan scheme began in 2005.

The scheme provides tax benefits that reduce the capital costs by about 30 per cent to co-operatives owned by WA farmers and fishers.



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2025 Forrestfield Community Raffle Results

The 2025 Community Raffle generated \$52,475 for our local Community!

The Winners are:

1st Prize	\$20,000	Kate Scotcher	Dawson Park PS P&C
2nd Prize	\$5,000	Marissa Bailey	Walliston PS P&C
3rd Prize	\$1,000	Vicky Monro	Kalamunda Rugby Club
4th Prize	\$1,000	Ryan Tally	Kalamunda Hockey Club
5thPrize	\$1,000	Nieve Hope	Guildford Kalamunda Swimming Club

Congratulations to the following groups who collectively raised \$52,475 and sold 10495 tickets!

Community Stitchers WA Inc

CWA Kalamunda

Darling Range Seniors Hub

Darling Range Wind Ensemble Inc

Dawson Park Primary School P & C

Foothills Mens Shed Inc

Forrestfield Flyers Teeball Club

Forrestfield Football Club

Forrestfield Little Athletics Club

Forrestfield Tennis Club

Guildford & Kalamunda District Swimming Club

Hartfield Country Club

Kalamunda Agricultural & Districts Society Inc

Kalamunda Chamber of Commerce

Kalamunda District Football Club

Kalamunda District Junior Football Club

Kalamunda Districts Hockey Club

Kalamunda Districts Rugby Union Club

Kalamunda Pistol Club

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Mazenod Junior Football Club

Pickering Brook Football Club

Pickering Brook Netball Club

Walliston Primary School P & C Association

Western Cobras Softball Club

Woodlupine Family Centre



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Hare Krishna community celebrates founder's visit

CINDY CARTOJANO

EVENTS were held in the cities of Swan and Kalamunda earlier this month to commemorate the 50 years since the founder of the Hare Krishna Movement visited Perth.

Sacred India co-director Shree Radha Raman said the celebrations were significant to the Hare Krishna community in Western Australia.

"We consider it a great honour that the founder of the worldwide Hare Krishna Movement, Srila A C Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada, chose to spend 10 days in Perth 50 years ago," he said.
"We recognise that his visit all those

years ago sowed the seed for the future growth of our community here in WA.

Mr Raman said seeing the younger members of the community was a memorable part of the celebrations.

"It was particularly touching for me to see younger members of our community, our teenagers and our kids, all enthusiastically participating in our celebrations.

"These kids are our future for the next 50 years.'

Mr Raman said he joined the Hare Krishna Temple in 1984 and took vows as a monk in the same year, at the age of 19.

"There was only a handful of Hare Krishna members in Perth in those days, we were all young and very much a part of the Australian counter-culture generation of the 1970s and early 1980s.

'We now have hundreds of families in our congregation, and we provide important community services as a spiritual and cultural organisation dedicated to cross-cultural awareness and support.

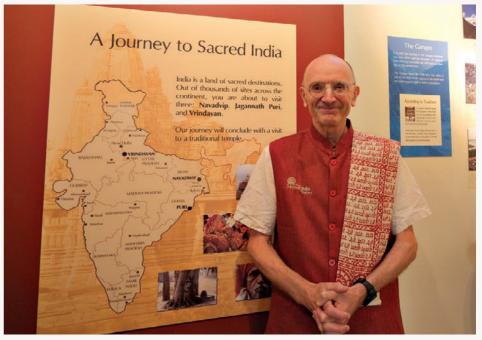
During this time in his life, Mr Raman said societal expectations about education, career and family had moulded parts of his life.

"But I wanted to know more about the essence of my existence beyond all the labels.

"I was also very intrigued by the concept that so many things upon which we place great value will ultimately come and

"I also wanted to try and help others to deal with the challenges of this modern world, which can at times be a very confusing place to exist."

Mr Raman said a key driver for his faith in the movement was his belief in the external and internal side of people's exist-



Shree Radha Raman at Sacred India in Bennett Springs. Picture: Cindy Cartojano

"In the modern world, there is so much emphasis on externals as a measure of a successful life, but my work as a Hare

Krishna monk focuses on assisting people from all walks of life to deepen their inner journey.'

Revamp for Mundaring cultural precinct



Artist's impression of the new Mundaring amphitheatre.

SHIRE of Mundaring is progressing plans to revitalise its town centre, with council endorsing the first stage of its cultural precinct improvement plan.

This includes the detailed design and construction of a new amphitheatre and events space within the Mundaring Community Sculpture Park, replacing the existing facility.

Shire President Paige McNeil said the revitalisation would provide a more welcoming and versatile space for the community to come together, celebrate and enjoy local events and activities.

The plan outlines a long-term vision for a vibrant and inclusive town centre with staged upgrades to public amenities, open spaces and community fa-

Stage 1a marks the first major step in bringing that vision to life, with \$1.4 million allocated from the civic facilities reserve to deliver the new event space, with the funding to be provided over two years, with \$700,000 committed in the first year.

Ms McNeil said the project would create an inviting, flexible space for community connection and celebration.

"This amphitheatre will become a key feature in our town centre, a place where people can gather for live music, markets, performances and events," she said.

"It will complement the natural beauty and heritage of our much loved Sculpture Park, while providing modern infrastructure to support a wide range of community activities and events.

The concept design was informed by community and stakeholder consultation with refinements made to reflect local priorities such as maintaining the park's natural feel, improving pedestrian access, and integrating lighting and power for events.

Future stages of the improvement plan include upgraded end-of-trip facilities, a new amenities block, and broader streetscape enhancements timed to align with the development of the adjacent Mundaring cultural hub.

Detailed design for stage 1a will now begin, with further community engagement to support delivery and minimise impacts during construction.

For more information, visit www.engage.mund aring.wa.gov.au/mundaring-town-centre-revitali sation

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Young Swan heads to Vancouver for film festival

CINDY CARTOJANO

YOUNG Swan resident Ziva Taylor is heading to Vancouver in early June to showcase her film Are We Okay at the annual international youth film festival (IYFF).

Miss Taylor said she wanted to share stories that helped people who were dealing with personal struggles.

She said her film explored bullying and the loss of female friendship.

"This story is incredibly personal to

"I poured everything I had, emotionally and creatively, into telling it with care because I know how isolating that kind of loss can feel.'

As the only member of the production crew aside from the actors, Miss Taylor said she directed, wrote, produced, filmed and edited the final product.

"We would film from 9am to 4pm, or even 5pm some days, and when I got home I would be reviewing footage, analysing what went well and what would need to happen for the next shoot.'

Despite some challenges along the way, Miss Taylor said she shared many memorable moments with the crew

"Jokes during morning tea and car rides, fun dances between takes, congratulating each other on our work and performance.

'It was beautiful seeing the performances that the actors gave when they were truly in the zone."

Miss Taylor said she enjoyed the creative process and often talked about new concepts throughout the day with others.

"Filmmaking in particular stood out to me because I love visual beauty and seeing micro expressions and communicating ideas visually.

But I also love writing, creating realistic dialogue and challenging my writing skills to create something impactful.

After hearing the news that she had been selected for the IYFF, Miss Taylor opened a GoFundMe on May 12 with an \$8000 goal to support her trip.

Two days later, Miss Taylor said she had already reached her goal.

"I could not believe how quickly people



Ziva Taylor on set of her film Are We Okay.

banded together to support me in my filmmaking journey.'

Miss Taylor said even though she was only 16-years-old, she hoped to continue her creative journey in the future.

"I know I'm young, but I definitely see myself directing and writing more films in the future," she said.

Swan and Mundaring suburbs show high growth

FIFTEEN of the top 20 highest growth suburbs in Perth during the past 12 months were located at least 15km from the Perth GPO, according to Co-

Cotality (CoreLogic's new name) said the lower quartile of the housing market had led capital growth during the past year reflecting heightened demand for more affordable homes as buyers navigate continued serviceability constraints and stretched affordability metrics.

The City of Swan (seven suburbs in the top 20) and Shire of Mundaring (four suburbs) LGAs accounted for the biggest share of high-growth suburbs.

Cotality research director Tim Lawless said despite broad economic headwinds, strong capital growth had clustered in city outskirts where home values re-mained "just" within reach for many Australians.

"Households are making pragmatic decisions in response to tighter borrowing capacity and higher mortgage costs," he said.

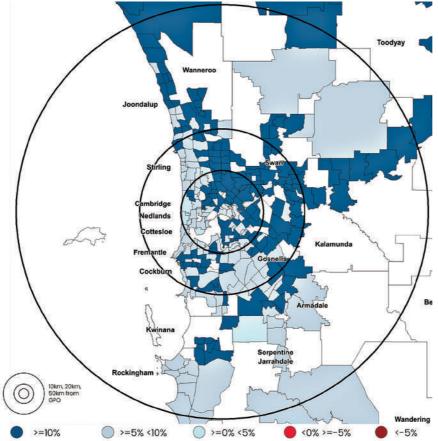
"That's pushed demand towards the lower quartile of the market, and it's across the outer suburbs that this value-driven demand is translating into the strongest growth."

He said the trend was visible in every capital city

Adelaide has seen dwelling values rise by 9.8 per cent during the past 12 months, with every suburb recording a rise but 16 of the top 20 suburbs for annual gains in value were located at least 20km from the Adelaide GPO, with the strongest conditions skewed towards the northern suburbs.

In Brisbane across the top 20 suburbs recording the highest annual gain in values, 17 were located at least 20km from the Brisbane GPO.

Melbourne followed a similar pattern, where despite broader market softness, 38 per cent of suburbs 20km or more



Fifteen of the top 20 highest growth suburbs over the past 12 months were located at least 15km from the Perth GPO. Graph: Cotality

from the CBD recorded growth.

In Sydney, all of the top twenty suburbs for annual growth were at least 20km from the CBD.

Mr Lawless said the latest data underscores a structural shift in buyer behaviour driven by the fact that the median income no longer buys the median home.

'In theory, a household on a median income, with a 20 per cent deposit, would need to dedicate just over half of their gross income to afford a median-priced

"In practice, that's pushing buyers further out, where homes remain comparatively affordable.

'The result is that we're seeing outer suburban markets do much of the heavy lifting in terms of price growth."

He said the geographic tilt towards the fringe had implications for infrastructure, transport and planning, as populations in those areas grow rapidly off the back of housing demand.

Midland car yard vandalism charges

MIDLAND Police have charged three juveniles as a result of an investigation into the vandalism of several vehicles parked at car dealerships along Great Eastern Highway on Wednesday,

The damage occurred sometime between midnight and 1am.

Most of the vehicles vandalised were brand new and sustained significant damage to their exteriors, including smashed windscreens, headlights and dented panels.

Following a short, focused police investigation, with significant support and information from the local community, police located and arrested the juveniles in relation to the incident that same morn-

A 14-year-old female was charged with one count of criminal damage and one count of trespass, a 13-year-old female has been charged with two counts of criminal damage, two counts of trespass and two counts of stealing.

The pair are both due to appear before the Midland Children's Court at a later date.

A 12-year-old male has been charged with two counts of criminal damage and two counts of trespass.

He was also charged with one count of assaulting a retail worker and one count of stealing for unrelated incidents that occurred in Bellevue on April

He is due to appear before the Perth Children's Court at a later date.

Two other juveniles aged 14 and 16 were referred to the juvenile justice team for trespassing.

"Midland Police are committed to reducing crime and officers take pride in serving the community in which they work and live in," a police spokesperson said.

Members of the community are encouraged to report crimes to police on 131 444 or to Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or online via www.crime stopperswa.com.au

Reports to Crime Stoppers can remain anony-













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A new stage is set for Mundaring

Shire of Mundaring

ON THE TRAIL

Hi everyone,

Key matters that shape our community are discussed and decided at our regular Council meetings, held every second Tuesday of the month. And you're

welcome to attend! Here are some highlights from May's meeting.

Shire President's Message

We are lighting up Brown Park Sports Oval in Swan View! Council awarded the tender to upgrade the lighting to enable more training and sporting opportunities in the evenings.

Thanks to the combined efforts of the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries, Cricket Australia and the Swan View Cricket Club, we're looking forward to even greater local participation in sport and recreation at the Shire's only District-level

Our community is stronger when we can have a say in shaping its future. That's why Council has backed efforts to give residents a greater Community voice in planning decisions by supporting the WA Local Government Association's (WALGA) position to improve the Development Application Panel (DAP) assessments.

Council supported:

- Expanding the panel to six members, ensuring equal representation of Council members and independent planning
- Raising the minimum project value for DAP reviews from \$2 million to \$5 million, allowing smaller developments to be determined locally - by Council.
- Holding DAP meetings at Local Government premises (for us - the Shire Administration building), making it easier for you to attend and have your say.

Exciting news - our Railway Reserves Heritage Trail has won the People's Choice Top Trail by Trails WA! Spanning 59km through the Shire of Mundaring the walking and cycling trail follows the historic Eastern Railway, winding past our charming villages and offering scenic views through the heart of the Perth Hills.

And remember - with the late start to Autumn rains, stay informed of the daily burning restrictions by signing up for SMS alerts at mundaring.wa.gov.au/SMSmessage

Paige McNeil **Shire President**



Council has endorsed the first stage of the Mundaring Cultural Precinct Improvement Plan, paving the way for a revitalised amphitheatre and events space in Mundaring Community Sculpture Park.

Stage 1 will replace the existing structure with a more welcoming, flexible and accessible venue for community gatherings, performances and events – all set in the heart of our town centre.

Shire President Paige McNeil said the new space will be a key destination for connection and celebration, reflecting the beauty and heritage of the park while adding modern infrastructure to support future events.

Community input has shaped the concepts. Detailed design for Stage 1a will now begin, with further community engagement to support delivery and minimise impacts during construction.

Stage 1a will be delivered with \$1.4 million allocated over two years from the Civic Facilities Reserve.Learn more and stay updated at engage.mundaring.wa.gov.au/ mundaring-town-centre-revitalisation



Ordinary Council Meeting

Tuesday 10 June 6.30pm

Shire Administration Centre

The agenda is available on the website, or at the Administration Centre and libraries. Meetings will be live streamed mundaring.wa.gov.au/ council-livestreams-and-



Raising Children in a **Digital World**

Tuesday 24 June

10am to 12pm Boya Library

Keep kids safe online and find balance in your digital family life. Free workshop presented by Midvale Hub Parenting Service. Bookings essential: events.humanitix. com//240625am



Book Cafe Tuesday 27 May

10am to 11.30am Hub of the Hills

Grab a pre-loved book, enjoy free tea and coffee, plus homemade treats for a \$2 donation all for a great cause. Every dollar from sales, raffle and morning tea supports Cancer Council WA.



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Wednesday 11 June 10.30am to 12pm Boya Community Centre

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Emotion coaching your adolescent

Tuesday 24 June

5pm to 7pm Boya Library

Understand vour teen's emotional development. Free workshop by Midvale Hub Parenting Service. Bookings essential: events.humanitix. com//240625pm



Beginners Veggie Gardening for Adults

Monday 30 June

10am to 11.30am Boya Community Centre

Join Robyn Brown to learn how to grow a thriving veggie garden. Bookings essential: events. humanitix.com//300625b. Presented by Shire of Mundaring Libraries & Switch Your Thinking.



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We are also now open at 2/245 Great Eastern Hwy Midland – opposite Midland Gate Shopping Centre and next to Auto Masters, so call in next time you are in Midland, find a bargain and pass it forward.





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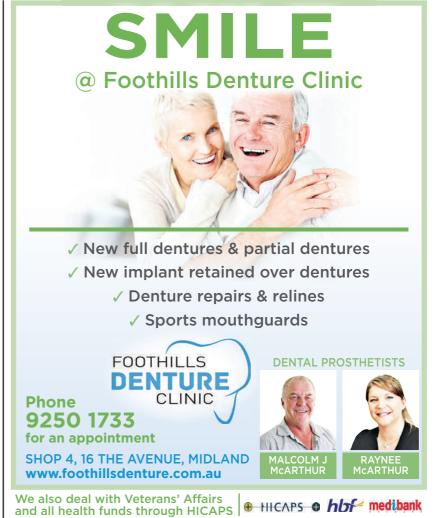
The clinic is a Medibank Private Members Choice Provider and an HBF Members Plus Provider.

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KPAC Eases into New Box Office Hours for Winter

From Wednesday 4 June 2025, KPAC will be trialling a change to its Box Office hours, with walk-in and phone services now available Tuesday to Friday, 10am-2pm, and 30 minutes before each perfor-

This seasonal adjustment reflects quieter periods at the counter and follows a trend seen at many theatres across Perth.

Rest assured, KPAC's friendly team will still be there to assist during these new hours — and as always, tickets remain available online 24/7 via the KPAC website for your convenience.

We understand that change can take a lit-

tle getting used to, and we're taking this step thoughtfully to ensure we continue meeting the needs of our valued patrons.

Your feedback is always welcome as we trial these updated hours over the coming

The trial will go for three (3) months and be reviewed by 5 September 2025.

Thank you for your continued support and see you at the Theatre!

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Friday 6th June, 2025

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Fri May 23

Settlers House York Back Verandah Bar. From 5.30pm. Free. Avon Terrace York

Woodbridge Hotel Powerplay. From 8pm. Free. 50 East St Guildford

Lvric's Bar Laneway Bar Steve Hensby Duo. From 7pm. Free. 22 Lyric Lane Maylands

Mahogany Inn & Distillery Matt Sofoulis 6pm-9pm. Free. 4260 Great Eastern Hwy Mahogany Creek

Parkerville Tavern TJ Donovon.

From 6pm. Free. 6 Owen Road Parkerville

Bassendean Hotel DJ Roller. 8pm-Late. Free. 25 Old Perth Road Bassendean

Sat May 24

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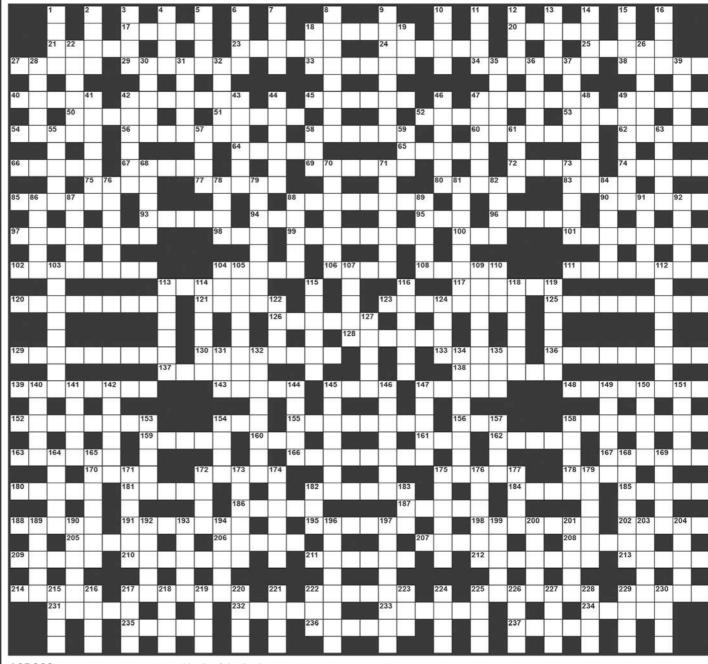
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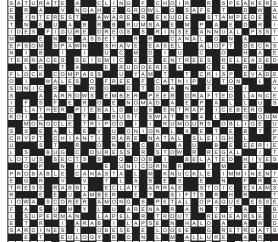
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For more information or an application form, please contact the Regional Parks Unit Community Liaison Officer on 9442 0300 or cacswanregionalparks@dbca.wa.gov.au

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Applications close midday Wednesday 2 June 2025

Employment



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FULL-TIME

The Shire of Toodyay has 2 exciting opportunities within the Finance and Corporate Services Team and is seeking applications from suitably qualified individuals to come and work with us.

The Shire is seeking a Finance Officer (Accounts Payable) and a Finance Coordinator (Senior Finance Officer) to join our Finance and Corporate Services division, the heart of a strategic transformation. These roles are both full-time positions based in Toodyay, only 50 minutes from Midland.

Finance Officer - Accounts Payable

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- · Coordinating finance functions with the Executive Manager; and
- · Regularly performing a range of finance functions, including management reporting, BAS, bank reconciliations, debtors, creditors and journals.

Why Toodyay:

The Shire of Toodyay is a beautiful semi-rural Shire on the Avon River in the central wheatbelt just outside of the metro region and only 45 minutes from Midland. The Shire has experienced strong growth and development in recent years with a thriving CBD and an active and engaged community.

Our vision is to create a workplace where our culture is positive, our people are inspired, and our teams perform at their best. We are committed to supporting our staff to grow, learn, and develop, ensuring that everyone can achieve their full potential

- · Tertiary Qualifications and/or Previous experience relevant to each role;
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Why you will love working in Toodyay

- Be able to make a real impact in a close-Knit community;
- Work in a picturesque setting with a supportive and enthusiastic team;
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What we offer

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Applicants should include a current CV and a cover letter describing how you meet the requirements of the role that you are applying for.

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Alan Hart

Executive Manager Finance and Corporate Services

Read between the lines

by Pastor Ian Kirk



So Many People!

Last Saturday arrived back home from our holiday in Japan. When we entered Perth Airport's international terminal, we were shocked - shocked by how few people there were. In contrast, while while in Japan, there were people everywhere; at airports, at tourist spots, and especially at

train stations.
While in Tokyo, we stayed near the Tokyo train station. Every time we went into this station, it was so full of people; crowds of people coming off trains and crowds arriving to get on a train. Mind you, Tokyo station has multiple train lines and subways that flow in and out of it, including the Shinkansen (the Bullet train).

crowds The of people wherever we went, reflects the fact that Japan has 125 million people living on a small island, whereas we only have 27 million people living on a big island.

But though there are so many people in Japan, and in our world (8 billion people), how wonderful it is that God knows every single person. Just as He knows all the stars by name (Isaiah 40:26), He knows each person by name. Jesus taught us that He even knows the number of hairs on our head.

The God who made all things not only knows us, but He cares for us. That's why He sent His eternal Son Jesus into our world to save us from our sins and to enable us to be with Him in heaven one day - if we believe in Jesus.

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- Eastern Hills Wildflower Society is holding a creating a habitat garden session on Saturday, June 7 from 1pm to 3pm at Octagonal Hall, 52 McGlew Road, Glen Forrest. Mandy and Mike Bamford
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Yips don't stop Roos from beating Lions by 31 points



The Mundaring Roos had more opportunities to score against the Mt Helena Lions.

BRIAN PALLISTER

MUNDARING hosted Mt Helena in round six of the Hills Football Association season and came away with a 10.20 (80) to 7.7 (49) win, which would have been bigger if not for their inaccuracy in front of

A very even first quarter had Mundaring with a slender three-point lead at the first break.

Dylan O'Loghlen defended stoutly for the Roos, while Jay Duggan got the ball forward allowing Matthew Ellwood to mark and convert his kick on goal.

Oli Aitken was again the Roos' nominated ruckman and appeared to be winning his fair share of the ruck contests

Harrison Kelly and Brendan Agnew worked hard

around the packs getting the ball out driving it into their forward line.

Robert Di Salvio started to impact the game with his hard working run off a wing, delivering accurately to forwards Andrew Freeman and Clayton Thomas.

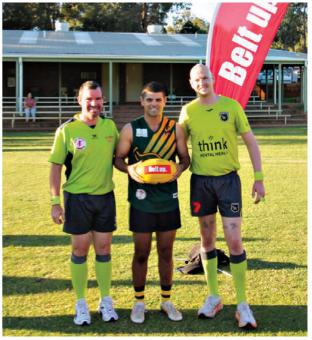
If not for the Roos' inaccuracy their lead would have been greater than 13 points at the main break.

A low scoring third quarter by both teams still had Mundaring's lead manageable.

Mt Helena needed to dig deep and find more drive if they wanted to stay in the game.

Zac and Bo Read worked tirelessly in their backline. The Roos kicked two goals, five behinds to the Lions two behinds

Matthew Ellwood had been moved onto the ball in an attempt to offer the Lions more drive from the midfield,



Jonathon Antonio, Mundaring player Robert DiSalvio with the Belt-up football and Jak Wulf.

Rohan Murphy stepped up to offer them another scoring option. Mundaring still couldn't control their goal-front yips scoring another six behinds for the last.

Sam Butler capped off a solid game with some strong last quarter marking.

Lachlan Nicol joined in the point kicking spree.

Eric Judd finished off his game with the Lions' last goal for the game.

Belt-up round is conducted throughout all senior Country Football.

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The garage opens up to a grassy back-yard, suitable for bringing landscaping ide-

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In the main bedroom is a roomy three-panel sliding wardrobe and a floor to ceiling mirror.

The room is well lit by a window which

looks out into the backyard.

The remodelled central bathroom is minimalist, with a white and grey colour

It has an undermounted vanity with four storage compartments below and a shower bath beside.

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