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### Thanks for the help

**Dear Echo News,**

My name is David Howell and I live in Parkerville and I was walking across Great Eastern Highway opposite Seaborne Street, and I fell over and hit my head on the pavement.

Within two minutes six people and two police officers came to help me.

I want to sincerely thank all of them for their help in making sure I was okay.

**D Howell**  
**Parkerville**

### Drivers must change their ways

**Dear Echo News,**

It has been interesting with all the comments from Dr Hughes and N Mclean about the driving habits of a substantial number of drivers up and down Great Eastern Highway from Mundaring to Midland.

With the new 70km/h limit from Lionel Road up and down Greenmount it really has made no difference to driver behaviour.

N Mclean is right in many ways.

Even along Great Eastern Highway from Mundaring many exceed the 80km/h limit with some notable incidents happening.

Some trucks seem to ignore their requirements also, many do comply.

Many motorists fail to stop at stop signs.

With modern vehicles there is a thing called cruise control.

Why not use instead of ignoring the accepted guidelines?

I often wonder if

there is/are some impairment with many vehicle operators thus they should not be on the road.

Many fail to stop at Scott Street hence the number of near misses and incidents.

Please drive in a safe and courteous and careful manner.

You might be the next incident.

**E Smith**  
**Glen Forrest**

### Trucks needed to deliver

**Dear Echo News,**

Has Mr Hughes any idea of the traffic that uses the Great Eastern highway through Midland and the heavy vehicles that are required to deliver goods to the businesses along this route?

Thankfully, Main Roads also recognise the issue with the railway station requiring this access for buses and drop offs.

You only have to look at the disaster which is now Clayton Street to see how to really cause major traffic snarl ups.

I think we need to leave well alone, until we don't need road transport at all.

Is that the future?

**N Mclean**  
**Mundaring**

### Glyphosate spraying a concern

**Dear Echo News,**

On January 9 about 10.30am in the morning I observed the spraying at the High Wycombe train station precinct in high winds, of deadly glyphosate, well-known as a carcinogenic chemical and banned in many countries.

### Thought for the day

"Life's meaning is not in following someone else, it is in the unfolding of one's own self. It is not a process of becoming like someone else, it is to be oneself." – Osho

Unusually, the sprayer walked within less than a meter of three girls sitting on the steel seats (near the 277/276 bus stop). He had the nozzle down and was apparently spraying into cracks (with no evidence of any plant life) as he passed them.

The sprayer at this time had a sign on display and then came back on the other side.

The sign reads: "Caution Glyphosate being applied. Avoid contact with this area whilst the sign is displayed."

How is one to "avoid contact" when the spray can easily be carried in high winds, and the sprayer intrudes where people are sitting?

Two sprayers then continued to spray plants further away.

Many people would consider this a dangerous activity and to come so close to children it is doubly so.

I think the nature of the activity should be discontinued.

This is the third time I have had to draw attention to irresponsible spraying in high winds of carcinogenic sprays in Kalamunda City.

About seven years ago I advised Minister Day of spraying in high winds using a swinging spraying apparatus from a truck driving outside St Barnabas Anglican Church in Kalamunda as my wife, with intensive asthma, was walking right beside it.

A few years ago a truck sprayed glyphosate in our street.

The City of Kalamunda and the WA Department of Health

should show greater interest in dangerous chemical spraying.

**P Limb**  
**Kalamunda**

### Salvos financial support

**Dear Echo News,**

Most Australians have never heard of one of the most effective forms of financial support available to them and The Salvation Army says that needs to change.

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**K Hartnett**  
**Salvation Army Moneycare**

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# Gidgegannup residents demand action over illegal dumping

BRAYDEN MOULD

**FRUSTRATION** is piling in Gidgegannup as residents claim illegal dumping along Toodyay Road has reached a break point, with rubbish left on the roadside for months, in what residents describe as a lack of action from the City of Swan.

Toodyay Road, often described as the gateway to the Avon Valley, has been plagued by repeated incidents of dumped waste, including refrigerators, couches, tyres, and general household rubbish.

Gidgegannup resident Sue Adams said reports to the city have been largely ignored, claiming the problem has been effectively handballed to neighbours to clean up themselves.

“It’s gotten so bad my kids play spotto with the rubbish on the way home from school,” she said.

“They shout out when they see the couch, the refrigerator, or the pile of tyres as we drive past.

“An elderly gentleman I know waited eight months for the city to clean up the pile of garbage, only to get sick of waiting and ended up cleaning it up himself.”

Residents believe the surge in illegal dumping is linked to the costs to dump at the nearby Red Hill Waste Management Facility, which can cost upwards of \$50 just to dispose of rubbish.

“A lot of people are saying it’s because of the high fees at Red Hill,” Ms Adams said.

“They try and do the right thing and dump it legally, but when they find out the cost, they choose to avoid paying the bill and just dump it along the road on the way home instead.”



Another resident Sally Cookman says the community has become frustrated at the lack of action from the City of Swan.

“We report it to council and all they can seem to give us are excuses as to why they can’t clean it up,” she said.

“At one point, I reported rubbish that was dumped in front of my house and the city essentially told me I should just clean it up myself.”

Ms Cookman believes a strong deterrent is the only way to stop people from dumping their waste wherever is convenient.

“I’ve seen the portable CCTV camera’s down at Stratton Park shops used to try and stop antisocial behaviour and crime,” she said.

“That would be the best solution – put up a few cameras in dumping hotspots and hold people accountable.

“If they clean it up quickly and punish those responsible it won’t keep happening.”

City of Swan chief executive officer Stephen Cain said the city is aware of the community’s frustration.

“The city is aware of delays in our bulk collection service due to unforeseen mechanical issues with some of our equipment,” he said.

“City staff are actively working to resolve these issues, in the interim we have engaged with an external contractor to assist with collections.

“Residents are encouraged to continue reporting these incidents to the city, either by contacting us directly or via Snap Send Solve.”



Refrigerators, couches, and tyres are all items being dumped along the roadside.

# Kalamunda’s three headed High Wycombe challenges

GUANHAO CHENG

**THE City of Kalamunda faces three separate planning challenges in High Wycombe centred on Sultana Road West land-use conflicts, the delivery of a Metronet station, and more recent rezoning concerns at Hatch Court.**

The city said it wanted to emphasise that while the challenges were all located in High Wycombe, they arose from different decisions made at different times and should not be treated as a single planning problem.

*Echo News* has a look back at the history of the area and how planning priority changes caused unforeseen consequences for High Wycombe residents living between residential and industrial zones.

One of the longest-running issues is where industrial and residential zoning meet along Sultana Road West, which has been a source of reported negative quality-of-life impacts for residents for many years.

As reported in *Sultana Road West residents’ buffer concerns remain* (*Echo News*, January 16), City of Kalamunda Mayor Margaret Thomas said the situation was the result of planning transitions over time rather than a single decision by the council.

The city said land in High Wycombe South, adjacent to Sultana Road West, was originally planned and zoned for industrial use under earlier state and local planning frameworks.

Before 2010, expectations around buffers and separation distances were guided by policies that predated current interface and environmental standards, with roads and lot boundaries often relied on for separation.

Between 2010 and 2014, planning for the Forrestfield–High Wycombe Industrial Area continued, and the city planned for additional industrial development in its local planning strategy.

Changes were introduced with its consequences on resident’s amenities becoming apparent later, when in the same period, the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) progressed planning changes affecting High Wycombe South.

This was in response to major state infrastructure announcements related to the Forrestfield Airport Link.


In 2014, land north of Sultana Road West which was originally intended for light industrial use began transitioning toward higher-density residential outcomes, to fit state government infill and urban consolidation goals.

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High Wycombe South. Picture: City of Kalamunda.



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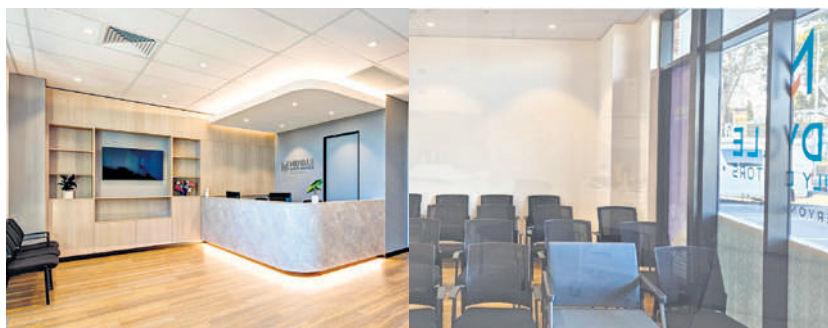


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## Perth Hills family holds 150th Weston gravesite anniversary



Family members of baby Francis commemorating the 150th anniversary.

### BRAYDEN MOULD

**DEEP** within the bushland of the Perth Hills, the descendants of one of the region's earliest pioneering families gathered on Sunday to honour a life that lasted only two days, but created a legacy spanning 150 years.

On January 18, more than 40 family members assembled at the Weston grave in Carmel to commemorate the anniversary of young Francis Weston's passing.

The gathering served as a reflection on a lineage that has remained connected to the gravesite for more than 15 decades.

The first child of Richard and Mary Weston, Francis was born on January 17, 1876 at the Mason and Bird Timber Mill where his father worked as a carpenter and wheelwright.

The infant survived only two days before passing away on January 19, leading to his father – an Irish convict who arrived in 1864 – to hand craft a coffin, jarrah headstone, and picket fence for a burial site in the forest.

A descendant of the original Weston family, Marilyn Rollings said the 150th anniversary marked a significant milestone for the family.

"We usually hold small ceremonies every few years, but this one was a particularly important occasion," she said.

"More than 40 people attended, including local residents, family members from the Perth metro area, family from Busselton, and one relative who travelled from Victoria especially for the gathering."

The grave has been looked after by the family since the infant's death, with Richard Weston tending to the grave until 1922, after which his son Gregory maintained the site for the next 40 years.

This tradition was continued by Gregory's son Neil, whose daughters Jill Della-Franca, and Marilyn Rollings have now assumed the responsibility of looking after the gravesite.

"My grandfather looked after the grave, then it was my father, and now it has passed to my generation," Ms Rollings said.

While the site was placed on the state heritage register in 2009, Ms Rollings credited the family's ongoing devotion for its continued preservation.

"Nothing really changed after 2009, but the family has made sure to look after it, to keep it maintained and safe," she said.

"We ended up building an outer fence around it to protect it, and we regularly clean it and repair any damage."

The ceremony included a display of historical items relating to the Weston family and early settlement of the Perth Hills.

Attendees also shared a reading from a book containing a poem written in 1982 by a Walliston school student, which commemorated baby Francis and his brief life.

According to the heritage council of Western Australia the gravesite is a lasting example of an earlier time in Perth's history.

"Weston Grave is one of the few remaining pieces of physical evidence of the Mason and Bird Timber Mill's existence," the heritage report said.

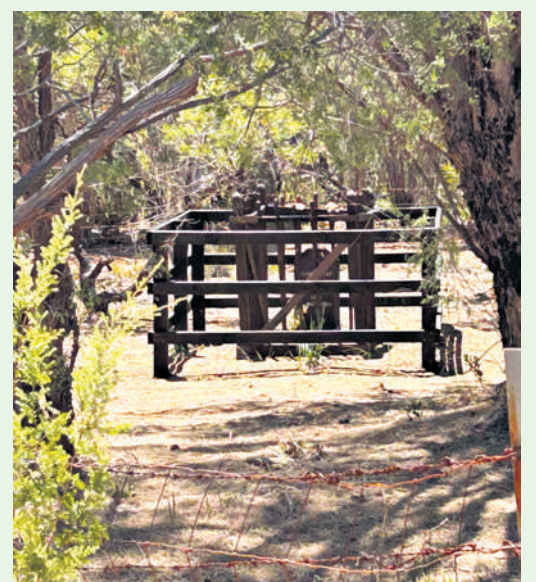
"Richard and Mary Weston were one of a few handful of pioneering families to settle in the area, and descendants still remain in the Darling Ranges today."



Memorabilia about the gravesite.



101 year old Mollie Weston with daughters Marilyn Rollings and Jill Della-Franca at the family reunion.



The heritage listed little grave of Francis Weston.



# Tobacco crimes in eastern suburbs predicted two years prior

GUANHAO CHENG

**SUPERMARKET proprietor Ben Heptinstall said the situation facing retailers in Perth's eastern suburbs reflected warnings he made more than two years ago, with illegal tobacco sales increasingly displacing legitimate businesses.**

"To put it bluntly, everything I said back in 2023 has come true, and I think it's going to get worse before it gets any better," he said.

Mr Heptinstall said he is part of a national tobacco committee alongside retailers and industry leaders and observed crackdowns in other states forced criminal activity west where laws were more lax.

"Queensland and NSW have introduced tough laws, so the activity shifts," he said.

"Right now, we're seeing Victoria and South Australia pick up that market, and it's only logical to understand WA is becoming increasingly exposed because we don't have the laws to stop it."

As reported in *Concerns cigarette and vape black market growing* (Echo News, September 15, 2023), Mr Heptinstall previously warned violence associated with the illicit tobacco trade would eventually reach Western Australia.

Mr Heptinstall said cost-of-living pressures were pushing otherwise law-abiding residents into the illegal market.

"When people can buy a pack of smokes for half the price, I completely understand why they're being pushed to do it," he said.

"Consumers slowly moved from legitimate retailers to the black market, and now it's completely out of control and violent."

He said retailers were increasingly

fearful of being pressured into selling illicit tobacco.

"Retailers are absolutely feeling unsafe," he said.

Mr Heptinstall said he was uncertain that recent enforcement changes announced by the state government would be enough on their own.

"They're making millions of dollars," he said.

"A few-thousand-dollar fine is not a deterrent when businesses can reopen after prosecution."

The comments follow a January 18 announcement by the state government outlining new measures to crack down on illegal tobacco operations across the state.

The measures include appointing senior Police Superintendent Steve Post in the Department of Health to lead tobacco compliance operations, expanding inspector numbers and drafting changes to the Tobacco Products Control Act to allow tougher penalties and store closures.

Premier Roger Cook said the illegal tobacco trade was being driven by organised crime and required a whole-of-government response.

Police Minister Reece Whitby said buying cheap illegal cigarettes was directly funding serious and organised crime.

Mr Heptinstall said meaningful consultation with retailers would be critical if the new laws were to have a real impact on the ground.

"Without that input, I'm not confident the legislation will address what retailers in communities like ours are already dealing with," he said.

A state government spokesperson said they would draw inspiration from other states' measures.

"Drafting effective legislation is complex... it will be introduced to parliament as soon as possible," they said.



The eastern suburbs' retailers have been victim to a rise in illicit tobacco related crimes. Picture: Brayden Mould

"As part of the drafting process, we look to other states to see what measures are having the greatest impact on this illicit market."

Hasluck MP Tania Lawrence said more inspectors, stronger penalties and the ability to shut down rogue stores in WA will make a real difference for communities that want safer streets.



"State enforcement only works if it's backed by strong federal action" she said.



"I can assure our community that our governments are not looking the other way."

Ms Lawrence said federal government was also stopping illegal tobacco at the border, cracking down on imports and investing \$345 million in enforcement.



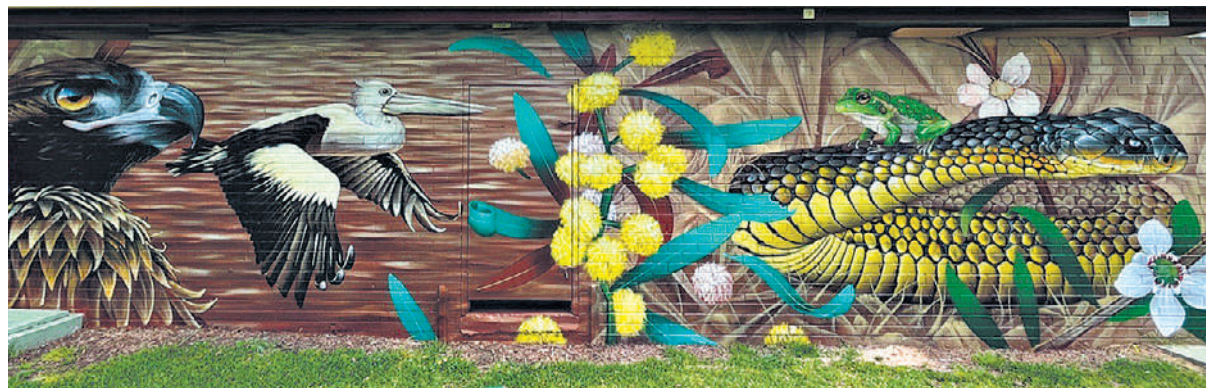
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Previous work by lead Northam mural artist Alex 'Sugar' Kinneen.

# Northam mural boosts Indigenous youth wellbeing and participation

GUANHAO CHENG

**NORTHAM is set to receive a new public mural as part of a mental health push involving creative activities that boost the social and emotional wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander youth.**

The mural to be painted at 6 Wellington Street will begin works on January 26, led by lead artist Alex Kinneen, known as Sugar.

The mural is part of the state government-funded Stay Strong, Look After You and Your Mob campaign, inviting young Aboriginal people to work alongside an experienced artist to create large-scale public artworks carrying messages of self-care, resilience and community connection.

Mental Health Minister Meredith Hammat said the campaign promoted wellbeing not only through the murals' public messages, but through the creative process itself.

"This important campaign promotes the social and emotional wellbeing of young Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders through the

artwork's public messaging, and through the creative process," she said.

Northam is already known for murals that celebrate community stories, characters and heritage, with colourful artworks transforming everyday streets into shared cultural spaces for locals and visitors alike.

The addition of the wellbeing-focused mural continues that tradition, using public art to bring meaningful messages into the heart of the town.

Ms Hammat said the initiative was designed to take young people offline following the introduction of the social media ban for children under 16.

"This campaign takes young people offline to create and engage with something meaningful in a public space," she said.

By working alongside experienced local artists, young people are encouraged to express themselves through art while contributing to a permanent feature within their community.

"By working with an experienced

artist in each of the locations, young people can experience the benefits of expressing themselves through art and, hopefully, be inspired by what they can achieve," Ms Hammat said.

The Northam mural forms part of a broader statewide rollout, with murals also being painted in Karratha, Geraldton, Perth and Albany.

The campaign aims to inspire young people to look after themselves and their mob, while engaging Elders, community groups and health professionals who support Aboriginal social and emotional wellbeing.

The Northam mural will feature a theme promoting positive communication and "yarning with someone you trust" according to Made You Look director Will Clark.

"(Alex) designed the mural based on all the feedback from the Indigenous kids (from Northam), and hopefully during the process, the kids can come down and help install the mural," he said.

## Success Hill drainage project almost finished

GUANHAO CHENG

**A LONG-running drainage project at Success Hill Reserve is nearing completion, with the Town of Bassendean confirming works are expected to finish within the next two to three weeks.**

The Success Hill drainage diversion project is intended to permanently manage surface water runoff from an upstream residential catchment and replace a temporary drainage pipe at the foreshore.

Installation of a high-density polyethylene pipe along Eighth Avenue was completed before the Christmas break, with crews now installing a concrete pipe along Anzac Terrace.

The town said once pipe installation is complete, tidy-up and reinstatement works would begin at Kelly Park and Success Hill Reserve, with verges along Seventh Avenue and Eighth Avenue returned as closely as possible to their pre-construction condition.

Traffic management remains in place on Eighth Avenue and Anzac Terrace, with the town thanking residents and park users for their patience while the works are carried out.

The current design follows community concern raised in mid-2025 about an earli-

er proposal that would have significantly altered the topography of Success Hill Reserve.

Friends of Success Hill Reserve member Jane Bremmer had warned the original concept would reduce public open space and pose risks to a registered Aboriginal heritage site.

She welcomed the revised approach when construction began in November.

"(I'm) so glad that the Town of Bassendean agreed that the original plans needed a rethink and chose this option instead of a plan that would have changed the entire topography of this place, risking cultural heritage and further damage to this registered sacred site that has already suffered so much historically," she said.

Ms Bremmer previously said the earlier design would convert part of the southern grassy area of the reserve into an above-ground storm-water sump, reducing recreation space and affecting how families and Noongar community members use the area.

Following discussion at an ordinary council meeting, the town decided not to proceed with that plan.

"A great leap forward for the preservation of this sacred site and precious public open space," Ms Bremmer said.

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# Swan residents call for synthetic turf ban in effort to beat the heat

BRAYDEN MOULD

**PRESSURE is mounting on the City of Swan to join the growing list of Perth councils outlawing synthetic turf to protect tree canopy and combat the rising urban heat island (UHI) effect felt in residential neighbourhoods.**

The call for change follows successful bans in Fremantle, Victoria Park, and Subiaco, where artificial grass has been restricted to protect public health and the environment.

Local resident Catherine Dixon claims the installation of plastic lawns ruins local aesthetics while driving up temperatures in residential neighbourhoods.

“Synthetic turf has been documented to reach temperatures over double or triple the air temperature,” Ms Dixon said.

“They’re significantly hotter than natural grass, concrete, and asphalt which can put people at risk of burns and heat-related illnesses.

“Not to mention houses that have artificial grass (almost always) have nearly zero trees.”

The City of Swan’s own urban forest plan confirms that an increase in a neighbourhood’s heat can affect people’s health alongside the health of native wildlife that live in the area.

“The EPA has noted that heat-wave related deaths in Perth could more than double by 2050 as a result of the UHI effect and climate change,” the 2022 report said.

“Green corridors and streetscapes are critical in supporting biodiversity, and mitigating heat as (Perth’s) population approaches 3.5 million by 2050.”

Ms Dixon argues the city should completely ban the use of synthetic turf and switch to alternative natural grass, plants and trees.

“The trend in new developments installing fake grass is not helping our heat island or tree canopy,” she said.

“It looks ugly, weeds still grow, it fades in colour, it doesn’t hold its shape, and it smells.

“It’s time for the City of Swan to join the list and ban its use.”



**Synthetic turf temperatures can reach more than double or triple the temperature of the air.**

City of Swan Mayor Tanya Richardson confirmed that while the city hasn’t yet pursued a total ban, they remain firmly opposed to the trend of replacing natural surfaces with synthetic turf.

“While the City of Swan does not currently ban the use of synthetic turf on verges, it is discouraged,” she said.

“Waterwise verges with native plants and mulch increase water efficiency and stormwater infiltration, creating a cooling effect, and provide habitat for local wildlife.

“Additionally, the greening of verges can be beneficial for human health and wellbeing, improving aesthetics and saving money.

“Residents who plan to install synthetic turf must obtain permission from the city.”

# Lupinosis warning for livestock

**WHEATBELT livestock producers with lupin stubbles are urged to monitor flocks for signs of the liver disease, lupinosis, following widespread rainfall in November.**

There have been several reports of the disease in sheep flocks, particularly in the southern region, where lupin crops are increasingly being sown for grazing as a standing crop.

Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) field veterinary officer Judy Burson recommended producers check sheep regularly for signs of lupinosis and take prompt action, if the disease is suspected.

“Lupin crops or stubbles are a valuable feed source but need careful management,” Dr Burson said.

“Early signs of lupinosis can be subtle and include reduced appetite and loss of condition, disorientation and lethargy when driven, and individuals not keeping up with the mob or staying near water points.

“More severe cases show disorientation, blindness or head pressing behaviour, a hunched appearance and yellowing of the membranes around the eyes and in the mouth.

“Stock showing symptoms should be removed from the paddock immediately and advice sought from a veterinarian to diagnose the illness.

“The earlier action is taken, the less affected the flock or herd will be.”

Lupinosis is mainly caused by the consumption of lupin stubble that contains the fungus *Diaporthe toxica* (previously called *Phomopsis leptostromiformis*).

While modern narrow leaf lupin varieties typically have phomopsis resistance, these strains can still develop the disease under suitable conditions.

Dr Burson said affected livestock would need additional care, after they



**DPIRD field veterinary officer Dr Judy Burson encourages livestock producers to monitor their animals regularly for signs of the liver disease lupinosis.**

have been moved to new paddocks.

“Stock are best moved to a small paddock, with plenty of shade and water for a couple of weeks,” she said.

“Provide quality hay with small amounts of oats, if needed, but not lupins, as the damaged liver is unable to process a high protein diet.

“It can take up to six months for some animals to fully recover.”

Professional diagnosis by a veterinarian is recommended, as lupinosis symptoms can be similar to other diseases, including diseases exotic to Australia.

Subsidies under the Significant Disease Investigation Program may be available for investigations to aid early detection.

Details on lupinosis identification and management are available on the DPIRD website at <https://www.dpiird.wa.gov.au/lupinosis>

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# Inaugural urban greening strategy released by the state government



Community, local school and government projects all play an important part in the new strategy.



The recently released Urban Greening Strategy.

**THE state government has released the first ever urban greening strategy for Perth and Peel aiming to combat urban heat, strengthen climate resilience, support health and well-being, and enhance biodiversity and access to nature.**

It also recognises the contribution schools and community groups can make to increasing the tree canopy, from growing micro-forests on school sites to planting in local recreation areas, civic spaces, and verges.

To encourage urban greening projects aligned with the strategy, the Cook government will soon launch a new Let's Grow grants program and the first Let's Grow action plan.

Round one of the Let's Grow grants will fund schools and community groups to deliver urban greening projects that focus on boosting tree canopy.

The strategy and Let's Grow grants will drive progress towards the government's commitment to increase Perth's tree canopy cover to 30 per cent by 2040, and plant one million trees by 2035.

These measures build on state government funding already underway including the \$6.9 million Treebates incentive and the \$7.2m Tree Recovery Program.

The strategy will also deliver urban greening awareness and foster strong collaboration to ensure a shared vision towards better outcomes.

It has been shaped by extensive research and consultation, including with the leaders of the Danjoo Koorliny Walking Togeth-

er project.

Planning and Lands Minister John Carey said the government had worked extensively to develop the first ever urban greening strategy for Perth and Peel, while making significant investments to boost urban canopy.

"In line with this government's commitment to delivering housing and essential infrastructure, the strategy provides a co-ordinated, practical approach to ensure trees, plants, and green spaces are integrated into our neighbourhoods as they evolve.

"This new strategy supports our efforts to boost urban canopy including changes to the residential codes to incentivise tree retention, the Treebates incentive, and the Tree Recovery program."

Environment Minister Matthew Swinbourn said around the world, urban greening is being adopted as a response to global challenges like climate change and biodiversity loss.

"The Urban Greening Strategy reinforces the need to grow tree canopy and vegetation to shade and cool our neighbourhoods and improve community wellbeing.

"But more than just planting trees, urban greening helps protect and enhance the natural world that sustains us all. We all need to work together to create a city that is climate-resilient and nature-rich for generations to come."

For further details on Let's Grow, visit [www.wa.gov.au/lets-grow](http://www.wa.gov.au/lets-grow) or to go directly to the strategy go to [www.wa.gov.au/media/158553/download?inline](http://www.wa.gov.au/media/158553/download?inline)

## WALGA offers strategy support

**WESTERN Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) has thrown its support behind the state government's finalisation of the Urban Greening Strategy for the Perth and Peel regions.**

The strategy details how the state government plans to enhance tree canopy and create more greenspaces across the Perth and Peel regions and recognises green infrastructure as a key element in building cool, resilient and leafy suburbs and towns.

The Urban Greening Strategy also includes an Urban Greening Grant Program for community groups and schools to support local governments with their public realm planting programs.

WALGA president Karen Chappel said the association had been at the forefront of advocacy efforts in calling for measures to increase urban canopy across the state for many years.

"The release of the strategy represents important progress and WALGA looks forward to working with the state government to see its implementation across government and more importantly across our communities," Mrs Chappel said.

"We are particularly pleased the state government has established an ambitious target to increase tree canopy across Perth and Peel to 30 per cent by 2040, which corresponds with WALGA's advocacy.

"WALGA's 2026-27 State Budget submission calls on the state government to invest \$40 million over 10 years from 2026-27, to expand the Urban Canopy Grant Program, including for urban areas across the state," Mrs Chappel said.

"These important initiatives would create cooler urban areas and more green spaces, improved health and wellbeing and increased biodiversity.

"Building and maintaining a healthy, resilient and diverse urban forest requires coordinated action by state and local governments, landowners, industry and the community.

"It is important that growing WA's tree canopy sees a continued effort in retaining trees on private land."



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## Bibbulmun Track Foundation welcomes new chief executive

**BIBBULMUN Track Foundation has appointed Su-Mita Hill as its new chief executive officer who aims to ensure the needs of walkers, volunteers and supporters continue to sit at the heart of the foundation's work.**

Ms Hill brings extensive experience in community outreach and partnership development, supported by a background in law and climate science.

She has a long-standing personal connection to the Bibbulmun Track and Western Australia's wild places.

As a passionate and experienced hiker and camper, Ms Hill believes time in nature plays a vital role in wellbeing, personal growth and belonging, while highlighting the shared responsibility to care for the environments that make these experiences possible.

Her relationship with the track began early, spending her first overnight experience at Ball Creek campsite with her father at the age of five.

In 2019 she completed an end-to-end journey from Kalamunda to Albany, which along with other walks across WA and overseas have shaped her belief in the role the Bibbulmun Track plays in community connection, conservation awareness and education.

She is passionate about education and creating opportunities for people of all ages to engage with the track in meaningful ways and hopes to draw on her experience in STEM education and outreach to help cultivate opportunities for citizen science and deeper learning across the Bibbulmun Track community.

Bibbulmun Track Foundation chair Dr Kathleen Broderick said the board is looking forward to working with her as the foundation continues its important work.

"Su-Mita brings both strong strategic capability and a deep personal understanding of what the track means to people. Her passion for community, connection and care aligns closely with the values of the foundation. We are very much looking forward to working with her to ensure the Bibbulmun Track continues to be protected, celebrated and supported for generations to come."

Su-Mita said she is honoured to step into the role and is excited to work alongside the dedicated community that supports the track.

"The Bibbulmun Track holds a special place in the hearts of so many people. I feel incredibly privileged to join the foundation and look forward to listening, learning and contributing to the work already being done to care for the track and the community that surrounds it."

The Bibbulmun Track Foundation is a not for profit organisation supporting, maintaining and promoting the 1000km Bibbulmun Track from Kalamunda to Albany, working alongside volunteers, partners and the WA community to care for one of Australia's most loved long-distance walking tracks.



Newly appointed Bibbulmun Track Foundation CEO Su-Mita Hill.



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## IMPORTANT MESSAGE FOR WA'S FISHING COMMUNITY

To help recover stocks of spawning dhufish, pink snapper, and red emperor, urgent action is needed with stronger measures up and down our coast.

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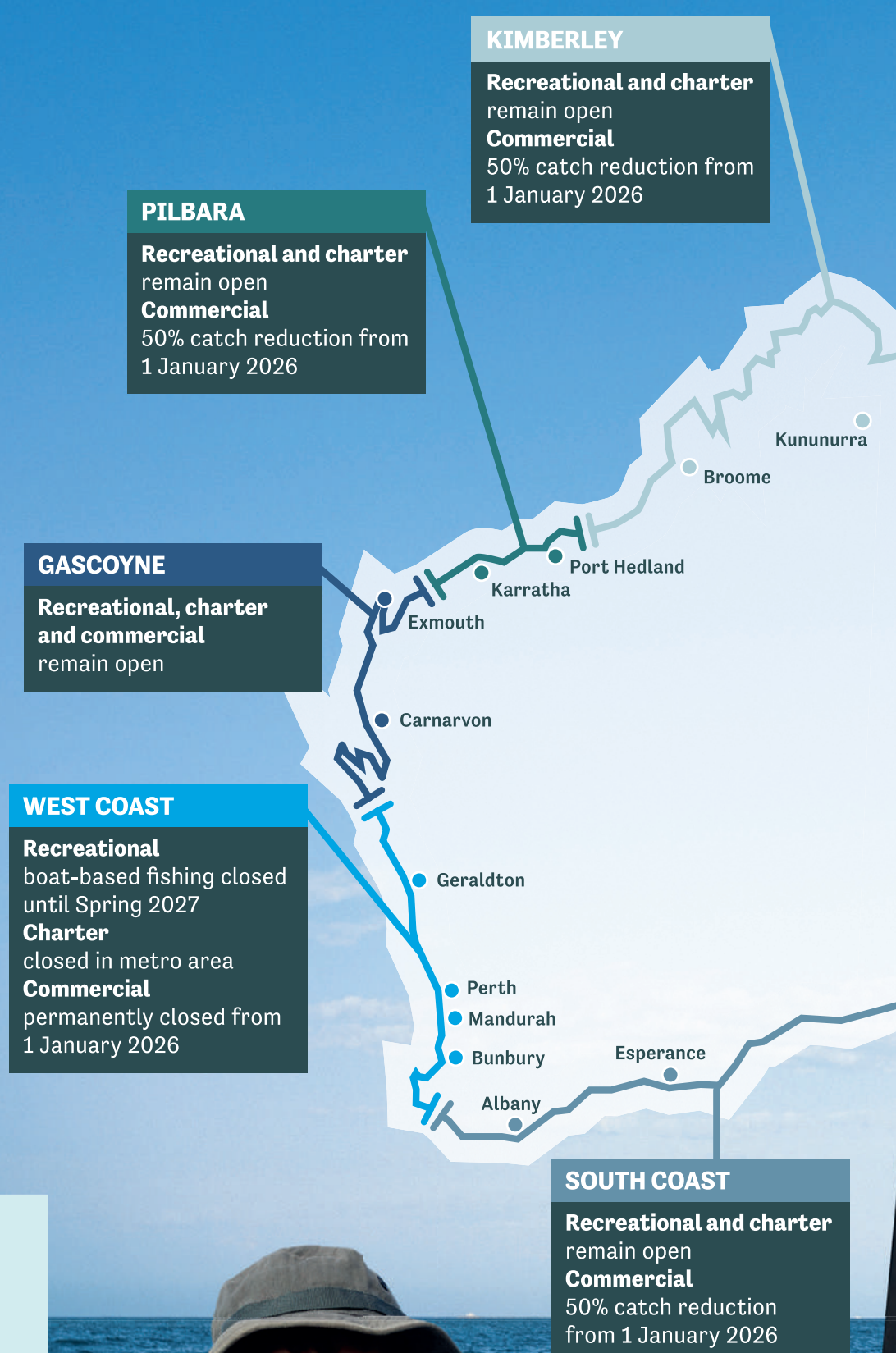
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# The Vines members frustrated by closure plans

GUANHAO CHENG

THE Vines Golf and Country Club members have been left uncertain about the future of The Vines after receiving a letter about the Lakes Course's closure from February 18 this year.

The closure will apply to both members and the public and is intended to enable construction of a 14-hole short course across Lakes 1 to 8.

The Vines club members said they were not provided with updated design details or information on future user arrangements associated with the proposed short course.

Questions were also raised about continued online advertising of on-site facilities that will no longer be available once construction begins.

The short course forms part of a broader redevelopment proposal for The Vines site first outlined by the owners in June 2021.

That proposal was constrained by planning requirements for several years, limiting the scope of development.

In September 2025, approval was granted to amend The Vines Structure Plan, allowing residential development on land previously used for golf as reported in *Swan Valley residents rally against development* (Echo News, November 28, 2025).

As part of that approval, sections of the existing course are being removed from golf use.

In response to the proposed changes, club members conducted an opinion survey overseen by the Vines Residents and Ratepayers Association (VRRRA).

The survey attracted 216 responses, with 85 per cent of respondents identifying as core golf members.

Survey results indicated 92 per cent opposed the proposed short course.

Eighty-five per cent opposed the existing Ellenbrook holes 3 to 11 configuration, and 87 per cent opposed the proposed new driving range location.

Five per cent of respondents supported all three elements.

The survey also indicated dissatisfaction with current course conditions.

Some respondents indicated they would not renew their memberships, citing concerns that the proposed changes would not improve the golfing experience.

Members raised concerns that residential development on former golf land may permanently alter the purpose and



A boy preparing to drive a shot down The Vines' driving range. Picture: Guanhao Cheng

safety of the site.

Some said the changes differed from earlier statements that redevelopment would secure the long-term future of golf at The Vines.

Concerns about club governance have also been raised since 2021.

Members claim opportunities for discussion were limited at annual and special general meetings.

It has been alleged that motions questioning redevelopment plans were unable to proceed.

Members also claim some individuals were censured or suspended following disputes related to the redevelopment.

Concerns were raised about voting arrangements, including the use of additional voting rights by the owner's representative.

Members say these arrangements prevented motions relating to redevelopment from advancing.

VRRRA vice chair Dixon Lowe said the survey reflected declining confidence among club members.

"Total membership has fallen by over 40 per cent from 1,800, before 2021, and the club's ranking has dropped from second nationally, to barely inside the top 100," he said.

"Golfers are leaving because the course no longer meets their expectations for quality, amenity and challenge."

Mr Lowe said commencement of the short course would limit future opportunities to return the site to a full 18-hole course.

He said the changes would reduce public and tourist access to the members' course to two days per week.

Members said they were concerned about the long-term direction of the club and the future of golf at the site.

The owners previously stated the redevelopment would maintain The Vines as an international-standard golfing facility.

Members say the approved structure plan amendments have led them to question that commitment.

Further details on final design, governance arrangements and long-term public access are yet to be released.



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## Woodbridge primary develops worm farm with state funding

BRAYDEN MOULD

WOODBIDGE Primary School is set to welcome thousands of new wriggly residents after being named a successful recipient of the latest round of the Cook government's WasteSorted school grants program.

The school is among 55 Western Australian institutions sharing more than \$150,000 to fund innovative projects aimed at reducing landfill and protecting the state's biodiversity.

The funding boost will allow Woodbridge to expand its existing sustainability program by installing a high-capacity worm farm system constructed from a recycled fridge.

Woodbridge Primary's kitchen garden coordinator Jean Muthukumaraswamy said the funding is a much-needed addition to the school's current system.

"We found that we are filling our compost cones fast, so we are keen to distribute some of this waste to a worm farm," she said.

"For the first time, we can start recycling our school canteen's fruit and vegetable scraps by using them in our new worm farm, which will be fantastic."

The new system will provide a critical solution for the school's organic waste, which has steadily increased since the school introduced specialised green collection bins in every classroom back in 2024.

To manage the influx of waste, the school has developed a student leadership model through its Waste Wise Warrior program.

"After our staff attended WasteSorted PD sessions, we established a sustainability committee and conducted a waste audit with students to highlight how much food waste we were producing," Ms Muthukumaraswamy said.

"We have different roles including waste management mentors, waste data wizards, and the waste compost crew."

"Once the new worm farm is ready, we will introduce a group of responsible students to



The new worm farm will be made from a recycled fridge helping the school reduce its organic waste.

participate, who will be named the Worm Squad and will be responsible for its management for the rest of the year.

"They'll be very excited to take on another challenge."

State environment minister Matthew Swinbourn highlighted the importance of the school-led initiatives in developing lifelong environmental habits.

"I commend our local schools for driving positive change across Western Australia through innovative education programs," he said.

"Waste management is a shared responsibility, and small changes in everyday behaviour can lead to big reductions in landfill and improvements in our resource recovery."



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Above all, Australians want to stay in their homes longer. The new \$4.3 billion Support at Home program delivers a higher level of care keeping them connected to the people and places they love.

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For those who need residential care, the new Act puts older Australians at the centre of decision-making. Residential care places will now be assigned directly to individuals, giving people the

ability to choose the home that best suits them – and the freedom to move if their needs change.

From 1 November, every provider will be registered under a new regulatory model and required to meet strengthened Aged Care Quality Standards—so every older person receives nothing short of the best care.

The Aged Care Quality and Safety Commission now has stronger powers to ensure providers comply with their obligations and act in the interests of older Australians.

This milestone reflects many years of collaboration and consultation with older people, providers, family members, advocates, workers and nurses across the sector to achieve reforms.

Minister for Aged Care and Seniors Sam Rae said with the reforms the government was no longer just patching up a broken system.

"We are fulfilling a promise to deliver dignity, choice and respect to every person who has spent their life contributing to their community and our country. The Albanese government delivered reforms that will take better care of our loved ones.

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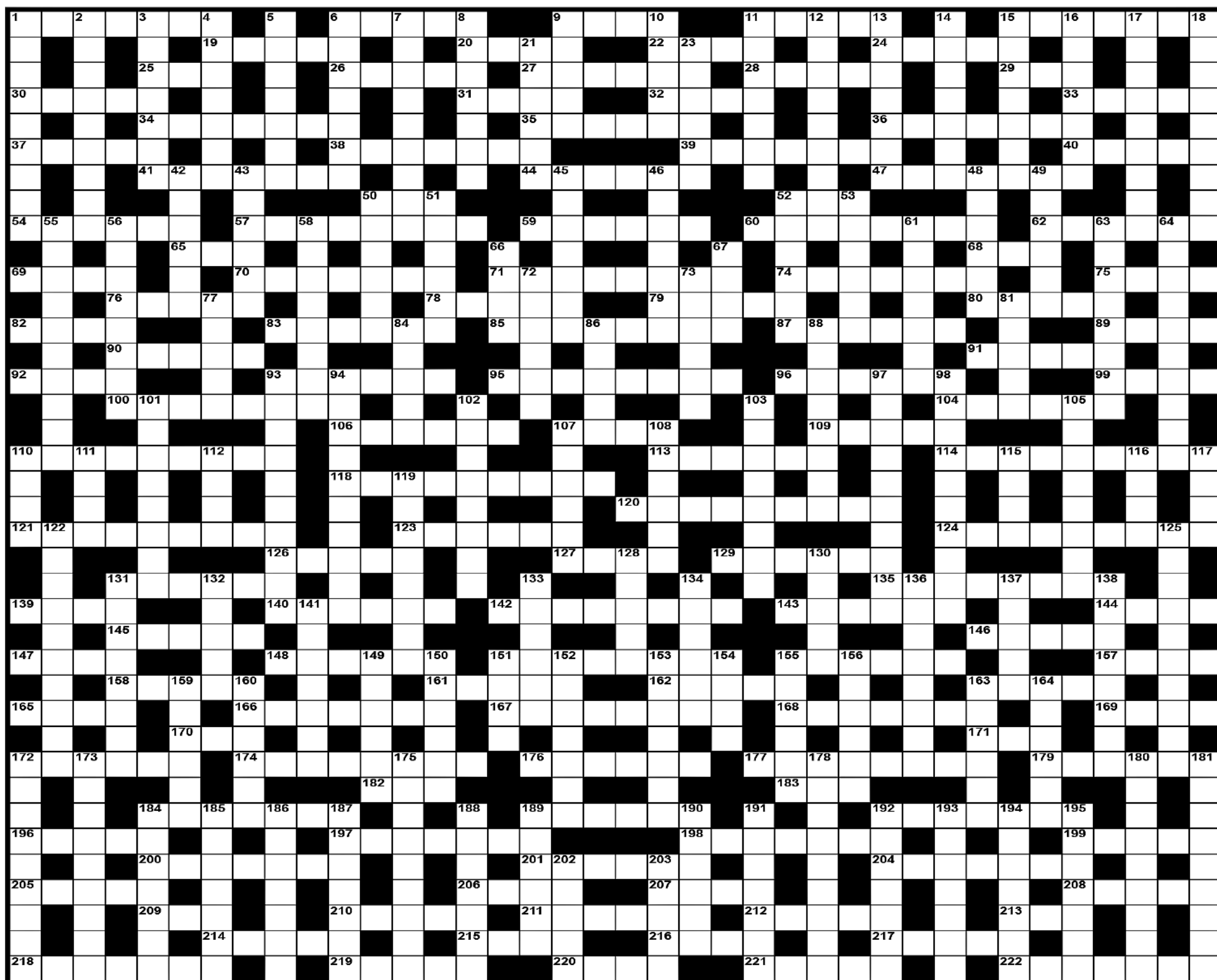
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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Hyper to return to Midland in March

**AFTER a sold-out, double-capacity festival in 2025, Hyper returns to Midland on Saturday, March 21 with a line-up curated for all-ages music fans.**

This year's line-up is led by Hockey Dad, Rum Jungle, Mia Wray, Lyric, The Tullamarines and supported by an exciting selection of rising local stars, including Lazy Haze, Birdland, Edie, About Yesterday, Solstice, Lily Rawson, Broken Pedal and 3fifteen.

Hyper is Western Australia's longest running all-ages, alcohol-free and youth-led music festival, giving young people and families access to a genuine festival experience on their doorstep.

For many attendees, it's a first festival. For others, it's a chance to see major artists in a setting that's welcoming, accessible and built with young people in mind.

City of Swan Mayor Tanya Richardson said Hyper has grown into an event that people across Perth look forward to each year, and it was fantastic to see it return after such a strong 2025.

"Hyper reflects the creativity, energy and commitment of young people, and we're proud to see it take place here in Midland. At just \$35, Hyper 2026 offers one of the best-value festival tickets in the country."

This low price is made possible by the incredible dedication of the young volunteers who curate, plan, and deliver the festival each year.

Their curation and the youth-led process has helped Hyper build a reputation for line-ups that feel current, considered and connected to how young people engage with live music.

The Hyper team has a stellar reputation for programming up-and-coming alongside established favourites, with past line-ups featuring acts like Spacey Jane, Ball Park Music, San Cisco, Ruby Fields and a whole cast of other breakout stars, triple j Hottest



Hyper 2026 is expected to be bigger than ever. Picture: Lizzie Wilkie Photography

100 legends and local heroes.

Hyper 2026 pairs a stacked live music program with a silent disco, carnival rides, artist signings, mini-golf, market stalls and a wide range of gourmet food vans, offering something for music fans, families and first-time festival-goers alike.

Hailing from the coastal alleyways of a steel city, Rum Jungle brings gritty alt-rock anthems, heartfelt ballads, and everything in between - songs that capture a magnetic, introspective, and hyper-reflective state of mind.

Rum Jungle have quickly built a global fanbase, leading to sold-out shows across the UK, Europe, and Australia.

Mia Wray is an Australian singer-songwriter known for emotionally direct songwriting and powerful live performances. She released her debut album *hi*, it's nice to meet me in 2024, earning strong support

from triple j, BBC Radio 1 and Elton John.

She has toured extensively in Australia and internationally, sharing stages with artists including Maisie Peters, DMA's and Vance Joy. Her music blends raw vulnerability with pop sensibility, connecting deeply with audiences at both intimate shows and major festivals.

Hyper will be held at the LoCale event space and Weep Park in the New Junction precinct, at the corner of Cale Street and The Crescent in Midland.

Presented by the City of Swan and supported by triple j and Edith Cowan University, Hyper is an all-ages event that is drug, smoke and alcohol-free. Children under 12 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

For more information, check out [www.hyperfest.com.au](http://www.hyperfest.com.au) or [www.facebook.com/HyperFestival](https://www.facebook.com/HyperFestival)



The production will begin at 7pm on January 27 and 28, and February 1. Picture: Fringe World

## Fringe World theatre production comes to Midland

**UWA's University Dramatic Society (UDS) is set to premiere a new original work in Midland, The Day After the End of the World, as part of the 2026 Fringe World Festival.**

Written and directed by student theatre-maker Maya Djurdjevic, the production will be staged at the Midland Junction Arts Centre for three nights only on January 27, 28 and February 1.

This play explores the nature of human connection when a group of characters find their lives upended following a conclusive global announcement the world is about to end.

In what they believe are their final hours, the characters are forced to strip away their social masks and confront the truths they have spent years avoiding, from romantic confessions to desperate attempts at family reconciliations.

When the sun rises the following morning and the world remains intact, the characters are forced to navigate the

permanent social and personal consequences of their prior admissions.

The 90-minute drama starts at 7pm and is housed in the venue's auditorium, offering an intimate setting for the high-stakes character study.

As the oldest independent theatre company in Western Australia, established in 1917, UDS provides university students with professional opportunities to produce and perform original works.

The production marks a significant entry in the society's 109th year of operation, and showcases the creative output of current UWA students.

The performance is recommended for audiences aged 15 and over, as the script contains frequent coarse language and mature themes regarding mental health and grief.

For ticket pricing and further information, visit <https://www.midlandjunctionartscentre.com.au/fringe-2026>

## ENTERTAINMENT & GIG GUIDE

### Your local Gig Guide

#### Fri January 23

**Settlers House York**  
Nick Childs  
From 6pm  
Free  
125 Avon Terrace York

**Lyric's Bar**  
Skeleoke  
From 7pm  
22 Lyric Lane Maylands

**Woodbridge Hotel**  
Loose Endz  
From 8pm  
Free  
50 East St Guildford

**Parkerville Tavern**  
Andrew Winton  
From 6pm  
Free  
6 Owen Road  
Parkerville

**Mahogany Inn & Distillery**  
Oscar Cedric Gomes  
6pm-9pm  
Free  
4260 Great Eastern Hwy  
Mahogany Creek

#### Sat January 24

**Settlers House York**  
The Jukes of York  
From 6pm  
Free  
125 Avon Terrace York

**Lyric's Bar**  
Uranium Dog, The Manbergs, Almost Forever and Kenny Drives  
From 7.30pm  
22 Lyric Lane Maylands

**7th Ave Bar and Bistro**  
Karaoke Night  
From 8.30pm  
Free  
74 Helena Street  
Midland

**Woodbridge Hotel**  
Touche  
From 8pm  
Free  
50 East St Guildford

**Mahogany Inn & Distillery**  
Claudia Tripp  
6pm-9pm, Free  
4260 Great Eastern Hwy  
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#### Sun January 25

**Parkerville Tavern**  
Tod Johnstone and PeaceLove  
From 4pm, Free  
6 Owen Road  
Parkerville

**Mahogany Inn & Distillery**  
Coastal Drift Trio  
5pm-8pm, Free  
4260 Great Eastern Hwy  
Mahogany Creek

**Woodbridge Hotel**  
Kane Cahill  
From 3pm  
Free  
50 East St Guildford

**Childlow Tavern**  
Live Music  
12.30pm - 3.30pm  
Free  
4 Thomas St Chidlow

#### Tues January 27

**Woodbridge Hotel**  
Ravenswing  
From 6pm  
Free  
50 East St Guildford

**Mahogany Inn & Distillery**  
Smooth Groove  
6pm-8.30pm, Free  
4260 Great Eastern Hwy  
Mahogany Creek

#### Wed January 28

**Childlow Tavern**  
Muso Jam Night with Brett Hardwick  
7.3pm till late, Free  
4 Thomas St Chidlow

**Mahogany Inn & Distillery**  
House Grooves  
Presented by Fenton Wilde  
6pm-9pm, Free  
4260 Great Eastern Hwy  
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#### Thur January 29

**Woodbridge Hotel**  
Ravenswing  
From 7pm  
Free  
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## Read between the lines

by Pastor

## The Leak

We were in Newcastle recently to attend my nephew's wedding; David and Cara's wedding, at Stanley House on the banks of Fullerton Cove. After having a lovely time, we arrived back home, late at night, only to find water in our hallway, toilet and bathroom.

We couldn't determine where it was coming from - mind you, we were very tired. Since we were heading off the next morning for a holiday in Albany, we turned the water off. When we came back, we put the water back on, and the leak returned.

Where was the leak coming from? A leak can often be hard to find. Well, Colleen could hear a faint hissing sound in our family bathroom. I opened the vanity cupboard and there was water everywhere. After clearing the vanity, I was surprised to find an inspection plate right at the back. As I undid it, water came pouring out. I could see some copper pipes, and that's where the leak was. The leak was found and fixed - and the damage will soon be repaired.

As I think of that leak and the damage done, I am reminded of what we can be like. From our hearts, we can 'leak' out bad words and attitudes, and do damage. There is one who knows how to help us. His name is Jesus Christ. He died for our sins so that we could be forgiven, and repairs our heart so that good may flow from it.

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# Even split of wins and losses for Midland Guildford sides

JOSHUA MCKENZIE

**THE senior male sides for Midland Guildford Cricket Club completed their first two-day match of the new year last weekend, while several other teams also produced good performances in other matches.**

The opponents for the senior male teams were Wanneroo.

After winning the toss and bowling first, the male 1st grade were led by Hudson Knight, with three wickets for 69 runs, as the opposition posted 9-364.

The run chase was highlighted by Max Bittner scoring his maiden 1st grade century with 110 runs not out from 155 balls, with support from Hayden Kain who scored 53 from 136.

The match ended in a 105 run defeat as the side was bowled out for 259 runs.

It was a better result for the male 2nd grade after they won the toss and bowled first, as they bowled out their opponents for 162.

Josh Chitty was the standout performer taking 7-68 in the first innings, before taking 4-77 in the second innings to finish the match with 11 wickets.

The run chase was led by Hayden Collins as he scored 97 from 205 to help the team secure the victory.

The male 3rd grade match ended in a draw. Will Shackles, with 4-63, and Hunter Wills, with 79 from 148, were the standout performers for the side.

Despite the efforts of Matthew Hampson, with 4-53 and 49 from 95, and Lucas Walker, with 82 from 132, the male 4th grade were beaten by 19 runs in their match.

The female B grade were beaten by 31 runs, while the female U17 had a dominant victory against Wanneroo as they won by 127 runs.

Alyssa Tremlett scored 83 from 58 to help lead the side to a commanding total of 7-223 in the first innings.

It was a comprehensive bowling display from the side as they dismissed their opponents for just 96 in the win.

The male U14 were narrowly beaten by Bayswater Morley, while the male U13 secured a thrilling win by just three runs.

Thomas Foster scored 52 from 76 to help the side reach 5-168, before they restricted their opponents to 5-165 in the run chase.

There were some positive results for a number of the teams and it will be another important round of fixtures as it gets closer to the end of the season.



The Midland Guildford cricket club's female U17 were the standouts during this round, winning with a dominant 127-run victory over Wanneroo.

## Kalamunda's three headed High Wycombe challenge

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The city said these decisions were made within the state planning system, with local government acting primarily as a referral and implementation authority.

From 2014 to 2016, residential zoning progressed alongside existing industrial uses that had been lawfully approved under earlier planning frameworks.

Some of those industrial operations continue today, operating under approvals granted before detailed residential planning was finalised.

As residential development increased, concerns emerged about noise, light, odour and traffic impacts from nearby industrial activity.

By 2016, Sultana Road West was identified as the interface between industrial land and future residential areas, with planning controls applied at the subdivision stage.

Despite those controls, residents increasingly questioned whether buffer distances were adequate and where responsibility for mitigation sat.

The city said it responded to enquiries using information available at the time, while also noting that some decisions and records were held by state agencies.

Between 2020 and 2024, residents sought greater clarity about the planning history and redevelopment potential of the area, prompting broader discussions about infrastructure, land values and long-term outcomes.

In parallel, a second challenge emerged with state government plans for a Metronet station in High Wycombe.

To support transport-oriented development, land originally planned for industrial use was rezoned for residential purposes, increasing the proximity between homes and existing industrial operations.

The city said this rezoning, driven by state planning priorities, intensified the interface issues now experienced by residents.

In 2024 and 2025, concerns were formally raised at council meetings, prompting the chair of the WAPC to request a joint approach between the city and the state government.

A state-led working group was then established to address interface concerns along Sultana Road West.

The city has said it continues to advocate for state assistance, including infrastructure investment and planning changes, to improve outcomes for High Wycombe South.

The third issue, raised more recently, relates to rezoning concerns at Hatch Court, which the city has identified as a separate planning matter despite its location within High Wycombe.

The city said it is working with the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage to clarify responsibilities and explore future options.

While acknowledging resident frustration, the city said any response must be lawful, evidence-based and consistent with the planning framework.

The city has described the situation as a legacy planning issue requiring long-term collaboration between local and state government rather than an immediate solution.

City of Kalamunda officers said the planning timeline would be made publicly available online to provide clarity for residents.

## ECHO Notice Board

### Upcoming Events

- **Kalamunda Youth Swing Band** gives young musicians the opportunity to rehearse and play in a band. Rehearsals are Monday afternoon during school term. For more information call musical director Leah on 0432 973 395.
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Parade, Ellenbrook from 1pm to 4pm. All welcome to make new friends or just have a chat. Enjoy indoor bowls, afternoon tea and the occasional outing. For more information call Sheila on 0402 973 307.

• **The Swan Woodturners Association of WA** meets every Tuesday at 1pm for a 1.30pm start at the Caversham Memorial Hall, 7847 West Swan Road, Caversham for men and women of all ages interested in learning the

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• **The Gidgegannup Men's Shed** at Ian Stannard Pavilion, Gidgegannup Showgrounds, 2171

Toodyay Road, Gidgegannup is a community-based men's shed providing opportunities for men and women to work on projects of their own, join in shed activities and tasks, or just share time, recreation and fellowship with other members. For more information email president@gidgegannupmensshed.org.au or visit gidgegannupmensshed.org.au

• **Midland Men's Shed Social** Tuesday is every Tuesday from 9.30am to 11.30am in the Baptist Church Hall, Bellevue. Our workshop at 34 Swan Avenue Midvale is open Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 8am to 11am. Call Andy on 0419 921 805.

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Inside, the style of the home shines through in spaces such as the living room and the kitchen.

The living room has a cathedral ceiling with lights that sit flush against it, blending modern fixtures with a classic architectural design feel.

This is complemented by the fireplace in the same area, paired with a wall patterned with reclaimed wooden planks that evoke a rural atmosphere.

Complementing this wall are floor to ceiling windows, along with the sliding glass backyard door letting in plenty of natural light.

The feature walls with the weathered wooden accents can also be seen in the kitchen, where there is a sleek stovetop and marble kitchen island with an inbuilt sink.

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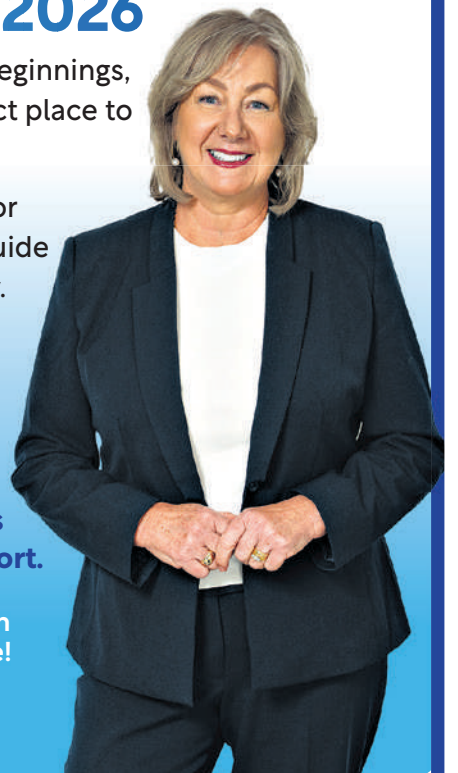
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