



SHIRE NEWS

There's all sorts on the calendar at the CRC

The past month at Toodyay Community Resource Centre has been as busy as ever, with all kinds of activities and programs keeping the Toodyay community – young and old – entertained and educated.

School Holiday Program: As usual, we held several kids activities as part of our School Holiday Program, including a creative two-day clay workshop and fun-packed pyjama party. Both events were well attended and all the guests had a blast.

Be Connected Digital Lessons: Since June 15, we have been running free digital lessons for over 50s, every Thursday at 10.00am, as part of the government's Be Connected program – an initiative to help older Australians build confidence in their technological skills and feel safer online. So far we have covered five topics including identifying scams, using the cloud, and navigating social media. Our last two lessons on August 10 and 17 are focused on MyGov and internet banking, and we encourage any locals over 50 who want to learn more about these platforms to come along – no previous lesson attendance necessary, just bring your device with you (smartphone, tablet or laptop).

Missed an earlier lesson or want to revisit a topic? Visit www.beconnected.esafety.gov.au to access information and tutorials online.

Kids Club, Term 3: Our first Kids Club of the term was a great success, with the kids creating beautiful sculptures and colourful paintings to take home. We look forward to all of our future Clubs and seeing what our local kids will produce next.

For more information on any of our activities, please contact us on 9574 5357 or email crc@toodyay.wa.gov.au.

Refurbished Morangup half court in the works thanks to local teen

Due to the dedicated efforts of a local family, Morangup Community Centre's much-loved but worn out basketball half court will receive a facelift in the near future.

As part of a Year 9 school project, Morangup's Frank Vinton – an avid basketballer and regular court user – took on the challenge of having the space refurbished, recognising that a revitalised surface and equipment would have big benefits for his community. Starting out by talking to the Shire President, Frank and his mum Donna then worked with Shire staff to develop a plan. Frank surveyed the community to gauge opinions, and the results supported his thinking that a new and improved court would be used more often by local youth and be a boost for volunteers based at the Community Centre.

Next, Frank, Donna and the Shire's Community Development Officer joined forces and identified the Stronger Communities Program as an ideal grant opportunity. Backed by strong support from locals and volunteer organisations, Donna submitted an application



Toodyay's Plan for the Future 2023-2033

After considerable and integral input from Shire staff, Councillors and residents, **Toodyay's Plan for the Future 2023-2033** – our strategic guide for the next decade – is complete and about to be unveiled.

The Plan is based on our overarching vision for Toodyay: creating a caring and visionary rural community, and working together to preserve and enrich our town's environment, character and lifestyle. This vision encompasses five key priorities:

People: Toodyay has a safe, cohesive, and healthy community.

Planet: Our natural assets and ecosystems are being maintained and protected for the enjoyment of current and future generations.

Place: Our rural lifestyle is valued and is being

enhanced with thoughtful planning and development.

Prosperity: Together we are building a vibrant, diverse and sustainable economy.

Performance: Through best practice leadership and governance, we are achieving the best possible social, economic and environmental outcomes for the people of Toodyay.

The Plan will officially be launched on August 4 at Toodyay Recreation Centre, and made available to access and download from our website. We encourage you to view the Plan, and see what we have in store for the next ten years to ensure we all continue to love life in Toodyay. If you have any questions about our Plan for the Future or would like to access a physical copy, please contact us.

Meet our new Executive Manager Infrastructure Assets & Services

We are pleased to introduce the Shire's new Executive Manager Infrastructure Assets & Services, Charles Sullivan, who will commence in the role on August 21.

Charles has extensive senior management experience across both the public and private sectors, and joins us following his time at the Rottnest Island Authority as Manager of Transport & Public Domain. He is a Chartered Professional Engineer – whose career has encompassed operational, asset, project, contract and waste management; environmental sustainability; and infrastructure design and delivery – and has previously worked in executive roles with the Cities of Cockburn, Canning and Swan, plus the Shire of Kalamunda. We look forward to having Charles' experience and expertise on hand here in Toodyay, and know he will be an "asset" to our Infrastructure & Assets team.

Welcome aboard, Charles.



Action-packed Avon Descent celebrations on the way

There's more than just the adrenaline of the Avon Descent to look forward to in Toodyay on August 12, with the river race's 50th anniversary celebrations set to be absolutely action-packed! Enjoy the race from dry land at Duidgee Park and Stirling Park – not only

home to numerous top-notch spectator spots, but also the host locations for Toodyay International Food Festival and Freestyle Now Skatepark Competition from 10.00am-4.00pm on the day.

Toodyay International Food Festival: Tantalise your tastebuds as you take in the atmosphere of the Avon Descent – after all, watching that white-water activity is bound to have you working up an appetite. This year's Food Festival will feature over 30 food vans and stalls catering to every craving, plus live music across several stages, children's activities and entertainment, and much more. You'll have to come along to see just how fabulous (and delicious) the 2023 festival will be.

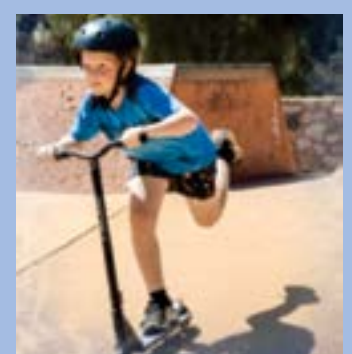
Freestyle Now Skatepark Competition: Bringing together the vibrant skateboarding, scooting, BMX, rollerskating and rollerblading communities in Toodyay and beyond, this all-ages competition could be for you whether you're experienced on wheels or just finding your balance. Participants have the chance to share in over \$3,000 worth of prizes, while those on the sidelines are sure to be amazed by the showdown of moves and tricks. You have to be in it to win it, and registrations are essential – call the Shire's Economic Development Coordinator on 9574 9395 or secure your spot online ASAP. Still wondering what it's all about? You'll find more information at www.freestylenow.net/coming-events.

We can't wait to see you on Saturday August 12 for the Avon Descent's 50th anniversary – it's sure to be an unmissable event.



Daryl, Chair of the MPA, congratulates Frank on his efforts in securing the Stronger Communities Program grant funding.

to the program via Morangup Progress Association (MPA) which was successful – with the court's refurbishment to commence in the coming weeks (just waiting on some fine weather). Congratulations to Frank and everybody else who played a part in this project.





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Bon voyage *Mango Fever* – buckle up for *The Grinch*

Toodyay Theatre Group

Mackenna Dayman and Jayden Vause

TOODYAY Theatre Group proudly presented *Mango Fever*, written by our very own Tanya Stuart, over the last weekends of June.

Audiences were taken on a thrill-a-minute rollercoaster cruise with the many unusual and humorous characters on board.

The play began with two crooks known as Nikki and Emma (aka the Kardashian sisters?) played by Tanya Stuart and Charlene Mills.

These two robbers, as smart as they looked, were the worst thieves in history.

One was not that smart, while the other was really dumb.

The embarkation started with two lovely stewardesses, Amy and Mel, played by Mackenna Dayman and Nadja 'Maddie' Bonnan.

While Amy was a perky and cheerful character with a ditsy manner, Mel was suffering amnesia, only remembering her past experiences as a stewardess and finding her true love on the last day of the cruise.

The first passengers to board were the Shoestrings, played by Daryl Cooper and Catherine Devos in their first appearance with the Toodyay Theatre Group.

These characters desperately tried to get rich by selling shoes but found jewels instead.

The second passengers were the meanest duo anyone could meet, the infamous drug lord Mario and his sidekick Tony, played by David Mitchell and Ashton Vause.

These two created such a banter, but their nobility fooled no-one.

Third to board the *Mango Fever* were Mr



Johnny Feelgood (Jayden Vause) belts it out in the first act finale of the locally written and produced comedy 'Mango Fever'.

and Mrs Redbottom played by Joe Neal and Kim Angus, another set of newcomers with their first time on stage with the Toodyay Theatre Group.

They created such laughter with their quips, comebacks and jokes, particularly around Mr Redbottom's obsession with his "balls" (bowls).

Their children Fannie and Bootie, played by Ella Jenkin and Madison Stanyer, did a wonderful job eating food while crossing the stage, getting bigger every time.

(This family certainly wasn't a "bummer". Did you get it? Yeah, I shouldn't have "buted" in there.)

The next passengers were hotel owners Sam and Jane Martin, played by Talon Morris and London Dymond.

They smashed it out of the park with their characters' quick-wittedness and sheer will to not get caught with the stolen jewels.

Petunia Clark or shall I say Detective Inspector Harris played by Karen Gale was next aboard the ship.

Karen did a great job, considering she was a last-minute fill-in for the role.

For her first time on stage, she did a terrific job bringing mystery and wonder to her character and the play.

We hope her nerves have now settled.

The last character to board the mighty *Mango Fever* cruise was rockstar Johnny Feelgood, played by Jayden Vause, who also played the captain.

With all those quick changes and playing

two different characters he did a good job not getting caught with his pants down.

A special thanks also to Peter and Karen Robinson who played the police officers and helped out backstage with the quick changes.

As always, we are grateful for our wonderful Toodyay Theatre Group crew.

Without them productions like this could never be possible.

We appreciate the time and effort of our front-of-house, bar and backstage crew member volunteers who go above and beyond to make our performance nights a success.

Now, what is a pantomime, I hear you ask?

A pantomime is a stage show full of laughs for children and families.

This year, the Toodyay Theatre Group is putting on *The Grinch*, a play about the lost spirit of Christmas and the lengths one girl will go to save the one who has lost all hope.

We hope you will join us in celebrating Christmas in style.

Sumptuous afternoon singalong



Moya Jarvis and Peter Watson sing the Irish tune When Any Town in Ireland Would be Home.

Toodyay Music Club

Jenny Edgecombe

WE STARTED our July meeting of Toodyay Music Club with a singalong to warm up the voices.

As usual, we chose some old favourites, including *From a Jack to a King* and *Whistling Gypsy Rover*.

Peter and Moya chose a popular Irish theme for their individual items, starting with a nostalgic *When Any Town in Ireland Would be Home*.

Next, they each presented a different version of the well-known *Galway Bay* song.

A beautifully controlled *Come Love Me Again* was Brian's first choice for July.

Collette showed her ever-increasing prowess on guitar, with *That's My Home*.

This Australian theme continued with

Ann's moving *Little Star Upon the Lake*.

Jenny decided to go back to a song she was singing in early days of the Music Club, the moving *Rachel's Coming Home*.

The lyrics tell the story of a young woman who faced an unexpectedly grim reality as a volunteer relief worker in a poor country.

Fortunately, Joe lightened up the afternoon's mood with the absolutely enchanting Bernard Carney song, *Spindrift and Foam*.

Our usual sumptuous afternoon tea gave us an opportunity to catch up with friends.

Following this we went round the circle again, hearing many more entertaining songs.

Our August meeting has been moved to 1pm Saturday August 5.

There will be some special arrangements for the September meeting.

To join us, either as a performer or in the audience, talk to Joe on 0400 862 694.

Rehearsing hard for your easy listening

Toodyay Community Singers

Anne Millar

WE ARE currently at work in rehearsals to deliver our best performance at the highly anticipated Toodyay Agricultural Show on October 7.

We have an engaging lineup of easy-listening songs planned for the audience at this wonderful community event.

But we need your help to make it even more spectacular.

If you love singing and want to be a part of a vibrant community event, join our singing group rehearsals at the CWA Hall on Stirling Terrace every Thursday evening from 5pm to 7pm.

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TOODYAY ROAD UPGRADE

Project Update
August 2023

By Mohammad Siddiqui
Director Main Roads
Wheatbelt Region

The upgraded section of Toodyay Road between Clackline-Toodyay Road and Northam-Toodyay Road was completed and opened to traffic at the end of May.

Traffic management measures have been removed from the road and the permanent speed limit has been reinstated. We thank the neighbouring landowner, the local community and road users for their patience and support during these works, which, on occasions required the use of shuttle flow traffic management due to construction taking place close to the traffic lanes.

The road in this section has been widened in accordance with Australian Standards for regional roads, with a wide centre line added to increase separation between eastbound and westbound lanes. The works also required the removal of a rock outcrop on the northern side of Toodyay Road to allow for an improvement in the geometry of the road.

Completion of these works is a relatively small but significant milestone as we seek to make the Wheatbelt section of Toodyay Road safer and more efficient for residents, visitors and industry.

Remaining stages to be delivered as a single contract

Some readers may be aware that the overall Toodyay Road Upgrade project between Dryandra Road and Toodyay was initially divided into six smaller sections, as shown in the diagram below.

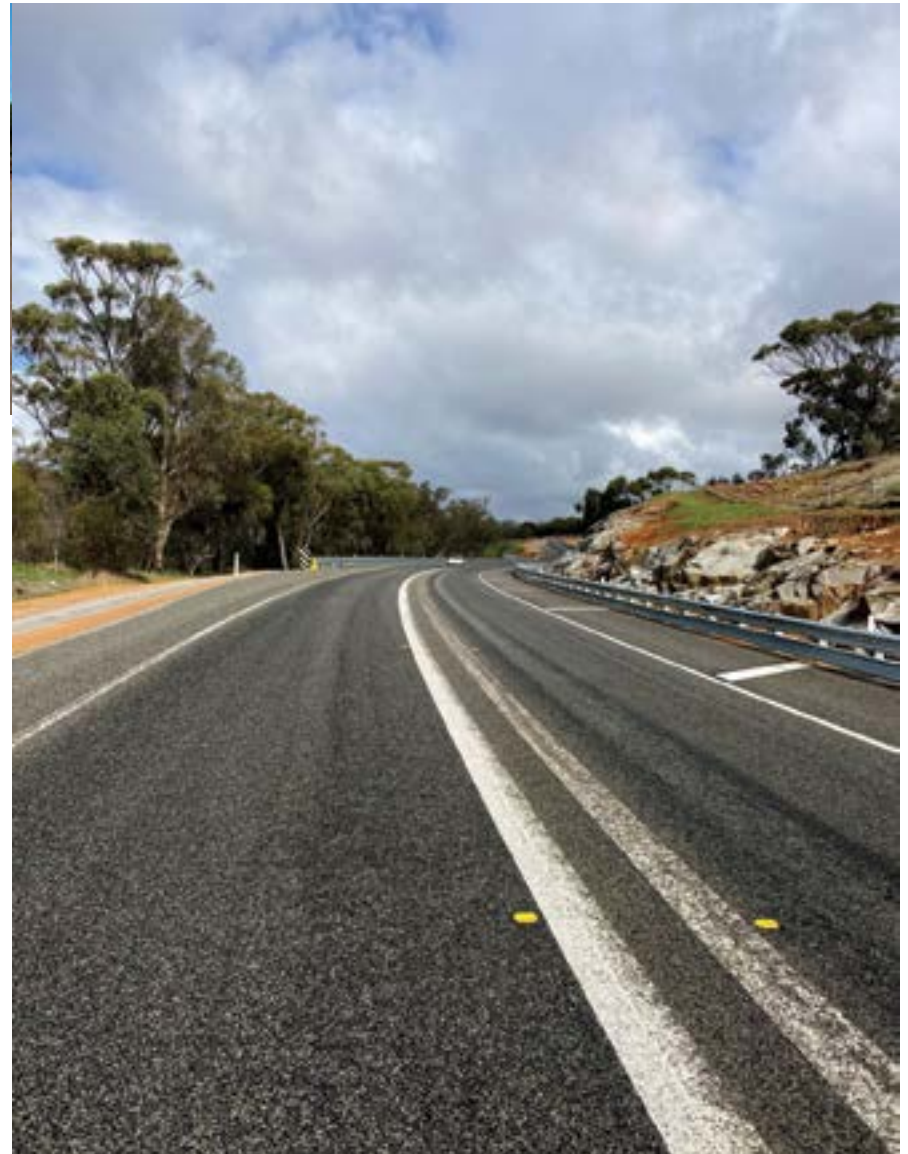
When this approach was agreed in 2017, Main Roads anticipated the project would be funded in small increments and therefore delivery would take the form of several distinct contracts.

Following a decision by the Commonwealth and State Governments in mid-2021 to fund the entirety of the works, Main Roads has reassessed the project to identify how it can be delivered in the most timely and efficient way.

While Sections 3 (Jingaling Brook) and 6 (Clackline-Toodyay Road to just north of Racecourse Road) have been completed as stand-alone contracts, we now consider that combining the remaining sections of the project into a single large contract would improve efficiency and reduce the risk of inconsistencies and interface challenges between different contractors.

As a result, the Wheatbelt Regional Team is currently liaising with its Perth-based colleagues to determine the appropriate form of contract. We will then enter into a procurement process, which is likely to take around nine months.

As a result, we expect major site works to begin in late 2024, rather than in 2023 as previously



Recently completed section of Toodyay Road, looking west

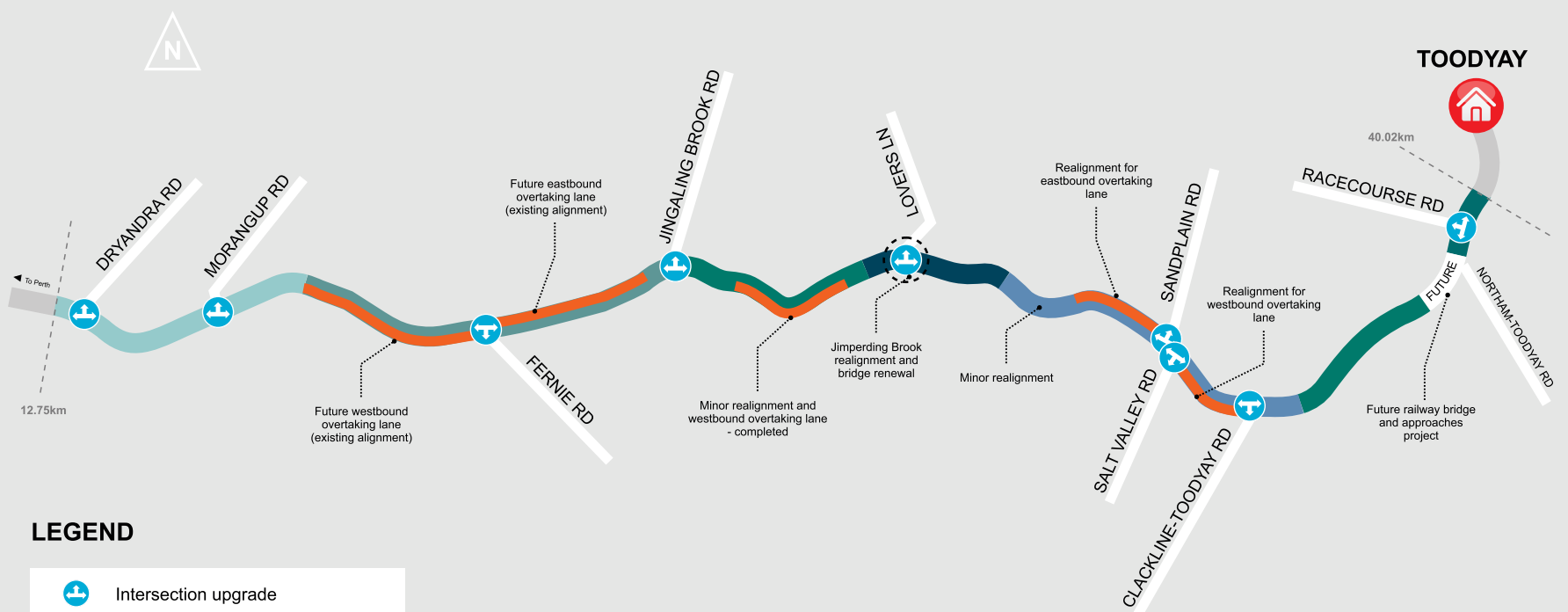
communicated. A construction schedule and works program will be developed by the successful contractor following the award of a contract. At the time of writing we anticipate the entire upgrade between Dryandra Road and Toodyay will be completed in 2026.

We will continue to provide updates as the project progresses.









Further information

To find out more about the Toodyay Road Upgrade or to provide feedback, please contact us on 138 138 or via email enquiries@mainroads.wa.gov.au

Scan the QR code to subscribe to updates and read more about the project



LEGEND

-  Intersection upgrade
-  Overtaking lane
-  Section 1
-  Section 2
-  Section 3 – Completed
-  Section 4
-  Section 5
-  Section 6 - Completed



ENVIRONMENT

Main Roads in damage control as costs mount

Safe and Scenic Toodyay Road
Andrew St John, Convenor

THE SIGHT of workers sealing broken edges of Toodyay Road has aroused a sense of disbelief in community members including those of us at Safe and Scenic Toodyay Roads.

This is what we have been calling for since we started campaigning two years ago and it is what a Wheatbelt Safety Review recommended back in 2015.

In rejecting such low-cost but effective solutions, Main Roads WA cited the unsuitability of the terrain and a community call for passing lanes.

The apparent change in policy shows that the State Government agency is in damage control in more ways than one.

It recently announced significant delays to planned improvements as ballooning costs quickly become unaffordable.

Given the appalling state of many parts of Toodyay Road, Main Roads knows such action can only further upset the community.

It would mean that Toodyay's main link to Perth would not be fully fixed until more than a decade after the Road Safety Review.



Recently repaired road edges on Toodyay Road.

Hence the appearance of contractors providing temporary fixes last month to the busy roadway's most damaged part.

If this prevents accidents in the short term,

before planned major improvements, then all to the good.

But bear in mind these temporary fixes are on parts of the road that will be abandoned, if and when those improvements occur as a result of planned major realignments.

Cheap fixes still cost money and mean that even more public funds are being thrown at an already expensive project.

Imagine if a decision had been taken in 2015 to make the road safer through efficient, low-cost strategies rather than through grand and expensive re-engineering.

The former would have been affordable and almost certainly completed by now, with everyone enjoying the accompanying safety benefits.

Instead, by funding the project as part of an excessive and inflationary post-COVID economic stimulus, the previous Federal Government was complicit in creating the current debacle.

We previously revealed a fundamental flaw

in the State's business case to support the improvements.

It was based on the supposed economic benefits delivered by people arriving at their destination five minutes earlier by being able to travel at 110km/h on an improved road.

Such economic modelling is more of a possibility than a probability, which is enough to cast doubt on this claim.

However, the case for this supposed economic benefit is thoroughly debunked by the fact that the planned speed limit on the rebuilt road will 100km/h – the current maximum speed allowed for most of Toodyay Road.

With mounting costs adding to such a major planning defect, it must surely now be time for Main Roads to seriously rethink a project that is already years away from completion.

Our ongoing campaign includes asking questions in State Parliament about this increasingly costly project while raising community awareness around its ongoing flaws.

Meanwhile, as work will not begin at the junctions with Sandplain and Salt Valley Roads until at least late next year, we can enjoy the wonderful wandoo woodland and wildflowers there for a little longer.

If you would like to support our campaign contact us at info@sastr.com.au

Taking the leap with new-fangled digital tech



Moondyne Men discuss this month's activities over a cuppa at the RSL Shed in Clinton Street.

Moondyne Men
Graham Hill

DESPITE an age range in the high 70s to over 80, the Moondyne Men are taking a leap into the 21st century and going digital with our very own Facebook page.

Constructed by treasurer Barry Squires, this marvel of modern media technology features the Moondyne Men and our activities.

Anyone seeking information on the Moondyne Men can find and follow us on Facebook.

On Saturday July 29 we held our Annual General Meeting to elect a chairman, secretary and treasurer for the coming year.

The results of the AGM will be available on our Facebook page.

Meanwhile, in the real world, thanks to everyone who helped raffle our trailer load of firewood on Friday and Saturday July 28 and 29.

We also took a trailer-load of rubbish to the dump for an elderly lady, and still have a driveway to clean for another lady.

It will soon be time for the world-famous Avon Descent river race to pass through Toodyay on Saturday August 12, with the Moondyne Men looking forward to helping the accompanying International Food Festival and entertainment in Stirling Park that day.

The next big local event after that will be the Toodyay Agricultural Show in October, and again the men are looking forward to helping in the preparations and on the day.

It was a sad day on Wednesday July 19 when we celebrated the life of Trevor Kerslake, a dear member and great friend of the Moondyne Men.

Trevor enjoyed his Moondyne Men, joining the group in July 2022 with the membership number OMO722-27.

This number will now be retired and held in memory of Trevor Kerslake, 1944-2023.

Trevor, the Moondyne Men will miss you.

If you are looking to join a proactive and progressive men's group, please feel free to come along to our weekly meetings on Mondays and Tuesdays from 9am to noon or our free breakfast on the last Saturday of the month from 8am to noon at the RSL Shed, Clinton Street, Toodyay.

For further information call Colin on 0424 195 003.

Northam Shire CEO in shock departure

THE SHIRE of Northam has appointed a new Chief Executive Officer after last month's shock resignation of outgoing CEO Jason Whiteaker.

The council announced Mr Whiteaker's resignation on July 7 and appointed Debbie Terelinck as his replacement on July 24.

Shire President Chris Antonio Council had been shocked by Jason's resignation but it was not a complete surprise.

"I was, however, hoping that he would stay a few more years to finish off some exciting developments, but totally understand his decision to leave," Cr Antonio said.

Mr Whiteaker, who has been Northam Shire CEO for 10 years, said he was proud of what had been accomplished in that time.

He cited the Bilya Koort Boodja as the project of which he was most proud.

"Giving recognition and a voice to our Ballardong Noongar community has been a long time coming," Mr Whiteaker said.

Ms Terelinck has worked in local government for 25 years, including eight in executive roles at the Cities of Subiaco and Wanneroo, and will take up the new job in her Northam role in October.

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ENVIRONMENT

Stray dogs continue to put wildlife carers at risk

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Brian Foley

A WILDLIFE carer has been bitten by a dog while trying to protect kangaroos in care.

Shire of Toodyay rangers impounded the animal before returning it to the owners with hundreds of dollars in fines.

It was not declared a dangerous dog.

In last month's *Herald* I reported on an earlier dog attack that resulted in a number of joeys being killed.

This latest attack happened while I was in the June ordinary council meeting asking questions about dog control within the shire.

I excused myself halfway through the meeting to take the call, but made it known another attack had occurred.

Luckily the carer was in her yard when the dog attacked.

Knowing the effects the previous attacks



This rescued pigmy possum is unharmed and ready for release after a cat attack.

had on the kangaroos, the carer rang us immediately.

Again, two of the kangaroos suffered myopathy, which we treated, but this time the carer was bitten on the arm.

If not for a winter jacket, the injuries

could have been serious.

The Shire says while it recognises stray dogs are a problem in Toodyay, it has taken measures to encourage dog owners to keep their pets within their boundaries.

However the continued attacks would

suggest the measures are not working.

Meanwhile more orphaned joeys are coming in.

I thank members of the public who have contacted us or brought in joeys and birds including corellas and ring-neck parrots.

A pigmy possum (pictured) was brought to us as the result of a cat attack.

Like kangaroos, these possums can stress very badly.

We confirmed it did not have any injuries before releasing it the next day.

Raising funds is an important part of being a wildlife carer.

If you wish to contribute, our Toodyay and Districts Bendigo Community Bank details are BSB 633 000 account 186438040.

Alternatively you can come and see us at the Toodyay Markets.

If you come across any injured native wildlife, or if you want to be involved as a carer, ring Brian 0419 933 721 or Becky 0499 077 739.



The tiny pigmy possum tries to hide from onlookers.

Wait and see after the frost bites

Toodyay Garden Club
Jan Ackroyd

OUR JULY outing was a visit to one of our favourite gardens in town.

Long-term Garden Club member Roma Heath moved to her home in Toodyay from Yalgoo in 2005.

She began re-establishing the steeply inclined garden, a task made easier thanks to the terraces her uncle had put in many years before.

An extensive area at the top of the garden is dedicated to fruit and citrus trees, netted to protect them from our voracious birds.

A variety of native plants, perennials, succulents and wisteria cascade downhill from the fruit trees via a trellised area.

The front garden, which is also terraced, is where Roma grows her lovely roses, together with bulbs, flowering shrubs, succulents and perennials.

There are so many varieties of plants here. Roma plants cuttings propagated from existing plants.

She admits it is a lot of work but says her family is always willing to lend a hand.

The garden is a credit to her, as each time we have had the pleasure of visiting it, there has always been something in bloom to admire.

With our club growing like the weeds in our gardens at the moment, with quite a few new faces, we are happy to revisit some of our favourite gardens here in Toodyay.

Unfortunately, our very cold mornings over the last month have produced the gardeners' unwelcome guest, Jack Frost, and our townsfolk members have reported distressing damage to their beloved gardens.

We've been told if frost is affecting your



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garden, it is best to remain patient and see the extent of the damage before reaching for the pruners.

Don't be tempted to fertilise either, as the plants need time to recover.

The mantra is "wait, see, and water".

Don't over water, just hydrate.

Wait until the plant begins to regrow before deciding whether it has been irrevocably damaged.

In August we will visit a garden in Konnongorong on the Northam - Pithara Road.

This will be a bus trip, with our hosts Nathan and Kylie putting on a lunch.

Until next month, happy weeding and digging in the nice moist soil.

For more information on Garden Club activities, contact our secretary, Lyn, via email at toodyaygardenclub@gmail.com or telephone Judy on 0437 077 875.



A view of Roma Heath's garden.

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ENVIRONMENT



A selection of orchids growing in Julimar State Forest.

More protection needed for Julimar's precious orchids

Julimar Conservation and Forest Alliance

Jacque Lucas

JULIMAR Forest is 28,000ha of beautiful wildflower country with a vast number of species, many of which have not been extensively researched.

A search conducted last year from the former Naturebase, by the Western Australian Herbarium for the Julimar Conservation and Forest Alliance, reported 515 species of plants within a 12km radius of the centre of Julimar.

I have personally found 31 species of orchids in Julimar since I began exploring the area in the 1990s.

A further three species, the red veined shell orchid, slender hammer orchid and star orchid, have been reported to the herbarium, but I have not had the privilege of seeing them in Julimar.

The star orchid, which is listed as nationally threatened, is also within the search area.

Julimar has suitable habitat for this threatened species.

The white china orchid can be found, especially after fire.

I have observed it down the slope from a fire ground, in an unburnt area, suggesting some chemicals from bushfire smoke may trigger its germination.

The yellow china orchid is also found within Julimar.

This species will flower without the need for fire but is more prolific in fire ground areas.

In the spring that followed a December 1997 bushfire there were patches in Julimar where you could barely walk without stepping on either a white or yellow china orchid.

It was a sight I will never forget.

Both the white and yellow china orchids are classified as priority species in need of further protection.

Julimar is a floral wonderland in desperate need of the protection afforded by being declared a national park.

Julimar is a suitable habitat for many more orchid species, such as the blood spider orchid, but it is yet to be thoroughly botanically catalogued.

If you wish to join us in the push to protect the Julimar Forest habitat you can sign our petition to the State Government.

Or join us on our Fungi Foray on August 6 at 10am, to discover more about the fungi of Julimar.

For more information, look out for our Julimar Conservation and Forest Alliance facebook page, or email us at julimarforest@gmail.com.

Rediscovering the work of Gilbert and his potoroo

Toodyay Naturalists' Club
Desrae Clarke

THE NAT'S club held its 2023 Annual General Meeting on Saturday July 15.

Sharon Richards was elected president for her third year, along with Desrae Clarke as secretary and Charmian St John as treasurer.

Following the AGM and General Meeting Greg Warburton gave us an interesting insight into the life of Englishman John Gilbert (1812-1845).

A noted explorer, naturalist and taxidermist, Gilbert spent considerable time in the south-west of the state and in the company of the botanist James Drummond.

He also worked under John Gould, as Gould's principal collector of animal and bird skins, together with plants, to be identified and despatched to England.

Unfortunately, Gilbert is rarely remembered for his work when naming items of natural history.

However, the small mammal, Gilbert's potoroo (*Potorous gilbertii*) holds his name.

Fearing to be extinct since the early 1900s, the potoroo was rediscovered in 1994 at Two

Peoples Bay Nature Reserve near Albany.

In natural history all sorts of odd things can happen, such as finding a white magpie or kangaroo that are not albino, cross-pollinating plants, flora and fauna out of their usual area, and suchlike.

For a second time, photos have been received from community members of a grey kangaroo with two young of the same size in her pouch.

The sightings were several years apart and from different areas of the Shire.

When experts were notified, it was stated that a kangaroo does not have twins.

One wonders.

The next Nat's meeting is to be held Saturday August 19 from 7pm at the Anglican Church Hall, with a presentation of a Landscape research expedition to the Gibson Desert.

The Toodyay Nats are always eager to hear of observations of natural history from community members with the observer recognised in the data held by the Nats.

It is so important to document this information for the future.

To contact the club the email is info@toodyaynats.org.au, website is at www.toodyaynats.org.au or 9574 5574.



The doe and her twins. Photo: Bec Creeper.

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Uniting Church

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EDUCATION/SCOUTS/PLAYGROUPS ETC

Bizy Bees

Pre-kindy for 3-year-olds. Mondays 9am -11am, Toodyay DHS. Jessica Donovan 0407 128 105.

Toodyay District High School P and C

Meets Tuesday of week 5 each term at 5.30pm in the TDHS staff room. Kelly-Anne Murray 0406 585 716.

Toodyay Playgroup

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9-11am. Wednesdays Bubs Play 10am-noon. Jessica Donovan, 0407 128 105

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Bejoording Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade

3rd Friday of the month at 5.45pm at the Bejoording Fire Shed.

Coondle-Nunile Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade

2nd Saturday October to April, June and August, 5pm Coondle Fire Shed.

Julimar Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade

Meets 3rd Saturday 6pm Julimar Fire Shed, Training Sunday 10am.

Morangup Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade

3rd Saturday 5.30pm at 3 Wallaby Way, Morangup. Sharon Gamble or secretarymvfbf@gmail.com.

St John Morangup Sub Centre

For Volunteering, First Aid Kits & Postcode 6083 Benefit Fund Memberships. 48 Wallaby Way, Morangup. 8am - 4pm Monday & Wednesday. 0418 741 971.

St John Toodyay Sub Centre

For Benefit Fund Memberships, First Aid Kits & Refills, Volunteering, General Enquiries. 120B Stirling Terrace, Toodyay. Phone 9574 2390. Emergencies call 000.

Toodyay Central Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade

2nd Tuesday 7.30pm at Toodyay Fire and Emergency Services Centre.

Toodyay State Emergency Service

4th Tuesday, 3 Wallaby Way, Morangup. Local Manager - Jeff Venn 0438 490 331. toodyayseslocalmanager@gmail.com.

Toodyay Volunteer Fire and Rescue

1st Monday Fire Station 7.30pm.

ENVIRONMENT

Avon Valley Environmental Society

3rd Friday monthly noon. Wheatbelt Natural Resource Management Centre, 269 Fitzgerald Street, Northam. Janet Wilkinson 9574 5947.

Earth Solutions - Avon Valley

2nd Tuesday (not Jan) at 6pm. Old Northam Railway Station, 425 Fitzgerald Street Northam. Karen 0438 223 886, Belle 0478 641 463, or email bellem@westnet.com.au.

Toodyay Friends of the River (TFOR)

2nd Sunday or following Monday. 9am

(winter); 8am (summer). Details on TFOR noticeboard outside Drummond House. 0429 984 482. Email: info@tfor.org.au.

Toodyay Garden Club

1st Thursday 10am. Phone President: Hamish Dobie 0423 115 204 or email toodyaygardenclub@gmail.com for next venue.

Toodyay Naturalists' Club

Meets 3rd Saturday. Call 9574 5574 or info@toodyaynats.org.au.

FARMERS MARKET

Toodyay Farmers Market

3rd Sunday of each month. 0429 984 482. toodyayfarmersmarket@gmail.com.

FESTIVALS

Toodyay Moondyne Festival

moodynecommittee@gmail.com.

HEALTH

Australian Breastfeeding Association

2nd and 4th Tuesdays, 3 Elizabeth Place, Northam 10am-noon. 3rd Tuesday Toodyay Playgroup noon-2pm. Louise 9574 0229.

Child Health Clinic

Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Bree Byfield. 9621 0100

Memory Café

Toodyay Forget Me Not Memory Café 2nd Tuesday of each month (10am-noon) at the Toodyay Bakery.

Toodyay Men's Shed

Monday, Thursday and Saturday, 8.30am-noon at Harper Road. Phone Secretary, 0499 403 830.

MINIATURE RAILWAY

Toodyay Miniature Railway

Operates Easter Saturday and thereafter on 1st and 3rd Sundays until November. Phone President Mark 0424 281 770.

MUSIC

The Toodyay Community Singers

CWA Hall, Stirling Terrace at 7pm Thursday nights. Anne-Marie Millar 0408 364 918.

Toodyay Music Club

2nd Saturday 1pm CWA Hall, Ring Joe, 0400 862 694.

PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

Morangup Progress Association

Chairperson: Brian Allan. Hall Hire: 0472 975 593 www.morangupmpa.com.au.

SENIORS

Autumn Club

Wednesday 1-4pm Toodyay Sports Pavilion Glenyce Bosnjak 9574 4587.

Butterfly Cottages

2nd Friday monthly. Jenn Nock. Email: butterfly2j@gmail.com.

Fitness and Fun for The Over 55s

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 9am, Youth Hall at showgrounds.

Ida's Hideaway

Saturdays 1-4pm Toodyay Community Resource Centre. Ring Ann Sinclair 0407 775 459.

Silver Chain Social Centre

Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays Toodyay Community Centre, 78 Stirling Terrace. Information 1300 650 803.

SERVICE ORGANISATIONS

Country Women's Association

10am on the 4th Thursday of the month and Coffee morning 2nd Thursday of the month at 10am CWA Hall. Bookings call Margot Watkins on 0405 067 591 or 9574 2823.

Moodyne Men

We meet Mondays and Thursdays from 9am to noon at the RSL Hall, Clinton Street. Contact Secretary Colin Bird 0424 195 003.

RSL Toodyay Sub-Branch

Meetings 2023: May 13, July 15, Sept 9 (AGM) Oct 7, December 9. Saturdays 1300 at the RSL Shed, Clinton Street, Toodyay. Bob Wood 0412 681 794.

Safer Toodyay Inc

Meetings announced in the Herald news article. Enquiries please contact Secretary on email: secretary@safertoodyay.org.au or 9574 5574.

Toodyay Lions Club

1st and 3rd Tuesdays Freemasons Hotel. Clint Fricker, Secretary, 0423 226 898.

Toodyay Masonic Lodge

4th Thursday Masonic Hall Fiennes St 7.30pm. Graham Barber, 9574 5717.

Toodyay Red Cross

2nd Monday February, May, August and November Anglican Hall 1.30pm.

Toodyay RoadWise Committee

2nd Wednesday of month at 9.30am at the Toodyay Police Station. Bob Neville, 0419 853 160.

SPORT

Toodyay Bowling Club

Ladies Thursdays 8.30am. Liz Sullivan 0429 311 256. Men Fridays 3pm. Andrew Watson 0418 269 773. Mixed Winter Bowls Thursday 12.30pm. Liz Sullivan. All welcome.

Avon Valley Adult Riding Club

4th Saturday (February-November) at Northam. Tina 0499 030 177.

Mortlock Pony Club

1st Sunday February to November at Goomalling. Tanzi 0427 859 493.

Toodyay Golf Club

Sundays - mixed comp with tee off at noon; ladies Wednesday with a 1.30pm tee off Contact Liz 0429 311 256; Men's scroungers Thursdays with a 2pm tee off. Contact Bruce 0417 028 089.

Avon Valley Shotokan Karate Club

Wednesdays at Youth Hall, Showgrounds. Peewees 7.45-4.30pm, juniors 4.30-5.30pm, seniors 6-7.30pm. Email avonvalleyshotokan@gmail.com.

Toodyay Soccer Club

Mondays 4-5.30pm in terms 2 and 3. For ages 5-15yrs. toodyaysoccer@gmail.com.

Toodyay Tennis Club

Winter social tennis - Tuesday 9am Rec Centre, unless raining. Members \$4, visitors \$8 pay on the day, includes morning tea. Racquets available. Email tennis@toodyaytennisclub.org.au. Phone Ph: 0433 510 416. Facebook @toodyaytennisclub.

VINTAGE VEHICLES

Avon Valley Vintage Vehicle Assoc

3rd Saturday 10.30am at old engineer's quarters next to Northam Railway Museum, Fitzgerald Street, Northam 9622 5932.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTION

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

An Ordinary Postal Election will be held in the Shire of Toodyay on Saturday 21 October 2023, to fill four (4) vacancies.

Nominations Open: Thursday 31 August 2023

Nominations Close: 4:00pm, Thursday 7 September 2023

Nominations must be lodged with the Returning Officer:

- At any time during the above period by arrangement; or
- Between 2:00pm and 4:00pm on Thursday 7 September 2023 (close of nominations) at Toodyay Community Resource Centre, 67 Stirling Terrace, Toodyay

Nomination Requirements

Candidates are required to lodge, with the Returning Officer:

- A completed nomination in the prescribed form, signed and witnessed – this form is available from the Returning Officer or the Western Australian Electoral Commission (WAEC) at www.elections.wa.gov.au;
- A single A4 page profile of no more than 800 characters (including spaces) containing information about the candidate;
- A nomination deposit of \$80.00 (cash, bank cheque or postal order); and
- A recent passport-sized photograph of the candidate's head/head and shoulders (OPTIONAL)

Please note that every candidate must complete the online *Induction for Prospective Candidates* course available at www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au prior to nominating.

WAEC has developed an online system called *Nomination Builder* to assist candidates in completing their nomination form, which includes the candidate profile. This is the preferred method of completing the nomination form and profile for elections conducted by WAEC. Candidates complete their nomination details and profile, print the completed form (with reference number allocated) and lodge it with the Returning Officer. The *Nomination Builder* can be accessed via www.elections.wa.gov.au.

Where an agent lodges a nomination on a candidate's behalf, it must be in the prescribed form with a written authorisation signed by the candidate.

Documents may be hand delivered or posted to the Returning Officer, and must be received by the close of nominations.

More information

For full details regarding eligibility and nomination procedures for prospective candidates, and for Returning Officer contact details, please contact WAEC on 1363 06.

Suzie Haslehurst
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



Classifieds

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ONE 'Lazy Boy' recliner chair. As new, purchased 7 July 2023. All warranty papers. Cost \$2600 – Nearest Offer. Phone 9574 2053.

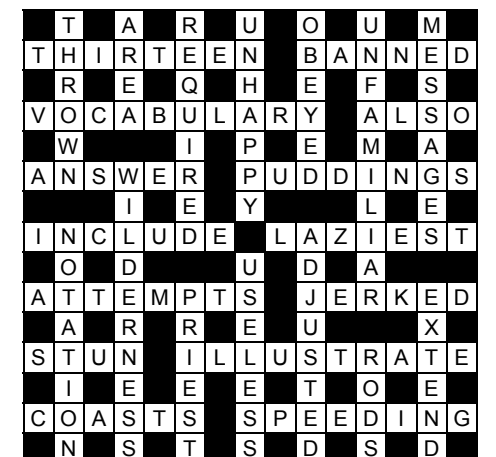
Garage Sale

GARAGE sale, Saturday and Sunday August 19 and 20 at 359 Coondle West Road from 8am to 5pm. Mainly tools and bric a brac.

Public Notices

In Memorium

MY THOUGHTS still go out for you Val. After nearly six years since your departing I will never forget you after so long. You were my guiding light.
Love Ellie (Greg)



Crosscode Solution
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Searching for the right staff?

You need to advertise in the classifieds, it's easy
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Crosscode

Crosscode is a logic puzzle. Each letter is a number. Begin by guessing the first word and placing the additional letters into the crosscode. Keep guessing words/letters until completed.

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT ORDINARY ELECTION
CLOSE OF ENROLMENTS
Shire of Toodyay
ROLL CLOSE: 5:00 PM Friday, 25 August 2023

You may be eligible to be enrolled to vote in the local government elections on 21 October 2023 if you live in or are an owner or occupier of rateable property in the Shire of Toodyay.

Residents

You are automatically enrolled to vote if you are on the State Electoral Roll as at 5:00 PM Friday, 25 August 2023. If you are not already on the State Electoral Roll and meet the eligibility criteria, or if you have changed address recently, you must complete an enrolment form.

Enrolment Forms

Electoral enrolment forms are available from the Shire of Toodyay, all post offices, all Australian Electoral Commission offices or the Western Australian Electoral Commission and must be completed and reach a Divisional Returning Officer in Western Australia by 5:00 PM Friday, 25 August 2023.

Non-Resident Owners and Occupiers

If you are a non-resident owner or occupier of rateable property in the Shire of Toodyay and are on the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll, you are eligible to enrol to vote. If you are **not** on the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll and own or occupy rateable property in the Shire of Toodyay you may be eligible to enrol to vote. This applies if you were on the last electoral roll for the Shire of Toodyay prior to May 1996 and have owned or occupied rateable property in the district continuously since this time. Please contact your local government for details. Owners of land who were on the last Local Government roll continue to retain that status until they cease to own the rateable property to which the enrolment relates. Occupiers do not have continuous enrolment and should contact the Shire of Toodyay to confirm their enrolment status. To be eligible to enrol as an occupier, you will need to have a right of continuous occupation under a lease, tenancy agreement or other legal instrument for at least the next three months following the date of the application to enrol.

Joint Owners and Occupiers

If a rateable property is owned or occupied by more than two people, a majority of the owners/occupiers may nominate two persons from amongst themselves who are on either the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll, to enrol as owner/occupier electors.

Corporations

A body corporate that owns or occupies rateable property may nominate two people who are on either the State or Commonwealth Electoral Roll to enrol as owner/occupier electors.

Enrolment Forms – Non-Resident Owners and Occupiers Only

Enrolment forms can be obtained from local governments and must be lodged with the Chief Executive Officer by 5:00 PM Friday, 25 August 2023. Further information can be obtained from the Shire of Toodyay.

Suzie HASLEHURST

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
Shire of Toodyay
Telephone: 9574 9300



ENVIRONMENT

A grating and restless call

Bird of the Month

Desraé Clarke



The restless flycatcher. Photo: Jennifer Donegan.

IT WAS a lovely surprise for a Toodyay Naturalists's Club member to report sighting a restless flycatcher (*Myiagra inquieta*) on her Toodyay property.

A community member also observed and identified this species, which has several common names including 'scissors grinder' for its continuous and rapid 'grating' call of 'chew, chew, cheweeeee' when hunting for prey.

The species lives up to its 'restless' moniker as it is constantly moving, waving its closed tail, and flying after an insect or to a new perch.

It is widely distributed around Australia except in extremely arid areas.

It prefers open woodland and areas of swamp or creeks.

Although it is found throughout the greater southwest of the state it is not common within the Shire of Toodyay.

Nat's Club members had a weekend away in the vicinity of Bluff Knoll in the Stirling Ranges in 2018 where they heard and sighted several of this species.

The male bird has a metallic sheen on its dark blue-black crested head and a dark grey upper body with grey-brown wings and tail.

The under-body is entirely white.

The female is similarly coloured, without the sheen, and has a small, buff-coloured patch on the side of the white shoulder.

Flight is swooping and graceful. The restless flycatcher has a distinctive habit

of hovering over branches, grass, and foliage, uttering its harsh, metallic call.

It is thought that the calling may disturb its prey, which include beetles, plant bugs, worms, ants, weevils, flies, moths, wasps and spiders.

The species is known as 'crepuscular' meaning active at dusk and/or at dawn.

Breeding is from July to January.

The male bird assists in building a neat, cup-shaped nest on a horizontal branch that may be from 15 to 20m off the ground.

Made of shreds of bark, fine grasses, and held together with cobweb, the outside of the nest is camouflaged with spider's egg sacs and lichen.

The female lays three to four glossy, off-white eggs, with bands of purplish-brown and purple spotting around the larger end, with parents sharing incubation.

The young fledge within 13 to 16 days.

Depending on the availability of prey, the restless flycatcher may have three broods in a season.

The Toodyay Naturalists' Club welcomes sightings and observations to add to Toodyay's natural history data.

Such was the case with the current 'Bird of the Month'.

Contact the Toodyay Naturalists' Club email info@toodyaynats.org.au or phone 9574 5574.

The sound of a frog changing gears

Python Watch

Desraé Clarke

THE HANDSOME motorbike frog or Western green tree frog has the scientific name (*Litoria moorei*).

This helps with identification as common names can be rather confusing.

Female motorbike frogs are generally larger than the male, growing to a total length of 115mm compared with the 78mm male.

As its common name suggests, its call resembles a motorbike.

It has a long, low growl that breaks several times, resembling a machine changing gears.

It is a common frog found wherever there are swampy areas or household ponds and may be found beneath ground rubbish or bark on both

standing or fallen trees.

It is an easy species to identify, with either green or brown colouring together with darker green or brown patches.

A dark stripe is noted from the snout passing over the eye and through the ear (tympanum) towards the front limbs.

It has a triangular-shaped head and the ear-drum (tympanum) is large, round and visible.

This species is an efficient climber with its strong, long hind legs and large adhesive pads on the fingers and toes.

Eggs of this frog are laid in spring to late summer as a floating clump that may adhere to vegetation.

As is known, the egg develops to a tadpole and then to a frog.

This process is called metamorphosis and happens up to April as long as there is moisture available.

Its main diet consists of flies and mosquitoes that are snapped up with an extremely quick action of its long, slender tongue.

The Toodyay Nats are always pleased to hear of observations/sightings per email: info@toodyaynats.org.au website: www.toodyaynats.org.au or 9574 5574.

For advice or assistance for orphaned, injured or sick wildlife call the Wildcare Helpline on 9474 9055.

To have an unwelcome reptile relocated please call the Shire Rangers on 9574 9370 (7 days a week), Brian Foley 0419 933 721 or Ebony Francis 0403 335 348 (ah weekends).



The Western green tree frog, or motorbike frog. Photo Edna Carr.

SALE OF ONE (1) ABANDONED VEHICLE

The Shire of Toodyay is offering the following abandoned vehicle for sale:

- Jeep Cherokee CRD Sport 4x4 (not running, key provided)

Conditions of Sale: This abandoned vehicle is being sold on an "as is, where is" basis, with no guarantees or warranty provided. The highest bidder will take ownership of the vehicle. Photographs are available to view on the Shire website: www.toodyay.wa.gov.au.

Written offers are required for purchase of this abandoned vehicle. Offers must include your name, contact details, vehicle details and offer amount, and be addressed to the Executive Manager Development & Regulation, Shire of Toodyay, PO Box 96, Toodyay WA 6566, or emailed to records@toodyay.wa.gov.au, by 4.00pm, Monday 14 August 2023.

The vehicle will be available for inspection at the Shire of Toodyay Depot, 335 Railway Road, on **Thursday 10 and Friday 11 August 2023, from 10.00am-12.00pm, by appointment only.** Please contact Development Services on 9574 9340 to book an inspection.

Suzie Haslehurst
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER





ENVIRONMENT

Members of Toodyay Friends of the River weed and plant at the Pelham Brook restoration project site.

From little things big things grow

Toodyay Friends of the River Inc.
Jennifer White

A JOYFUL surprise awaited Friends diligently weeding recently near the Pelham Brook outlet, the site of major environmental restoration work in 2019.

While undertaking their maintenance work they were happy to discover, hidden among the choking weeds, that far more of the previous year's plantings had survived than expected.

The seedlings had not only survived, but thrived.

The volunteers will continue to plant from trays of healthy plants raised by the Seed Group, and weeding around sedges planted over the previous two years.

This is all part of the Friends' ongoing care

for the area around the Pelham Brook Outlet behind the Anglican Church.

Sedges will feature in our next planting day in August, revegetating along Boyagerring Brook near the school.

The sedges were supplied by the Noongar Land Enterprise Group's "Boola Boonap" (place of many trees).

Two years ago the group purchased WA Farm Trees in Northam and is working towards producing 2.5 million seedlings a year for land restoration projects.

They will be a great source of riparian species for TFOR revegetation sites.

The Friends' next working bees are scheduled for Sunday and Monday August 13 and 14.

The Sunday revegetation task is to plant sedges along the Boyagerring Brook, with

participants meeting at the school carpark at 9am.

The Monday group will meet at 9am behind St Stephen's Anglican Church.

The Avon Descent and Food Festival and Family Fun Day will have been held the previous Saturday.

The Monday group will survey the impact of the event at key access points on the Avon River within the Shire of Toodyay and clean up as needed.

Members of the community are most welcome to come along and join in the fun.

HEALTH

Do elephants never forget?

Heartlands Veterinary Hospital
Dr Tracey Thornton

NOT ENTIRELY, but elephants do have excellent memories.

They have the largest brain of all land mammals, and a well-developed hippocampus and cerebral cortex.

This means elephants can remember all the members of their clan and can recall favourite locations for many years after their last visit there.

Elephants can also communicate across distances of several kilometres with subsonic rumbles.

Humans can't hear these low frequency noises, but the mechanism elephants use to create the sounds is similar to human singing.



Elephants are known for their long memory.

What does self-care look like for blokes?

Warrior Wellbeing
The Regional Men's Health Initiative

ONE THING I often find myself saying to family members, friends, and individuals through the work we do at Regional Men's Health is "look after yourself mate".

This message comes from a genuine place of concern for these people.

It encompasses a key component of our vision statement "to empower men and communities to take responsibility for their wellbeing and health".

But what does it really mean for blokes living and working in regional, rural and remote WA?

Best described as "self-care", looking after yourself is a deliberate, self-initiated act to help maintain physical, mental, social or spiritual wellbeing.

Because we all live different lives, self-care will vary from person to person.

The circumstances around our work, family, individual capacity and environment can change.

However, for most of us it should be regular and ongoing, not just a one-off thing we do, then forget about it until next year.

It should be more than just the time left over, more than just the dregs.

Taking the time for our self-care is not a luxury.

It is a necessity, and should form part of our daily, weekly or monthly routine.

It can help us better cope with challenging times and the demands of daily life.

For a lot of men, a "warrior attitude" to business goals and success can push wellbeing to the bottom of the list.

When we think about it, acts of self-care give us an opportunity to reset.

It can be a circuit breaker on the daily grind, a break from the rat race that life can often feel like.

This is especially the case in these fast-moving times of technological advancement, social media bombardment, and the 24/7 blurring of our work-life balance, for example working from home and being constantly available via our smartphones.

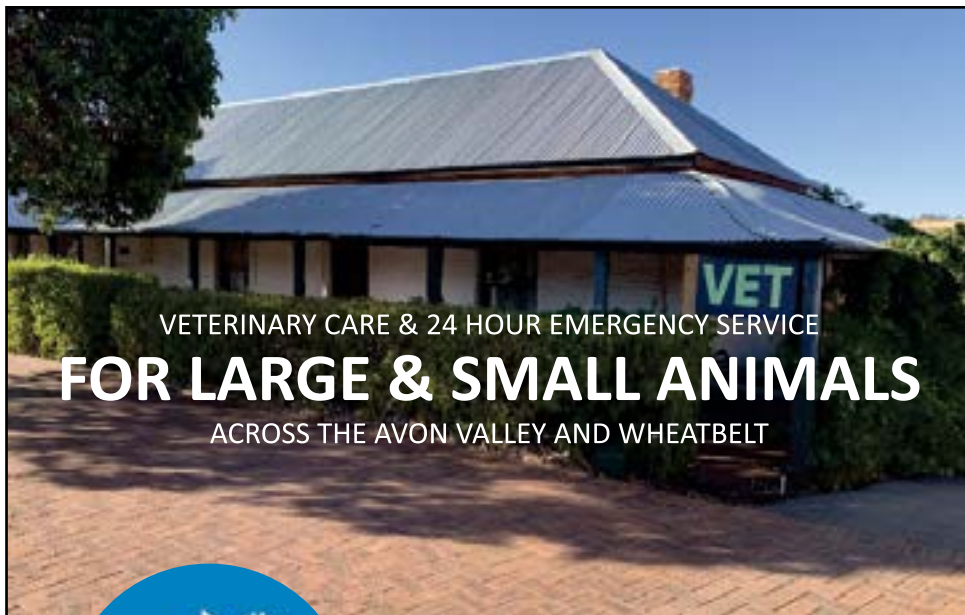
Relationships can become strained, we can suffer burn out, harbour resentment, and miss out on things we didn't know were important until too late.

Self-care offers us a buffer from the bumps in the road.

There is a range of definitions for self-care, all pointing towards making the time to do things on a regular basis, such as:

- Starting with small changes that we can manage. Ask what is within our control, and when we need to say 'no' to unhelpful habits, behaviours, or commitments;
- Changing our mindset and putting ourselves first. We shouldn't see this as selfish but as a form of good self-management. Actively plan and commit for self-care to happen;
- Being connected to our passions, interests and a sense of belonging to family and community;
- Eating well and exercising regularly, with a good sleep routine; and
- Getting a checkup with our GP and other health care professionals.

Remember, self-care starts with you, so try doing something that makes you feel good, gets you excited and puts a smile on your face.



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SPORT AND LEISURE



Four sisters with their grandmother Doris Martin of Bolgart (from left) Callie Carr, Jody Calhoun, Shelley Creighton, Doris Martin and Kerry Hepworth.

Tapping toes and firing pizzas

Bolgart News

Pam McGill

40th birthday party

NEARLY 80 guests from as far afield as Karratha, Dongara, Moora, Kalgoorlie, Perth and Moota in South Australia turned out to attend the 40th birthday party of Shelley Creighton of Bakers Hill.

Shelley is the daughter of Carol Harris (nee Martin), formerly of Bolgart.

The party was held on July 8 in Bakers Hill with Pizza Joe's Woodfired Pizzas of Midland serving their delicious fare to guests.

Johnnie Motion Music of Bakers Hill had the guests up on their feet and dancing.

It was a very enjoyable time for all who attended.



Ludemann Cup Winner Phil Syred.

Ladies golf results

JENNI Knowles Trophy Stroke winner Therese Chitty, runner-up Vivienne Camerer.

Club Trophy Stableford winner Jenni Knowles, runner-up Vivienne Camerer.

Joy Hamilton Trophy First Round of championship Stroke winner Serena Syred, runner-up Merle Manuel.

Northam Open day Canadian Foursomes winner Merle Manuel and Pam Meston, runners-up Joy Hamilton and Therese Chitty.

Marion Colmer Trophy Par winner Pam McGill, runner-up Joy Hamilton

Mens golf results

WITH great weather for golf, a field of 34 played the 27-hole Ludemann Cup on Sunday July 9.

The winner on the day was local Phil Syred, 52 points.

Runner-up was Mark Travers, also a local, 51 points.

Gross Trophy winner Phil Becker of Northam, 37 gross points.

AM Round winner Todd Meston Bolgart, 23 points.

PM Round winner Justin Edmonds Bolgart, 36 points.

Best visitor winner Alan Mason from Marri Park Golf Club.

Many thanks to the generous sponsors, the Ludemann family from Bolgart, McIntosh and Sons of Wongan Hills, Wall to Wall Painting and Ian Aitkins of Perth.

A big thank you to caterer Serena Syred and her band of helpers on the day.

Those attending enjoyed a delicious array of food.

Sponsors bring us golf galore

Toodyay Golf Club

Liz Sullivan

SATURDAY June 24 was the annual Bendigo Bank Day, a two-person ambrose.

Winners with a net 63.75 were John Jaworski and Lindsay Slater, second with a net 65 were Dave Gordon and Aaron Boston, third with a net 65.75 were Murray Riseley and Ash Grundy.

July 2 was a par event sponsored by CSBP Fertilisers.

The winner was Murray Riseley, all square, second was Bruce Shaw with a -1 and third was Ryan Sinclair also with a score of -1.

July 9 was the first round of Club Championships sponsored by Wayne's

Carpentry and Fencing.

The winner with a net 73 was Bruce Shaw, second place was Kim Rose losing the count-back also with a net 73 and third also with net 73 was Ash Grundy.

July 16 saw round two of the Club Championships sponsored by Northam Skin Care.

The day's winner was Bruce Shaw with net 72, second was Ash Grundy with net 73 and third was Aaron Boston with net 75.

The last round of Club Championships, sponsored by George Murray, was played on July 23.

A Grade winner and Club Champion is Aaron Boston, while B Grade champion is David Duncan.

Here's what we've Bindoon in July

Toodyay Autumn Club

Michael Cox, Vice President

JULY was good month with a visit from our friends from Bindoon Club.

We went to the club house early in the morning to set up, the ladies making up the food and the men setting the hall for a game of bowls.

The bus arrived bringing the Bindoon members just in time for morning tea.

I welcomed them to our club as our president was unable to attend.

His apologies were sent on.

After tea we had a game of carpet bowls with lots of fun and laughter until it was lunchtime.

The ladies put on soup and sandwiches and there was good choice of soups so many went round for seconds.

Then it was time for the raffle, with a table full of presents for lucky winners.

The first ticket was drawn and guess whose ticket came out – mine – well someone had to be first. There was plenty for all so everyone got a prize.

The afternoon came with more bowls, with last game was between the two clubs.

We had so much fun and laughter; I do not know who won but we had a great time.

We ended up with afternoon tea and then it was time to thank the Bindoon Club for coming and making it a great day and to thank the ladies for putting on good variety of food for us.

Don't miss out on the fun – come and join us on a Wednesday afternoon for fun and laughter.

Contact our secretary on 0409 378 655 or drop in at the hall in the Showgrounds one Wednesday.

New tournament supports our young gladiators

Avon Valley Shotokan

Nat Kielbasa

IT IS always exhilarating to experience something new in a sport you love.

During July AKKA Martial Arts hosted a small team of our students in Osborne Park for a slightly different (and absolutely brilliant) style of tournament.

This event focused on developing skills, learning new things and most importantly, having a lot of fun.

As well as competing in kata and kumite, there was also an exciting 'gladiator' event.

This involved a circuit of fantastic challenges where everyone enjoyed trying belt tag, one-minute sparring, pool noodle tap, performing kicks and punches to music and everyone's favourite, board breaking.

This is awesome to watch – especially when Tyler punched so hard that he broke one of boards completely.

Four students also had the opportunity to create and name their own team katas.

This was a fabulous opportunity for them to perform all favourite karate moves in one kata.

Their effort and practice in classes paid off with first place for Kayden and Victor and third place for Casey and Helena. Awesome job everyone.

Kayden, Victor, Helena, Tyler and Casey all came home with medals and deserve enormous congratulations for their effort and enthusiasm.

Special mention to Casey for his first-place trophies in both kata and kumite.

For our students under 17, AKKA Martial Arts is holding another tournament like this in September and we would love to see you join in.

If you feel nervous or have never come to a tournament, this is the one to try, as it is relaxed and supportive

We welcome community members to come and see what karate is all about.

Please visit our classes or drop by our stall at the Toodyay Farmers Markets for a chat.



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Welcome to August Edition.

Well the Avon Descent is almost upon us and the town will be full of tourists for the weekend. They get to enjoy our town for a day or two but we get to enjoy it all year round! Lucky us!

State of the Market - So we have once again dropped the magic number to 5132 listings, down from last month again. This is creating a fantastic selling time for vendors and keeping the market hot with buyers. The time to sell is now!

The court case - Well the last hearing at Northam Court was just to set a trial date BUT as the prosecution are calling 4 witnesses and we are calling 9, they say the case is too big to hear in Northam. So they are sending us to Perth District Court on the 6th October and this is just another hearing to actually set a date for a 4 day trial. Absolutely unbelievable that such a small thing can be so massive. 4 days in Perth court, I didnt kill anyone, I just fixed a creek crossing on my own land to be able to access my house safely. The future is looking particularly bleak for WA people with the new act in place. I just do not understand the massive divide the government is trying to make here but they are certainly doing their best.

Our office - Well we filled our position after losing Christie. I am very please to announce that...Jess Corbey has joined us!!

Jess - has fitted in with the girls already and has mastered the sales admin role to perfection. What a amazing replacement she has been...AND

Jess - will shortly be doing her sales course! So she will join Sam as a sales rep!

Christie - is still with us and now doing all the remote Goldfields sales.

Jemma - an amazing young girl, who seems to take everything in her stride and brings light to the office when everyone enters! Always a beautiful smile.

Faith - working on expanding the rent role with excellent results so far! This has been a big year for Faith with her studies close to being finished and sorting out the rent role to a high standard! My absolute super star!!

Gracie - how has it already been a year that her little girl was born?! With her young man turning 4 in the same month! We love watching them grow. Gracie just brings so much heart to the office, what would we do without her?!

Jo - Engaged and planning a wedding! Off to Melbourne for a few days soon for a well deserved break. Merredin rentals are keeping this girl busy on her toes! Never a quiet day with this one around and we wouldn't want it any other way.

Sam - well this man has been non-stop for the last few weeks, no rest for the wicked! He has managed to sell nearly every house we have had for sale! With only a few days in between, he was also able to join mates out and about trail riding! What a champion he is!

Tony - well life doesn't slow down much with age and I am still fighting for what I feel is right with the farm and working every other day. To slow down hopefully in 2024

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