

SHIRE NEWS

School holiday fun and STEM learning at TCRC

The recent school holidays proved to be a success at TCRC with a packed program of activities to entertain young minds. The children were captivated by the challenges of Aim of the Game, unleashed their creativity with Minecraft Day and were amazed by the magic show and workshop.

We're also excited to introduce Chelsea, our newest team member. Come in and say hello. For National Science Week 2024, Star Tracks will host a stargazing evening, which is already fully booked. However, young minds can still spark their curiosity by creating a DIY STEM activity book. This program will generate a book designed for easy experiments and activities to do at home using everyday household items.

For further information please contact the Toodyay Community Resource Centre on (08) 9574 5357 or email crc@toodyay.wa.gov.au.



A call for volunteers at the Newcastle Gaol.

The Newcastle Gaol has had many functions over time, including a private residence. In 1962, the building was opened as a museum and became the first regional museum in the state. The Gaol is open 7 days a week, made possible by the valuable help of our volunteer staff.

The Toodyay Visitors Centre, along with the Shire of Toodyay, are seeking regular front of house volunteers for the Newcastle Gaol during the week. If you enjoy history, meeting new people, and have a few hours available per week, we would love to hear from you.

Mitigation Grant Cleans up to Reduce Risk - River Hills

The area known as Lot 9508 is nine hectares of Shire land situated between the Sports & Recreation Centre, the High School and the River Hills Estate. It was once earmarked for subdivision but over the years became a dumping ground for excavated material. This resulted in huge mounds of soil and tonnes of boulder sized rocks across the site. This situation presented not only an eyesore but also made fire hazard reduction all but impossible with only about 20% of the lot area that could be effectively mitigated for fire risk. The Shire Emergency & Reserve Management team worked diligently over two years to successfully source federal Disaster Ready Funding to undertake a major earthworks project at this site.

Last month, local contractors Avon Earthworks assigned all available machinery and staff to flatten the mounds and dispose of the rock.

This outstanding effort has resulted in not only improved amenity but also the ability to effectively manage the lot for fire risk. The Shire wishes to acknowledge the Avon Earthworks team for their determination to achieve the best possible outcome.

Vale Sandra Harms

The Community/Reserves Management team and Bush Fire Service were saddened to hear of the sudden passing of Sandra Harms. We extend our condolences to her husband Peter and family. Peter has been a longtime volunteer with the Morangup Bushfire Brigade. Sandra was a talented graphic artist who worked closely with Reserve Management and the Noongar Kaartdijin Aboriginal Corporation. She provided eye catching and informative designs for many of the signs now installed along walk tracks and at various heritage locations.



Toodyay Skatepark Competition Returns

We are thrilled to announce the highly anticipated Toodyay Skatepark Competition, presented by Freestyle Now and the Shire of Toodyay, as part of the Toodyay International Food Festival.

The event aims to bring together the vibrant skateboarding, scooter, BMX, roller skating, and inline skating communities in Toodyay and beyond.

Whether you are an experienced rider or just starting out, the Toodyay Skatepark Competition welcomes participants of all skill levels. It's an incredible opportunity to showcase your talent, challenge yourself, and connect with fellow enthusiasts in a supportive and energetic environment.

But the excitement doesn't stop there. With over \$3,000 worth of prizes up for grabs, this competition is not to be missed. Competitors will have the chance to win amazing rewards and recognition for their outstanding performances. Spectators, too, are in for a treat as they witness mind-blowing tricks and impressive displays of athleticism.

The Toodyay International Food Festival, known for its delectable array of culinary delights and vibrant atmosphere, provides the perfect backdrop.

Join us on 10 August 2024 at the Toodyay Skatepark for an unforgettable day of extreme sports, friendly competition, and delicious food. Whether you're an aspiring athlete or simply love the thrill of watching talented riders in action, this event promises to be an incredible experience.

For further inquiries or sponsorship opportunities, please contact Freestyle Now.



As part of a new Australian Warning System, the way incidents are displayed has changed. If you're familiar with bushfire warnings, you'll already be familiar with the three warning levels of 'Advice - Watch and Act - Emergency Warning'.

Previously there were different warnings systems for different hazard types across Australia. Now the Australian Warning System is a standardised national approach to information, warnings and calls to action during emergencies like bushfire, flood, storm, extreme heat and severe weather.

A consistent set of hazard icons have been developed for each warning level, that use a consistent shape and colour scheme, with icons increasing in size as the warning level increases.

Each warning level has a set of Action Statements to give the community clearer advice about what to do.

The warning levels provide point in time information about a hazard that is impacting or expected to impact a community

and describes the impact and expected consequences for the community.

It describes the impact and expected consequences for communities and includes advice on what people should do.

For more information about the Australian Warning system you can visit www.australianwarningsystem.com.au or www.dfes.wa.gov.au

For current alerts and warnings information visit: www.emergency.wa.gov.au

Summer has arrived!

It might be winter elsewhere, but here at the Shire's Development and Regulation Office, Summer has arrived. We would like to welcome to our team Summer Roberts as our new Planning and Compliance Officer.

A Toodyay local, Summer will be familiar to many of you. Prior to this, Summer has been working with the WA Police.

Summer takes on an exciting and challenging role - and will be responsible for day-to-day planning and compliance matters. This involves giving planning advice, assessing development applications, researching and preparing Council agenda items and helping to manage complaints and compliance issues. When she's not being a planner, Summer's big interest is in road cycling and she's pretty good at it too, having competed at international level - *no more training wheels in that area.*

Summer Roberts



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Gonneville Project Update



Community Investment applications are now open

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Chalice is committed to delivering positive long-term benefits to the areas that surround the Gonneville Project.

One way Chalice can contribute is through our Community Investment Program. The Program aims to support communities by providing funding to local groups and projects allowing them to implement initiatives, activities and services in the region.

The Chalice Community Investment Framework outlines our focus areas for funding:



Environment



Education



Community Connection



To apply for funding

Scan the QR code with your phone or visit: www.facebook.com/ChaliceGonnevilleProject

Applications close **Monday, 30 September 2024**

Have a question? Visit us at a community event

The Chalice community team will be attending two upcoming community events, ready to answer your questions and share information about the Gonneville Project. They will also be happy to discuss the Community Investment Program with community groups and applicants at the events.

Look out for the Chalice marquee at:

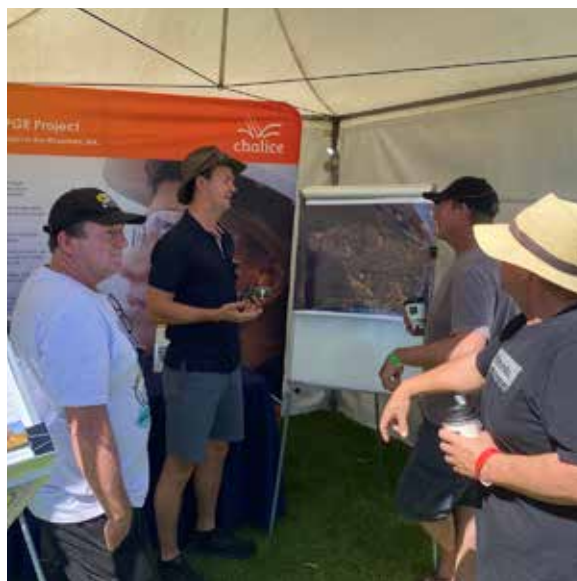
- » **Toodyay International Food Festival** at Stirling Park
Sunday, August 10 from 10am – 4pm
- » **Taste of Chittering** at Nesci Estate Wine Farm
Sunday, 25 August from 10am – 3pm

If you can't make it to these events, but would like to know more about Chalice activities or the Gonneville Project, visit our community Facebook page to follow us and ask a question.



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Keep An Eye Out For Wildlife

The winter months often see the highest numbers of animal injuries and collisions with vehicles. Chalice is a proud sponsor of Marsupial Mamas and Pappas Wildlife Care who are a hardworking volunteer group in the region working to rescue and rehabilitate marsupials, birds and reptiles ready for release back to the wild.

If you find injured, misplaced or unwell wildlife in the area please call MM&P on their 24hr line: 0493 613 427.

Local School in line for award

Toodyay District High School
Tonia Demeur

TOODYAY District High School has been shortlisted for the WA District High Schools Administrators' Association's Best Practice Award.

Our nomination recognises the work we have done across the past four years in the secondary area, re-imagining a more meaningful approach that enables success for all.

This incorporates regular Pathways for the Western Australian Certificate of Education, as well as via ASDAN courses and Structured Workplace Learning.

This has enabled students to 'bank' credits towards Year 11 and Year 12 and/or gain early entry into post school training such as apprentice and traineeships.

This also includes certificate courses through TAFE and other registered training organisations.

We are very proud to be recognised as a school demonstrating best practice.

Bahasa Indonesia Students Award Night
TWO OF our students, Owen Warde and Ryleigh Munday were recently rewarded for their outstanding achievements and efforts in the Indonesian class of 2023.



Bahasa Indonesia Award students Owen Warde and Ryleigh Munday with their outstanding achievement certificates and gift cards.

They were presented with certificates and gift cards at the second Bahasa Indonesia Students Award Ceremony at the Consulate General of The Republic of Indonesia in Perth.

Students also experienced a cultural performance, the Nawung Sekar Dance and a cooking demonstration by Chef Daud, showcasing how to make the traditional



The Year 3 students who studied Ancient Rome.

Think now for reveg plants for next year

Toodyay Seed Group
Bethan Lloyd

PLANTING season is done and dusted, so time for a rest for us.

Lyn and Laraine are moving to the city so are leaving our group this year and we will have two new team members when we start up again later in the year.

We think we distributed about 2000 plants to landholders and Friends of the River planted around 400 in various spots.

Most were distributed in sales after orders had been collected so people had to have what we had left over.

Many people were after specific things and whilst they were not disappointed, had they thought about it a bit earlier, they could order what they need.

Bearing this in mind, why not order for next year now?

Then you will get what you want.

Indonesian steamed cake-Putu Ayu.

Another highlight of the night was the opportunity for students to win one of three free AirAsia return tickets from Perth to Indonesia by participating in quiz-like challenges.

Ryleigh and Owen gave it their all but missed out on a trip this time.

Ancient Rome

AN ENTHUSIASTIC group of our Year 3 students has been journeying through the fascinating world of ancient Rome for the last eight weeks.

They've explored the history of Roman architecture, delved into the daily lives of Romans and uncovered this mighty civilisation's rich history and legends.

With curiosity and creativity, these young historians have brought Ancient Rome to life and are excited to share their new-found knowledge.

Music Incursion

WE RECENTLY had Sophie Curtis and her ensemble from the WA Young Artists Chamber Music Program perform a concert for us and conduct three string workshops for students from Year 4 to Year 6.

We were captivated by the concert with pieces from Australian composers, Beethoven, Danish and French composers and performed by the cello, clarinet, violin and the viola.

Students learnt that strings can be played not only with a bow but also by plucking, demonstrating the versatility of these instruments.

Students engaged in interactive string workshops where they were introduced to the concept of ostinato.

Ostinato is a musical term denoting a repetitive musical phrase or rhythm that recurs throughout a piece, providing a fundamental element that enhances continuity and structure within the composition.

In the workshops students collaborated in groups to craft their own compositions using percussion and instruments under the guidance of program director Sophie and our own local musician, Rupert.

The day was a tremendous success with students acquiring a valuable insight into string instruments and gaining a deeper understanding of how chamber music functions.

The experience provided a rich educational opportunity for students to explore the world of music in a hands-on and creative manner.

Carpet bowls followed by a delicious lunch made for a great day

Toodyay Autumn Club
Michael Cox

WE HAD another day of activity when we were visited by the Bindoon Club on Wednesday July 10.

The day started at 8.30am when our members arrived to get the place ready for our guests.

Just after 9am they arrived by bus and enjoyed morning tea before a game of carpet bowls until it was time for lunch prepared by our lady members.

A great day was had by all with a raffle with everyone receiving a mystery prize and then

we played some more games until it was time for afternoon tea.

Apart from carpet bowls we plan other activities and coming up we have a trip to Whiteman Park and a train trip to Fremantle

On the way we will stop at the Perth Senior Centre for morning tea then have a look around Fremantle before a lunch of fish and chips.

We are always looking for new members and are sure you would have a great time.

Just come along to one of our meetings on Wednesdays at 1pm or contact our secretary on 0409 378 655.



(From left) four Autumn Club members from Bindoon together with locals from the Toodyay Autumn Club, Jeff, Glenyce, Woody and Freda.







Students taking part in the Music Incursion, trying out various instruments.

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Toodyay's historic churches speak of another age



Sean Hefferon

TOODYAY is renowned for its culture and heritage which after all is part of the reason people move to the area.

The laidback country lifestyle, bakery, the river, heritage buildings and the people all add to the kaleidoscope that is Toodyay.

The area also has several historic churches that speak to the country of a history in many cases long forgotten, especially as most Australians nowadays profess to not following any religion.

So, Friedrich Nietzsche was right, God is dead and we have killed him.

The number of faithless is closing in on the number of faithful, or at least that is what the 2021 Census tells us.

Australia is becoming less and less a nation of Christians and increasingly a nation of "no religion".

Perhaps "Losing My Religion" the iconic song by R.E.M. released in 1991 was prophetic after all?

According to philosopher Charles Taylor, "Modern civilisation cannot but bring about a "death of God."

Taylor argues in his book *A Secular Age*, that we have swapped God, for a "culture of authenticity, or expressive individualism, in which people are encouraged to find their own way, discover their own fulfilment, "do their own thing".

Might explain the rise of the TikTok generation which seems, as does excessive social media use in general, to be associated with increased mental ill health.

Yet a small country church that has borne the travails of history can speak to one of another age not quite yet gone.

Still there, perhaps in the background but still there.

St. Philip's Anglican Church in Culham is "still there" as it sits alongside the Bindi Bindi - Toodyay Road.

It's worth a visit, perhaps just for a moment of reflection of another age, not yet gone - but going.



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Busy bees keep Toodyay Friends buzzing on the riverbank



(From left) Bethan Lloyd, John Zawada, Gary Payne and Nalini Robertson preparing guards for the seedlings being planted at a recent busy bee.

Toodyay Friends of the River Hugh Rayner

NOW THAT the rain has arrived, the Toodyay Friends of the River (TFOR) have really swung into action with planting, weeding and caring for the river's banks and its tributaries.

This is a core activity of the group that is becoming increasingly important because of a more challenging climate leading to less predictable rainfall.

Busy bees have been held in June and July, with volunteers gathering to plant and weed on the tributaries to the Avon, such an important part of the health of the river.

The busy bees are held on the Sunday and Monday to give members a chance to be involved in TFOR activities.

These events are a great chance to get to know other members and to learn about the life of the river and the vegetation that is such an important part of the river's health.

It is certainly a great opportunity to see the physical results of being involved and a chance to develop planting skills.

Bethan Lloyd has also been doing some planting in between busy bees and this is a further opportunity for members to participate and develop their skills.

These skills can be put into action in your

own patch when you take advantage, as many people did, of the fantastic offerings at the Seed Orchard plant sale.

There was a wide variety of species on offer at the sale, all incredibly healthy and vibrant and of course they are suited to the area and very likely to thrive.

On top of the busy bees the Friends held our annual raffle, a successful event raising money to help keep our activities going.

The raffle was itself a great opportunity to talk to people about the work we do and the various walks available around town.

Don't forget the photo competition we are running at this year's Agricultural Show.

Now that there is finally some water in the river there are many chances for great photos.

Flyers with information about the competition are available at Drummond House on Saturday mornings or pick one up from our stall at the International Food Festival for the Avon Descent on August 10 at Duidgee Park.

The stall will also have information about the river, including maps of the 100-year flood plain for Toodyay, Northam and York.

Our next busy bees are on Sunday August 11 and Monday August 12, starting at 9am.

We will be working at the Pelham Brook Outlet, behind the Anglican Church.

Come along and join the fun.

Rock-like creatures thrill Toodyay Nat's members

Toodyay Naturalists' Club Desraé Clarke

LAST MONTH a group of Toodyay Nat's Club members completed an excursion with a cruise around the waters and wetlands of Mandurah with the added enjoyment of the brief company of several dolphins.

The group travelled south of Mandurah to stay at the Myalup Lions Pine Village as a base to visit the Peel-Yalgorup System.

This is the largest and most diverse estuarine complex in Australia's South West with its uniqueness leading to it being listed as a Ramsar wetland in 1990.

What is the significance of the term Ramsar?

The Ramsar Convention was developed to protect wetlands throughout the world.

It encourages the designation of areas that hold rare wetlands, wetlands that are important for the support of large numbers of waterbirds or have ecological, botanical, zoological or areas of water importance.

The signing of the Convention took place in 1971 in a small Iranian town of Ramsar and Australia now has 67 Wetlands of International Importance.

Areas visited by Nats' members were Lake Clifton that holds Thrombolites, unique rock-like creations, and the historical lime works

that were operational for only two years.

Samphire Cove has a Friends group who have worked hard to revegetate the wetland shores and have built a significant boardwalk across the wetlands to enjoy viewing of the area without damage.

The Creery Wetlands Reserve held a wide board walk to venture across the area and also has a high platform overlooking the wetlands and a bird hide.

A surprise was the presence of a Splendid Wren and his family searching for a morsel while hopping on plants that were in the shallow water.

The weekend away was educational and most enjoyable.

The next meeting of the Nats' will be the Annual General Meeting on Saturday 17 August commencing 5pm as a 'Bring and Share' meal.

The meal will be followed by the post-graduate student and guest speaker, Thilo Krueger, speaking about carnivorous plants after which will be the annual general and ordinary meetings of the group.

Thank you to those community members who contact Nats' members with interesting observations and stories together with photos. These reports are extremely valuable.

Contact can be made on email: secretary@toodyaynats.org.au or 9574 5574.



Two new birds for Julimar Forest

Julimar Forest and Conservation Alliance Max Howard, Wheatbelt Avon Bird Group

FOR OVER the past 12 months the Julimar Conservation and Forest Alliance with the approval of the Department of Biodiversity, Conservations and Attractions have had field cameras at various locations throughout Julimar Forest to record wildlife, predators, and introduced species.

Two recent sightings of birds have created a lot of interest with bird watchers both within and outside the Shire of Toodyay.

One bird, the White-breasted Robin, an endemic species to Western Australia, has never been recorded within the forest as its main habitats are in the wetter South West forest areas, Darling Range Jarrah forests, and northwards along the coastline in the thick creek-side vegetation.

The other species, the White-fronted Honeyeater, has one historical record from the 1950's, and it is either Harry Butler's survey of the forest in that period or Jim Masters of Glen Avon, via Northam, who shared his data with Butler on the birds of Julimar.

This Honeyeater's normal range is the arid and semi-arid areas of the state.

However, it has been recorded in the Toodyay shire and I would suggest it is an uncommon species although it is turning up more in recent years in community gardens,

especially during the summer months.

The large natural Julimar forest is already a haven for birds with over 120 species being recorded, which is a number similar to the recently created National Park "Dryandra" which is a similar size to Julimar located in the Shires of Cuballing, Williams, and Wandering.

Given the forest is ideally positioned between the Wheatbelt, and the arid areas, and the southern half of the state, more species could be expected in this natural habitat, especially when the above areas are feeling the effects of climate change.

Our thanks must go to Mark and his team for placing the cameras around the forest over the past 12 months.

These two sightings are an example of what can be achieved by field cameras and dedicated people.



Samphire Cove (Photo: Desraé Clarke)

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ENVIRONMENT

Shy bird common in Toodyay

Bird of the Month
Desraé Clarke

THE COMMON Bronzewing is a shy, wary bird of 32cm to 36cm. The species is widespread over Australia but scarce in the drier areas and heavy rain forests.

It is a common bird within the Shire of Toodyay often observed on road verges eating the fallen seed of the grasses, Saffron Thistle and Paterson's Curse.

It also takes the seeds of native plants, such as Gastralium, which contains the toxin 1080, a toxin which ultimately lodges in the bones of the bird.

If the bird is predated upon by a fox and the animal consumes the bones, the fox will die of secondary poisoning.

The male bird has a creamy-buff forehead, a purple/brown crown and sides of the nape with a white line that runs from beneath the eye to curve down to the neck.

It has a grey/brown upper body with pale-edged feathers and a metallic sheen or bronzing over it, as do the wings which also have an iridescent green patch on the secondaries.

The throat is pale brown grading to a pink-brown breast, becoming lighter and greyer on the belly; the bill is purple to black, and the legs and feet are pinkish.

The female is similar in her colouring but has less iridescence on the back, a grey forehead and greyer breast.

The nesting call of the Common Bronzewing is a deep resonant and mournful 'oom' repeated slowly many times.

Breeding is in spring and early summer.

Nests vary from a solid saucer to a frail platform of sticks and twigs that may be in the fork of a tree up to ten metres above ground, in thick bushes, among rocks or on the ground.

Two white, oval eggs are laid and incubated fourteen to sixteen days by both birds.

When disturbed, the Bronzewing will fly low across open ground, exhibiting a swift and powerful wingbeat which gives a loud whirring sound.

To contact the Toodyay Naturalists' Club with interesting sightings or queries please call 9574 5574 or email secretary@toodyaynats.org.au



The Common Bronzewing (Photo Dr Robyn Taylor).

Rains brings forth resonant Frog calls

Python Watch
Desraé Clarke

ALTHOUGH it has been a hot, dry summer the recent rains have brought forth the resonant calls of frogs with one resident that has burrowed into quite solid soil next to our concrete water tank, the Spotted Burrowing Frog.

It has been interesting following changes in its home structure over the past five weeks; beginning with a small round hole of approximately 2cm diameter and around three to 4cms in depth.

This structure was followed by a much wider excavation of approximately 6cm diameter with earth built up around the excavation.

Following heavy rain the hole was filled, with several gum leaves and a piece of thin bark included and remained so for several days.

On sunny days the area may be opened a little more but following any wet day the filling-in of the home occurs.

It has been very interesting observing the construction, alterations then restructuring of the Spotted Burrowing Frog home.

This large frog is chocolate brown with evenly spaced spots found mainly on its sides but may be seen on its back and legs; its underside is white below.

As a member in the family of 'burrowing frogs' its feet are not webbed.

The male is smaller than the female being approximately 77mms SVL (snout vent length) to the female being approximately 85mms SVL.

The burrowing frog genus is rare in high rainfall areas but it is found throughout the Wheatbelt as it does well in areas with low rainfall.

The Western Burrowing Frog breeds from April to June and burrows beneath stones or in swampy areas where it lays between 250



Western Spotted Frog (photo Wayne Clarke)

to 700 eggs in a foam nest.

The eggs hatch from 10 to 40 days with the tadpole stage found in water.

Metamorphosis (the change of an animal from the larval to adult stage, or from a tadpole to frog) takes place in September and October.

If you see a strange hole that has constantly changing structures according to the weather, watch it carefully as you may see a small mountain of soil with a sand-covered head and two large, bulbous eyes peering at you.

The Nat's members would then like to hear from you with a photograph or two.



The entrance to the burrow excavated by the Western Spotted Frog.

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VAL, I can't forget you as this is August which reminds me of your birthday on the 10th. I am always thinking of you and will never forget you. You were the light of my life. Love Elley (Greg).



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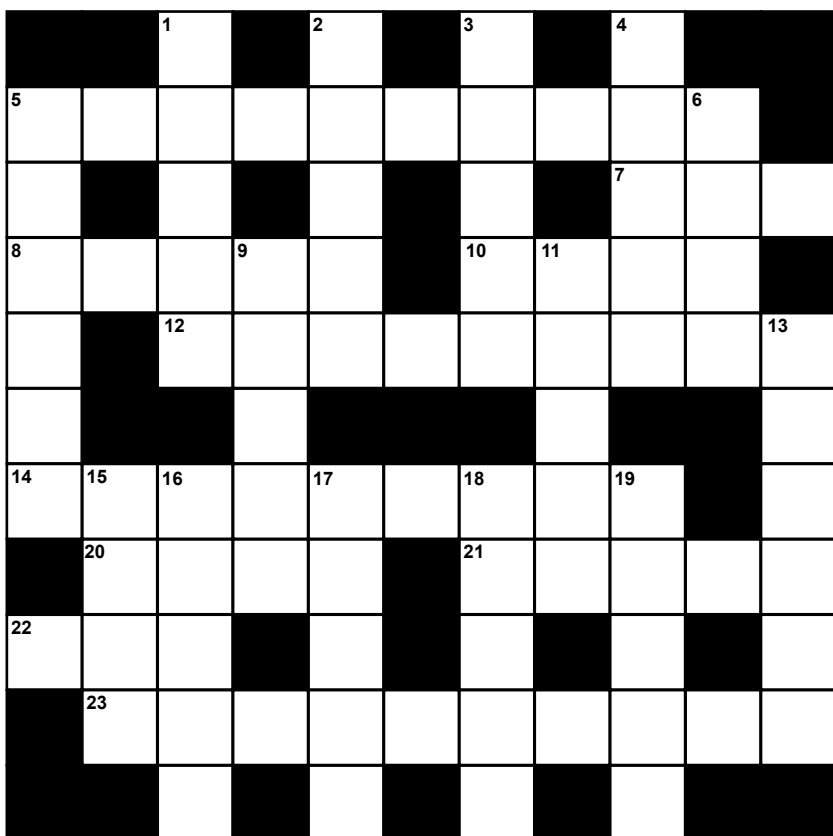
Combo Crossword

ACROSS

- 5. A good vantage point
- 7. Bow the head
- 8. An award
- 10. Noisy
- 12. State of affairs
- 14. Put up with
- 20. Watering device
- 21. Wear away
- 22. Little devil
- 23. Dressmaker

DOWN

- 1. Hospital rooms
- 2. Grown up
- 3. Engraved upright slab
- 4. Boredom
- 5. Opening chess move
- 6. Extinct bird
- 9. Assistants
- 11. Different
- 13. Stories
- 15. Units of electrical resistance
- 16. Cantered
- 17. Sheets of paper
- 18. Portable shelters
- 19. Bestowed excessive fondness on



Cryptic Clues

Across

- 5. A magnificent way to put up with a racecourse building
- 7. Be almost asleep back on December 1st
- 8. A decoration from some dalliances
- 10. It's deafening in the clouds
- 12. Circumstances of a position of employment
- 14. Turned a blind eye to having treated with forbearance
- 20. Spray water over stockings or their like
- 21. Disintegrate in the rodeo
- 22. The first person to join a representative, becomes a rascal
- 23. The same sort of tension for a woman who sews professionally

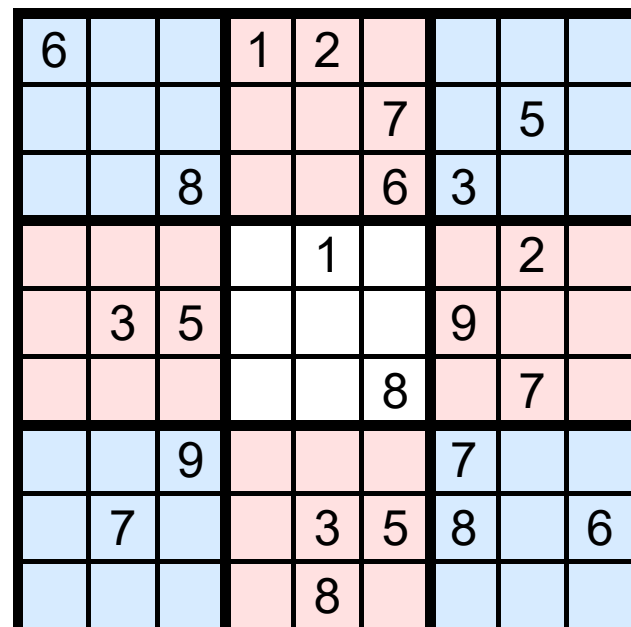
Down

- 1. Draws up prison divisions
- 2. Lead ultimately into being mature
- 3. Leastways an ancient carved stone pillar
- 4. When nuisances display a feeling of listlessness
- 5. Amalgam bitterly produces an opening manoeuvre intended to secure an advantage
- 6. A former flightless bird used the same front door
- 9. Those who help righthand men
- 11. Or the mishandled alternative
- 13. Fictional tales about a sloven
- 15. They offer resistance to the official mail indicator
- 16. Moved the bounding steps to cut off branches outside England
- 17. Large quantities in relation to a manuscript
- 18. A number of back street temporary dwellings
- 19. Who idolised Dorothy besides Edward

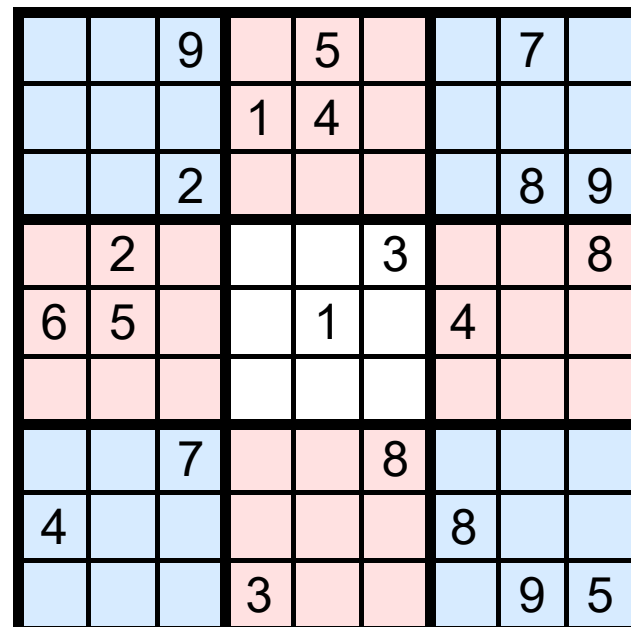
Sudoku

Sudoku is based on the logical placement of numbers. Sudoku doesn't require any calculation nor special math skills; all that is needed are brains and concentration. Every number from 1 to 9 must appear in each of the nine columns, nine rows and nine 3x3 boxes.

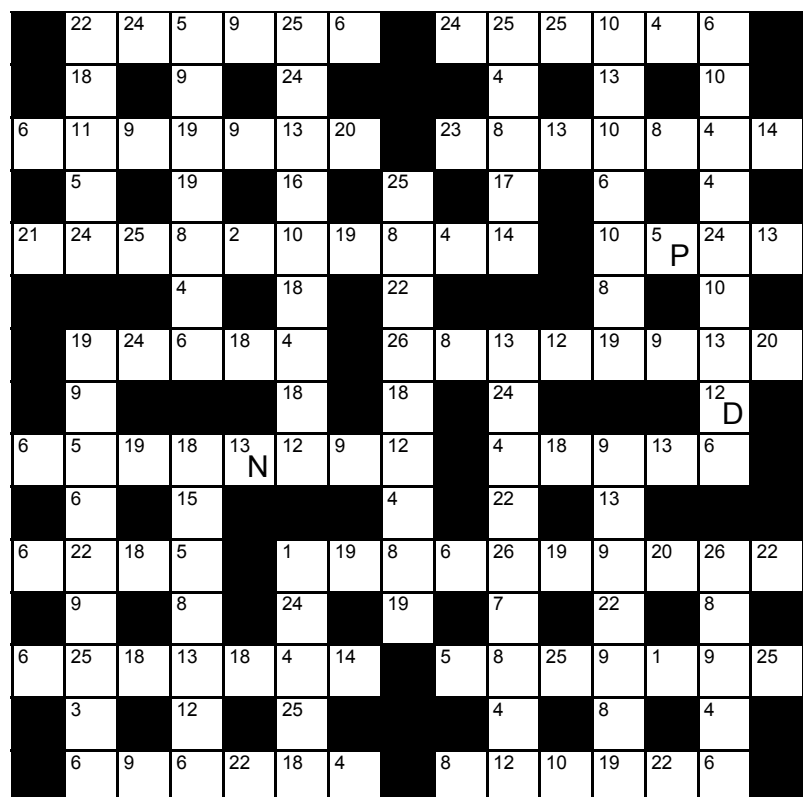
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Hard



Crosscode

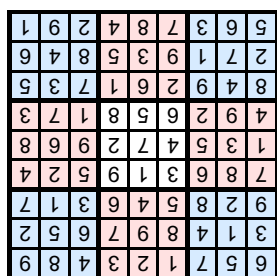


Crosscode is a logic puzzle. Each letter is a number. Begin by guess the first word and placing the additional letters into the crosscode. Keep guessing words/letters until completed.

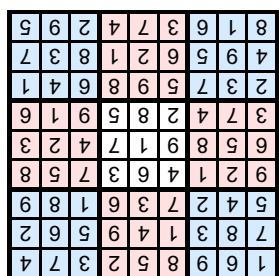
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26		

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y	Z

Solutions

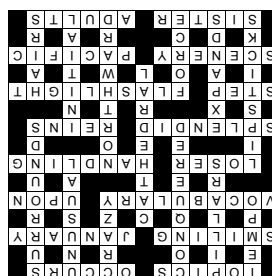


Sudoku Easy Solution

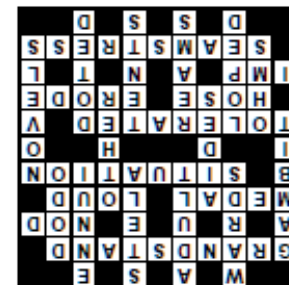


Sudoku Hard Solution

Crosscode Solution



Combo Solution





A view of Jenny and Ross McDougall's beautiful succulent and Monet inspired garden.

Jenny's garden a colourful delight for the eyes

Toodyay Garden Club
Jan Ackroyd

THE WINTER weather is certainly upon us, and I think we all felt it when we visited last month.

Again, there was a great turnout with 60 members rugging up to brave the cold and overcast morning to listen to Jenny tell us about her beloved garden.

We also enjoyed a warm cuppa as she took us through her garden's journey that started 13 years ago with a bare paddock at the front of the house.

Her partner Ross reluctantly agreed, on the strict proviso it was low-cost, waterwise, fire retardant and no tall trees.

Jenny was unsure which way to proceed until she read an article about an extremely picturesque succulent garden and immediately knew that was what she wanted to create.

Initially, she bought a selection of aloes, agaves and cacti and soon realised that they were easy to propagate, which has proved to be very cost-effective, adding more and more plants as the years went by.

Jenny has always loved the colour concept of Monet's Garden and has kept this in mind with her planting layout.

Most of these species are unfriendly with their spikes and thorns, so she has made sure to make pathways between areas for easy and safe access.

There are interesting trees as well – a Madagascan Palm and three Queensland Bottle trees.

We visited this garden in 2018 and now six years on it has doubled in size.

It was such a spectacle and as these plants flower in winter there were masses of striking brilliantly coloured flowers everywhere we turned.

Together with the sculptural form of many

large cacti, they made Jenny's garden a visual delight to visit.

On the cool sunny days that intersperse the rainy ones I guess you are all out tending to your winter garden jobs.

These can include planting bare-root fruit trees and roses, the native plants that always look their best this time of the year, including grevilleas, correas and banksias, and pruning your established roses.

The empty veggie garden beds can be dug over and be given a boost with manure and maybe, if your soil is acid, add some dolomite to sweeten the soil and raise the pH.

Sow climbing pea seeds (don't forget a climbing frame of some sort), and plant shallots and rhubarb and asparagus crowns.

And then of course, there is always raking leaves and the never-ending weeding to be done, although the results of such hard work will gradually come.

Happy gardening.

Time the essence for a broken wing

Marsupial Mammas and Pappas
Brian Foley

WE ARE in the middle of peak joey kangaroo season with pinky joeys and slightly bigger velveting joeys arriving.

Euro wallaby joeys came in from Goomalling and Clackline.

It is interesting that Toodyay is the most southern area for Euros (common wallaroo) and they are the most widespread kangaroo in Australia, but we have seen a few in the Gidgegannup area – I suppose they don't know the Shire boundaries.

This is why we can release them in Toodyay, but any Red kangaroos that come in are released in the Northwest.

You may not know that common bird species are often reported and rescued so we ask that if you rescue a bird especially from a roadside we are informed urgently.

Most of these birds are victims of car strikes and they require pain relief and veterinary inspection.

Time is of the essence for a broken wing or other injury, as if left for a few days these don't heal, resulting in the bird being euthanised.

Our new 24-hour rescue contact number is 0493 613 427.

If you come across any injured native wildlife and you are unsure what to do, or if you want to be involved as a carer, ring that number.

Donations can be made at any time by EFT to Bendigo Bank 633-000, account 175516319.

If you would like a tax deductible receipt, then the account is 186438040. Just make contact with an email address and a receipt will be sent to you.



A possum which found its way into the feed bin and couldn't get out without human assistance is a reminder to keep the lid on.



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Mr Perfect BBQs occur around Australia. Here is a pic of the labradors at a Kalamunda Mr P BBQ.

Put yourself over the pits

Warrior Wellbeing
The regional Men's Health Initiative

A LOT of blokes put effort into maintaining something we love, a new car, a valued piece of machinery, or our toys (boat, 4x4).

If we don't service our machines regularly their performance drops and problems may be compounded, costing us time and money.

So why is this any different to our wellbeing and health?

Put simply, if we neglect our wellbeing and health it will catch up with us and could cost us more than just time and money.

Do we think about the way this flows on to affect other facets of our lives, whether it be our relationships, loss of function or participation in the things we enjoy?

It is important to recognise that ageing throws up challenges and complications.

Sometimes illness and diseases can't be avoided, however, a 'routine service visit' with our GP or health professional may assist in the early detection and prevention of certain health issues.

At Regional Men's Health Initiative we have a simple but effective program that aims to help men and communities take responsibility for their wellbeing and health.

The Fast Track Pit Stop® is related to the servicing of a vehicle and is a non-clinical, non-invasive way of helping men become more aware and take charge of our own health and wellbeing.

It involves a 3-Point Health Awareness Check:

Waist Measurement/Chassis

A waistline of more than 102cm (men) and 88cm (women) gives us an increased risk of Type 2 Diabetes, some cancers, stroke, heart disease and high blood pressure.

Long term storage of internal fat surrounding the heart, liver, pancreas and kidneys is just one indicator.

Blood Pressure/Oil Pressure

According to the Heart Foundation, high blood pressure is a risk factor for heart disease, stroke and blood vessel disease.

It's important to know our blood pressure, but also manage it if it's getting high.

Coping Skills/Shockies

We are all affected by life's ups and downs.

Participants are given 10 questions to help identify stress levels.

Encouraging talking and help seeking is part of the problem-solving process.

We think it's about being there, allowing blokes to have a conversation, and listening.

Life is busy, but it's about taking a break and thinking about OUR health.

RMHI delivers the Fast Track Pit Stop® program across rural and regional WA.

It's time to start thinking about our service schedule habits.

Men's high suicide rate makes conversations about mental health as important as ever

Mr Perfect – More than a BBQ
Sean Hefferon, coordinator

IN 2024 THE conversation around male mental health is as relevant as ever.

With the suicide rate for men being three times higher than that of women in Australia the importance of open conversation and reaching out to your mates is critical.

Men are also less likely to seek help or talk about their mental health battles and such reluctance can often lead to mental health conditions becoming entrenched.

After all it's pretty hard for a mate to help a mate when critical conversations are not occurring.

Social isolation also plays a negative role and can increase the discomfort that opening up can bring for many men.

It's likely that some of you reading this article know a bloke (or two) who are socially isolated.

Maybe it's the guy living by himself down the road from you, or even that bloke often in the pub drinking by himself.

Having a sense of belonging and social connection is linked to better health outcomes; however, the reverse also applies.

There are a number of reasons why open and honest conversations are important in improving men's mental health.

Firstly, by respectful conversation we can help break down the stigma linked with mental health issues.

In a sense, conversation can help shine a torch on mental health and dispel the shadows of stigmatisation and prejudice.

Secondly, conversations can also help increase awareness about mental health symptoms and signs enabling men to recognise these issues in themselves and others.

Reaching out to your mates also helps and as we know mateship is part of the

Australian culture and can be a powerful tool in improving men's mental health.

Leaning on your mates builds trust – which can lead to encouragement to seek professional help when times are grim.

Checking in on a mate's mental health also helps to normalise the conversation.

Asking questions such as "How's your day out of ten" makes the conversation starter easier and is open ended enough to get the conversation rolling.

Which brings us to the humble Toodyay Mr Perfect BBQ which uses the term "Mr Perfect" in an ironic sense because as this article shows us blokes are not perfect.

You will find us firing up the barbie on the first Sunday of each month at Duidgee Park from 10:30am to 12:30pm.

The free local BBQ is all about building those community connections and if a bloke wants to discuss mental health, then that is more than ok.

Healthy happy hounds live longer



Dogs live longer when they are healthy

Heartlands Veterinary Hospital
Dr Kirsti Addison

IF BOTH dogs and humans have the same organs and mechanisms for survival why do they not live as long?

Scientists have performed studies that relate mammals' life span to the size of their bodies.

The larger the animal the longer their life (in most instances).

This theory used to be based on the belief larger animals have slower metabolic rates but this doesn't fit the case in every instance.

For example, many parrots with fast metabolic rates can live up to 80 years.

Dogs break this rule too as smaller dogs tend to live longer than bigger dogs.

Why so?

Scientists still do not have the answer to this question although some believe it is based on 'evolutionary pressure'.

For example, the elephant has less predators than a mouse and is less likely to be attacked.

The real question we should be asking is how can we help our dogs live longer?

Just like humans, dogs require good healthy diets, regular exercise and mental stimulation to keep them feeling young.

We need to love them dearly, treat them with care and give them happy healthy lives.



Free bowel cancer screening kits now available for 45 to 49 year olds.

Bowel cancer risk increases with age

Cancer Council WA
Kaylor Andrews

CANCER Council WA welcomes changes to the National Bowel Cancer Screening Program that allows people aged 45 to 49 to get a free bowel cancer screening kit.

Australians aged 50 to 74 will continue to receive a kit in the mail every two years.

Bowel cancer is Australia's second biggest cancer killer and risk increases with age.

However, 90 per cent of bowel cancers can be successfully treated if caught early.

The screening programme is a simple test done at home that looks for invisible traces

of blood in poo, which could be a sign of cancer or early changes that can develop into cancer.

If you are aged between 45-49 you can request your first kit today or if you have already received a kit and haven't done it yet, now is the time to get to it.

If aged between 45 and 49, to request a kit go to www.ncsr.gov.au/boweltest or call the National Cancer Screening Register Contact Centre on 1800 627 701.

Your doctor can also get you a kit.

People with signs, symptoms, or a family history of bowel cancer, should talk with a doctor before screening with the program.

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International karate tournament coming to Toodyay – chop chop

Avon Valley Shotokan
Nat Kielbasa

EXHILARATINGLY, Avon Valley Shotokan is hosting the 2025 USKU international karate tournament right here in Toodyay and the enormous challenge of planning is well underway.

USKU stands for Universal Shotokan Karate Union and is a world body which enables students from all over Australia to travel not only around the globe competing and training in karate, but staying in the home of karate, Japan.

Local students are practising very hard focusing on trying their very best and the club is a hive of activity and planning in preparation for the tournament.

This preparation is being well supported by the generosity of individuals and businesses within our local communities for which we are thankful.

For instance, in July Chalice Mining generously donated a very special delivery of new tatami mats.

The mats are an essential item, especially in light of the upcoming tournament, and we are thankful to Chalice for their ongoing support of our students and club.

Our committee members (shout out to you all for your supreme efforts) have also been hard at work seeking out the resources needed for the tournament including homestay accommodation, and it feels like wherever we ask for support it is eagerly given.

What a fantastic reflection of our community.

This tournament is a great opportunity to show the world what our part of WA has to offer, so if anyone wants to be involved with making this event a success please reach out to us on avonvalleyshotokan@gmail.com.

In particular we are seeking catering and accommodation for our guests and welcome any ideas or support with this.

In other news, the club challenge held at the start of school holidays proved to be a brilliant and entertaining night for everyone involved.

During the kata events there were multiple showdowns between junior and adult students, even between parents and their children, which definitely had the crowd cheering.

Both Casey and Helena were victorious over their parents in their kata events to the delight of spectators, especially the kids.

The kumite events of all age groups were equally fun to watch with many matches tied and resulting in 'first to score' cliff-hangers.

The winner of the spirit award for term two was a student who truly deserved the recognition for his amazing effort and improvement all through term two.

Congratulations Gus, you are an absolute superstar and we hope you enjoy trying out your new nunchucks.

No description of the night is complete without mention of our official 'master of all things pasta', also known as Les, who slaved over the stove all day, preparing dinner orders for his drool-worthy spaghetti bolognese.

Thank you Les and we definitely need a copy of your recipe for next year's club calendar.

That is about all for this month's gossip but watch this space as there is going to be a lot of upcoming events this term and we cannot wait to share it with you all.

As always, the door to the dojo is always open for visitors and new members and we would love to meet you.

Seven weeks until Toodyay Race Day



The memorial to Joe Broderick Snr is now in a more prominent position.

Stephen Ferguson, Chairman,

WITH a little over seven weeks until the big day the committee has been working hard to ensure the most successful ever Toodyay Cup and Picnic Race Day.

The event's return to Toodyay will also launch a new beginning for what is a significant social occasion.

Those who attended past race days will find the venue unrecognisable as with lateral thinking and hard work more open spaces and facilities have been made available for racegoer and racing staff comfort.

These improvements were commented on by State and Local Government elected members who praised the work done by the committee and club supporters.

The most exciting news is that the new roof over the horseshoe bar and promenade is installed and although more work is to be done to complete the full transformation we can now work in the dry.

We have also been fortunate in recruiting Brooke Evans as Race Club Secretary.

Brooke previously served on the committee and now not only offers her expertise and knowledge, but also brings with her partner Brock the Racing and Wagering WA (RWWA) curator for the Ascot and Belmont racecourses.

Whilst Brooke has been organising the formal requirements for staging race day, Brock has been overseeing our track preparation which is going well with it now aerated, and new rye grass installed.

The rains came at just the right time and Brock has drawn up a fertilizing regime for committee member Steve Cook who is working to ensure the track is kept in perfect condition for race day.

Frank Panizza and Sons and Chris Wood at Elders Northam have been very supportive in donating fertilizer and other products for the track and we thank them for their outstanding generosity.

The improvements continue with the renovation of the track's outside rail complete and the plastic inside railing and posts now delivered.

A vote of thanks goes to Phil and Sue Wilson and to Gary for removing the old inner rail in readiness for RWWA contractors to install the new rail.

I would also like to thank RWWA for their financial, material and moral support in helping us bring the Cup back to Toodyay.

We have now acquired the demountable unit for the stewards and general-purpose usage and expect to install it soon with other demountable units to arrive at site shortly.

With careful planning we have also been able to create extra ground space by relocating the old secretary's office block which will be refurbished and repurposed.

During the past month the committee has worked tirelessly towards race day and I thank gardener extraordinaire Wiz Thomson for her hard work in the rose garden and for planting and maintaining the other newly created garden areas.

Appreciation also to Lizzy and Theresa, both exceptionally good painters, for beautifying the members lounge and the Livery restaurant.

Stirling Thompson and Sean Fitzgerald have also worked long hours with me landscaping and fencing all month.

Thanks also to all committee members and friends who donate their leisure time to carry out the thousand and one tasks necessary to make the race day happen.

Membership packages are also available by ringing Brooke on 0468 685 425.

Please like us on Facebook and Instagram @toodyayraceclub.



New running rails for the track's inner side.



A new roof over the horseshoe bar with thanks to the Shire of Toodyay.



Our spirit award winner Gus poses (front left) on our new tatami mats generously donated by Chalice Mining.

Bang for your buck at the Bendigo Bank Open Day

Toodyay Golf Club
Dave Duncan, Captain

ON JULY 6, Toodyay Golf Club hosted a spectacular Bendigo Bank Open Day, showcasing the camaraderie and competitive spirit of our local golfers.

This event a two person Ambrose, generously sponsored by Bendigo Bank, brought together golfers of all skill levels for a memorable day on the greens.

The event featured a thrilling two-person Ambrose competition where teamwork and strategy were key.

The results were as follows:

Ash Grundy and Murray Riseley – Nett 64.75, John Jaworski and Eugene Osullivan – Nett 65.25, Ryan Sinclair and Nick Spadaccini – Nett 66, Mike Ryder and Nick Hocking – Nett 66.5.

Congratulations to all golfers for their outstanding performances.

A special thank you to Bendigo Bank for sponsoring this event and supporting our local golf community.

Your generosity made this day a great success.

June 23: Dunnings Par event:

1st Dave Gordan +1, 2nd Nick Hocking +1, 3rd Aaron Boston square.

June 30: Toodyay tyres Stableford event:

1st Wayne Mastin 40 points, 2nd Aaron Boston 35 points, 3rd Nick Hocking 33 points.

July 14: First Round of Championships sponsored by Waynes Carpentry and Fencing Stroke event:

1st Lindsay Slater Nett 67, 2nd Murray Riseley Nett 74, 3rd Aaron Boston Nett 77.

July 21: Second Round of Championships sponsored by Northam Skin and Body Stroke event:

1st Eugene Osullivan Nett 72, 2nd Ash Grundy Nett 76, 3rd Mike Ryder Nett 77.



Toodyay Golf Club members enjoying the Bendigo Bank Open Day on July 6.



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Welcome to the August Edition!

Winter's here but not as wet as our usual winter. The good part is once it has rained it is not as cold as before. So lets enjoy the wet weather whilst it is here.

State of the Market

Well, the supply has dropped again down to 3121 properties for sale. So, there is no change to the market at present. Still a sellers' market, and we are still getting some record prices at present!

The Ongoing Court Case

Due again in Perth Magistrates Court at 501 Hay Street Perth on Wednesday the 21st of August 2024. Not sure the time yet as they have not informed me. I just hope that we finally actually have a hearing on the day rather than another adjournment. I don't think I could handle another adjournment!

Now! Inside the Office

Well both featured properties in last months paper are now "Under Offer." That is just how quick the market is currently.

Zonelle

Our wonderful receptionist. Poor girl driving home on a windy night and hit a tree across the road in Julimar and wrote her car off! Luckily, they were both ok.

Jemma

Just the most professional PM assistant you could imagine. But always remember under that professional front is a party animal!

Jo

Busy organising her house at present so no rest for this amazing girl. We all just love her being in the office, makes us all happy!

Faith

One very clever cookie here. I am sure she is an old soul in a young body. How else could she be so smart?

Jess

She still has that 'I'm engaged' smile on her face. Just loving her sales and admin role and now one very busy girl in the office.

Sam

Achieving some amazing results for his vendors and some amazing prices. Hard work and long hours for our Sam, and all that done with a smile!

Tony

Still not a well puppy yet. More trips to the hospital and more tests. I think I've got the medical professionals perplexed! Hopefully back on track shortly.

Until next month
Tony Maddox



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