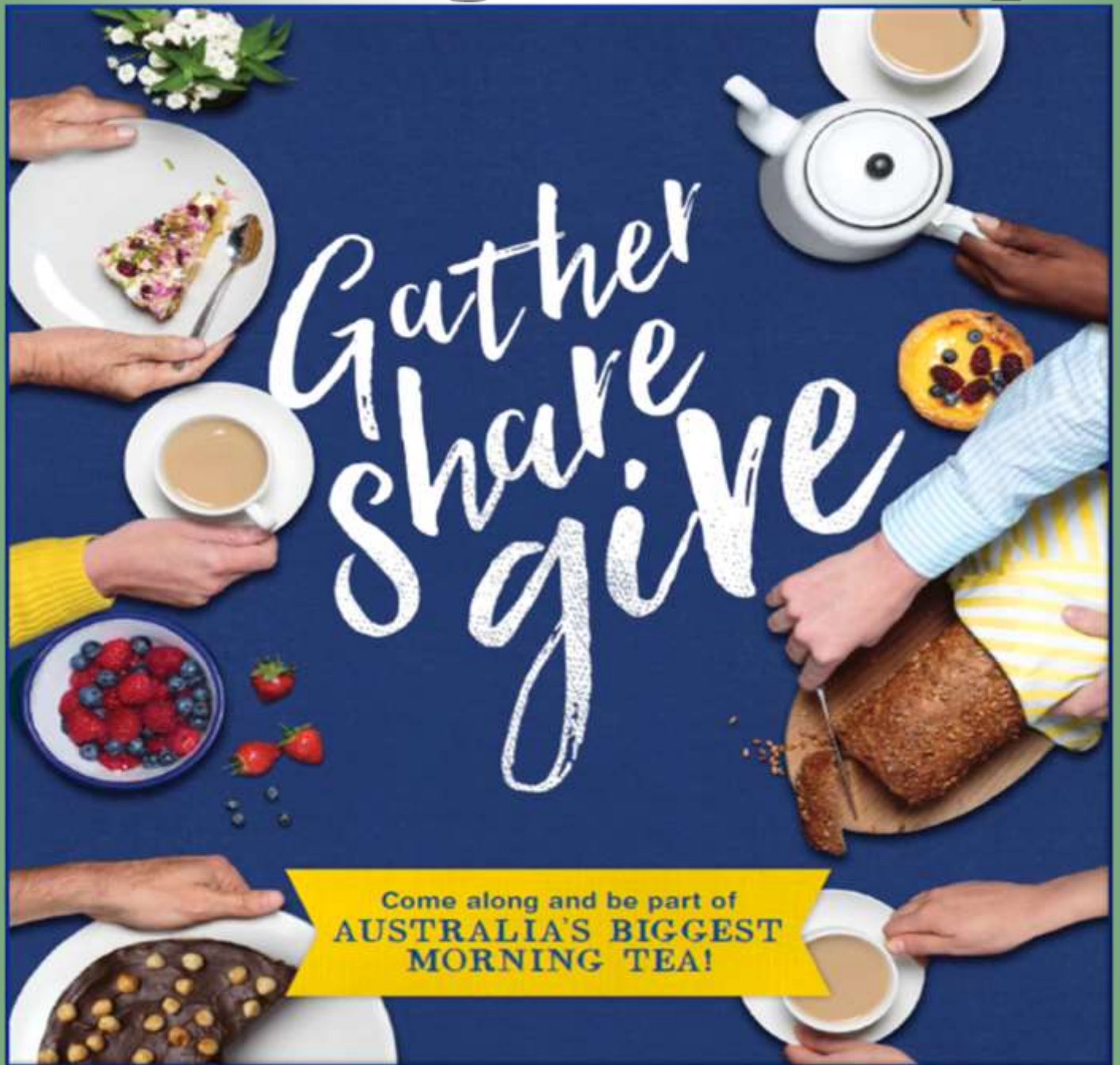


Gassy Gossip



Please see inside for more details on this event.

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Dear Readers

There has been a fair bit action around town this month with various events and contractors carrying out works. The cattle fence on the north side of the river has been completed repairs to the existing town fence carried out. We also **played host to the Gascoyne Dash in their inaugural "there and back" format. The event was a great success with the tourist park receiving a lot patronage and the use of our facilities was much appreciated by the dash crew.**

On the week beginning the 9th of April 2018 the crew from Tech Lay installed the new tennis / basketball court on top of the old existing tennis court. This has made a remarkable improvement for the area as can be seen by the photographs.



The tennis courts have had a facelift thanks to a recent successful grant application, a new prefabricated surface has been installed which has added more colour to the town and revitalised the playing surface. Also as part of the town revitalisation works we have requested quotes to install reticulation and plants along the main street.



I have received advice from our sculptors who are doing the war memorial work that they have finished the structure and are now putting into crates so that it can be transported to Gascoyne Junction. At this stage I will not **have it erected until we finalise the exact location it will be sited as I don't want to be up for extra costs associated with the footings**



I have been advised by the Carnarvon Regional Biosecurity Association that they have appointed Mr David Blood to the position as their new Executive Officer.

Recently we advertised the Town Works Supervisor's position. We had 8 applications for this position, of these 2 were shortlisted to interview. Both of these applicants had family connections so I assembled an interview panel consisting on Cr Caunt, Lance Root and myself. It must be said that it was a difficult decision to split the applicants; however, I have appointed Mr David Higgs to the position. David is a registered builder and he brings with him his wife and three children. Both David and his wife have lived in Carnarvon previously and they understand our environment and remoteness.

On the 18th of April Jarrod I attended the Office of Emergency Management Workshop dealing with WA Emergency Risk Management, as required by the State Emergency Management Policy Statement 3.2.6. The purpose of this meeting was to demonstrate how to undertake a risk assessment according to the new directives. My basic take out of this meeting that although this is not overly complex it is going to be very time consuming as such I will be seeking to get a consultant to undertake the work. It is important that we do this work sooner rather than later as this will potentially affect our ability to make application for grants to carry out betterment works on our road assets.

I would like to thank all my staff and Councillors for participating in our recent road inspection. This type of interaction between staff and the elected members is rare and provides valuable team building opportunities and also, as staff, we **get to leverage of the experience and diversity of each other's experiences when dealing with real life issues on the ground.**

I am looking forward to the Gascoyne River Country Music Festival which is to be held on the 12th of May at the pavilion. The Shire has assembled 4 quality Country Music artists; Ray Ryder, Jemma Beech, Pigram Duo and Donna Lou and the JKatz, this in addition to the other artists that the Gascoyne in May group will bring to the region.

As always, I hope that you have a great month ahead and look forward to keeping you further informed in our next edition. I am available at any time, so call in or give me a call.

John McCleary, JP
Chief Executive Officer



The shire has received a grant from the Gascoyne Development Commission to provide twenty concrete outdoor settings (table & chairs) to beautify rest areas around the shire. We are very grateful for this funding as without it we would not be able to have these settings for tourists and travellers to stop and have a rest and enjoy a snack in our beautiful natural surroundings.

Due to the devastating damage to our gravel roads from cyclone Joyce earlier this year unfortunately we have so far only been able to install seven of these settings at this stage. As the remedial road works are carried out we will endeavour to install the remaining thirteen settings while we have equipment in the area.



Hackers Hectare on the bank of the Gascoyne River.



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Wednesday	21 st February 2018
Wednesday	28 th March 2018
Thursday	26 th April 2018
Wednesday	30 th May 2018
Wednesday	27 th June 2018
Wednesday	25 th July 2018
Wednesday	29 th August 2018
Wednesday	19 th September 2018
Wednesday	31 st October 2018
Wednesday	28 th November 2018
Friday	14 th December 2018

All Audit Committee meetings commence at 8.00am. Council meetings commence at 8.30am. All meeting will be held at the Shire Council Chamber, 4 Scott Street, Gascoyne Junction.



Irukandji jellyfish alert at north west beaches

2 May 2018

People in the Gascoyne, Pilbara and Kimberley regions should be aware of Irukandji jellyfish with an increase in sightings between Exmouth and Broome, and people being admitted to hospital after being stung.



People in these areas should use extreme caution in waters along the coastline and avoid swimming after a storm or during on-shore wind.

People stung by Irukandji may not experience symptoms until 30 minutes after the initial sting.

If you or someone in your care is stung, you should pour vinegar on the sting, but do not rub it, and get to a hospital as soon as possible. With immediate treatment, people are usually sent home on the same day.

Irukandji are an extremely venomous type of box jellyfish, which are small, transparent and difficult to see. Their stings can raise blood pressure which can lead to potentially fatal complications, including stroke and cardiac arrest.



The Shire of Upper Gascoyne
In partnership with
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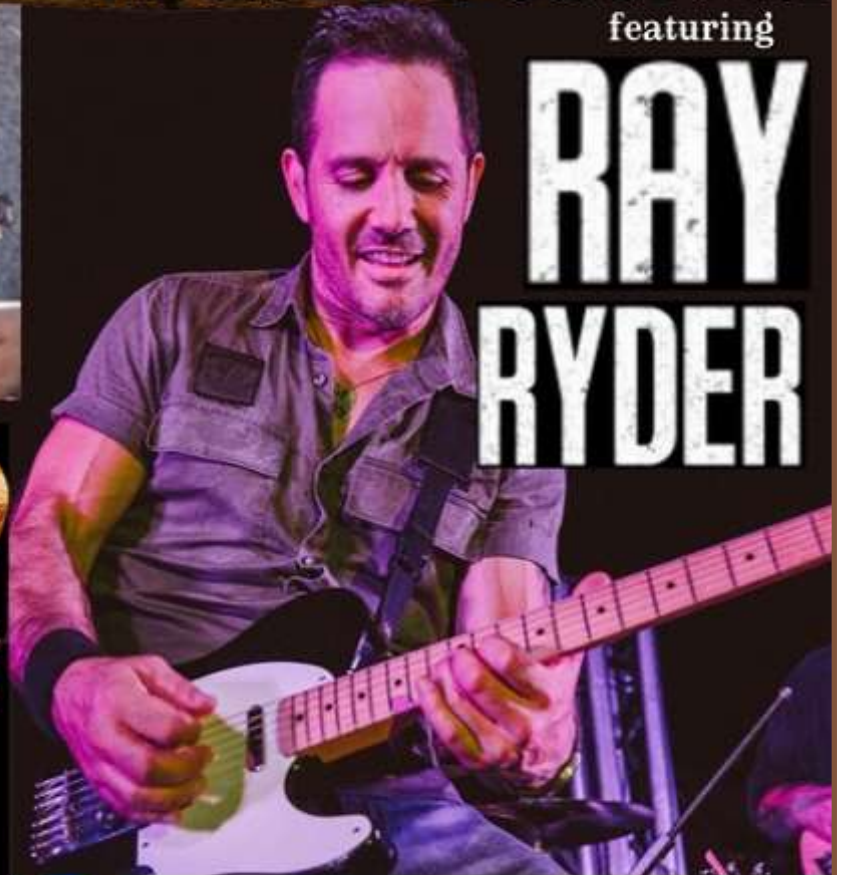
Gascoyne River Country Music Festival



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Alan and Stephen Pigram



Jenna Beech



featuring
RAY RYDER

JAMES ABBERLEY
Mama Kin
Family Shoveller Band
MISS MAX



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& Sat 12th
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GASCOYNE IN MAY

Barefoot Black tie
DENHAM SHARK BAY 3-6 MAY


*Gascoyne River
Music Festival*
GASCOYNE JUNCTION 11-13 MAY

Burringurrah Festival of Fire
BURRINGURRAH 18-19 MAY

*Ningaloo
Whale Shark Festival*
EXMOUTH 25-27 MAY

Festival of the Reef
CORAL BAY 1-3 JUNE

Eventide Arts Festival
CARNARVON 7-10 JUNE

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Carnarvon Horsemen's Club 2018 Gymkhana Competition

Four events to find this year's Junior and Senior Gymkhana Champion.

Senior - \$15 Entry
Prizes

\$100 per Gymkhana
\$500 Overall
Champion

Junior - \$10 Entry
Prizes

\$60 per Gymkhana
\$200 Overall
Champion

Day
membership
\$35

12th May – Junction Festival Gymkhana – Gascoyne Junction

12:00 - Registration

13:00 - Lead line / First Ridden

13:30 - Junior / Senior

9th June – Callagiddy Gymkhana – Callagiddy Station

1st July – Combined Show – Carnarvon pony Club

3rd / 4th November – End of year gymkhana – TBA

Contact Steven – 0428372964 for more details

Pictures in the park

Friday 18 May 2018 at 6.30pm.

Free pizza and popcorn, prior to the screening.

Please bring a chair and blanket down to the Gascoyne Junction Pavilion,
for this free family event.



For more information please contact Robyn at the Gascoyne Junction Community Resource Centre on 99430988. Or email crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au

BYO drinks. All children must be accompanied by a responsible adult, as the shire will not take responsibility.

ANZAC 2018

The shire's ANZAC Day service was held out the front of the office and CRC at 11:30am on the 25th April.

The shire president Councillor Don Hammarquist welcomed everyone who attended before continuing on with the order of service.

Even though ANZAC Day fell during the school holidays we still had a very good attendance.

Jox Collins gave a very moving ANZAC address focusing not only on the past wars, but also on present conflicts such as Afghanistan and Sudan.

Jodie McTaggart read the poem "Not a Hero", which brought a tear to the eyes of many of the attendees.

John McCleary laid a wreath on behalf of the shire, which was followed by Diane Kempton, Georgie and Stanley Hammarquist from Bingegaroo Station while "spirit of the Anzacs" played in the background.

On closing Don invited everyone to the Junction Pub for a BBQ lunch and refreshments. The afternoon was very pleasant and a good time was had by all who attended.



President: Don Hammarquist conducted the ANZAC service.

Cr Ross Collins: gave the address.

Mrs Jodie McTaggart: reading the poem, "Not a Hero"





CEO: John McCleary laying a wreath on behalf of the Shire.



Wreaths made with Native Wildflowers.



Mrs Diane Kempton: Laying a wreath on behalf of the Community.



Georgie & Stanley Hammarquist from Bingegaroo Station laid flowers they made themselves.

ANZAC Service 2018

Gascoyne Junction Community Members





Come along and be part of
**AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST
MORNING TEA!**

HOST: Community Resource Centre

DATE: Wednesday 30th May 2018

TIME: 10.00 am

COST: \$5.00 per person

WHERE: Community Resource Centre, 5 Scott Street Gascoyne Junction.

DETAILS: Bring along some spare change, and be part of Australia's Biggest Morning Tea. A Raffle, bingo and quiz will be held. All money raised goes to Cancer Council.

PLEASE BRING A PLATE TO SHARE

GASCOYNE JUNCTION CRAFT GROUP CALENDAR



24th and 25th Feb	Untutored Workshop
24th and 25th March	Untutored Workshop
14h April – 29th April	April School Holidays and Easter
14th and 15th April	Dongara Autumn Craft Round Up Road Trip
28th and 29th April	Tutored Workshop TBC
11th – 13th May	Music Festival (Sculpture Trail)
2nd – 4th June	Junction Craft Group Reunion Weekend
16th and 17th June	Tutored Weekend
30th June – 15th July	School Holidays
11th and 12th August	Untutored Craft Weekend
15th and 16th Sept	Untutored Craft Weekend
22nd Sept – 7th Oct	School Holidays/Landor Races
13th and 14th Oct	Mosaic Workshop
24th and 25th Nov	Christmas Craft

For any queries please contact the Secretary

Rachael Funnell

Phone: 99430537

junctioncraft@gmail.com



BUSY BEE DATES 2018

17/18 March

5/6 May

16/17 June

28/29 July

11/12 August

Please contact junctionraceclub@hotmail.com for more information



Tribute to the Late Bruce Teede

Bruce has sadly passed away at the age of 90.

So many memories our family shared over the years of roo shooting since 1964.

Our first on Minnie Creek Station where old camp posts still stand. After that we never stopped moving, just like the kangaroos.

Bruce had chillers on quite a few stations. Cardabia to the West, Glenburgh to the East, Minnie Creek to the North and Winderie to the South.

He kept in contact with all his shooters morning, noon and night with schedules on his RFDS radio set. He was always there if you needed him.

We were so close just like one big family.

He will be so sadly missed by us all. Lots of love to his wife, Alice, children Graham, Guy and Kay and his Grandees.

Betty and ALL her family.



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May

- 3 *Dylon Hoseason - Smith*
- 5 *Kevan "Pronto" Brand*
- 18 *Betty Fletcher*
- 27 *Barney McTaggart*

June

- 1 *Rachael Funnell*
- 26 *Bob & Alex McKenzie*



Got a Birthday coming up? Contact the Gassy Gossip by email at crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au

WANTED

Aluminium Cans

Dear Community members please take your aluminium cans to the wool bales at the Junction Pub. So they can be sent to Carnarvon and sold for scrap where the money is then donated back to community groups such as the Gascoyne School of the Air and the Royal Flying Doctor.

John Wheelock



Easy Main Meal Idea's



Mustard-stuffed chicken

Method

Heat oven to 200C/fan 180C/gas 6. Mix the cheeses and mustard together. Cut a slit into the side of each chicken breast, then stuff with the mustard mixture. Wrap each stuffed chicken breast with 2 bacon rashers – not too tightly, but enough to hold the chicken together. Season, place on a baking sheet and roast for 20-25 mins.

Ingredients

125g ball mozzarella, torn into small pieces
50g strong cheddar, grated
1 tbsp wholegrain mustard
4 skinless boneless chicken breast fillets
8 smoked streaky bacon rashers



One-pot chicken chasseur

Method

Heat the oil and half the butter in a large lidded casserole. Season the chicken, then fry for about 5 mins on each side until golden brown. Remove and set aside.

Melt the rest of the butter in the pan. Add the onion, then fry for about 5 mins until soft. Add garlic, cook for about 1 min, add the mushrooms, cook for 2 mins, then add the wine. Stir in the tomato purée, let the liquid bubble and reduce for about 5 mins, then stir in the thyme and pour over the stock. Slip the chicken back into the pan, then cover and simmer on a low heat for about 1 hr until the chicken is very tender.

Remove the chicken from the pan and keep warm. Rapidly boil down the sauce for 10 mins or so until it is syrupy and the flavour has concentrated. Put the chicken legs back into the sauce and serve.

Ingredients

1 tsp olive oil
25g butter
4 chicken legs
1 onion, chopped
2 garlic cloves, crushed
200g pack small button or chestnut mushroom

225ml red wine
2 tbsp tomato purée
2 thyme sprigs
500ml chicken stock



Tia Maria cheesecake

Ingredients

For the biscuit crust

85g hot melted [butter](#), plus extra butter for greasing
14 plain chocolate digestive biscuits, finely crushed

For the cheesecake

- 3 x 300g packs full-fat Philadelphia cheese
 - 200g golden caster sugar
 - 4 tbsp plain flour
 - 2 tsp vanilla extract
 - 2 tbsp Tia Maria
 - 3 large eggs
- 285ml carton soured cream

For the topping

- 142ml carton soured cream
- 2 tbsp Tia Maria
- cocoa, for dusting
- 8 Ferrero Rocher chocolates, unwrapped

Method

Heat oven to 180C/fan 160C/gas 4. Line the base of a 25cm spring form tin with baking parchment. Blend butter and biscuit crumbs. Press onto the base of the tin, bake for 10 mins, then cool.

Increase the oven temperature to 240C/fan 200C/gas 9. Beat the cheese and sugar with an electric whisk until smooth, then whisk in the flour, vanilla, 2 tbsp Tia Maria, eggs and 285ml soured cream.

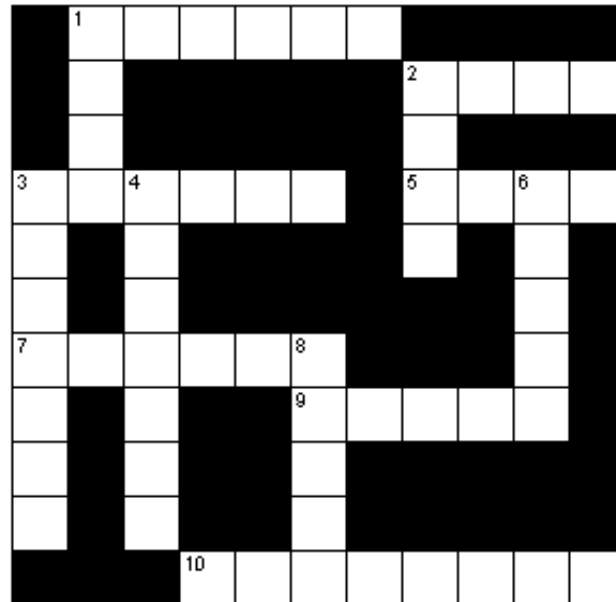
Grease sides of the cake tin with butter. Pour in the mixture and smooth. Bake for 10 mins, then turn oven down to 110C/ fan 90C/ gas ¼ for 25 mins. Turn off the oven, then open the door and leave to **cool inside the oven for 2 hrs. Don't worry** if it cracks a little.

Mix 142ml soured cream and Tia Maria, then smooth on top of the cheesecake. Chill.



Smoko Corner

Crossword Puzzle #1



Clues - Business

Across:

- 1 obtained if you do good
- 2 a place to deposit
- 3 a war cry
- 5 if you have collateral
- 7 much better than loss
- 9 you own this
- 10 willing to purchase

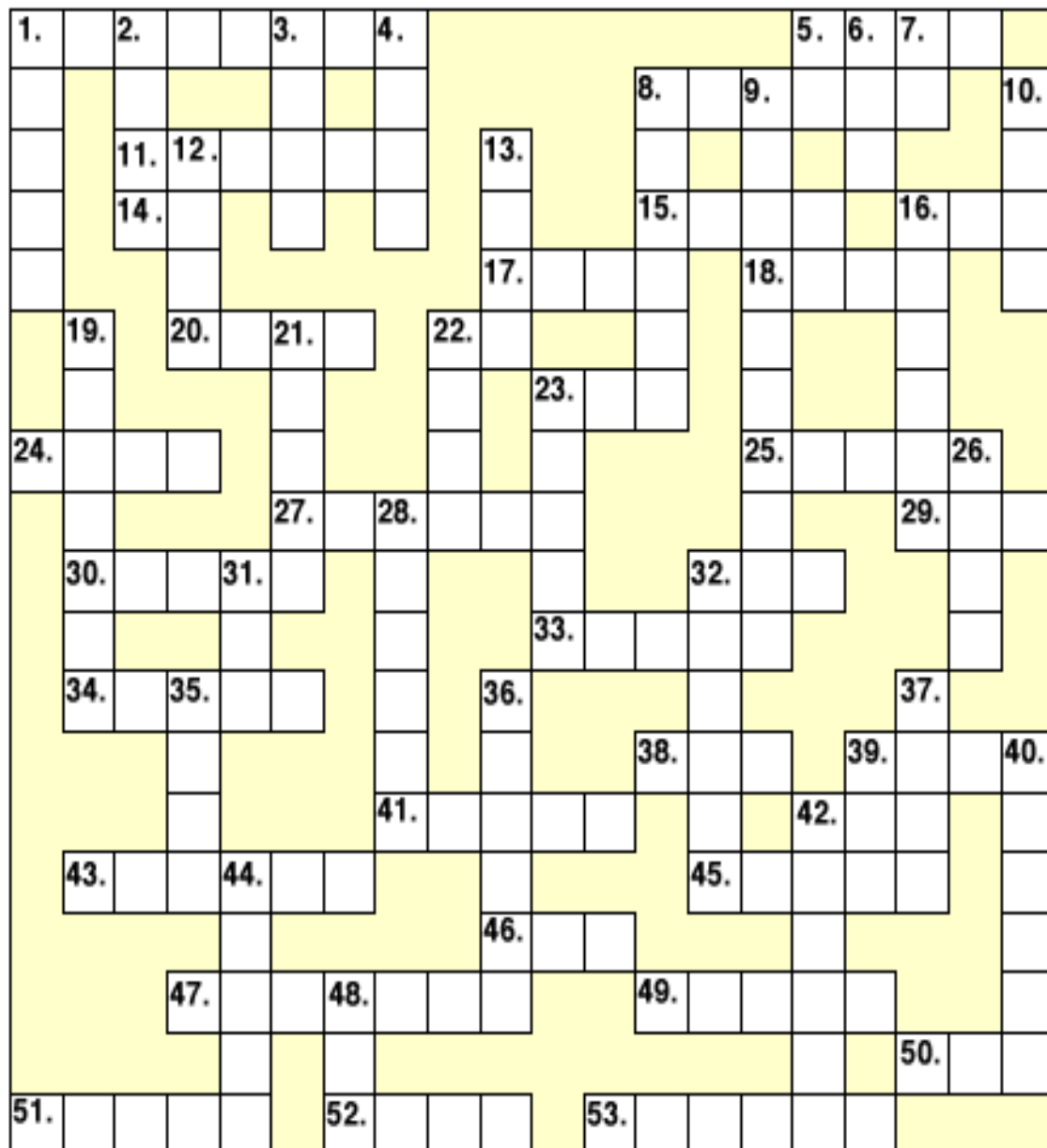
Down:

- 1 cold, hard
- 2 short for William
- 3 3's a crowd, 2 is this
- 4 to take note of
- 6 review
- 8 this and death are certain

Crossword Puzzle #1 - Solution



JUMBO CROSSWORD



Down:

1. Part of a flower
2. What you scratch
3. ___n' roll
4. Opposite of future
5. Hot ___ cold
6. Fox's home
7. Take ___ or leave ___
8. Easter _____
9. Easter treats
10. Jesus was buried in this
12. Speed competition
13. Spring month
16. Hare
19. Appears after the rain
21. You play these
22. Look for
23. Spring month
26. Easter flower
28. A season
31. Shake head
32. Easter colour
35. Tidy
36. Goodies
37. Beginning of leaves
39. Boy's name
40. Reach destination
42. Easter hat
44. ___ and field
48. Baby goat

Across:

- | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1. One bit of water falling from the clouds | 22. Opposite of she | 41. Spring colour |
| 5. Garfield's dog friend | 23. Spring month | 42. Resting place |
| 8. Confidential | 24. Discover | 43. Baby cat |
| 11. Early spring flower | 25. Spring month | 45. Forests |
| 14. Laughing sound | 27. Spring holiday | 46. Bath _____ |
| 15. 12:00 p.m. | 29. _____ top | 47. Easter or picnic _____ |
| 16. Outer edge | 30. Jelly _____ | 49. Hides eggs |
| 17. Be in want | 32. Opposite of no | 50. Colouring agent |
| 18. Coca _____ | 33. Easter bunny does this with eggs | 51. Baby chicken |
| 20. Easter bunny hides these | 34. Breezy | 52. Water bird |
| | 38. Ginger _____ | 53. Passes out momentarily |
| | 39. Musical instrument | |

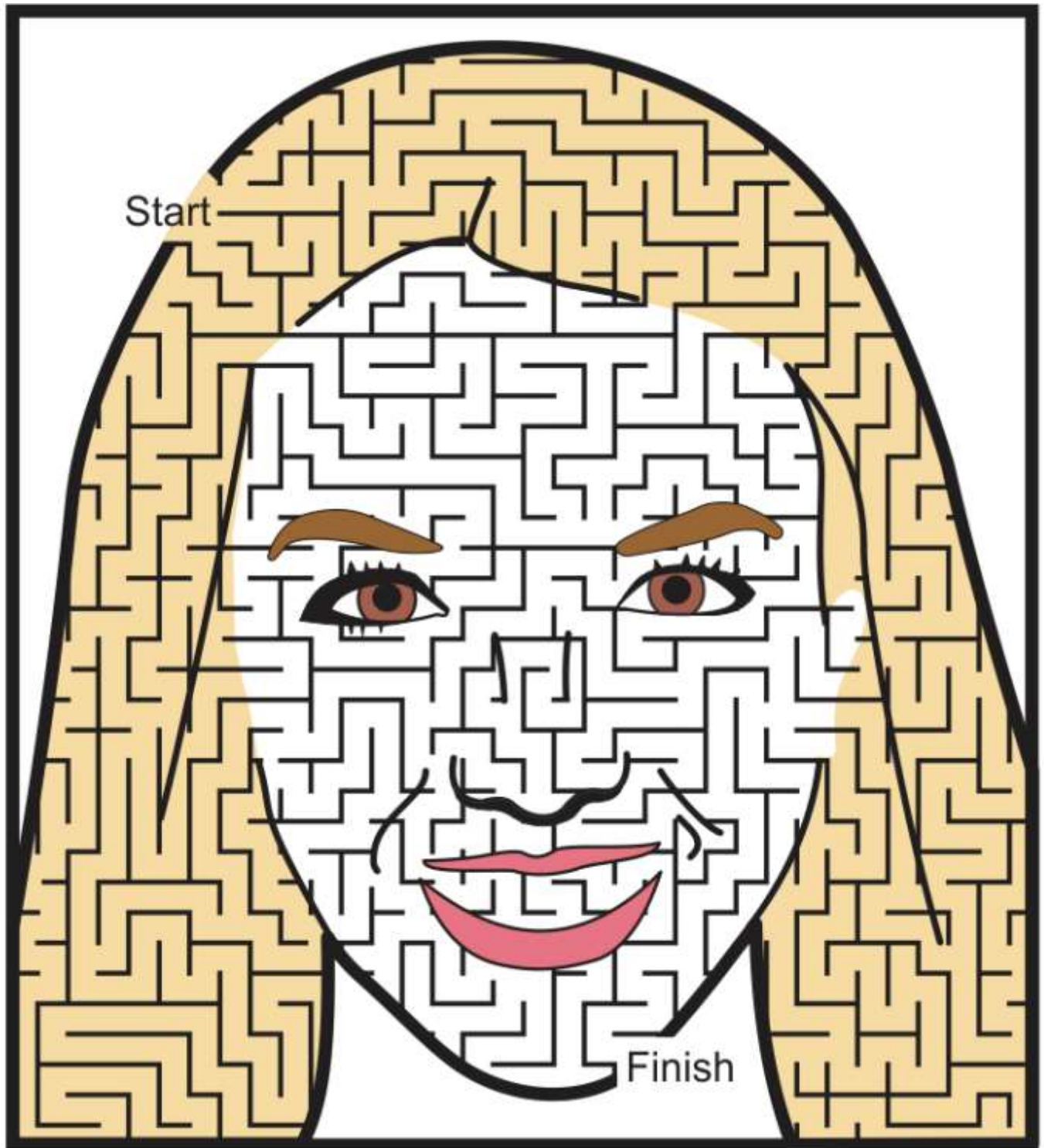


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Three little birds are hiding from the mother. Find 3 little birds.

Then colour the picture in.

See if you can get from Start to Finish through this maze.



MAY 2018



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11 Gascoyne River Music Festival	12 Gascoyne River Music Festival	13 Gascoyne River Music Festival
14	15	16	17	18 Pictures in the Park	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 Biggest Morning Tea & Council Meeting	31			
NOTES:						

Upcoming Events

June

July

2nd - 4th

Junction Craft
Reunion Weekend

16th & 17th

JRC Busy Bee
Weekend

25th

Council Meeting

& Junction Craft
Tutored Weekend

27th June

Council Meeting

28th & 29th

JRC Busy Bee Weekend