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300,000 facilities. "It is an exciting time for the Gascoyne Junction community, who have been united and very passionate about the growing need for a school in the town to meet the educational needs of their children from Kindergarten to Year 12." Mr Carpenter said the provision of better education infrastructure was part of the State Government's strategy to increase school enrolment rates in the State by improving the delivery of education in remote communities. The Minister said the original Gascoyne Junction school was closed in December, 1994 by the previous government. "Gascoyne Junction now has 16 school-aged children of Indigenous and non-Indigenous backgrounds in the community and improved school facilities are essential," he said. "The number of students is expected to rise further due to increased housing construction already under way in the area. Therefore, some families have not taken up the available Aboriginal housing due to the lack of a school and we believe some Aboriginal families will return to the area when the school reopens." Mr Carpenter said the current education program being accessed through distance education, while appreciated by the community, did not meet their expectations for the education of their children. "Students of primary age are currently educated at the Gascoyne Junction

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Happy birthday to you all.



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Ordinary Council Meeting Dates

Friday 5th February

Wednesday 24th March

Wednesday 21st April

Wednesday 19th May

Wednesday 24th June

Wednesday 21st July

Wednesday 18th August

Wednesday 22nd September

Wednesday 20th October

Wednesday 17th November

Thursday 16th December

Council meetings commence at 8:30am in the Shire Council Chambers located at 4 Scott Street, Gascoyne Junction.

All ratepayers and residents are welcome to attend the council meetings and participate in the Public Question Time session which is held at the beginning of each Council Meeting.



COUNCIL NEWS

CEO Update

February has been an absolute blur as time has flown by and staff have been busy chasing their tails! We started the month off by being inundated with rain which resulted in quite a substantial river and then led to subsequent flooding in our area. Whilst the rain was welcomed by all and seeing our dry riverbed transform into a constant flow of water that spanned from bank to bank, it became clear that the ripple effect of this weather event had the potential to be quite significant. This was evident when the rain continued to fall and the river levels kept rising. Decisions were then made to close roads and flood warnings were issued in the neighbouring shire of Carnarvon.

In addition to the bad weather and the rising water levels, we lost our communications due to an outage with the Telstra network. The town's water supply was also impacted when infrastructure used to deliver water to our local community was damaged – this reduced the supply capacity to our town and meant that the Water Corporation had to apply restrictions on use until they could assess and repair the damage.

Although we were limited in our capacity to deliver “business as usual” during this time, staff were focused on ensuring that residents were ok and kept up to date with what was happening. I would like to say a huge thank you to the staff who continued to work behind the scenes and after hours. In particular over the weekend to assist with information, checking water levels and road conditions and delivering cartons of water to local residents when our town supply was restricted.

As much as this rain is needed by our Pastoral sector it does cause issues for our road network. The event has been declared by the Assistant Commissioner and an AGRN has been issued. We have had our pick-up undertaken and most of the roads with the exception of Carey Downs Road as it is still too wet. Emergency Opening-up Works are currently being undertaken and should be completed within the 3 month period. Greenfields are also taking photographs of the completed Emergency Works so as to meet the expectations of DFES. Greenfields will complete a full cost estimation for the reinstatement works, a very rough estimate without much scientific application is around the \$15M.

CONSTRUCTION IN GASCOYNE JUNCTION

Work has commenced on the earth works for the Junction Tourist Stop. These should be completed at the time of this Council meeting. The architects came up on the 3rd of March to inspect the works to ensure they are proceeding according to the specifications. Most of the structure have been built off-site and will be transported up as soon as the footings / slabs have been constructed. The bitumen work at the Junction Tourist Precinct will be complete by the time of this meeting, it was held up primarily because of the rain and the material was too wet, so the contractors left it to dry out before attempting to do any further work. On the morning of the 18th of February I had a meeting with representatives of the DBCA, to discuss the recent announcement of \$10M being allocated to Mount Augustus and what that may look like on the ground. From our perspective the most important issue was telecommunications, signage, improvements to the walk trail, having a DBCA officer based at Mount Augustus and possibly an all-weather landing strip. All of these proposals were taken on board as well as how they could also manage the Kennedy Ranges. It has been mooted that they would like to base two full-time DBCA Officers in Gascoyne Junction to manage the Kennedy Ranges and run Aboriginal Ranger programs. I have indicated that the Shire will fully support this and have made available the "Old Police Station" as an office as well as continuing to work with them in relation to housing requirements. Subsequent to this meeting I have been advised that it is a definite that at least one full time senior officer and possibly two will base themselves in Gascoyne Junction with DBCA taking over the 'Old Police' Station Building and use 'Mick's' house until we get the land release sorted and new housing is constructed or they find rental accommodation in the private sector.

On the 18th of February I attended the LEMC Meeting held in our Council Chambers. It was disappointing that very few of the relevant stakeholders were in attendance. The Shire have submitted a grant application for 4 x 4 broad acre appliance. On the 19th of February 2021 the Shire President and I attended both the Gascoyne WALGA Zone meeting and the Regional Road Group meeting held in Carnarvon. WALGA have requested that all the Zones indicate their preferred option in reviewing the Asset Preservation Model. Five (5) options were tabled and our Zone decided to commence at Option one with an incremental approach to option four. The issue of RAV road rating was also discussed as there has not been any movement from the sector for over 12 months, it was pointed out that Main Roads are looking to have a proposal in the next month so we requested that the RAV working group be reconvened as soon as possible to ensure we have a position prior to the Main Roads; this being a case of being proactive rather than being reactionary as is the current status. The Regional Road Group meeting was interesting after reading the State Advisory Committee meeting minutes with issues such as Level 1 Bridge Inspections, review of the funding distribution between metro / rural, review of the 2030 roads of regional significance and the review of the current RAV & CA - 02 arrangements. As a Shire we have engaged Greenfields to do the bridge inspection given we have had a number of flows since it was constructed. Jarrod and I are meeting with Ernie Reynolds to go through the 2030 document to ensure it provides information required to ensure business as usual given there are some slight changes to the RRG Guidelines.

THANK YOU

Unfortunately I have been advised that Max has decided to return to the Mining Sector; as such, we do not have a Mechanic. It appears that Jarrod has found a Geraldton based Mechanic that is prepared to undertake our work however; this will cost more and we will need to make allowance for this in the 21/22 Budget. We would like to wish Max all the very best in his future plans.

WATER

Josh Kirk of Greenfields attended a meeting with the Yinggarda Prescribed Body Corporate to put our case forward to put a new bore in the river adjacent to Nat Duca's existing bore and associated easement where we can run the poly pipe and have access to the bore. The PBC had no issues with the easement but did not want a bore adjacent to the Yarning Spot water body and requested we go a further three kilometres up the river. As such we need to find an alternative answer to our water problem as the cost to run the power would be prohibitive.

RESIDENTIAL LAND

I have been spending a lot of time attempting to progress the opening up of new residential land. It is quite a complex and time consuming process. It appears that we will need to do an ILUA with the Yinggarda people as this land is currently unallocated crown land.

CORPORATE SERVICES & CRC

Since the completion of our Financial Management Reviews (including Audit Reg 17), staff have been working towards developing processes and procedures to meet the recommendations put forward by AMD. We hope to complete these tasks by the 30th June, however we are mindful that it is important for staff to roll out these internal changes properly so investing the time to capture all detail accurately as part of the overall process is critical.

On top of this, staff are also busy working on budget reviews and planning ahead for the 21/22 budget. This is part and parcel of our statutory obligations and we keen to begin this process and eager to start crossing these compliance items of our checklist.

WORKS

It seems like history is repeating itself with the wet start to the year causing significant damage to our roads. DRFWA have declared the event with occurred at the end of January, preliminary pickups and emergency works are well underway. Rather than chew up our own resources we engaged mostly contractors to perform the opening up works. This has dramatically reduce the reporting requirements from DFES for the purposes of recouping costs, however the event has added to our already big schedule. I have managed to inspect most of our roads after the event and while there was significant damage to floodways and some sections, as a whole I was impressed as to how our roads stood up to the huge amount of rain.

We are close to completing emergency works to our priority roads and hope to have the remaining done before the end of April. I have been given permission from DFES to carry out Immediate Works on sections of the Carnarvon Mullewa road where the bitumen has failed or there is dangerous shoulder drop offs. We are in the process of obtaining quotes for this. I would like to thank the entire team for finding another gear during these demanding times with the added pressure of yet another damaged road network. I would also like to thank the public for their patience and understanding.

All of our major capital works projects are well underway, the team have been extremely busy coordinating the new tourist stop, HSVPP/DFES road works, pub seal reconstruction, new housing projects, shed refurbishment and town fencing projects. All projects are running relatively smoothly even with the rain delays and setbacks. Unfortunately we have hit a wall with plans to relocate the town bore to our proposed location. We are currently reviewing our options to move forward as the current bore casing is failing.



The alternate town water supply project has been put on hold until appropriate funding can be sourced. We have received a full hydrologists report to secure a suitable water source that is outside of our current budget.

The works crew had a bumpy start to the year with rain delays, breakdowns and low crew member numbers. Eventually we got a crack at it and have begun the new bitumen construction works on Carnarvon Mullewa road. Due to the unique blend of funding it has been a challenge to correctly capture costs and data to ensure we are working within the confines of DFES and HSVPP protocol. Greenfields are assisting with data entry and reporting to DFES. So far the crew have reconstructed the sub grade of the section to be sealed and boxed out the floodways for stabilising. More gravel samples were tested to ensure we are working within MRWA standards. The crew will begin backfilling the floodways and carting in the basecourse in the coming days.

I will be attending training in Carnarvon at Main Roads from 22nd-26th March. We will be conducting both theory and onsite training in bituminous sealing and widening. The training has been offered for all LG's in our region.

COUNCIL UPDATE...



FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT REPORT

SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE – AGRN908 FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – February 2021 (PACKAGE 1)

Contractor	QEM Group	Package Start Date:	19 Sept 2020
		Forecast Completion Date:	Nov / Dec 2021
Works this period (Jan / Feb 2021)		Works next period (Feb / Mar 2021)	
<p>Landor Mt Clere Rd Continued works on this road working from Waldburg Rd intersection west towards Landor / Mt Clere Rd boundary. Works have predominately comprised removal of silt, reforming and resheeting and drainline reshaping.</p> <p>Waldburg Rd Completed all works on the southern 40km of this road up to the intersection with Landor Mt Clere Rd. Works have comprised a combination of reforming and resheeting, reconstruction of unsealed floodways, reinstatement of drainlines and removal of silt.</p>		<p>Landor Mt Clere Rd Complete the majority of the works remaining on this road from the Waldburg Rd intersection to the Landor homestead. Remaining works comprise additional reforming and resheeting and removal of silt from the pavement and drainlines.</p>	
Status of Roads			
	This Month	Last Period	
Overall Package	35%	25%	
Bingegaroo Rd	Not yet commenced		
Cobra Gifford Creek Rd	Not yet commenced		
Cobra Mt Augustus Rd	Not yet commenced		
Dooley Downs Rd	Not yet commenced		
Edmund Gifford Creek Rd	Not yet commenced		
Landor Mt Clere Rd	67%	58%	
Dalgety Downs Landor Rd	Not yet commenced		
Landor Meekatharra Rd	99%	99%	

Landor Mt Augustus Rd	14%	14%
Lyndon Minnie Creek Rd	Not yet commenced	
Meekatharra Mt Clere Rd	100%	100%
Mount Augustus Rd	Not yet commenced	
Mount Augustus Woodlands Rd	Not yet commenced	
Mooloo Downs Access Rd	Not yet commenced	
Pingandy Rd	Not yet commenced	
Pingandy Homestead Access Rd	Not yet commenced	
Potts Rd	Not yet commenced	
Waldburg Rd	60%	8%
Wanna Rd	Not yet commenced	

Discussion Items	
Water / Materials	Refer attached resources report
Camp	<p>The camp is located at Landor station "Roo shooters camp". The camp comprises of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accommodation for 22 staff, • Kitchen and separate mess station, • Male and Female ablutions, • Contractor site office, • Laydown area, • Workshop and container storage, • All catering / cleaning etc is being undertaken by a dedicated camp attendant. <p>This camp will be in this location until approx. end Feb / early March 2021.</p>

Landor Mt Clere Rd



**SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE – AGRN908 FLOOD DAMAGE REINSTATEMENT
 MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT – February 2021 (PACKAGE 2)**

Contractor	THEM Earthmoving	Package Start Date:	08 Nov 2020
		Forecast Completion Date:	Early 2022
Works this period (Jan / Feb 2021)		Works next period (Feb /Mar 2021)	
<p>Carnarvon Mullewa Rd</p> <p>All works from Cobra Dairy Creek Rd to Dalgety Downs Glenburgh Rd now complete. The works consisted of removal of silt, reinstatement of drainlines, medium and heavy reshaping and reinstatement of floodways. Due to some isolated thunderstorms, minor additional works to tidy-up some scours impacting the works were required.</p>		<p>Dalgety Downs Glenburgh Rd</p> <p>Commence works on this road working from the Glenburgh homestead end towards Dalgety Downs homestead. Works comprise reforming and resheeting, medium reshaping, removal of silt from drainlines and reinstatement of floodways.</p>	
<p>Dalgety Downs Landor Rd</p> <p>Commenced works approx. 15km from the Landor Mt Augustus / Landor Meekatharra Rd intersection and worked west towards Dalgety Downs homestead. All works on the eastern side of the Erong Rd intersection are now complete. Works have comprised reforming and resheeting, drainline reinstatement and heavy reshaping.</p>		<p>Carnarvon Mullewa Rd</p> <p>Restart works on this road working from the Upper Gascoyne / Murchison boundary towards Glenburgh homestead. Works involve mainly drainline reinstatement, removal of silt and medium / heavy reshaping.</p>	
<p>Erong Rd</p> <p>Commenced and completed all works on this road comprising reforming and resheeting and medium reshaping.</p>			
Status of Roads			
	This Month		Last Period
Overall Package	12%		5%
Carey Downs Road	Not yet commenced		
Carnarvon Mullewa Road	31%		22%
Cobra Dairy Creek Road	Not yet commenced		

Dalgety Downs Glenburgh Road	0%	-%
Dalgety Downs Landor Road	97%	-%
Erong Road	100%	-%
Eudamullah Road	Not yet commenced	
Gilroyd Road	Not yet commenced	
Gregory Street	Not yet commenced	
Hatch Street	Not yet commenced	
Killili Road	Not yet commenced	
Lyons River Road	Not yet commenced	
Minnie Creek Road	Not yet commenced	
Mooloo Downs Access Road	Not yet commenced	
Newton Drive	Not yet commenced	
Pimbee Road	Not yet commenced	
Riverside Drive	Not yet commenced	
Rubbish Tip Road	Not yet commenced	
Scott Street	Not yet commenced	
Ullawarra Road	Not yet commenced	
Viveash Way	Not yet commenced	
Weedarrah Road	Not yet commenced	

Discussion Items	
Water / Materials	Refer attached resources report
Camp	<p>The camp has been established on Dalgety Downs Station. The camp is the same camp as used on the last package and will comprise:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accommodation for 20 staff, • Kitchen and separate mess station, • Male and Female ablutions, • Contractor site office, • Laydown area, • Workshop and container storage, • The catering / cleaning out by Dalgety Downs Station. <p>The camp will be in this location until Feb / Mar 2021.</p> <p>Camp is likely to be shifted during the next break (end February 2021) from Dalgety Downs homestead to Pimbee Rd.</p>

Dalgaty Landor Rd



Dalgety Brook



Gravel Stockpile - planned for use on Dalgety Downs Landor Rd upgrade works



COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2021

In accordance with the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996, under regulation 12 (2), it is hereby notified that as from January 2021 to December 2021, Ordinary Council meetings of the Shire of Upper Gascoyne will be held as follows:

3 rd Wednesday of Each Month*	
February 2021*	Friday 5 th
March 2021	Wednesday 24 th
April 2021	Wednesday 21 st
May 2021	Wednesday 19 th
June 2021	Wednesday 23 rd
July 2021	Wednesday 21 st
August 2021	Wednesday 18 th
September 2021	Wednesday 22 nd
October 2021	Wednesday 20 th
November 2021	Wednesday 17 th
December 2021*	Thursday 16 th
*Exception being February (brought forward due to long break between meetings) and December (moved to last day of school).	

Ordinary Council Meetings commence at 8:30am in the Shire Council Chambers located at 4 Scott Street, Gascoyne Junction, except for the May meeting – this will be held at the Mount Augustus Tourist Park in conjunction with the Eastern Road inspections.

Road inspections are scheduled for:

April 2021 - Western Road inspections

May 2021 - Eastern Road Inspections

Rate payers and residents are welcome to attend the Council Meetings and participate in the Public Question Time session which is held at the beginning of each Council Meeting.

John McCleary JP
Chief Executive Officer

SAY G'DAY TO...

Full name:

Alys McKeough

Nickname:

Wonderland

Place of birth:

Kew Victoria

Favourite food?

Beef - a good steak and seafood

Favourite animal?

Cows

Footy team:

Essendon

Where did you grow up?

Melbourne (Yes a city girl)

Why did you move to the Upper Gascoyne?

When I married Harry he was a farmer in Northam but had a lifelong dream to own a cattle station. So we travelled around Australia for 3 years looking and ended up in the Gascoyne and absolutely love it

How long have you lived in the Upper Gascoyne?

Nearly 11 years

What do I love most about the Upper Gascoyne?

The wide open spaces, the red dirt, the opportunities and most of all everyone who lives here.

What services or events would you like to see in the Upper Gascoyne?

I would like to see a new Cemetery and a Music Festival.

Would you like to star in the next edition of Say G'Day To....

Email crc@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au with the answers to the questions and dont forget to include a snapshot or drop in and chat with Billie at the CRC and she can interview you in person.



BLAST FROM THE PAST

THIS SEGMENT OF THE GOSSIP EXPLORES PAST ARTICLES ON NEWS AND EVENTS. THIS ARTICLE WAS ORIGINALLY PUBLISHED IN THE CARNARVON COMMUNITY NEWS ON APRIL 23 2004

CARNARVON COMMUNITY NEWS, Friday April 23 2004 — Page 5

New tourist trails highlight the outback appeal of Gascoyne and Murchison

Western Australia's longest self-drive trail network - the 3,000km Gascoyne Murchison Outback Pathways project - was officially opened today.

In ceremonies at Gascoyne Junction and Woolleen Station today, Gascoyne Minister Tom Stephens launched three pathways stretching across the Gascoyne and Mid-West regions.

These included:

the Kingsford-Smith Mail Run from Carnarvon to Meekatharra via Mt Augustus National Park;

the Wool Wagon Pathway from Geraldton or Yalgoo, through the Murchison to Gascoyne Junction and onward to Exmouth; and

the Miners Pathway that includes Paynes Find, Meekatharra, Mt Magnet, Cue, Sandstone and Yalgoo.

"This wonderful cross-regional initiative will provide a sound basis for developing tourism opportunities and diversifying regional economies," Mr Stephens said.

"The Gascoyne and Murchison outback regions, with their wealth of history and natural beauty, are well placed to cater for eco-tourism, heritage tourism and adventure holidays.

"These are growth industries in the region.

"Interpretive signage and travel brochures will enrich visitors' experiences and attract more travellers.

"This positive approach has already encouraged new tourism services and investment with a 24-hour fuel service opening in Yalgoo and many pastoral lessees constructing accommodation units.

"New attractions such as the Meeka Rangelands Discovery Trail in Meekatharra, the Piyari Yardi Aboriginal Heritage and Cultural Centre in Carnarvon and the Naaguja Cultural Trail in Geraldton are being developed."

This project was developed through the Gascoyne Murchison Strategy, which identified tourism as a sustainable diversification option to improve the economic, environmental and

social viability of the Gascoyne Murchison rangelands.

The project has received financial and in-kind assistance worth more than \$400,000 from Federal, State, local government and tourism industry sources.

It was initiated by the State Government's Gascoyne and Mid-West Development Commissions.

Support was provided through the Federal Department of Transport and Regional Services, and WA agencies including the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Local Government and Regional Development and the WA Tourism Commission and its zone councils covering Australia's Golden Outback and Australia's Coral Coast.

Eleven local governments - Carnarvon, Cue, Exmouth, the City of Geraldton, Meekatharra, Mt. Magnet, Mullewa, Murchison, Sandstone, Upper Gascoyne and Yalgoo - are also participating in the project.



GASCOYNE JUNCTION CRAFT GROUP 2021 CALENDAR

13th & 14th February Untutored & AGM

27th & 28th March Untutored

18th & 19th April Dongara Autumn Craft Round Up

22nd & 23rd May Outback Wife Overnight Bag Workshop

19th & 20th June Copper Foiling Workshop

24th & 25th July Resin Dipping Outside Tutored Workshop
(provided we can get a tutor)

TBC August Dressmaking Tutorial
(14th & 15th or 28th & 29th depending on Junction races)

18th & 19th September Untutored

30th & 31st October Mosaic Workshop

November 27th & 28th Christmas Craft

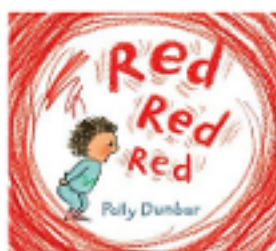
For any queries, please contact the Secretary Tina Matthews

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P: 9943 0531

*YEARLY MEMBERSHIP \$20 UNTUTORED WEEKENDS \$10
WORKSHOPS \$50 with craft supplied materials
OUTSIDE TUTORED WORKSHOPS \$50 + materials if required*

BOOKS OF THE MONTH



RED RED RED

A gentle book about dealing with emotions and calming toddler tantrums (and the grownup dealing with them!) together with an introduction to counting. The perfect picture book for handling bad days and bad moods.



BEWARE OF DOGS

She's isolated. Trapped. Hunted. An almost unbearably tense Australian survival thriller.

Alix Verhoeven, whose impulsive acceptance of an offer to spend Easter on a remote island has turned into a terrifying ordeal. Hiding in a tiny cave, she carefully rations out her meagre supplies, while desperately trying to figure out how to escape the men hunting her. She is determined not to be a victim.

What do they want with her? She knows it's nothing good - she overheard enough on that first night to flee. But now she's got little food or water, no way of calling for help, and only her skills as an exploration geologist to survive.

By day she is disciplined and lives by strict plans, but at night she finds herself haunted by questions about her life that she has never wanted to face, and her time is running out.



THE LAST MRS. SUMMERS

Georgie's best friend, Belinda, inherits a spooky old house in Cornwall and asks Georgie to go with her to inspect the property. When they arrive, they meet Rose, a woman Belinda knew as a child when she spent her summers with her grandmother in Cornwall. Belinda never liked Rose, who has always been bossy and a bit of a bully, but when Belinda's house proves to be uninhabitable, Rose invites them to stay with her.

Rose is now married to Tony Summers, Belinda's childhood crush, and lives in the lovely house on the cliffs that he has inherited. Rose confides that she thinks Tony killed his first wife and now she is afraid. She asks Georgie and Belinda to observe Tony's behavior and their surroundings. Is Rose imagining things? Is Tony dangerous? In their quest for answers, they encounter a creepy housekeeper, Mrs. Manners, and learn that some kind of forgotten tragedy occurred on the property years ago involving them all.

There is a lot of strange to go around and things only get weirder--and deadlier--when one night a member of the household is found dead. All clues point to Belinda as the prime suspect. Now Georgie must uncover some long buried secrets that may prove the victim was really a villain before Belinda takes the fall for the murder.



Closed for School
Holidays

Hope you all enjoy.

See you back for Term 2!!!



LEST WE FORGET

ANZAC DAY

SUNDAY APRIL 25

11 AM MORNING SERVICES @
MEMORIAL AT SHIRE OFFICE

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IN THE MORNING, WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

MEMORIAL SERVICE WITH LUNCH TO FOLLOW @ CRC





Have your say

Indigenous Voice

Now is the time to have your say on the Indigenous Voice proposals.

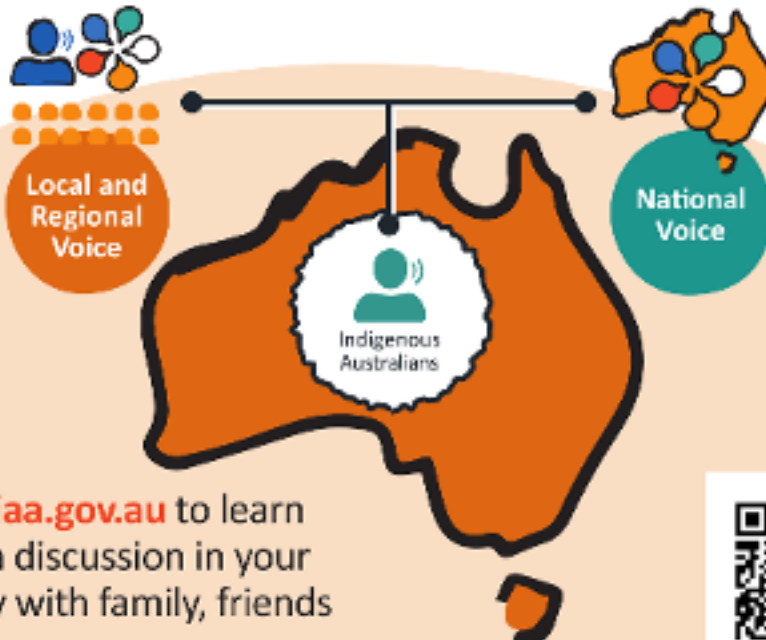
Upcoming consultation sessions ▾

Carnarvon

Gwoonwardu Mia,
Gascoyne Aboriginal Heritage and Cultural Centre,
146 Robinson St, Carnarvon

Thursday 15 April
11:00am - 2:00pm

- > Participants must register to attend.
- > Head to voice.niaa.gov.au to register and find out more.



Head to voice.niaa.gov.au to learn more and start a discussion in your local community with family, friends and colleagues.

#IndigenousVoice





EVENT MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP

Gwoonwardu Mia Gascoyne Aboriginal Heritage & Cultural Centre

Thursday 20th May 2021 | 10.00am - 4.00pm

No matter the scale, a mismanaged event can put staff, local government, event patrons and the general public at risk. You are invited to register for this free one day workshop to assist community & sporting event organisers, and local government event officers to plan and deliver successful, well managed events in the Gascoyne Region. Based on the Parks and Leisure Australia WA *Event Application Guide* this training will focus on:

- **The Event Context and Planning Process** - stakeholder group; simple definitions; good planning; project management, responsibilities, business planning
- **Identifying Knowledge & Skills Required by Event Organisers** - motivation and benefits; roles and impacts of events; who is producing events, and why; understanding the lingo; financial planning – making it add up
- **A Changing World: This is Serious Business** - legislation; all that paperwork; legal issues and insurance; risk & security management.
- **The Marketing Process: Build it and they will come** - Story telling - how to engage and satisfying community needs; Understanding the consumer - what for and why; Stakeholders - sponsors, community, government, media and suppliers of public services; Events as 'service experiences'

Registration is free and limited seats are available.

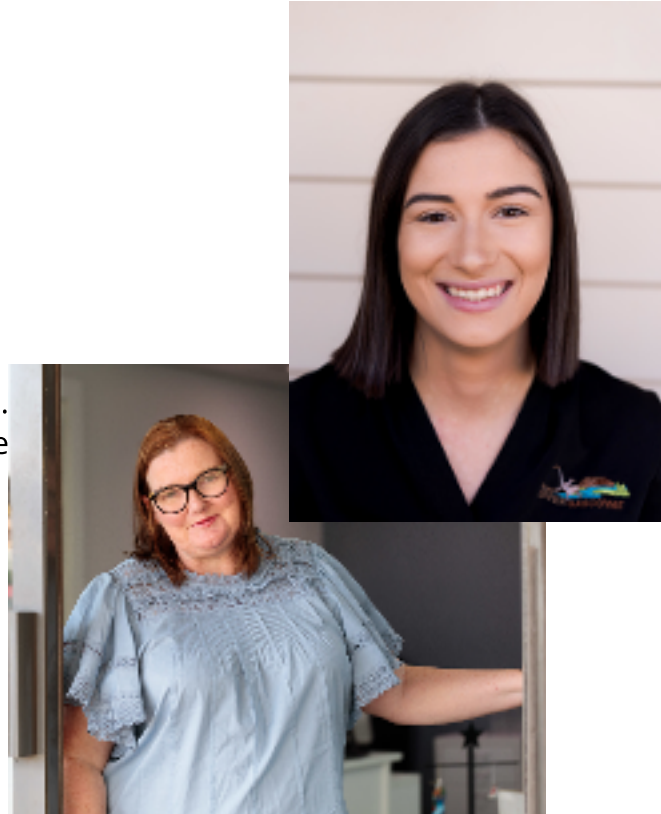
To register for this workshop [CLICK HERE](#) or email plawa@parksleisure.com.au

Whats Happening in Your CRC?

We have spent time in February outlining and planning the essential services that the Centre is to provide in 2021 for our local community and we have also identified opportunities to create more educational, cultural and social activities as part of the Centre's role.

One of the goals for the Centre is to better inform our local community of the access to services available through the CRC. Part of this process is by creating a more user friendly layout, and the use of social media and the Shire website for regular communications. The Gassy Gossip will be published on the first Wednesday of each month.

Billie headed to Perth in late February to undertake her training with the Department of Transport. Ainsley has undertaken induction training for both Services Australia and WALGA. This training on the essential services that are offered at the Gascoyne Junction CRC will continue throughout the year.



Keeping Up To Date

Over the past few weeks there has been a lot happening in the Shire with road closures, water restrictions and communication outages. At the Shire we recommend that your first port of call for information should be the Shire website. As soon as the Works team has road updates these are immediately updated on the road conditions page. It is possible to subscribe to this report, and you will get an email as soon as a change is made. Please make sure you take note of any additional remarks that are made. The latest news is also posted here, with editions of the Gassy Gossip, and information on council meetings.

If the webpage is not available, then make sure you are following our Facebook page: Shire of Upper Gascoyne News and Events. Both the Shire and CRC will post updates here of the latest happenings. If you cannot find the information that you need there then call the administration team at the Shire Office on 08 9943 0988.

Finally we have our Shire of Upper Gascoyne Instagram page where we will be promoting our region as a destination highlighting our beautiful natural surroundings and our lifestyle.



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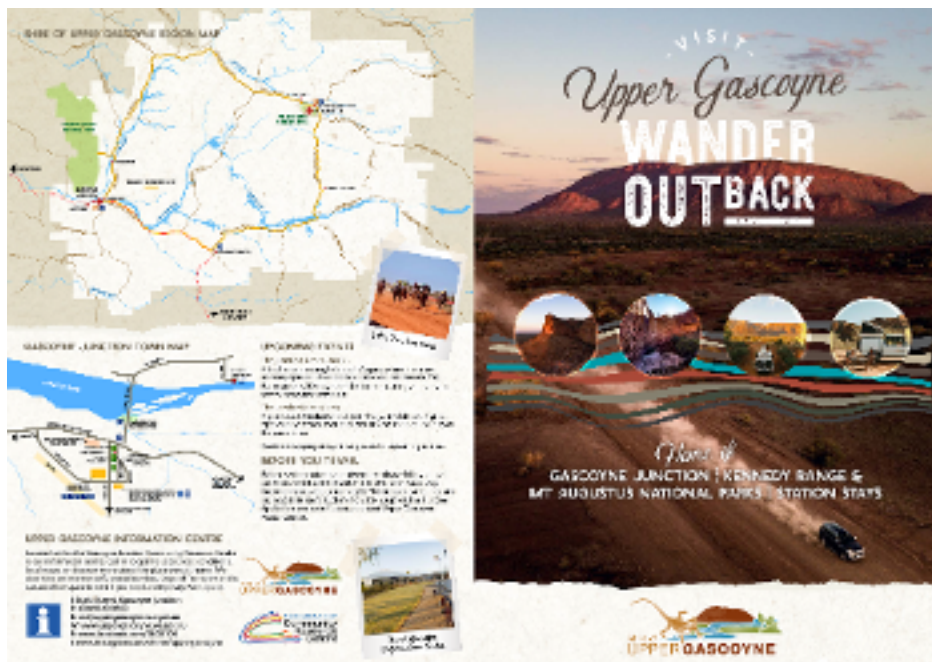
Spreading the Word

Sharing our Backyard

So on the long weekend, John invited me to undertake a small tour of the Shire visiting Mount Augustus via Glenburgh, Landor and Burringurrah on the Saturday and stayed overnight and on Sunday went to the Kennedy Ranges via Cattle Pool, Cobra and Wanna Stations. It was amazing to finally get out to begin to explore. One of the things that I am working on in my new role is building the Instagram page of the Shire using it as a way to communicate with potential visitors to the region. For this I would love your help. Its easy. I am creating a collection of my own photos of our backyard but I would love for you to share with me images of your backyard. The photos that make you glad to call Upper Gascoyne your home. I will then share them on Instagram. This can be anonymous or I can tag you in the photo if you would like. After Easter, I will be heading back out to meet more of you and bring Billie along to experience our backyard too. Email your photos to tcdo@uppergascoyne.wa.gov.au. Each month I will announce a winner and your image will be on the front of the Gassy Gossip.



New Brochure



Hot off the press is our new Visit Upper Gascoyne Tourism brochure. The brochure debuted at the recent Perth Caravan and Camping Show and we have received some great feedback already.

In 2020 we are inviting visitors to WANDER OUTBACK and explore the Ranges, Rock and Rivers of the Shire.



JRC BUSY BEE DATES

The Junction Race Club is asking the Gascoyne public to volunteer their time in helping prepare the JRC for our iconic 2021 race meeting on the following dates;

10-11th April - General Meeting and Busy Bee at JRC.

15/16 May - Busy Bee

26/27 June - Busy Bee

24/25 July - Busy Bee

14/15 August - Busy Bee

20-22 August - JRC meeting

**Any help would be appreciated, for more info call Hamish on
0401282562**

One-pan Salmon with Roast Asparagus

Ingredients

- 400g Potatoes halved
- 2 tbsp. olive oil
- 2 handfuls cherry tomatoes
- 1 tbsp. balsamic vinegar
- 2 salmon fillets (about 140g each)
- handful of basil leaves



Method

1. Heat oven to 220C fan forced
2. Tip the potatoes and 1 tbsp. of olive oil into an oven proof dish, then roasted for 20 minutes until starting to turn brown.
3. Toss the asparagus in with the potatoes, then return to the oven for 15 minutes.
4. Add in the cherry tomatoes and vinegar and nestle the salmon amongst the vegetables.
5. Drizzle the remaining oil and return to the oven for a final 10-15 minutes until the salmon is cooked.
6. Scatter over the basil leaves and serve everything scooped straight from the dish.



MAY

- 3 Dylan Hoseason-Smith
- 9 Kevan 'Pronto' Brand
- 18 Betty Fletcher
- 27 Barney McTaggart

APRIL

- 3 Mitchell Hoseason-Smith
- 8 Bridie Walker
- 11 Riley McKeough
- 15 Katelyn Wright

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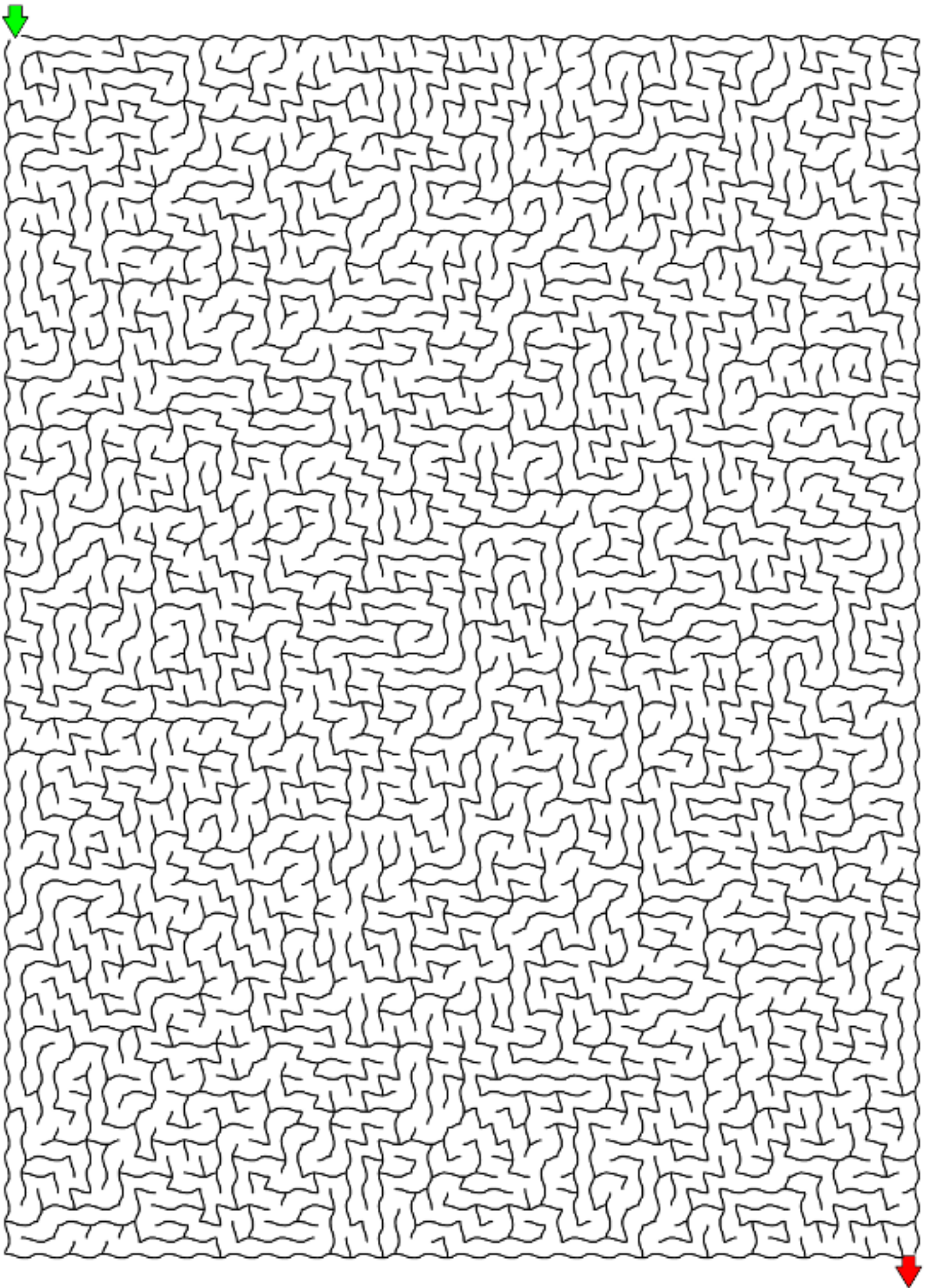
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SMOKO TIME





Shire of Upper Gascoyne Stations

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Dalgety Downs Dairy Creek Mooloo Downs Mt Phillip Cobra Edmund
Minnie Creek Mt Sandiman Lyons River Bidgemia Jimba Jimba Mooka
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13 NO NO CORRECT	14 head ache	15 teatheathat	16 MOUNTAIN

1. LHR is the airport code of which busy European Airport?
2. What fictional piece of technology allows time travel to be possible in the DeLorean during the Back to the Future Movies?
3. Into which sea does the mouth of the river Nile empty into?
4. Common in most homes, what name is a modulator/demodulator better known by?
5. Which famous body of islands is a province of Ecuador?
6. Which actor played the starring role of Maggie Fitzgerald in Million Dollar Baby?
7. What cricket fielding position near the wicket ends with the words mid off?
8. What describes a sudden change of government, forcibly affected by a ruler, the army or the general population?
9. Which word can be a military vehicle or a sleeveless top?
10. What is the first and last name of Ray's father in the TV Show Everybody Loves Raymond?
11. Under what name did Queen Elizabeth II's father rule?
12. Protestors across which nation took to the streets to demand the release of jailed opposition figure Alexei Navalny?

Sudoku
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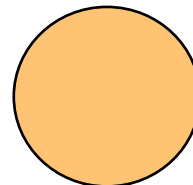
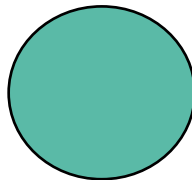
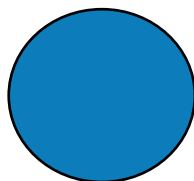
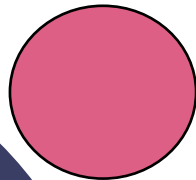
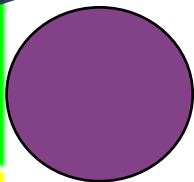
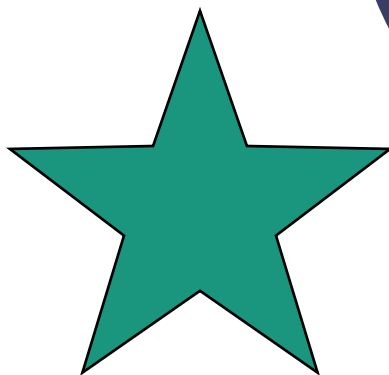
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ANSWERS NEXT MONTH

ANSWERS FEB/MAR

1. Jake
2. LHR
3. Stratosphere
4. Lybia
5. Wellington
6. Mark David Chapman
7. Vermouth
8. The Three Wise Men or Three Kings
9. Stallion
10. Muhammed Ali
11. Tulips
12. Vermont and Virginia

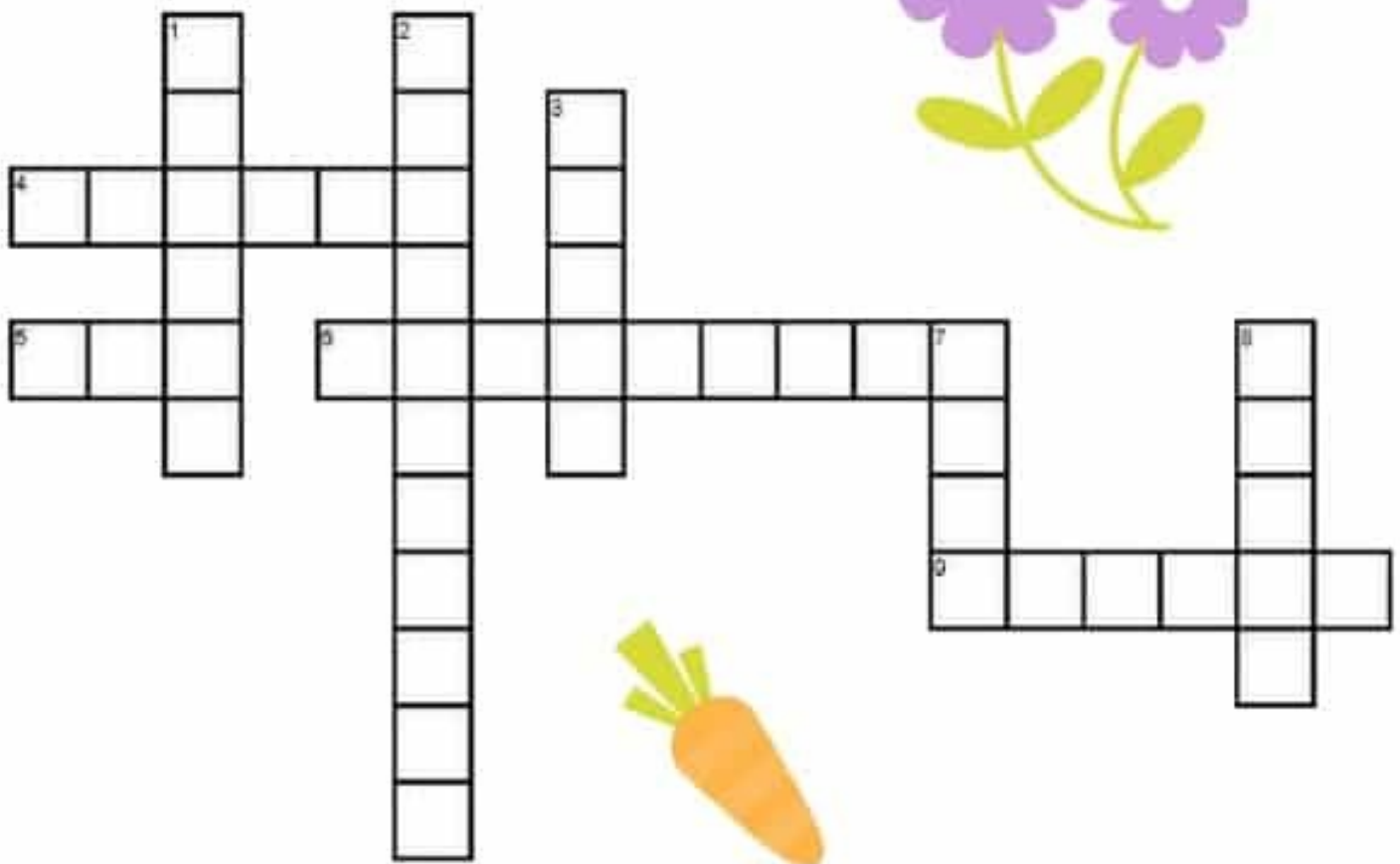
KID'S CORNER







Easter Crossword Puzzle



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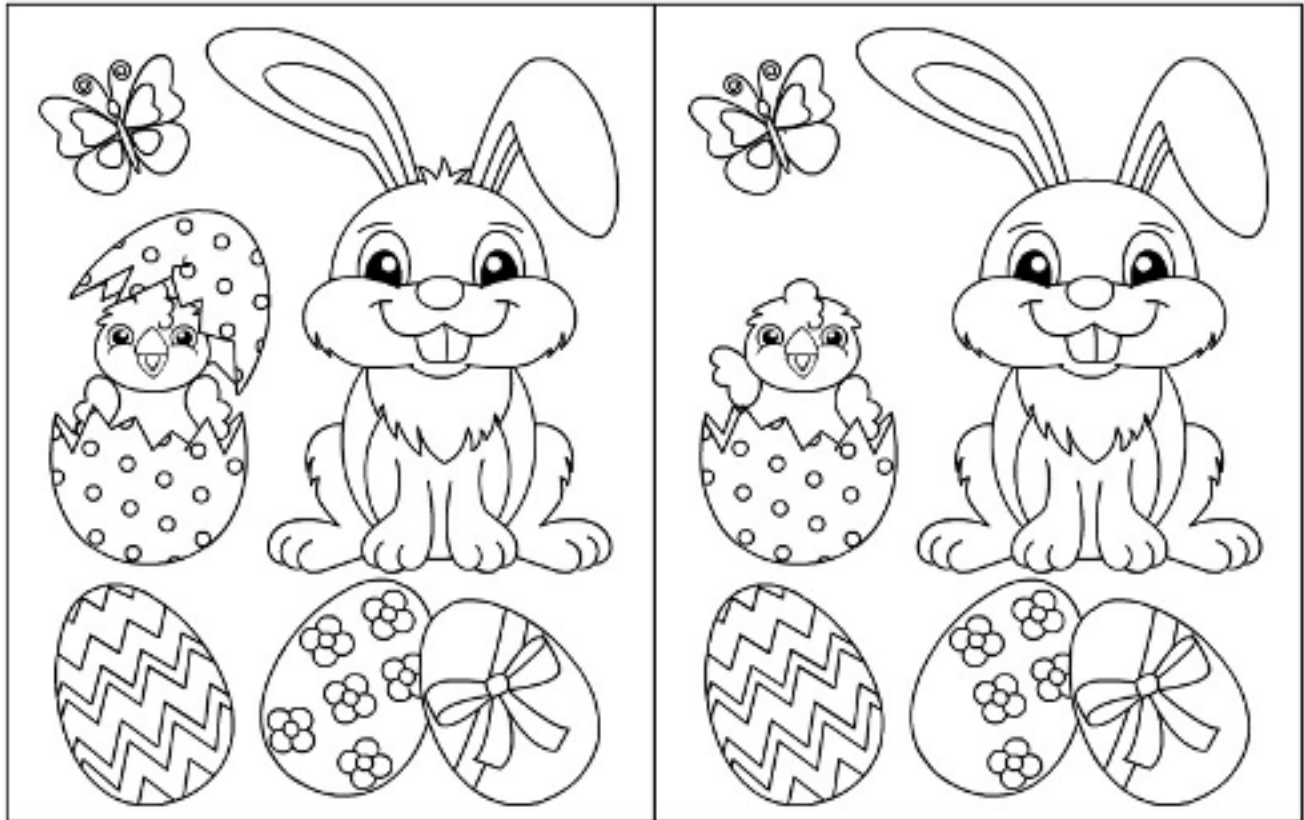
- 4 A holiday celebrated with egg hunts
- 5 What you do to an Easter egg
- 6 Easter's most eaten candy
- 9 Easter is always in what season?

DOWN

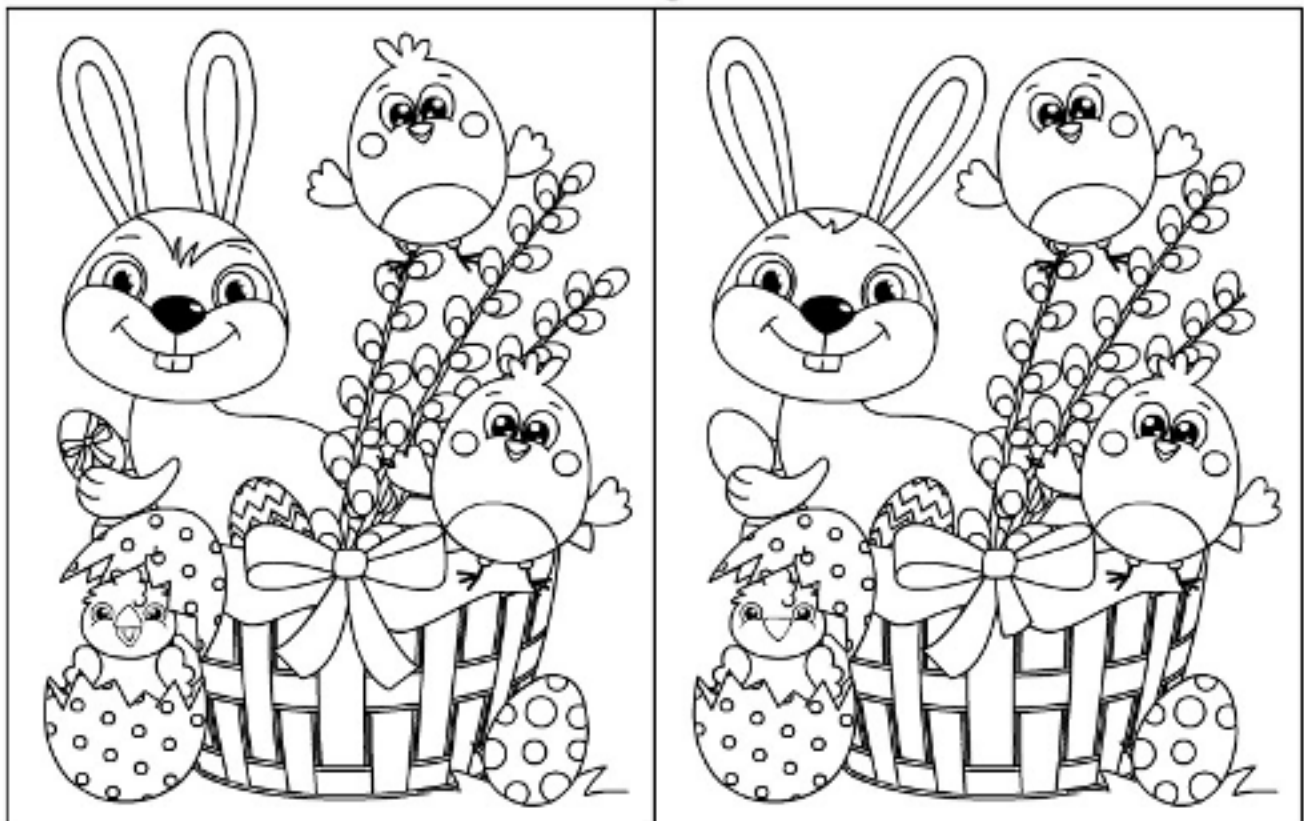
- 1 Egg holder
- 2 A white sticky sweet treat
- 3 A soft yellow animal that chirps
- 7 What you hunt for
- 8 Easter's mascot

Easter

Spot 5 differences!



Spot 10 differences!



OPEN MIC NIGHT JUNCTION PUB & TOURIST PARK <hr/> 06 MAR	KIDS HARMONY WEEK ACTIVITIES CRC <hr/> 16 & 18 MAR	FOOTY TIPPING BEGINS CRC <hr/> 18 MAR	HARMONY WEEK DINNER JUNCTION PUB & TOURIST PARK <hr/> 19 MAR
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