

March 2017

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Popanyinning and
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Cubby News



Yellow billed
Spoon Bills

Jan 2017



Cobie Francis is our guest photographer this month - her photograph of the Yellow Billed Spoon Bills, visiting her property in January, presented a perspective of the unique wildlife, permanent and transient, to be found in our beautiful locale. The photo insert is of the first insect visitor in her garden for this new year - a large praying mantis on a magnificent sunflower.

Themes* for the cover:

- April:** Farm
- May:** Autumn
- June:** Portrait

*Subject to change with notice

Get your kids into the action and have them take a photo to fit one of the topics - we love to publish items from our residents - young and younger!

Native Plant of the Month

Peter Denton,
Cuballing

Eremophila maculata "Silver"



The eremophila group of native plants are stunning hardy plants to say the least.

Eremophila maculata silver bears 25mm silver blue flowers with purple spots, almost fuschia like. The bush grows to 1.5m x 1.5m, flowering in Spring to early Summer. A very hardy plant, tolerating frost, drought and from light to heavy soils. The maculata group of eremophilas also come in red, a stunning purple, yellow and sometimes white flowers.

Similar as with grevilleas, eremophilas are great bird and insect attracting plants bringing native hover flies, small wasps, native bees and butterflies to your garden.

Eremophilas grow in varied environments throughout Australia, in excess of 500 species from the red deserts to cooler coastal areas, many endemic to Western Australia with South Australia the main winners.

Other Eremophilas of our region include Eremophila decipiens, glabra, veneta, nivea and racemosa. [All available from Chedoon Gallery and Nursery Cuballing.]



Giulio and enticing engines

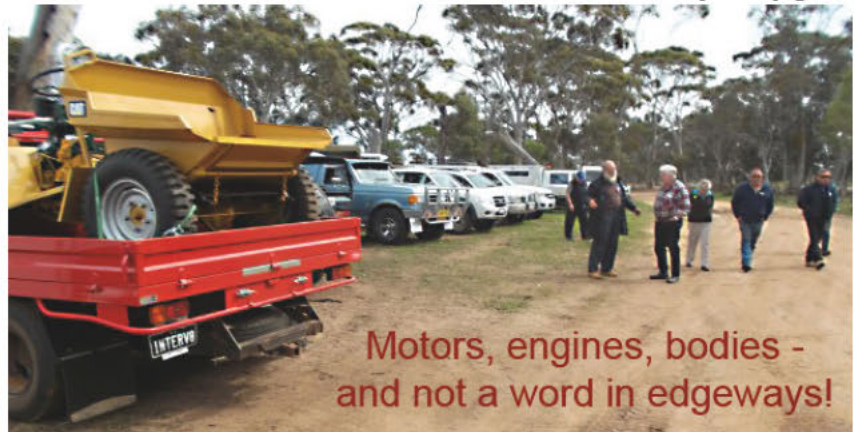


Vintage Tin Run Sunday, Ch 3
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Permit Burning Period

Local residents are now able to apply for a permit to burn, under Shire of Cuballing's local by-laws. You'll probably see lots of smoke and flames, especially at night, as farmers commence their annual stubble burn. The Chief Fire Control Officers from the local fire brigades of Popo and Cuby will issue a permit upon request.

If you suffer from asthma or any breathing problems, you may like to stay indoors during this burning period.



Motors, engines, bodies -
and not a word in edgeways!

Paddock Burn Offs are on again



Motorbike Park Application Refused

A planning application submitted by the Ducks Nuts Motorbike Park to increase the operation of the Park to 60 bikes was refused by Council at the March Ordinary Council Meeting.

In making their decision, Council cited that the application had not sufficiently demonstrated, through a noise assessment by a suitably qualified acoustic consultant, that predicted noise levels from the proposed expanded operations would comply with the Environmental Protection Act 1986 and the Environmental Protection Noise Regulations 1997.

Council had initially considered the application at their October 2016 Ordinary Council Meeting where they had sought further information from the Ducks Nuts Motorbike Park including:

- an improved site plan/s,
- provision of certificates of insurance,
- a dust suppression plan,
- a noise assessment by a suitably qualified acoustic consultant, that outlined noise levels from existing operations, predicted noise levels from proposed operations and possible noise mitigation measures;
- a dust suppression plan; and
- a management plan which addressed matters including managing clients, minimising risks, promoting safety and being a good neighbour,

Since October, the Ducks Nuts Motorbike Park had provided Council with additional information that had addressed all matters except the noise assessment.

While this application was refused, the Ducks Nuts Motorbike Park can still operate within the limits of the Council approval granted in 2014.

All the information, including public comment provided to Council, can be viewed in the minutes of the meeting on the Shire of Cuballing website at <http://www.cuballing.wa.gov.au/agendas-and-minutes.aspx>.



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UPCOMING COUNCIL

MEETINGS

- Thursday, 20th April 2017
Thursday, May 18th 2017
Thursday, 15th June 2017

All meetings are open to the public and will commence at 2.00pm with fifteen minute Public Question Time at the commencement of each meeting.

Agenda's for each meeting are included on the Shire website by the weekend prior to each meeting.

Minutes of all Council meetings are available on the Shire website as soon as possible after each meeting.

Office Opening Hours:
Monday—Thursday,
8.30am—4.30pm
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Cuballing Music Festival

About 200 people attended the Cuballing Music Festival held on Friday 17th March at the Cuballing Recreation Ground.

Local Acts Tom O'Brien, Dale Fazioli and Matt Hough warmed up the crowd before



Rising Sun belted out the songs of Cold Chisel and Jimmy Barnes.

Local technician Ash Nardini once again provided a professional sound system for all the bands.

The Cuballing Tennis Club also provided patrons with a tasty eats from the Rec Centre kitchen.

Shire staff are currently reviewing the festival to determine what the format will be for next year.

If you wish to provide

feedback please leave a comment on our facebook page, call us on 98836031, drop into the Shire Office or email us at enquiries@cuballing.wa.gov.au

Council Shorts

- New flooring has been laid in the Popanyinning Public toilets. The upgraded flooring will be easier to clean, but also looks great.
- The Cuballing Arts Group will shortly move their weekly meetings to the old CWA building after extra power points are installed. The group have met weekly at the Cuballing Rec Centre, but the CWA building will provide more storage and allow display of their work.
- The Narrogin Wandering Road widening has been completed for 2017, with less work than planned being completed. A large culvert was to be extended but this could not be constructed with the ongoing wet weather. The culvert and widening will be finished in 2018.
- Monthly Council meetings will now commence at the earlier time of 2pm. All Council meetings are open to the public
- Works at the Popanyinning Hall and Popanyinning Fire Station have been completed. A new leach drain for the Hall has been connected to the sink in the new kitchen in the Fire Station.
- The Shire of Cuballing have agreed to participate in the an application to the Building Better Regions Fund (BBRF) for the Wheatbelt Strategic Freight Networks Project. This project, involving every Shire in the Wheatbelt, will complete planning for local freight routes across the wheatbelt region, that will be used in applying for significant funding to improve the identified routes.

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PUBLIC NOTICE OF PLANNING PROPOSAL

Council is considering an application to permit the operation of an Extractive Industry at Williams Location 12344, Shaddicks Road, Popanyinning.

Details of the proposal are available for inspection at the Shire of Cuballing Administration Centre at Campbell Street, Cuballing.

Comments on the proposal may be submitted to the Shire of Cuballing in writing on or before Monday 8th May 2017.

CANCER COUNCIL BIGGEST MORNING TEA

Cancer Council's Australia's Biggest Morning Tea is a chance for Australians to get together and raise money for a great cause.

Preparations are underway for the 2017 Biggest Morning Tea.

This year the event will be held in Popanyinning on the 25th May.

1 in 2 Australians will be diagnosed with cancer by the age of 85. One dollar at a time you are making a real difference helping to fund Cancer Council's vital research, prevention and support service programs

UPCOMING EVENTS



Shire of Cuballing Anzac Day Service

Tuesday, 25th April 2017
Memorial Park, Cuballing
Commencing at 7.30am

Residents are invited to attend this special ceremony on Anzac Day.

Cuballing Market Day

May 7th 2017

8am – 12pm

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Landcare matters

Hotham-Williams sub-catchment update



PHCC Working Together
Peel-Harvey Catchment Council

Edition 9
April 2017



NRM is the management of natural resources such as land, water, soils, plants and animals. It brings together land use planning, water management, biodiversity conservation and sustainability of industries such as agriculture, mining, tourism, fisheries and forestry.



Round 2 Community Environment Grants Launched

Following the success of the 2015 Community Environment Grants, PHCC is pleased to announce Round 2 of funding opportunities for individual grants of up to \$50,000.

Community groups and individuals are encouraged to submit applications for funding for on-ground activities that maintain or enhance threatened species habitat, threatened ecological communities, migratory species,

regionally significant species habitat (or communities) or the ecological character of the Peel-Yalgorup Ramsar site.

Priority funding will be given to individuals and groups to undertake activities to protect these areas through fencing, weed control and feral animal control.

To discuss a proposal please contact Jo Garvey on 6369 8800 or email jo.garvey@peel-harvey.org.au



PHCC Continues Fight Against Feral Rabbits

PHCC has worked with the Shire of Cuballing and Serpentine Jarrahdale to release the RHDV-K5 rabbit haemorrhagic disease virus during the first week of March.

Virus release has also been undertaken in Boddington, by the Shire of Boddington, and in Williams via a private landholder, who applied as an initial release site.

PHCC is supporting the Department of Agriculture and Food WA in the initial release, which will also involve assessment of current rabbit numbers, ongoing monitoring of release sites, and the coordinated release of the virus to monitor changes in rabbit populations.

The release has coincided with an awareness campaign with pet rabbit owners, to ensure their furry friend is vaccinated prior to the release of this new virus strain.

Great Cocky Count draws Williams Community

Williams gathered for an information session about the Great Cocky Count on 28 February, hosted by PHCC. Birdlife Australia presented on the three Black Cockatoo Species, and highlighted the importance of the Count, to help understand the number of species and their distribution across the State.



FREE Weed Management Workshop Available for Farmers

PHCC has free On-Farm Weed Management Workshop and Demonstrations available for farmers, to be held on Tuesday 11 April at the Treasure Family's "Fernhill" Shearing Shed, Wandering.

Andrew Storrie, an Agronomist from AGRONOMO will present on a wide array of topics on the day. Farmers attending the workshop will be offered funding (up to \$1000) towards weed control.

For more information see the flyer in this newsletter or contact Mel on 0455 166 780 or hotham-williams@peel-harvey.org.au



Small Grants Still Available

Grants of \$100 to \$1,000 are available through the PHCC Small Local Action Grants, please visit:

www.peel-harvey.org.au

Coming Up...

APRIL 11 On Farm Weed Workshop

Do you have an NRM event you would like us to promote? Please contact Mel Durack at hotham-williams@peel-harvey.org.au or 0455 166 780



Government of Western Australia
Department of Regional Development



natural resource
management program



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This project is supported by the Peel-Harvey Catchment Council through funding from the State NRM Program and the Australian Government's National Landcare Programme





On-Farm Weed Management Workshop and Demonstration

with **Andrew Storrie** from **ANGRONOMO**

As an Agronomist, Andrew has 36 years of experience in Agricultural Extension and Environmental Services in both the field and research sectors

Overview

- Understanding Herbicide Resistance and Addressing Misconceptions
- Pesticide Label Changes – mandated spray qualities, downwind buffers, record keeping
- Nozzle Selection – effect on spray quality and the best one for the job you have to do
- Conditions for Spraying – Surface Temperature, Inversions, Wind Speeds, Delta T
- Maximising Control by Optimizing Application – targets, products, volume application, spray quality
- Effect of Water Quality and the Good Oil about Adjuvants
- Environmental and Agricultural Weeds and their effect on Agriculture
- Practical Session – Calibrating the Boom Spray; Is everything working the way it should, measuring pressure & coverage, matching nozzles



**FREE
EVENT**

Workshop participants will also be offered the opportunity to receive funding (up to \$1,000) towards weed control. This offer is only available to workshop participants who meet funding eligibility criteria

WHEN: **Tuesday 11th April 2017**

TIME: **9am to 3pm** (8:45am Registration)

WHERE: **Treasure Family's "Fernhill" Shearing Shed**
1643 North Bannister-Wandering Road, Wandering
(10 km NW of Wandering)

morning tea and lunch provided

RSVP: essential to Mel Durack by 9th April to **0455 166 780** or **hotham-williams@peel-harvey.org.au**



Coming Events

AGM

PPA (Popanyinning Progress Association) AGM is to be held on the last Wednesday of April (26th) 2017.

The meeting starts at 6.30pm at the Popanyinning Hall and all residents of Popanyinning are invited to attend. Come and have your say, suggest improvements that could be made to our lovely little town or take on a committee position and be involved. *All welcome.*

ANZAC DAY

Popanyinning will hold an Anzac Day Service at the memorial stone near the Railway Station on the 25th of April, at 7 am.

The service will be followed by tea/coffee, biscuits/scones and a time to chat with other local residents., at the Popanyinning Hall.

Cuballing is holding their Anzac Day service at 7.30am at the War Memorial, with a morning tea being offered following the service.

All welcome.

Did you know?

- Rottnest Island was an internment camp from 1914-1915.*

More than 1,500 German and Austrian Slav (Croatian) men and boys were interned on Rottnest, many of whom had been living in Australia for decades.

Australian Imperial Forces soldiers trained on Rottnest guarding the internees before disembarking for the horrors of the Western Front.

- You can check out the names of the people buried in both the Popanyinning and Cuballing cemeteries by logging into website: www.ozburials.com/CemsWA/waus.htm and clicking on the town you are looking for. The names, and dates are readily available - good for family tree searches



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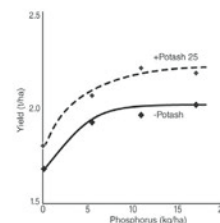
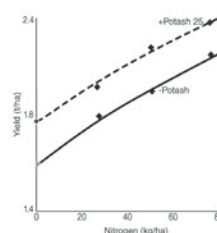
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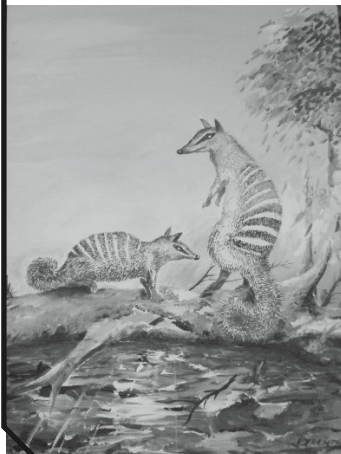


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Cuballing War Memorial

Private Derek Charles Freeman-Smith

After the Armistice of 1918, after the Peace Conference of 1919, and after the men and women of the First Australian Imperial Force had returned to Australia, Miss Honour Bushby of Rose Dale wrote a letter to Base Records, Victoria Barracks, Melbourne requesting photographs of the graves of three Cuballing men.

These were: Bertram Foord, Derek Freeman-Smith, and her eldest brother, Jim Bushby.

On our last visit to the Cuballing Roll of Honour, we paid tribute to the service and sacrifice of Bertram Foord, as we did Jim Bushby on an earlier visit. This piece of ephemera, a letter, reveals that all three men were significant in the life of Miss Honour Bushby.

Derek Charles Freeman-Smith was barely a man when he applied to

enlist on 11/4/1917 at Fremantle, and took his Oath of Allegiance. His medical examination revealed a strapping youth 5 feet 10 1/2 inches tall, weighing 140 pounds, with blue eyes, brown hair and a fresh complexion. He declared that he was Church of England and that he was one month past his 18th birthday.

He was born at Gravesend on the Thames estuary, in the county of Kent, and had come to Australia from England as a 7 year old. He attended Fremantle Boys School, serving twelve months in the school cadets. His father's address was Goldsmith Road Claremont, a property with the rather English name 'Cotswold'.

After he had finished school, he sought work in farming at Cuballing and gave his spare time as Scout

Stephen Bowes

Master of the Cuballing Troop.

Derek was assigned, as Private 7720 to the 26th Reinforcements of the 11th Battalion, which steamed out of Fremantle on the Borda (His Majesty's Australian Transport A30) on 29/6/1917.

The fresh contingent of troops disembarked at Plymouth on August 25. In January, they marched out of Sutton Veny and left English shores at Southampton bound for France.

Derek was taken on strength of the 11th Battalion in the field on January 31, 1918. On June 3, he suffered a gun shot wound to the left leg. The 3rd Australian Field Ambulance transferred Derek to the 2nd Casualty Clearing Station for treatment to his wounds. He recovered well, was discharged, and re-joined the battalion on June 25.

In early July, the 11th Battalion in northern France were pulled

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Peter Rundle

MEMBER FOR ROE

Thank you

I would like to extend my sincerest thanks for your support and the opportunity to represent the Electorate of Roe.

I look forward to working as hard as I can on behalf of the people and communities in our region.

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back from the front line for a weeks rest at La Kreule, one mile from Hazebrouck. This was, no doubt, a welcome relief from life in the trenches. The Third Brigade was paraded for General Birdwood, who presented medals and ribbons to those of the 11th Battalion who had distinguished themselves in the field. The weeks rest also allowed for sports, such as cricket and baseball (in deference to American troops now attached to the Australian brigade). The 11th Battalion moved back to frontline duties near Strazeele on July 13th, relieving the 6th Battalion. Derek Freeman-Smith's final moments were recorded in the precise, blunt words of Lieutenant L Evans of the 11th Battalion: "The above-named soldier was killed instantaneously on the Merris Sector on 19/7/18 being shot through the head by an enemy sniper. He was buried in the Military Cemetery Borre France." For the record, Borre is a pretty village in northern France, 3 km east of Hazebrouck, containing many burials from the Australian First Division's actions in 1918. After the War, in completing the questionnaire circular for the Roll of Honour, Derek's father, Charles declared that his son had been 18 years and 363 days old on the day he died, in other words,

two days short of his 19th birthday. Clearly, Derek had elevated his age to enlist, by a few months. If dealing with bureaucratic demands were not enough for a grieving father, the length of his son's name, Derek Charles Freeman-Smith, was posing a problem. The standard CWGC headstone could only accommodate 22 characters in the name (counting spaces and symbols). The headstone in Borre Military Cemetery today bears the name (with no hyphen in keeping with his father's directive) 7720 Private Derek Freeman Smith, 11th Battalion Australian Infantry, 19th July 1918, 18 years. The grieving parents, Charles and Lydia Elizabeth Susannah Freeman-Smith, added to Derek's headstone a biblical quote from The Sermon on the Mount: Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God. And what of Miss Honour Bushby, and her letter to AIF Base Records? The Military authorities dutifully provided grave photographs for the three men after whom she so earnestly enquired, and answered her questions about how and where they died, as best they could. Before her brother went in to his final action, perhaps guessing that the battle would be costly, Jim Bushby gave his most valued possessions, including a photo of Honour, to his best mate, Stan Hamp.

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The government offered the use of the factory to the Chamberlain family who set up Chamberlain Industries Pty Ltd to manufacture and market agricultural tractors and implements. In 1949, the first Chamberlain tractor rolled off the assembly line at Welshpool.

The famous Chamberlain tractor

The first Chamberlain tractors produced were 40k models of 40 horsepower with twin-cylinder, horizontally opposed engines. They weighed about four tonnes and were ideal for the needs of Australian farmers of that era.

In 1952, the family began producing implements with the all-welded Chamberlain scarifier, followed a year later by the first Chamberlain disk plough. The need for specialised seeding equipment saw the introduction of the Chamberlain combine seeder in 1963. In 1955 the kerosene tractors gave way to the diesel models.

Onward and upward, until...

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Cont from pg 9 Honour and Jim Bushby - at rear - third and fourth from right

After the War, this comrade in arms travelled to Cuballing from his home in South Australia to return Jim Bushby's private belongings to his family, and to comfort them in their loss. He proposed marriage to Honour Bushby. In 1928, Mrs Honour Hamp (nee Bushby), pictured 3rd from the right standing, was still an active letter writer to Base Records, and was resident at 'Boringer', Box 23, Watervale, South Australia.

LEST WE FORGET

Stephen Bowes has done many hours of research in to the names on both the Popo and Cuby Honour Rolls for those who lost their lives in WW1. The families from this shire now have more gaps filled in their family trees, thanks to Stephen's diligent attention to detail. Thank you Stephen for your work over the last years for the Cuby News.

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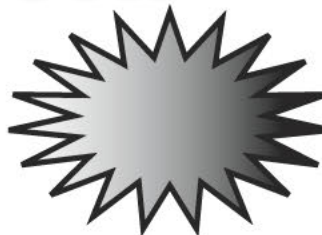


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Vintage Tin Run Sunday Chapter 3

6AM Rosemary and I were in the kitchen when Jenny came in "Well, you're at it again".

Next, Kitty, Dianne (the three sisters again) and Rosemary had the eggs on the heat "Ah" and then the bacon in the pan then, in no time, much noise outside near the fire.

The main question I answered was "What time are we out of here"? - *9:30 at the restoration museum.*

Before long it was time to saddle up (where did the 3 hours go?) and head to Narrogin

To the restoration shed for smoko and a look at the some nicely restored gear, as well as some in their original condition.

Smoko was well accepted by all - time for a fine "cuppa".

11AM Time again to say our goodbyes and thanks to the Restoration boys and their partners. Follow the leader, to Allister McDougall's; 7 kilometres is just a step or two out there in the country. We all gathered in front of Allister's home and tried to make contact with him; mobile phone not too good out here, just by luck we heard, and then saw a quad turn up and a ute with Allister in it.

We said our hellos as a few in our group knew him.

Where to start - workshops a big "NO".

So we broke up into groups and just walked and looked with amazement about the types of gear and the amount of it.

An hour or so and you can get so bushed and get lost in the maze of gear - from cars, utes, trucks, Pommy, Yankee, Auzzie and German trucks, tractors from near and far.

Must say it was the best old tin collection we have seen so far to date.

The weather was very kind to us with a fresh breeze from the West.

Many people came looking for me as they had to return home, also said it was the climax of the whole run.

Heading back to our car, we spotted Allister and a few HCVC boys talking to him, so we all gathered there and said our thanks and goodbyes then headed home to change to my trusty Falcon ute and bring my better partner along for the rest of the run.

Lunch stop was not planned too well but Peter and Liz opened their house to us to make up an hour.

Many thanks to Peter and Liz, a bloody nice country town home.

Well done you guys.

Just the two of the Brookes in the "Fy" and us in the ute, off to Highbury to Lionel and Kay Brookes home and pub.

Just stayed a little while as we both have been there before and headed home to John's patch in Cuby.

To sum it all up, a bloody good look see at some real beaut vintage tin, very good mateship by all.

That's all folks.

From John's Patch.

See you all sometime soon.



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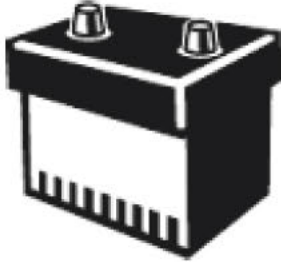
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Selenium deficiency in stock

Selenium is a trace mineral found
naturally in the soil. It appears in certain
foods and there are even small amounts
in water. For humans, selenium is a
vital mineral to increase immunity,
protect cells from free radical damage
and inflammation, and support a
healthy metabolism and fertility. It
is also essential for your farm stock,
particularly sheep and cattle.

In ruminants including sheep and
cattle and even horses, selenium works
together with vitamin E to:

- Prevent and repair cell damage by
neutralising toxic substances produced
by the cells during metabolism, via
antioxidant properties
- Support immune and thyroid function,
- Help supply oxygen to muscles, and
- Assist with growth and fertility.

As well as supporting these normal
functions for health and growth,
an adequate amount of selenium
in their diet helps prevent diseases
and disorders such as white muscle
disease, mastitis and calf scours.

Where does selenium come from?

While humans get our selenium
from natural food sources including
Brazil nuts, eggs, liver, tuna, cod, and
sunflower seeds, poultry and certain
types of meat; sheep and cattle receive
their dose from the plants they graze
on.

Selenium is found in the soil and taken
up by plants at different levels. The

uptake depends on factors such as plant
variety, rainfall levels and fertiliser
application. When ruminants consume
selenium from plants it is stored for a
short period in the body, mainly in the
liver, before being flushed out in normal
waste. A continual dietary supply
ensures the best possible production.

What happens if sheep and cattle don't get enough?


Selenium deficiency has serious
repercussions for your grazing animals.
In sheep, it can cause white muscle
disease in lambs and weaners scouring,
ill thrift, lowered wool production and
reduced fertility in ewes.

In cattle, calves can also suffer from
white muscle disease, while older cattle
can suffer from conditions including
cystic ovaries, early and late embryo
death, mastitis and retained placenta.

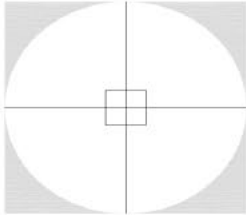
Some factors that can affect selenium levels in the environment include:

- Soil type - sandy, acidic basalt or
granite soils are usually low in trace
minerals.
- Clover dominant pastures, as
clover plants are less efficient in
taking up selenium from the soil
than grasses.
- Rapid pasture growth in spring
which can reduce trace mineral
concentration in plants.

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Regular check-ups can catch the early warning signs of decay or infection, while professional cleaning by a trained clinician helps to get rid of any hard to-remove plaque or tartar.



Selenium deficiency

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- High rainfall (over 450mm) which can leach minerals out of the topsoil layer.
- Heavy fertiliser application, particularly sulphur-fortified superphosphate or gypsum fertilisers.

Sheep will also have greater trace mineral requirements at certain times of the year, particularly before joining, when lambing and weaning. Before treating your flock for selenium deficiency, it's important to be sure of the diagnosis. Other trace elements and nutritional deficiencies can also cause poor growth rates and infertility so self-diagnosing selenium deficiency is not advised. An excess of selenium can be toxic. Accurate diagnosis may require blood samples from at least 10 animals, so it's best to seek your vet's advice before starting a treatment plan.

There are a range of treatments available for selenium deficiency, including in-feed or water-based medication, drenching and injection.



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Your Cuby News is distributed to all post office boxes monthly, free of charge to you, and is read by a broad cross section of the community, both in the Cuby Shire and further afield.

Email: dhopper@westnet.com.au or call me on 0419941512, and I'll organise a posting to your request. It can be done annually, monthly or on an ad hoc basis - at no cost to you, other than your time.

Cuballing Men's Shed

Meets every Tuesday
from 9 am to 12 pm

Everyone is welcome, no matter your level of skill - come and share and learn.

The Men's Shed is located at the back of the Old Post Office in Cuballing.

Hannaford Seed Services

Your new representatives are Trevor and Kirstie Clark - the new specialists for Hotham-Williams, based in Boyup Brook.

Please call: **Trevor** (0418563926) or **Kirstie** (0419846967) for an appointment.



Shire of Cuballing are calling for old photos for an historical collection being compiled by the council staff to be displayed on a shire website showing the history of the district.

Email scanned copies, or call in and have them scanned on the spot. Call on 9883 6031.

Advertising

Advertising is now being accepted for publishing in the *Cuby News*.

We will publish all community events and functions for free, as well as *Wanted* and *For Sale* ads (small and concise only).

Business advertising will be published at a cost of \$5 per month for small ads, \$10 for half page and \$20 per full page, as from the January 2017 issue

The newsletter is a community communication with the addition of newsy items that may interest readers. Reader contributions are always welcome.

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Line Dancing

Monday nights at Cuballing Hall from 7 - 9pm, with beginners at 5.30 - 6.30pm. Contact

Lynnelle on

0467271552 for

further details.



Popanyinning Progress Association

Got lots of ideas on how to make Popo a more interesting, colourful or pleasant place to be?

Do you have any contacts to bring an event to the town that will make it more vibrant and welcoming?

Do you have a special talent to teach to others, or to produce something outstanding to brighten up the main street of Popo?

Come to a Progress Association meeting, at 6.30pm on the last Wednesday of the month and share it with us. No obligation to join. Anyone and everyone is welcome.

Hay for Horses

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Come Old Time Dancing



Want to re-live the old time dances where you hold your partner and move together?

Come and join in at the dances at the Popanyinning Hall.

They are held on the 3rd Saturday of the month. Ask Jenny or Sam at the Popo shop for details.

Tickets at the door - \$10 pp

Cuballing Town Bush Fire Brigade

The Cuballing Town fire Brigade will be holding their monthly meetings at the Fire shed on the third Thursday of the month at 6pm.

Meeting nights will now be training nights, where members get hands-on working with the machinery, and processes of the fire brigade.

New members are always welcome to come along so don't be shy. Both Cuballing and Popanyinning Brigades are always looking for new blood - we are only small crews but more hands make light work.

Our cause is to SAVE, PROTECT, AND PRESERVE LIFE.

For any queries please call the Cuballing Shire Office on 9883 6031
Anthony Mort Chief Bush Fire Control Officer 0429 898 214

Popo Town Volunteer Fire Brigade

Meets on the first Tuesday of every month at the Fire shed, Popo, @ 5.30pm
New members are always welcome - call into the shed on a meeting day and meet us.