

Publication by the Shire of Cuballing PO Box 13 Cuballing WA 6311

Monthly publication for Cuballing, Yornaning and Popanyinning

**July 2019** 



Date: July 12th

Time: 6pm

Location: Cuballing Ag Hall

Sausage sizzle & Juice Box \$4.00

BYO Bean bags, blankets and Chairs



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.



# New Nest Boxes for Phascogales in Dryandra



We recently enjoyed a lovely day out in Dryandra Woodland with Wandering Primary School students installing student made red-tailed phascogale nesting boxes.

Thank you to Peter Lacey from Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions for teaching us about the native animals of Dryandra, choosing the trees for our nest boxes and for answering all the tricky questions. Thanks also to Clarkeys Carpentry and Ian Price for securing the nest boxes to the trees.

Tarryn Basden, Project Numbat's
Education Officer did an interesting and
entertaining presentation about numbats.
Unfortunately, we didn't see a numbat
running around in Dryandra on the day but
thankfully Tarryn had brought along one of
her own.

We hope the phascogales like their new homes and look forward to visiting them in the future to see if the boxes are being utilised.



#### Out and About

We have been out and about visiting the great work our landholders have completed as part of their Community Environmental Grants. Through the Australian Government's National Landcare Program, we have been able to deliver the grants under our Numbat Neighbourhood and Greening Farms projects in the Hotham-Williams.

Williams Farmers, Heather and Steve Hyde, have fenced a creekline and woodlands area (1.9 km), creating linkages with the iconic Dryandra Woodland.

Wandering Farmer, Brendon Hardle, has fenced 4.5 km to protect the Hotham River and create wildlife corridors as well as tackling invasive weed *Juncus acutus*.

We are working with more farmers and look forward to letting you know more about their projects in our next Landcare Matters.





#### Coming Up...

MAY/ Completion visits for the JUNE 2018/2019 landholder grants

JULY Community Planting Days – Tunbridge Gully and Ranford Pool (dates to be confirmed)

SEP/ River Action Plan field work
OCT and health assessments for the
Hotham and Williams Rivers

Watch this space for the 2019/2020 potential grant opportunities

Do you have an NRM event you would like us to promote? Please contact Mel Durack at melanie.durack@peel-harvey.org.au or 0455 166 780 or 6369 8801

We have a new office number for the Hotham-Williams office - 6369 8801. The mobile 0455166780 is still available









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#### WASTE OIL RECYCLING

The waste oil collection facility that has previously been located at Yornaning has been relocated to the new, under cover location at the Cuballing Transfer Station. At the new site, spillages can be contained and contamination from water will be eliminated.

Local residents can unload waste oil during normal transfer operating hours. The waste oil facility now

receive a written disposal notice.





Council is seeking community input on a draft Future Development Plan for the 74 Austral Street property purchased by Council in August 2018. A draft Future Development Plan is available from the Shire of Cuballing's website at www.cuballing.wa.gov.au or from the Shire Office during business hours.

This draft Future Development Plan includes 11 recommendations to develop the 74 Austral Street property, including:

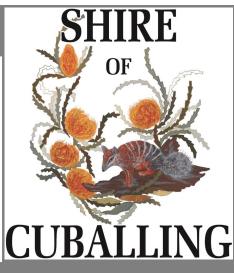
- seeking to increase the residential density on the land to allow the creation of ¼ acre residential lots;
- siting independent living aged units on 3 of the 6 lots;
- subdividing land to create 3 or 4 1,000m<sup>2</sup> residential lots; and
- create one lot for use by the Shire as a works storage area.

This Future Development Plan is the first stage of the Council planning and residents will have the opportunity to review each future stage as each project develops.

Any comment you wish to make on the draft Future Development Plan should be made in writing and lodged with the undersigned on or before Tuesday 2nd July 2019.

For further information or to discuss the draft Local Planning Strategy before making comment, please contact Gary Sherry at the Shire Office.





#### **COUNCILLOR CONTACTS**

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#### **UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS**

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019

Wednesday 21st August 2019

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September 2019

All meetings are open to the public and will commence at 2.00pm with Public Question fifteen minute 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

#### FERAL CATS POPANYINNING

In response to complaints the Shire has commenced a trapping program for feral cats in the Popanyinning Town.

Concerned pet cat owners should keep their cats contained, particularly at night, put a collar on their cat and get their pet cats microchipped. Pet owners can also discuss the licencing of their pet cat with staff at the Shire office on 08 9883 6031.

#### GRADING OF GRAVEL ROADS

With the recent good rains Shire works staff have commenced their winter grading program. Currently Council's graders are operating east of Popanyinning.

Local residents are urged to follow the advice of warning signs and drive safely around the graders and rollers.

#### JUNE COUNCIL MEETING

At the June 2019 Ordinary Council Meeting, the following was decided:

- Council deferred consideration of the Cuballing War Memorial project until after a site inspection by Council on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2019; Council conducted a further site inspection on 26 June 2019;
- Council adopted a Freedom of Information (FOI) Statement and a new Disability Access and Inclusion Plan. Both of these documents are available on the Shire of Cuballing's website or from the Shire office.

Minutes of all Council Meetings are available from the Council office or from the Shire • website at cuballing.wa.gov.au.

## SHIRE OF CUBALLING -BUSHFIRE RISK MANAGEMENT PLAN

The Shire of Cuballing is about to commence the preparation of a Bushfire Risk Management Plan.

The preparation of this plan is part of a statewide program led by the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) to support local governments to develop and implement an integrated bushfire risk management planning framework in Western Australia for their local area.

Local residents will have the opportunity to be involved in the preparation of the Bushfire Risk Management Plan.

**Bushfire Risk Management Plans:** 

- were identified as a priority in 2013 as part of the recommendations made by A Shared Responsibility: the Report of the Perth Hills Bushfire February 2011 Review (the Keelty Report);
- aim to reduce bushfire risks across local government areas by identifying assets at risk and assigning treatment options that are best suited to the local community and environment;
- have been progressively implemented by DFES across higher priority local government areas since late 2015.

The Bushfire Risk Management Plan will:

- identify, analyse and evaluate local bushfire risks, determine priorities and develop a plan to systematically treat these risks; and
- allow the Shire to obtain funding to implement the bushfire risk management activities.

#### DIGITAL LITERACY WORKSHOP

On June 26th, the Shire of Cuballing held a digital literacy workshop in the Cuballing CWA Hall. Numbers were down but that made for more one on one digital learning.

Thanks to Kate from the Commonwealth Bank in Narrogin for taking the time to come out and talk internet banking and safety. You opened the mind of customers and squashed the fact it that is not so scary.

The digital workshop also consisted of basics such as Apps, podcasts, emails, photos, play store accounts, Spotify plus so much more.

If you are interested in any further digital literacy workshops, please register at the Shire office on 9883 6031 or email Michelle on cdo@cuballing.wa.gov.au

This workshop was funded by the Good Things Foundation.



#### 2019 WASTE MANAGEMENT CHARGES

The Shire of Cuballing is changing the way it charges for Waste Management in 2019. Ratepayers will notice changes on their annual rates assessments that reflect these changes.

Council is introducing of a new \$30 Waste Management charge for all rural properties located outside townsite. This charge reflects a contribution by these residents/businesses located outside townsites who are able to access Council's waste and recycling services at Waste Transfer Stations at Cuballing and Popanyinning. This fixed charge will be included on each rates assessment.

Council is also increasing in the charge for Kerbside Waste and Recycling Collection from \$250 to \$255 per year. This increased charge will be paid by all residents who receive the service. This is the first increase in the charge since 2016 when the service was introduced. The subsidised cost of the Kerbside Waste and Recycling Collection service for pensioners will be unchanged and remain at \$200 per year.

# PRESIDENT'S PEN CUBALLING WAR MEMORIAL

The wider Cuballing district was deeply impacted by the Great War when 45 of our 122 local volunteers did not return.

The simplicity of the Cuballing War Memorial is reflective of our community. Importantly is what our predecessor's thought appropriate when they erected it in 1921. It has stood the test of time.

The War Memorial holds genuine historical and cultural significance and any changes need to be considered carefully. In 2006 a granite memorial was added to recognise the service of local volunteers in the Second World War. Such changes should be considered by all the community and not just Shire Councillors.

Constructing a shelter on the site is a fantastic idea. The offer made by John Robertson in 2016 to volunteer time and labour to such a project was very generous and is acknowledged as such by Council.

Council included an upgrade to the memorial in their 2017/18 budget, however significant reductions in other state government grant funding after Council adopted their budget required that the war memorial project be deferred. In 2018/19 the War Memorial upgrade was again included and is in progress. It is being carried out, with widespread community consultation.

Constructing a shelter near the Cuballing War Memorial will be a community structure and therefore open to public discussion. A full and frank debate can only be a good thing. The shape, size and site position of a shelter on the site are all to be determined.

Council has offered the opportunity for the community comments on the draft plan. The draft plan released by Council is exactly that — a draft plan to generate discussion. The Cuballing Volunteer Action Group have been active in discussions over the design of the upgrade to the war memorial. Other community members also provided their thoughts on the draft plan.

I would urge anyone who wishes to discuss the Cuballing War Memorial, the aspects of the draft plan for upgrade to contact staff at the Shire office or myself on 0417 503 343 or president@cuballing.wa.gov.au

Mark Conley Shire President

## PUBLIC COMMENT — CUBALLING WAR MEMORIAL

At the Annual General Electors Meeting in 2016, I first approached the Cuballing Shire about the need to do something about the open drain that ran through the War Memorial site in Cuballing as during winter water would pool there and when dry it was uneven and a pedestrian hazard for those people who wanted to access the site from the car park. At the time I offered that my father and I were prepared to offer our services for free to construct a structure that could offer shade and protection from the rain and also serve as a place to house information pertaining to the war memorial. The deal was that council would buy the material and supply a labourer for a couple of weeks; he could paint and help out as a trade's assistant. The President Mark Conley thanked me for my generous offer. The discussion on the drain hit a road block straight away as a council staff member stated that water would not run up hill.

Undeterred by this comment, later my father and I dug out the end of the pipes and took the levels at both ends. There was a fall of nearly 500mm, more than ample for storm water to run. We measured the length of pipes required, one section at 16mtrs, and one at 48mtrs with a sump well were it changed direction, a straight forward simple job put the pipe in and sump well, adapt it to the existing pipe work fill over with sand, level the area. We measured, surveyed and mapped the whole area to scale and drew in the pipe layout and measurements on a map that was submitted to council.

In May 2017 I then started planning an appropriate style of building that would enhance the area and reflect the remembrance of the soldiers. I chose a cruciform style of architecture which in essence is a cross. I then drew up a scale plan of it 9.6mtr x 7.2mtr. At the time Stephen Bowles was writing the histories of the servicemen in the Cuballing Shire these were appearing regularly in the Cuballing Calling newsletter. My idea was to take these stories and bring them to life nearby by having them displayed under this crucifix building so they may tell a poignant story of the past. The building was to have a 30 °pitched and raked roof, timber posts, room for the interpretive information boards and some seating. I quantified the building material down to the last bolt, received the quotes for materials which came to \$12,231.00 in April 2017. Armed with all this information and scale drawings I went back to the council and explained what I envisaged. Another six months went by.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT — CUBALLING WAR MEMORIAL

I went to the 2017 AGM asked what progress had been made. Funds had been allocated for the project then withdrawn. In 2018 the exact same funding story. Regardless I kept reminding the Council that I thought this Memorial project was worth while.

Along came 2019, when the May edition of The Cuby News came out I was astonished and offended with the article by the council on the redevelopment of memorial park on page three. I have been told clearly, in that article "That the planned works do not include a permanent shelter." After proposing the initial works at this site many years ago my idea is blatantly excluded. For what reason, is my idea not a worthwhile alternative? My idea is shutdown before it even gets to a public hearing. WHY?

The notion that, "a large shelter may also overshadow the War Memorial itself', is totally ridiculous and a total rubbish comment. A quality architectural building with the servicemen stories properly displayed can only complement and broaden the experience of our war memorial. After volunteering many hours on this project and offering our free labour for the benefit of our town it is a slap in the face, it is malicious, unjustified and I believe in retaliation for the campaign I ran against council over the stockpile in the town issue. If that is the case, move on, that's politics.

This area desperately needs the open drain sorted out and levelled as the first priority; thissimple task needs to be addressed before anything else is even contemplated. Ground works will always come first.

As I have mentioned to the Cuballing Volunteer Action Group these types of projects are the ones the community should be engaging in. Let the community group have ownership of the project and manage it, it is our town, instead of everything being constantly stage managed by the council staff, which unfortunately, is generally too slow, power centralised in upper management, unorganised and cumbersome. It is nearly impossible to wrest any say from council staff who think that they have the monopoly on all the ideas and outcomes in the shire, and beware any one who acts to the contrary.

I would like to see my complaint and plans published in full in the next Cuby News. Thank you.

John Robertson 16th June, 2019. PO Box 117 Cuballing 6311

#### CUBALLING COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER ACTION GROUP

**AIM:** To develop a strong sense of community and better communication between Council and the community

We meet monthly - one week prior to council meetings on a Wednesday night at 6.30pm at the Cuballing Recreation Centre

#### So far, we have:

- Done litter collection on the verges of Ridley Street/Great Southern Highway
- Weeded and removed dead vegetation etc. from the gardens at the corner of Campbell and
   Ridley Street
- Raked, removed and burnt dead vegetation at the Cemetery
- Presented ideas for improving the Cemetery to Council
- Presented ideas for improving the War Memorial to Council
- Had Mark Conley and Scott Ballantyne attend our meetings
- Had group representatives at Council meetings when needed
- Set up a facebook page Cuballing Community Group
- Set up an email group

Contact: Helen 9883 6090 or <a href="mailto:helengoesglobal@gmail.com">helengoesglobal@gmail.com</a>

**Next litter collection** – Meet at the Cemetery – 9am to 12 noon Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July.

Bags, gloves etc. provided

Next meeting Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 6.30pm at the Cuballing Recreation Centre

Everyone is welcome at our meetings and we are always looking for fresh ideas to improve our community!

Popanyinning Progress Association

Next Meeting 31<sup>st</sup> July 6.30pm

Popo Hall

New members welcome!

#### **CUBY MEN'S & WOMEN'S SHED MATTERS**

Three years come and gone and this is my last article – hopefully the next Secretary will pick up the pen too.

We, with help from the Women's Shed, are halfway with the Dryandra Village tables and benches; it turned out to be quite a job – especially when there are deadlines when big groups are coming in. When the Dryandra Village job is out of the way, we'll continue with the woodworking area reorganisation.

Part of the tree, that we cut up some time ago, has been raffled and we did well out of that – thank you all who bought tickets and yes, one person is warming herself as you read this.

John Buise and I picked up a trailer load of half sleeper Jarrah seconds and a wood lathe that the Mandurah Men's Shed had donated to us – thank you Mandurah.

I have been rather busy with the upcoming AGM (June the 2<sup>nd</sup>), getting all the reminders out and setting up the agenda.

The preparations for The Cuby Festival are slowly but steadily progressing with more interested "Old skillers" coming on board.

The Women's Shed welcomed its 8<sup>th</sup> member and she straight away demolished a pallet and started to make a bird feeder out of it – that's the spirit.

Come on, join one of the Sheds and have a great time – see you there.

Carry Van Empel Secretary Cuballing Men's Shed Inc. 97 Alton Street PO Box 33 Cuballing WA 6311 Mob 0481 369 156



Cuballing Volunteer Action Group

Next Meeting

July 10<sup>th</sup> 6.30pm Cuballing Rec Centre

All welcome!

#### **CUBALLING GOLF CLUB**

Hello sports Fans and welcome back to guys keep up the travel. another addition of Cuby Golf Notes.

golfers will be needing to re-train and play to going gets tough. But not us, THE DIE HARDS. conditions that the golf ball won't have the The winner of the day was Mick Anton with 43 roll like the summer conditions.

and good memories. I haven't been around to have a round. much this month so I've only heard some rumours relating to good golf and the other hitting memories must be sad golf because no ones letting on about any other scores.

There were 4 pair go to Pingelly and play the 1st of the Great Southern events, 4BBB 27 holes. There were 5 pair going but by all reports the two in mention didn't realize that it was 27 gruelling holes that take up most of the day and if you're not race ready, or fit you can perish on the course. The winners were Wayne Pulumbo and Bret Coxon from Narrogin that has won many years in a row, good golf as a partnership.

Lindsay George won him self a 4<sup>th</sup> net and Howie won a bottle of bourbon for 1 good hit on a par 3.

The week just gone we all played stableford, The Weather has finally broken and finally and just before the 30mm of rain that was grass is popping out of the ground. Even forecast. Conditions were perfect, just a bit of though we have a new tractor and mower the wind and overcast. Not cold or hot. The day grass is still not at height, but it wont take long had 9 players, which was down on usual before full coverage on the course. When the numbers. Probably due to the fact that a rain grass is finally up and getting mowed the event was coming and most opt out when the

Good going for a 21 handicapper but This month golfers have been furiously hitting what everyone needs to know is that Mick balls all over the course, having great times practices everyday, never missing the chance

> Nearest the pins were number Bolts ,number 4 Morty , number 15 Bubba Watson and number 17 Howie. The day went well and all had a good time.

> The next week of golf sees Pro golfer from Albany coming to give lessons to some players that may need some help or just make their Anyway good luck to Dan game better. Northcott from Albany Golf Club. He will need

> The week after is at Darkan Golf Club for the Great Southern Championships 2 days of stroke. Let the fun begin

> Well good people of Cuballing Popanyinning LET THE GOLF ROLL ON

**TILL NEXT TIME** 

Amazing golf ,out of 80 players. Well-done MORTY

cuballing Golf

12pm every Saturday, April to mid October Stratherne Road Cuballing New members always welcome!

## **COMMUNITY NOTICES**

**Access via Corrie Street** JARRAH FIRF WOOD

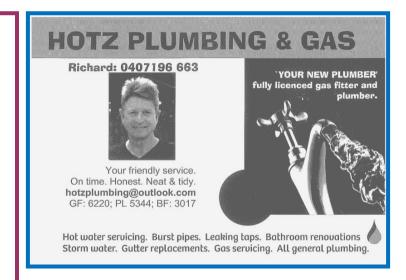
\$165.00 a cubic meter

Sand, Gravel, Blue metal fines, Concrete mix, Vegie mix, Garden mix, Bushland mulch, Bags of Kindling.

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Are you affected by cancer, or do you care for someone who is? Would you like an opportunity to talk to someone about what support is available?

Barbara Brennan from Cancer Council WA is an experienced health professional who is the Cancer Support Coordinator for the Wheatbelt Region.

Barbara can connect you and your family to Cancer Council WA and other community services available in your area.

Please call **Barbara on 08 9621 1810** if you would like to discuss:

- · information on all aspects of cancer
- · accommodation during treatment in Perth
- practical and financial assistance
- emotional support

We're your compass through cancer call us on 13 11 20



# COMMUNITY CALENDAR — July 2019

Mon	1 <sup>st</sup>	July	Line Dancing 6pm @ Cuballing Agricultural Hall
Tue	$2^{\text{nd}}$	July	Craft Day @ Cuballing CWA Hall
Tue	2 <sup>nd</sup>	July	Men's Shed Meet @ Cuby Men's Shed 9am
Thurs	4 <sup>th</sup>	July	Women's Shed 1pm –4 pm @ Men's Shed
Sat	6 <sup>th</sup>	July	Cuby Golf 12pm onwards, all welcome
Mon	8 <sup>th</sup>	July	Line Dancing 6pm @ Cuballing Agricultural Hall
Tues	9 <sup>th</sup>	July	Men's Shed Meet @ Cuby Men's Shed 9am
Tues	9 <sup>th</sup>	July	Craft Day @ Cuballing CWA Hall
Wed	10 <sup>th</sup>	July	Cuballing Volunteer Action Group meet 6.30pm @ Cuby Rec Centre
Thurs	11 <sup>th</sup>	July	Women's Shed 1pm –4 pm @ Men's Shed
Fri	12 <sup>th</sup>	July	Indoor Movie night—6pm @ Cuby Ag Hall
Sat	13 <sup>th</sup>	July	Cu <mark>by Golf 12pm onward</mark> s, all welcome
Mon	15 <sup>th</sup>	July	Line Dancing 6pm @ Cuballing Ag Hall
Tues	16 <sup>th</sup>	July	Men's Shed Meet @ Cuby Men's Shed 9am
Tues	16 <sup>th</sup>	July	Craft Day @ Cuballing CWA Hall
Wed	17 <sup>th</sup>	July	Shire of Cuballing Council Meeting—Council Chambers
Thurs	18 <sup>th</sup>	July	Cuby volunteer fire brigade meeting 6pm @ fire shed Austral Street
Sat	20 <sup>th</sup>	July	Cuby Golf 12pm onwards, all welcome
Mon	22 <sup>nd</sup>	July	Line Dancing 6pm @ Cuballing Agricultural Hall
Tues	23 <sup>rd</sup>	July	Men's Shed Meet @ Cuby Men's Shed 9am
Tues	23 <sup>rd</sup>	July	Craft Day @ Cuballing CWA Hall
Thurs	25 <sup>th</sup>	July	Women's Shed 1pm –4 pm @ Men's Shed
Sat	27 <sup>th</sup>	July	Cuby Golf 12pm onwards, all welcome
Mon	29 <sup>th</sup>	July	Line Dancing 6pm @ Cuballing Agricultural Hall
Tues	30 <sup>th</sup>	July	Men's Shed Meet @ Cuby Men's Shed 9am
Tues	30 <sup>th</sup>	July	Craft Day @ Cuballing CWA Hall
Wed	31 <sup>st</sup>	July	Popanyinning Progress Association meeting 6.30pm @ Popanyinning Hall