

# The Cubby News

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The Shire of Cuballing along with Bike Month and Wheatbelt Cycle Collective hosted a Mountain bike skills session on Saturday the 28<sup>th</sup> October. The workshop was well attended and it was great to see some mums join in and learn some new skills.

Tracey Chapman from CycleSense was contracted to coach the skills session. The session started with simple skills like breaking, position and navigating corners before Michael and Tracey headed the eager participants up the trails to test out their newly learnt skills. These eager riders were well equipped with their brand new gloves all courtesy of the Bike Month.

The Griffo track is a novice track at the Railway Dam in Narrogin and is full of jumps, man made and natural, along with burms which kept the riders busy for hours under the watchful eye of Tracey who is a level two Mountain bike coach and state champion mountain bike rider.

The Mountain Bike trails at the Railway Dam in Narrogin along with the trails at the Yornaning Dam were all constructed By the Chin Family and Wheatbelt Cycle Collective. If you have a chance this coming week be sure to get along and give them a try.





**THE BIGGEST NEW YEARS  
EVE PARTY  
AT THE CUBALLING HOTEL**

**dress up as anyone or anything  
you can even come as yourself**

**LIVE BAND  
DRINKS AND TIPS**

*Huge countdown to midnight  
Prize for best dressed*

***Sunday 31st December 7pm onwards***

**LATE LICENCE - OPEN TILL 2PM**



**So welcome  
the new years in  
with your friends  
at the cuby**



# CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to long time Popanyinning resident Russell on becoming an Australian Citizen.

At the October Council Meeting both Russell and Pauline were inducted into the exclusive club of being an Aussie after a short but sweet service which was attended by family, and friends. Cr Eliza Dowling conducted the service along with CEO Stan Scott.

Cuballing Resident, Pauline with Cr Eliza Dowling receiving her Citizen Certificate, Congratulations Pauline.



# SHIRE OF CUBALLING

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## UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 2023  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2023  
No meeting in January

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.

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## COUNCIL SHORTS

# Happy Retirement

Happy retirement from council duties to Cr Dawson Bradford. Dawson nominated for council in 2013 and decided not to seek re-election at the recent Shire of Cuballing Elections which saw Cr Scott Ballantyne return to council after 2 years.

Since 2013 Cr Dawson has been a valuable member of the Council team. Dawson was a regular at community events, council forums and government workshops and was always willing to don an apron to cook the bacon!

“Dawson has made a great contribution to council and the performance of the Shire over the past 10 years. Dawson is a strategic thinker with great practical experience. We will miss his input and his wry sense of humour in our meetings” Eliza Dowling Shire President



## EMPLOYMENT VACANCY—SHIRE OF CUBALLING

### Project and Finance Officer

An opportunity has arisen for a newly created fulltime position of Project and Finance Officer to join our administration team.

The role will include provision of quality management, planning, implementation of projects including grant funding. In addition, the position will entail supporting the finance and administrative functions, particularly rating, creditors, debtors, event management, receipting and Department of Transport functions.

For further information, please contact Narelle Rowe on (08) 98836 031 or via email at [dceo@cuballing.wa.gov.au](mailto:dceo@cuballing.wa.gov.au)

Applications close on **Friday, 10 November 2023 at 12 noon.**



December Edition of the Cuby News deadline is  
9am 28<sup>th</sup> November 2023  
all submissions email to [cdo@cuballing.wa.gov.au](mailto:cdo@cuballing.wa.gov.au)

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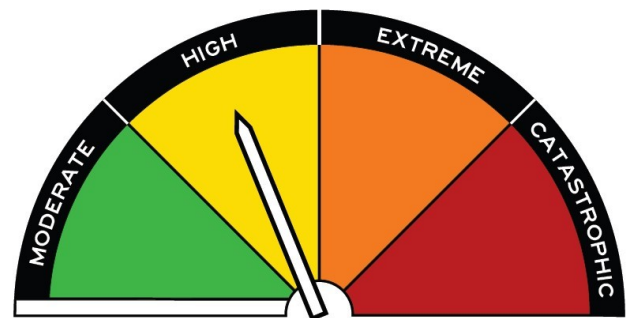
## PUBLIC AWARENESS INFORMATION

# IN THE EVENT OF A FIRE OR EMERGENCY CALL 000

The Fire Danger Rating System has changed.

### WHAT TO PACK IN A BUSHFIRE EMERGENCY KIT

- Before leaving on a road trip, it is essential to have a potentially life-saving emergency kit packed. Your kit should include essential items such as:
- AM/FM portable radio
- Spare batteries
- First aid kit
- Woollen blankets
- Drinking water
- Sturdy shoes
- Full-coverage cotton or woollen clothing
- Detailed printed map of the area where you'll be travelling



**FIRE DANGER RATINGS**

MODERATE	PLAN AND PREPARE
HIGH	BE READY TO ACT
EXTREME	TAKE ACTION NOW
CATASTROPHIC	LEAVE BUSHFIRE RISK AREAS

For your current local fire danger rating and more information, visit [emergency.wa.gov.au](http://emergency.wa.gov.au)

## WHEN IS BUSHFIRE SEASON

Bushfires can happen all year round. But during the hottest and driest times of the year, bushfire risk is at its highest.

On hot, dry and windy days, there's a much higher chance of a bushfire starting and getting out of control. If you're travelling on these days:

- Visit safer places such as cities and towns.
- Be prepared to change your travel plans at short notice if a fire starts.
- Make sure someone outside your travel group knows your plans, destinations and expected times.



# COUNCIL SHORTS

## ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING

### Patmore feeds Boundary Adjustments

Council considered a request from Patmore Feeds through the WA Planning Commission to realign lot boundaries around the feed mill. The proposed would mean the feed mill will be on its own dedicated lot, and the adjacent residence would be combined with adjacent agricultural land. The proposed changes do not increase the number of lots, but will consolidate the farmland into 3 similar sized parcels. Council supported the application.

### EEO Management Plan

The Shire has adopted a new Equal Employment Opportunity management plan. The plan, based on a template prepared by the Public Sector Commission, replaces our previous plan which was text heavy. The new plan is much simpler and easier to follow. Our commitment to being an equal opportunity employer has not changed.

## SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Every two years, following Local Government Elections Council elects a President and Deputy President and appoints Council delegates for to committees and external organisations.

- Cr Eliza Dowling was re-elected as Shire President
- Cr Rob Harris was re-elected as Deputy Shire President.

Other Council appointments include:

Committee / Body	Delegate	Deputy Delegate / Proxy
<b>Audit Committee</b>	Entire Council	
<b>Cemeteries Advisory Committee</b>	Cr Christensen	Cr Kowald
<b>Bush Fire Advisory Committee</b>	Cr Harris, CEO	Cr Christensen
<b>Dryandra Regional Equestrian</b>	Cr Dowling	Cr Kowald
<b>Cuballing Wickepin Local Emergency Management Committee (LEMC)</b>	Cr Dowling, CEO	Cr Harris
<b>Popanyinning Progress Associa-</b>	Cr Kowald	Cr Dowling
<b>Wheatbelt South Regional Road</b>	Cr Ballantyne	Cr Kowald
<b>Central Country Zone of WALGA</b>	Cr Dowling	Cr Harris
<b>Development Assessment Panel</b>	Cr Dowling Cr Kowald	Cr Ballantyne Cr Christensen
<b>Plant Management Review Group</b>	Cr Kowald	Cr Harris
<b>Cuballing Volunteer Action Group</b>	Cr Ballantyne	CEO
<b>Shire of Narrogin's CATS Stake-</b>	Cr Christensen	Cr Ballantyne

Council renominated Cr Harris for a position on the Board of Peel Harvey Catchment Council.

Council will also support nominations by Cr Christensen and Cr Ballantyne for vacancies on the board of the Wheatbelt Development Commission.

# RETIREMENT LIVING IN CUBALLING



## AVAILABLE FOR IMMEDIATE OCCUPANCY

Are you a long-term Cuballing Resident and want to retire here?

Or you are looking for somewhere easy maintain that you can lock and leave?

## ONLY 2 LEFT

## GREAT NEWS

**Our new architect designed retirement units are now complete.**

## Tick off the features

- \* 3 Bedrooms – 2 with Built in Robes
- \* Accessible bathroom
- \* Spit System Air Conditioners
- \* Ceiling Fans
- \* Practical Kitchen
- \* Second Toilet
- \* Rainwater Tank
- \* Storeroom UMR
- \* Designed by H+H Architects
- \* Constructed by Stallion Homes

If you are over 60 (or over 55 with a disability) and able to live independently with or without a carer this may be the opportunity you have been waiting for. The units will rent for \$300 to \$350 per week under standard tenancy agreement.

If you are interested, please contact Stan Scott at [ceo@cuballing.wa.gov.au](mailto:ceo@cuballing.wa.gov.au) or 9883 6031 for further details or to obtain an application form

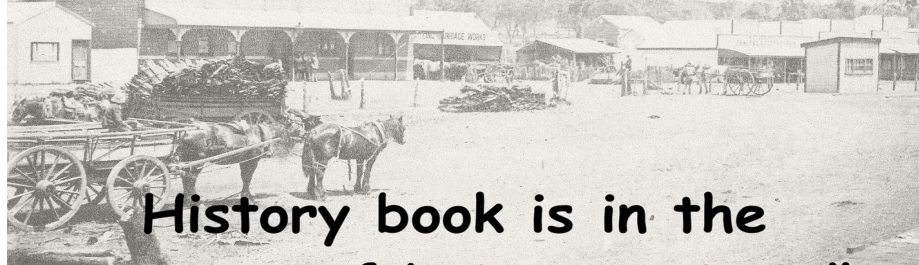
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# COUNCIL NOTES

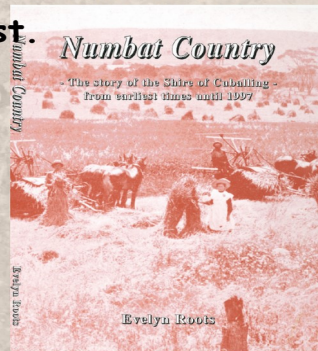
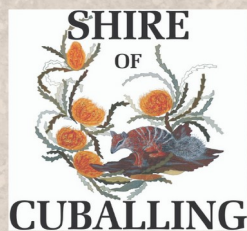
## **“Numbat Country”**

*The story of the Shire of Cuballing from the earliest times until 1997*



**History book is in the process of being reprinted!**

The Shire of Cuballing will be accepting pre orders. To reserve your copy please email [Michelle.cdo@cuballing.wa.gov.au](mailto:Michelle.cdo@cuballing.wa.gov.au) With you name and contact details to be added to the list.



Did you miss out on a “Numbat Country “ history book when they were first released? Now is your chance to secure a copy. The Shire of Cuballing are doing a full reprint of the original book and have opened up pre sale orders.

Only a limited number of these books will be re printed and once sold out it could be a years before they are reprinted.

Please email Michelle at [cdo@cuballing.wa.gov.au](mailto:cdo@cuballing.wa.gov.au) to put your name on one or two.

We are hopeful they will arrive just in time for Christmas.

Please note: this is a full reprint, the book has not been altered in anyway except the front cover colour.

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# COUNCIL SHORTS

## AUDIT COMMITTEE – INDEPENDENT MEMBER/S

The Shire of Cuballing is seeking one or more independent members to serve on its Audit Committee. Ideally the independent member would have particular experience or expertise that would give them a sound understanding of accounting practices.

The Audit Committee meets around 2 or 3 times per year. The committee consists of the entire Council plus the independent member or members. Staff are not permitted to serve on the audit committee.

The role of the audit committee is to support Council in fulfilling its governance and oversight responsibilities in relation to financial reporting, internal control structure, risk management systems, internal and external audit functions and ethical accountability.

The audit committee should critically examine the audit and management reports provided by the external auditor. The committee would then determine if matters raised in the reports require action to be taken by the local government and ensure that appropriate action is implemented.

A further role for the audit committee would be to receive and authorise the report relating to the audit prepared by the CEO that is to be sent to the Minister. This report would outline any actions the local government has taken or intends to take in relation to the matters identified by the auditor.

## CEMETERIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE – COMMUNITY MEMBERS

The Cemeteries Advisory Committee consists of 1 to 2 councillors and several members of the community (presently 4).

The role of the Committee is to advise Council on matters relating to cemeteries, lonely graves, niche facilities and the Shire of Cuballing Cemeteries Local Law 1998 generally, including but not limited to: fees and charges; maintenance quality, practices and procedures; infrastructure requirements; design elements; relevant and required Policies; community expectations and needs. It may also promote and identify opportunities for development and enhancement of cemeteries, remembrance gardens and niche facilities.

The Committee presently meets twice per year in April/May and October/November.

## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Interested members of the public are invited to submit an expression of interest in writing addressed to the CEO. The expression of interest should include any information you consider relevant to Council for it to decide to make the appointment. Please specify which committee you are interested in joining. Participation is voluntary and unpaid.

The CEO may be contacted for further information. Existing members are encouraged to reapply. Ideally EOIs should be lodged by 30 November 2023, but late applications will be considered. The CEO's contact details are:

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Chief Executive Officer  
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# GOLF NOTES – OCTOBER 2023

Coming off what was our busiest 6 weeks of the year, October was always going to seem a little quite in comparison. Welcome back for the final instalment of Golf Notes for the 2023 Golf Season at the Cuballing Golf Club.

We had only two weekends to run in the month of October, kicking off with our Mixed Foursomes Championships on Saturday the 7<sup>th</sup>. It was a warm 34-degree day that saw a strong turn out with 11 pairs playing for the title. We also had 4 Lone Rangers along with 4 playing an unofficial foursome. The winner of the Lone Rangers competition was Chris Bolton with 38 Stableford Points. In the main event of the Mixed Championship, with a Gross Score of 89, our Champions for 2023 are Anthony Mort & Deb Clark! The Nett winners with a 102 Gross 73 Nett were Mike Clark & Kel Wilkins! It was a cracking day thoroughly enjoyed by all!

The 2023 Golf Season officially closed at Cuballing on the 14<sup>th</sup> of October.

We kicked off the day's proceedings with a 3 Person Ambrose, 13 Holes off the Orange Tees. The winners were Chris Bolton, Bevan George & Mike Clark with a 43.5 Nett, after a spin on the wheel.

Club Awards were also presented as follows:

**Gross Qualifier** – Soctt Ballantyne – Cuballing Building Company

**Nett Qualifier** – Declin Mumby – Presidents Trophy

**A Grade Eclectic** – Lindsay George – Captains Trophy

**B Grade Eclectic** – David Shanks – Captains Trophy

**Most Improved** – Declin Mumby – Bill & Bens Hot Bread Shop

We also presented Club Championship awards as well.

Following the days play we held our AGM.

After 12 years as President Anthony Mort has stood down from the President's position. An incredible stint in which he helped build the club to the position it is in today. On behalf of everyone, we would like to thank Morty for his contributions to the club during his time as President.

Scott Ballantyne has stood down from the Captain's Role and Chris Bolton did not re-nominate for the Committee. Thank you for your time in your respective roles.

The incoming Committee for 2024 is as follows:

**President:** Anthony Howe

**Secretary:** Mike Clark

**Treasurer:** Rob Harris

**Captain:** Lindsay George

**Committee:** Bevan George, Cooper George, Kel Old, Nigel Parks, Peter George, Sally Dunn, Scott Ballantyne

Lastly congratulations to all our members who had success on the tour this season:

**GSGA 4BBB Nett:** Bevan George & Rodney Ford (Williams)

**Wagin Ladies 4BBB:** Sally Dunn & Carol Hardie (Narrogin)

**Boddington Combined Stableford:** Jaco Moolman & Dan Hawes

**Kondinin Cup:** Cooper George

**Narrogin Cup:** Declin Mumby

**Williams Cup:** Lindsay George

**Cuballing 4BBB:** Jaco Moolman & Brett Coxon (Narrogin)

**Cuballing Cup (Men):** Daniel Christensen

**Cuballing Cup (Ladies):** Bree Mumby



That is, it from the Cuby Golf Club for the main 2023 season.

Stay tuned to our Facebook Page as NIGHT GOLF will be returning in December!



Written By: Cooper George



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# COURTSIDE CHAT

## OCTOBER 2023



Welcome to the inaugural edition of Courtside Chat, featuring all the goings on of the Cuballing Tennis Club.

Our 2023/24 season kicked off on October 15<sup>th</sup> with a Busy Bee. The club was abuzz with people cleaning cobwebs, sweeping courts, moving honour boards, the list goes on. After a big effort from all to get the place in order, some afternoon tea and socialising was in order, tennis being the furthest thing from anyone's mind.

The first balls of the social tennis season were hit on the 22<sup>nd</sup> with 12 people turning out for a hit on a warm day.

On the 29<sup>th</sup> we held our Wrapped Can tournament. The rules are simple, bring along a can of your choice up to the value of \$5, wrap it then head out for a match. The winners get the opportunity to keep or swap their can with the opponent. At the end of the day plenty of laughs as people unwrapped their winnings. With 3 courts going and cooler than average weather and the tunes cranking, it made for a great day out.

The Cuballing Tennis Club also compete in a Twilight Pennants Competition on a Wednesday Night. The twilight season kicked off on the 11<sup>th</sup> of October. Cuballing headed up the Highway to Highbury, only 3 lit courts and a cool night meant by the end of the night most were reaching for their jackets. Unfortunately, we could not get the job done against Highbury going down 8 Sets 59 Games to 4 Sets 54 Games.

On the 18<sup>th</sup> we headed into Narrogin to take on a firing Narrogin, coming off a loss the week prior to Tarwonga, they wanted revenge, and they went for a clean sweep that saw Cuby go down 0 Sets 26 Games to 12 Sets 73 Games.

We bounced back the following week against Tarwonga with a fun night of tennis at Cuby. In a close affair the whole night, Cuby came up trumps with the tightest of margins, getting the win over Highbury with 6 Sets 66 Games to 6 Sets 64 Games.

For the remainder of the year Social Tennis will be on a Friday Night with a 6pm Start. We are always happy to see new faces at the club, so do not be shy come along and had a go!

That is all for this edition of Courtside Chat. To keep up to date with everything going on at the Cuballing Tennis Club head to our Facebook Page.

Cooper George  
Captain  
Cuballing Tennis Club

### UPCOMING FIXTURES

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> - King & Queen of the Court – 6 PM

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> – Social Tennis – 6 PM

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> – Cuby Fast 4 Tournament – 6 PM

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> – Social Tennis – 6 PM

### CLUB CONTACTS

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Treasurer	Jodie George	0412 774 409
Captain	Cooper George	0488 004 605
Vice Captain	Bevan George	0417 952 775
House Captain	Elna George	0400 072 724
Club Email	<a href="mailto:cuballingtennis@gmail.com">cuballingtennis@gmail.com</a>	



# What's On In The Village

28th October - 10th November 2023

Dear Village Member

Here is the next instalment of What's on in the Village. Members have been busy enjoying a range of activities and outings — from games and bingo, through to craft and exercise! The bus trip to Dwellingup was a great success, with Village members from Wickepin and Pingelly enjoying a day out riding on the Hotham Valley Steam Train followed by lunch at the Dwellingup Hotel.

This fortnight Village members in and around Wickepin might like to attend a plant and cuttings swap morning tea on the 2nd November. What a lovely way to share special plants and get together with other keen gardeners! Members are invited to join for lunch at the Pingelly Hotel on Wednesday 8th November. RSVPs need to be in to the Village Concierge Team at the Pingelly CRC by Monday 6th November. Wandering Village members are encouraged to give the weekly exercise class a go on Wednesday mornings at 8:45am at the Wandering Community Centre. This is low impact exercise suitable for seniors!

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE	RSVP
MONDAY 30th OCTOBER 10:00 AM	<b>BOARD GAMES &amp; MORNING TEA</b>	<b>WANDERING CRC</b>	For more info contact Lee: 0429 390 626
TUESDAY 31st OCTOBER 8:30 AM	<b>STAY ACTIVE LOW IMPACT EXERCISE CLASS FOR SENIORS</b>	<b>PRACC - Pingelly Recreation &amp; Cultural Centre</b>	For more info contact the <b>CONCIERGE TEAM @ PINGELLY CRC:</b> 9887 1409
WEDNESDAY 1st NOVEMBER 8:45 AM	<b>LOW IMPACT EXERCISE CLASS FOR SENIORS</b>	<b>WANDERING COMMUNITY CENTRE</b>	For more info contact Lee: 0429 390 626
WEDNESDAY 1st NOVEMBER 1:00PM	<b>BINGO</b> Prizes and Refreshments provided	<b>ERN LANGE HALL PINGELLY</b>	RSVPs to the <b>CONCIERGE TEAM @ PINGELLY CRC: 9887 1409</b>
THURSDAY 2nd NOVEMBER	<b>PLANTS &amp; CUTTING SWAP &amp; MORNING TEA</b> Cost: \$2.00	<b>WICKEPIN RAILWAY STATION BUILDING</b>	RSVPs to Libby: 0427 886 046 By Tuesday 31st October
MONDAY 6th NOVEMBER 10:00 AM	<b>BINGO &amp; MORNING TEA</b>	<b>WANDERING CRC</b>	For more info contact Lee: 0429 390 626
TUESDAY 7th NOVEMBER 8:30 AM	<b>STAY ACTIVE LOW IMPACT EXERCISE CLASS FOR SENIORS</b>	<b>PRACC - Pingelly Recreation &amp; Cultural Centre</b>	For more info contact the <b>CONCIERGE TEAM @ PINGELLY CRC:</b> 9887 1409
WEDNESDAY 8th NOVEMBER 8:45 AM	<b>LOW IMPACT EXERCISE CLASS FOR SENIORS</b>	<b>WANDERING COMMUNITY CENTRE</b>	For more info contact Lee: 0429 390 626
WEDNESDAY 8th NOVEMBER 12:00 NOON	<b>LUNCH AT THE PINGELLY HOTEL</b> Lunch at own expense	<b>PINGELLY HOTEL</b>	RSVPs to the <b>CONCIERGE TEAM @ PINGELLY CRC:</b> 9887 1409 by Monday 6th

Contact the Concierge Team 9887 1409 Monday-Thursday 10:00am – 3:00pm  
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# Coming Up / Save the Date

WHEN	WHAT	WHERE	RSVP
MONDAY 13th NOVEMBER 10:00am	TRIOMINOS & MORNING TEA	WANDERING CRC	For more info contact Lee: 0429 390 626
THURSDAY 16th NOVEMBER 9:30 am Full details TBA	<b>WHOLE OF VILLAGE EVENT</b> Free SENIORS CONNECT EVENT Includes light morning tea, lunch & afternoon tea <b>Session 1:</b> How can we use IT to stay connected with Family & Friends? <b>Session 2:</b> How we as a community can work together to ensure positive connections are strong & relevant?	PRACC - Pingelly Recreation & Cultural Centre	REGISTRATION WILL BE ESSENTIAL. FULL DETAILS COMING OUT SOON!  FOR MORE INFO CONTACT THE CONCIERGE TEAM @ PINGELLY CRC: 9887 1409
Save the Date: FRIDAY 24th NOVEMBER Final details TBA	SENIORS AFTERNOON FARM VISIT TO HAY BALE ARENA & AFTERNOON TEA	NARROGIN	For more info phone Sally Rogers 0439 823 003



A few photos of Village activities during the last fortnight!



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# Landcare matters

Hotham-Williams sub-catchment update



**PHCC** Working Together  
Peel-Harvey Catchment Council

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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.



## What do straight lines and squares have to do with river restoration?

The Oxford Dictionary defines monitoring as observing or checking the progress or quality of something over a period of time. In the case of restoration projects, this involves a number of methods that allow us to measure the changes we are making in degraded natural areas.

A regular method of monitoring used at our project sites is the installation of transects, which are straight lines of a set length in a specific location, along which standardised observations and measurements are made. Once established, monitoring sites are revisited annually to measure change over time.

Transects were established last year at the Pumphreys Bridge, Williams and Quindanning River Action Plan sites within riverine vegetation where weed control and revegetation are already occurring. The standardised observations included in each

monitoring effort were fauna activity, groundcover/mid-storey/canopy species, canopy cover, and species richness within square quadrats attached to the transect. Permanent photo monitoring points are also included in the transect to provide an additional visual indication of change.

River Health Assessments were carried out during the development of the Hotham-Williams River Action Plan in 2019-2020. These included detailed water quality testing which can be repeated at a future date to also measure changes in parameters such as nutrients, turbidity, temperature, oxygen, salinity and presence/absence of aquatic fauna species.

A drone was recently used as an additional monitoring tool at the Williams and Pumphreys Bridge sites. Once again, the focus was on the main areas of current and

intended activities. This gives us a fresh perspective of the sites, watch this space for some drone images!

*This project is funded through partnerships with both South32 Worsley Alumina and Newmont Australia (Boddington).*



Williams quadrat



PHCC staff Kristy Gregory on location



Williams transect

# Landcare matters

Hotham-Williams sub-catchment update



## Talkin' regenerative land & livestock with Bruce Maynard

Renowned regenerative agriculturalist and 2022 National Bob Hawke Landcare Award winner Bruce Maynard from near Bowden NSW visited Wandering on Tuesday 24th October to speak to a keen crowd of 30 people about techniques for managing land and livestock for more regenerative outcomes. But what does that even mean?

Bruce explained how some land management practices that were 'softer' on the land, like his 'no-kill' method of sewing crops into pasture or cover-crops which reduces soil disturbance and erosion while also supporting soil health. He also explained the benefits of providing support for soil-driven nutrient cycling which over time becomes less dependent on synthetic inputs.

The group, who came from the local district as well as further afield in Perth, also

got to hear about Bruce's tips on managing livestock in rotational programs through a better understanding of their behaviour, as well as using their grazing patterns to better understand the land capacity at any given time. Using a hands on approach Bruce demonstrated some livestock management principles and the impact changing animal behaviour can have of production, paddock health and a farmer's time.

There was a lot of discussion on how changing traditional land practices can lead to challenges with pests, cash-flow and paddock/fencing management; but with Bruce's inclusive and inquisitive communication it was evident that taking a no-judgement approach and respecting the unique situations each farmer faces on their land is a key aspect of his regenerative

farming methods. As well as the importance of maintaining profitable enterprises!

Following some refreshments everyone headed out to one of the Watts' farms north of Wandering and had wide ranging discussions on regenerative farming practices in the district and what threats and opportunities there could be along the way.

Bruce was lucky to get away given all the questions he had, but it just shows there is lots of interest in the Hotham-Williams district for information on regenerative agricultural practices, however it is done and whatever other name it might have - let's just call it farming for the future!

*This event was supported by RegenWA, the WA Regenerative Livestock Producers Inc, and the Peel-Harvey Catchment Council*



Regenerative land & livestock field day



Watts' farm, Wandering



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These projects are supported by the Peel-Harvey Catchment Council through funding from Newmont Boddington, South32 Worsley Alumina and the Shires of Boddington, Cuballing, Wandering and Williams



## UPCOMING EVENTS



# POPANYINNING MARKETS

SUNDAY  
NOVEMBER 26 2023  
8AM-12PM  
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# UPCOMING EVENTS

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## Cuballing Community Christmas Tree

10TH DECEMBER 3.30 PM | CUBALLING REC CENTRE

**\$5 PER CHILD**

Register at Cuballing Roadhouse

Closes 6th December 2023

BYO Alcohol  
Event

### ADDITIONAL

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DRINKS CAN BE PURCHASED  
ALONG WITH RAFFLE TICKETS  
ON THE DAY \*CASH ONLY

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### Registration Includes -

Drink and Ice Cream

Sausage Sizzle

Face Painting

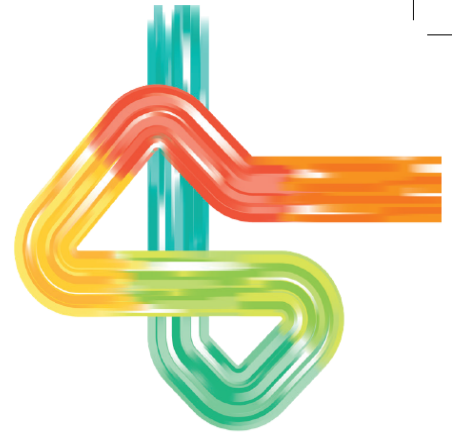
Sports Games

Rotary Train Ride

Colouring-in Comp

Water Fun





# Pingelly-Cuballing line upgrade starting soon

A \$3 million package of work in the Shires of Pingelly and Cuballing to improve power reliability and the safety of the network to re-commence in November. The total work includes replacement of 230 poles, 27km of overhead lines, along with other essential network maintenance activities. This will be focussed on the main line between Cuballing and Popanyinning.



85% of total poles and 30% of lines were replaced in March, April earlier this year. Stage two work is planned from mid November to mid December 2023. This upgrade will help strengthen network resilience against seasonal and environmental impacts and enhancing safety.

## Timeframe

**Stage 1:** March to April 2023 (completed).  
**Stage 2:** Mid November to mid December 2023.

## Planned outages

It's important to know that we need to schedule power outages to do the work safely. To minimise the impact on the community, we're deploying a temporary large-scale generator to support homes and businesses in the area as we complete this essential work.

Residents of Pingelly, East Pingelly, West Pingelly, Brookton, Popanyinning, Yornarning, and Cuballing may receive some short outages, one in the morning and one in the evening (up to 30 minutes) while the generator is connected and disconnected.

A small number of customers may experience longer outages when work is happening on their part of the network. Affected customers will be directly notified about outage dates and times.

## Have your say

We appreciate hearing any feedback, queries or concerns you may have. Get in touch with our Community Engagement team on **9326 4850** during business hours or email [communityenquiries@westernpower.com.au](mailto:communityenquiries@westernpower.com.au).

# COMMUNITY INFORMATION



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Wheatbelt Regional Education Officer  
Cancer Council Western Australia  
[Kaylor.Andrews@cancerwa.asn.au](mailto:Kaylor.Andrews@cancerwa.asn.au)

## November is Lung Cancer Awareness Month

### Did you know?

Lung cancer is the third most common cancer affecting both women and men in Western Australia.

In 2019, 693 Western Australian men and 564 Western Australian women were diagnosed with lung cancer.

### Common symptoms of lung cancer include:

- Coughing or spitting up blood (once or more)

Or, for more than four weeks:

- A new cough or change to your usual cough
- A lot of chest infections
- Finding it hard to breathe
- Losing weight without trying
- Not feeling hungry
- Pain in your chest and/or shoulder
- Feeling tired or lacking energy
- Changes to your voice, such as hoarseness or croaky voice

If you have coughed up blood, even if it was just once, it's important to tell your doctor, clinic nurse or Aboriginal health worker straight away.

If you have had any of the other symptoms for more than four weeks, tell your doctor, clinic nurse or health worker. It doesn't mean you've got lung cancer – often these symptoms turn out to be something less serious. But it's important to tell your health professional and get checked out to be safe.

If it is lung cancer, the earlier it's found, the earlier it can be treated.

For more information about lung cancer symptoms, visit [www.findcancerearly.com.au](http://www.findcancerearly.com.au) or call the Cancer Council Information and Support Line on 13 11 20.

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## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### Cuballing Roadhouse Christmas Market Day

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2023

9.00 am to 1.00 pm

- Sale of new and second-hand items welcome
- Hot food, coffee, face painting and live music
- Giftware, lots of sale items, toys, T.V's, kit goods available
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## COUNTRY NOTES BY JOY MEHARRY

The garden has been given divided attention, the bulbs cut back, garden beds tidied, fertilised and mulched. It is looking tidy only in a hotch-potch fashion. Onions and garlic started to be pulled, potatoes, carrots and beetroot harvested as well as the last of the broccoli, chard, broad beans. All made ready for summer vegetables, the slow transplanting of cucumbers, pumpkin, zucchini, tomatoes and herb beds refreshed. Oranges, mandarins and still being picked ripe off the trees and straight into the mouth. The last couple of weeks mulberries also have ripened, so now I must find that pomegranate molasses recipe adapted last year to make mulberry molasses.

In spite of this busyness I am feeling unmoored, untethered, reading has little appeal as the attention span to dive into another world cannot be lost. The only solace found is through podcasts, particularly Aria Code, listening to already played episodes and then suddenly new episodes appeared, bringing a moment of mooring me to something. This is the only recommendation I can give to those who appreciate music, it might not suit your tastes, but that is the beauty of being: we all have our opinions, likes and dislikes.

My attention seems to want to wander to places that are difficult to acknowledge. Some nights when sleep eludes, a wander into the garden is all I can hope for to dispel these feelings of unease. As I look up into the night sky or wander about this tiny piece of land, the slow and painful realisation is that I can never truly know it. I can stand stock still listening to the wind, the birds and small animals concentrating on "feeling" and opening up my mind and body to country, A warm peacefulness spreads over me taking away the little day to day superficiality. The feeling of renewal is bliss, but the land does not speak to me, I cannot feel anchored, there is something fundamental missing, then comes the slow realisation that the anchoring of ancient stories cannot be accessible. It is the land's stories that anchor everything, these will never be a part of me and my feelings of belonging are simply an artifice, diminishing me back to a coloniser's granddaughter. I cover my weeping face to hide my shame.

## CUBALLING VOLUNTEER ACTION GROUP

The Cuballing Community Volunteer Group would like to thank the Men's Shed for preparing and replacing the sleepers on the Memorial seat at the park and Bruce from the Shire for obtaining and delivering the sleepers. Well done! Thank you!



Great night with the Anchormen! Thanks guys! And.....Thank you, Cuballing Community Volunteer Group and the Shire, for providing the sausage sizzle!



# Narrogin Art Group

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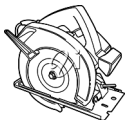
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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR — November 2023

Thursday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Women's Shed 1pm –4:30pm @ Men's Shed Alton street
Saturday	4 <sup>th</sup>	Cuballing & Popanyinning Transfer stations open 9-12pm
Sunday	5 <sup>th</sup>	Cuballing & Popanyinning Transfer stations open 9-12pm
Monday	6 <sup>th</sup>	Cuballing & Popanyinning Transfer stations open 9-12pm
Monday	6 <sup>th</sup>	Line Dancing 6pm @ Cuballing Agricultural Hall
Tuesday	7 <sup>th</sup>	Men's Shed Meet @ Cuby Men's Shed 9am Alton street
Tuesday	7 <sup>th</sup>	Craft Day @ Cuballing Rec Centre 10am
Thursday	9 <sup>th</sup>	Women's Shed 1pm –4:30pm @ Men's Shed Alton street
Saturday	11 <sup>th</sup>	Cuballing & Popanyinning Transfer stations open 9-12pm
Sunday	12 <sup>th</sup>	Cuballing & Popanyinning Transfer stations open 9-12pm
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>12<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Cuballing Market Day 9am to 12pm @ Cuby Roadhouse</i>
Monday	13 <sup>th</sup>	Cuballing & Popanyinning Transfer stations open 9-12pm
Monday	13 <sup>th</sup>	Line Dancing 6pm @ Cuballing Agricultural Hall
Tuesday	14 <sup>th</sup>	Popanyinning Bush Fire Meeting 5.30pm @ Popo Fire Shed
Tuesday	14 <sup>th</sup>	Men's Shed Meet @ Cuby Men's Shed 9am Alton street
Tuesday	14 <sup>th</sup>	Craft Day @ Cuballing Rec Centre 10am
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>15<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Shire of Cuballing Council Meeting 2pm @ Shire office</i>
Thursday	16 <sup>th</sup>	Women's Shed 1pm –4:30pm @ Men's Shed Alton street
Saturday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Cuballing & Popanyinning Transfer stations open 9-12pm
Saturday	18 <sup>th</sup>	Popanyinning old time dances @ Popo Hall 6pm
<i>Saturday</i>	<i>18<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Cabaret @ Cuballing Tavern</i>
Sunday	19 <sup>th</sup>	Cuballing & Popanyinning Transfer stations open 9-12pm
Monday	20 <sup>th</sup>	Cuballing & Popanyinning Transfer stations open 9-12pm
Monday	20 <sup>th</sup>	Line Dancing 6pm @ Cuballing Agricultural Hall
Tuesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	Men's Shed Meet @ Cuby Men's Shed 9am Alton street
Tuesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	Craft Day @ Cuballing Rec Centre 10am
Thursday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Women's Shed 1pm –4:30pm @ Men's Shed Alton street
Saturday	25 <sup>th</sup>	Cuballing & Popanyinning Transfer stations open 9-12pm
Sunday	26 <sup>th</sup>	Cuballing & Popanyinning Transfer stations open 9-12pm
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>26<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Popanyinning Markets 8am—12pm opposite General store</i>
Monday	27 <sup>th</sup>	Cuballing & Popanyinning Transfer stations open 9-12pm
Monday	27 <sup>th</sup>	Line Dancing 6pm @ Cuballing Agricultural Hall
Tuesday	28 <sup>th</sup>	Popanyinning Bush Fire Meeting 5.30pm @ Popo Fire Shed
Tuesday	28 <sup>th</sup>	Men's Shed Meet @ Cuby Men's Shed 9am Alton street
Tuesday	28 <sup>th</sup>	Craft Day @ Cuballing Rec Centre 10am
<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>29<sup>th</sup></i>	<i>Popanyinning Progress Association Meeting @ 6:30pm Popo Hall</i>
Thursday	30 <sup>th</sup>	Women's Shed 1pm –4:30pm @ Men's Shed Alton street