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An Insight into Menopause

The M word was getting a lot of airtime in groups and clubs around town! What was so compelling on a busy Friday evening in the run up to Christmas, that forty seven women, aged from mid-30s to mid-80s gathered together at the Boyup Brook District High School?

All were hungry for evidence-based information about perimenopause and menopause, and keen to learn what was actually happening to their bodies with the assault of fluctuating and declining hormones.

Thanks to Dr Purity, from Dr Purity Carr Menopause clinic in Harvey, and her lovely mum, for coming to Boyup Brook to share her extensive knowledge as a GP and Menopause Doctor with our community.

We learnt the reasons behind a wide variety of symptoms periand menopausal women suffer. Why weight gain is so hard to shift, why women are moody, irritable and tired. Why they get heart palpitations, think they're going crazy or have dementia because of brain fog. Feel bloated, uncomfortable and definitely no libido! Everything aches, can't sleep, and skin itches. Vaginal dryness is a thing and UTIs can be the result. No wonder dizziness, anxiety and depression are also on the list of more than 60 symptoms (and I didn't even mention hot flushes and night sweats!) affecting peri- and menopausal women, whose oestrogen levels yo-yo and drop, so they no longer feel like themselves.

Even though this sounds grim and is challenging for many women, it's not an illness! It's 'normal' menopause which women enter on average around age 51 and stay in for the rest of their lives! Menopause is preceded by perimenopause for 4-10 years.

In her one-hour talk, Dr Purity Carr clearly presented extensive evidence-based information on safe, TGA approved body identical hormone replacement therapy (HRT): what it is, types of HRT available, the safety and benefits for women. This fabulously informative talk, was followed by lively Q&As.

As well as thanks to Dr Purity Carr, thanks go to Rhonda Parker, magic MC on the mic, Natasha House registration, Boyup Brook IGA for teas and coffee donations, Boyup Brook District High School for hall hire and Home Economics teacher Todd Carroll and students for creating sushi and sweet treats, Ray Hastie for tripod and livestream assistance, Dorothy Ricetti for pretty posies, Kathryn Westphal from Boyup Brook Pharmacy and Helen Walker from Walker Wellness for organising.



Above L-R: MC of the session Rhonda Parker, Helen Walker, Dr Purity Carr. Kathryn Westphal and Dr Purity's mother.

SHIRE OF BOYUP BROOK

2024 AUSTRALIA DAY BREAKFAST & AWARDS CEREMONY

Friday, January 26 2024 Sandakan Park - 8:30am

Flag raising ~ Free Breakfast and an Award presentation, recognising and celebrating those who have made an outstanding contribution in our community.

~ Free pool entry from 12-6pm ~

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My Inbox....

Another new year is here... *Kaya, wandjoo* to 2024! I hope you had a lovely Christmas and a Happy New Year, and that you managed to stay cool whilst enjoying some downtime.

By all accounts, it looks as though the community's Christmas celebrations and Santa visits were very well received and what an amazing job by St Vincent de Paul with successfully delivering Christmas Hampers to those in need again in 2023.

If your kids are looking for something to do this school holidays, the library will have activities running each week, see page 17 for details. There is also the Shire's Australia Day Breakfast and Awards to enjoy this month as well as summer sports action. On that note, congrats to the T20 Boyup cricketers who took out the Warren Blackwood competition again, more details on page 31.

Looking forward to February, the town will be very busily preparing for another Country Music Festival and artists don't forget to enter the Rural Impressions Art Awards taking place during the same weekend!

Until next time, Please take care of yourselves and each other, Sharon



The Boyup Gazette acknowledges the Kaniyang people of the Noongar Nation as the traditional custodians of this land on which we live and work.

We pay tribute to elders past, present and emerging and recognise the contribution they have made, and continue to make, to our community.







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SCHOOL HOLIDAYS UNTIL - JAN 30							
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
	1 New Year's Day	Library Kids Activities all week - Games & Lega	3 • Open Home, 12-3pm Hope Fellowship	4	5	Cricket, home vs Pemberton Social Tennis 2pm Sing-along, SDA Church 6:30pm	
7 Bowls - Social Sunday Tonebridge Club Tennis & BBQs resume	Library Kids Activities all week - All about puzzles Anglicare Financial, CRC 9am-1pm	Blackwood Biosecurity, CRC 9am-4pm	10 3	11	Comfortmakers 10am, Hope Fellowship	Bowls - Men's Pennants vs Manjimup Social Tennis 2pm	
14 Bowls - Skipper Leader Pairs	Kahoot Quiz, CRC 10am Library Kids Activities - Movie Week 1-3pm each day	16	17 • Open Home, 12-3pm Hope Fellowship	18	19	Bowls - Men's Pennants vs Balingu Social Tennis 2pm GAZETTE DEACLINE	
21 Bowls - Championship Mixed Triples	22 • Library Kids Activities all week - Book Reviews & Scavenger Hunt	23 • Bowls - Women's Pennants vs Bridgetown	24 3	25	Shire Australia Day Breakfast, Sandakan 8:30am Final Date for Rural Impressions Entries, see pg 3	• Cricket, home vs Bridgetown • Social Tennis 2pm - Family Day	
28 • Bowls - Social Sunday	29	30	31	Resource Cent To include y	far is maintained by the Boyup Brook Community re. All dates are correct the time of printing our event email gazette@boyupbrook.org and activities please see the About Town section		

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Christmas at Wilga

A happy evening was had by all at the annual Wilga Christmas Tree. Father Christmas arrived in style to help celebrate the festive season, delivering presents for the kids and posing for a few happy snaps with the revelers on the new deck.

Thanks to all who came and enjoyed the night. The food, fun and laughter were fabulous as always. (Apologies to anyone who missed out. We need to update our contacts list – please email wilgaprogress@outlook.com).

A big shout out to the Shire, the Co-op and the Club for their support throughout the year.

Time for a much needed break before rallying again for the Endurance Ride in March.



Rural Impressions

Rural Impressions is set to be a key fringe event of the Boyup Brook Country Music Festival in February, in place of the usual Art Awards and Exhibition.

This smaller scale art show will be hosted at the Boyup Brook Community Resource Centre and invites artists to explore and express their interpretations of the theme RURAL in a medium of their choosing (except photography).

As space is limited, the size of artworks has been capped at 75cm on the longest side. Depending on the amount of entries received, the closing date may also be moved forward from January 26.

Artists can enter up to three pieces at \$15 each and artworks must be made available for sale.

Entry forms containing all of the conditions of entry and exhibition details, are available at the CRC or online here: www.boyupbrook.crc.net.au/boyup-brook-art-awards.html

If you have any queries about Rural Impressions, please call the CRC on 9765 1169 or email artawards@boyupbrook.org.





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ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

Lefebvre-Belanger

Floren and Kate along with Erica and Greg would like to announce the engagement of Anthea and Ryan, in Cold Lake Canada. Congratulations and we look forward to preparing for the wedding in 2024.

SERVICES AVAILABLE

Mobile Dog Groomer Available

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Exp Vet Nurse Genean Chambers 0458 152 165

NOTICE OF AGM

BBDHS P&C Association AGM

The Boyup Brook District High School P&C Annual General Meeting will take place on Monday, 12 February 2024 at 3.40pm in the Primary School Library. All positions will be declared vacant at this time.

If you would like further information regarding the rewarding roles of President, Vice President, Treasurer or Secretary or would like a nomination form, please contact Sally Larkin, current Secretary: sallylarkin@bigpond.com or 0431 151 084.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Hope Community Fellowship

Hope Community Fellowship continues to open its doors on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month from 12noon- 3pm Dates are found in the Gazette Community Calendar.

Come for lunch, and a chat, fun games or craft. We offer food for the body and food for the soul!

Corner Cowley St and Cailes Road. All are welcome!

Red Hot Country Hatters Boyup Brook

We are welcoming new members (Sisters) to our Red Hatting chapter for Friendship, Fun and Frivolity. Please come along and join us for our Social Natters.

Held the 2nd Thursday of each month.

Please call Lorrene Sambell-Sayer 0429 653 705 or email lorrene@iinet.net.au for added information.

NB: No Natter in January, instead please meet us at the Shire's Australia Day breakfast at 8am.

2024 Women's Day

Save the Date!

'Storm in a Teacup – Family Matters'
Friday, 15 March 2024 @ Rylington Park
For stall enquiries, please phone Erlanda – 0429 375 609



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Weekly Events Calendar



Monday

Pitter Patter Playgroup 9-11am (during term)

Precious Waste Open 9am-12pm

> Girl Guides 3:30pm

Youth Zone Yr 5-6 3:30-5pm

Swim Club from 3:30pm (during Term 4 2023 Term 1 2024)

Tuesday

Croquet 9am Citizens' Lodge

SEA 10-11am (Seniors Exercise)

Craft Hut 12pm

Generation Gap Ukulele 2:30, Hope Fellowship

> Youth Zone Yr 7+ 3:30-5pm

Boyup Brook Choir, 4:30pm Hope Fellowship

ZUMBA 5-6pm BBDHS Hall (middle school campus)

Wednesday

Town Rubbish Collection. Recycling fortnightly

Badminton, Town Hall 9am

Play Café 9-10:30am, BBDHS in ECE

Precious Waste Open 9am-12pm

Seniors Social Club & Gentle Gym 9:30-11:30am

Museum Open 10am-3pm

Swim Club from 3:30pm (during Term 4 2023 Term 1 2024)

Men's Shed Flax Mill, 5:30pm

Thursday Friday

St John Ambulance Sub Centre Open

Precious Waste Open 9am-12pm

Craft Hut 9:30am

Stories, Rhymes & Fun Times, CRC 10-11am

Transfer Station Open 10am-2pm

Museum Open 10am-3pm

Junior Tennis from 3:30pm Open Court from 5:30pm

Saturday

Learn & Grow St Marv's 8:45am (Term 2 - 4)

Croquet 9am Citizens' Lodge

Museum Open 10am-3pm

Junior Cricket 3:30pm

Transfer Station Open 10am-2pm

Containers for Change Open 10am-2pm

Social Tennis 2pm

Sunday

Church services

Precious Waste Open 9am-12pm (1st Sunday of month)

Transfer Station Open 11am-2pm

> Containers for Change Open 11am-2pm

Social Bowls 1:30pm

This Weekly Calendar is maintained by the Boyup Brook Community Resource Centre, using information as provided by sport and community groups.

To include or update an event, email gazette@boyupbrook.org For other events happening this month, please see the Monthly Calendar on pg. 2

Southern Forest

New & used machinery sales Spare parts

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SHIRE NEWS



Shire Office

Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm





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shire@boyupbrook.wa.gov.au www.boyupbrook.wa.gov.au

Department of Transport

8:30am - 4:00pm

Medical Centre Monday- Friday 8:00am - 4:30pm 9765 1026

Recycling Dates

Wednesday 10 January Wednesday 24 January Wednesday 7 February

Transfer Station

Thursday 10:00am - 2:00pm Saturday 10:00am - 2:00pm Sunday 11:00am - 2:00pm

Waste Collection Every Wednesday

After Hours Trees on Road 0448 833 102 Harvest & Vehicle

Movement Ban 9765 1543



SHIRE NEWS



Pine Plantations in Boyup Brook

The State Government campaign to expand State owned pine plantations in Boyup Brook is progressing as the Forest Products Commission purchases more farming properties to convert to pine plantations. There are local and real Social, Economic and Environmental issues associated with this State Government program to spend \$350m changing land tenure. However, in Boyup Brook we can minimise the impact and generate Local opportunity at the same time.

Consider "Small Lot Forestry" (say l0ha to 40ha - 1 or multiple sites) on your property where you receive annual income from Carbon Credits - that is real dollars in the bank (typically over the last few years around \$600/ha per year for the first 18 years) then at around plantation age 25 years - 30years you receive income from harvest and sale of pine logs according to your production plan. This timber is Primary Production for taxation purposes with the capacity to generate substantial returns.

Some points to note are:

- The Forest Products Commission has historically offered to provide establishment support (such as free seedlings with conditions)
- The Timber Hub "Decision Tree" is a Federal Government support tool to assist with site selection and budgeting
- Industry has offered to provide Carbon Credit accumulation, market and regulation support with conditions
- Industry can offer options for pine log supply contracts
- · Loss of local families is minimised
- Income is generated locally which supports increased local expenditure
- Biosecurity is improved through better pest and weed management by local landowners
- Water catchments and impact on local water tables is improved
- · Fire risks are better managed

For further information, please contact our Shire CEO Leonard Long.



BOYUP BROOK COMMUNITY GYM

The Boyup Brook Community gym has a membership option to suit everyone.

3 month adult pass \$112.00 6 month adult pass \$225.00 12 month adult pass \$325.00

We also offer:

- · Pensioner discounts
- · Youth discount (14-17 years old)
- Family passes (children aged between 14-17 years)
- Corporate membership 25% discount
- Services membership 25% discount

For full pricing refer to the Shire of Boyup Brook Fees & Charges 2023 - 2024. Memberships can be purchased from the Shire Administration Office.



SHIRE NEWS



Curtin University are conducting some research into how locals experience living in a tourism destination. Complete their 15-minute survey – there are prizes to be won! This research is being run by the Australia's South West Sustainable Tourism Observatory. Curtin University Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC) has approved this study (HREC number HRE2021-0710). Take the survey here: https://curtin.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0d20 qvt2FVNJb5I

Visit the Shire website for more information https://www.boyupbrook.wa.gov.au/news/how-do-residents-perceive-tourism-in-australias-south-west-survey/561





Boyup Brook Arthur Road rebuild and reseal is now complete with the white lines due to be repainted in mid-January.

Summer grading is 45% complete.

New reticulation on the football oval is complete and the oval is back in use. Stage one works at the Town Hall have been completed. The Town Hall is now available for community use.

Transfer Station Passes

As cash is no longer accepted at the Transfer Station and EFTPOS is not available, please ensure you have your tip pass with you when going to the Transfer Station. Tip passes are available for purchase at the Shire Administration Office and come in a pass of either 5, 10 or 20.

Irrigating our Green Spaces

Due to limited rainfall, our dams for irrigating the sporting precinct, Music Park and Flax Mill areas are currently low. The gardening team are doing their best to make sure these areas are maintained through the hotter months. Please support our team as they work towards providing the community with healthy and vibrant green spaces.



Ordinary Council Meetings 2024

Shire Council Chambers 55 Abel Street, Boyup Brook



All Council meetings (unless otherwise decided by Council) are open to the public. Residents, ratepayers and other interested parties are welcome to attend. Meetings commence at 6:00pm.

29 February 2024 28 March 2024 18 April 2024 30 May 2024

27 June 2024 25 July 2024 29 August 2024 26 September 2024

31 October 2024 28 November 2024 19 December 2024

*Dates correct at time of publication, please check the Shire website for any changes

Your Councillors

Cr Richard Walker (Shire President)	0429 661 051	Cr Helen O'Connell (Deputy Shire President)	0427 653 146
Cr Sarah Alexande	er 0417 941 744	Cr Philippe Kaltenrieder	0429 700 708
Cr Charles Caldwe	II 0418 913 531	Cr Darren King	0417 796 298
Cr David Inglis	0418 651 088	Cr Michael Wright	0427 191 785









Merry Christmas and a happy new year Boyup Brooklynites. Us jolly few at the Boyup Brook Police station hope the holiday cheer infected you all with the yearning to listen to Christmas music and eat excessive food. Just remember holiday season can also be a lonely one so reach out to those you haven't spoken to in a while and check in.

Some of you may have noticed the new "officer" out of the front of the police station. If you haven't I have included a picture for your entertainment.



He has trotted on over to help us because December through to February is our busiest time of year. We see an increase in drink driving, crashes, family violence, stealing, mental health issues, bushfires - just about anything you can think of that police will be involved in, there is more of it.

Warm weather, good vibes and holidays also mean a lot more people on our roads. Grey nomads, camper trailers and the *shudders in fear* "city folk" can make driving a lot more hazardous.

There have been a number of serious crashes in our subdistrict lately, please do not add to this number. Driving to the conditions includes being aware of others on the road. Drink driving is historically a huge issue. Instead, use a designated driver, stay over at a mate's place, or employ the Boyup Brook Uber. This is a happy time of year. Please don't make it a sad one with a bad decision.

Up until mid-January the good Sergeant is taking a welldeserved rest. One of the officers from Manjimup will be coming up to relieve. 'Dan', the first name that comes to mind when people think of great quality policing. Well you guys are in luck. Because now there are two of us! Easy name to remember and great officers... what more can you ask for.

So, in closing, please enjoy yourselves over the holidays, have a great new year, make some silly resolutions and stay safe.



Anglicare Financial Counselling

Financial Counselling is a free and confidential service. Alan, our local Financial Counsellor, visits the CRC on a regular basis and appointments are available by calling 98456666.

Financial Counselling can help:

- Assess your financial situation
- Provide information and options to address financial problems.
- Support you achieve appropriate outcomes.
- Advocate and negotiate with creditors.
- Support client with developing their own budget.
- Relay information about consumer credit and bankruptcy.

We look forward to working with you and assisting you to resolve your financial difficulties.

We do not assist with tax returns.

9762 1666 – Boyup Brook Police Station **Email – general inquiries:** Boyup.brook.pol.station@police.wa.gov.au

Emergency

Life-threatening situations

131 *444*

Police attendance required

Police Assistance

Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000 Report crime anonymously

Online services Report, apply, pay



Playgroup Pitter Patter

Happy New Year!

In December we had Mrs Claus visit Playgroup for our Christmas Party. She always makes the morning so special for the kids and they loved receiving presents from her!

A special thank you to three gorgeous families for being a part of our playgroup. Maggie Wiseman, Leo Wheatley and Jayce Stanniforth-Smith are starting Kindergarten this year. We will miss seeing you at playgroup and we wish you all the best for starting school. Thank you to Jo, Amy and Lucy for all the laughs and chats over the years. We hope you all call in for a cuppa when you can!

Another very big thank you to Kim Marinoni for taking on the President role last year and Shannon Tombleson for being Treasurer. You have both done so much behind the scenes to keep Playgroup running and we appreciate everything you ladies do! Chantay Norton has taken on the role of President for 2024, with the Treasurer and Secretary roles for this year still vacant. If this is something that might interest you, please contact Chantay on the number provided below.

Playgroup for this year starts on Monday, February 5 at the Family Stop Centre (the Daycare building next to the Pharmacy). We are open every Monday morning from 9-11am. New families are always welcome. If you would like information on Playgroup membership costs, please email bbfpgsecretary@gmail.com. Both full and casual memberships are available.

For questions and enquiries, please contact Chantay Norton 0408 695 721 or visit our Facebook page - Boyup Brook Playgroup for information on upcoming events and activities.









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Dinninup Show Planning

The Dinninup Show committee is looking forward to another productive year. If you would like to be involved in bringing together this year's Show, we would be delighted to welcome you to our committee.

All we need is your enthusiasm and the rest we will work together to make things happen. If time is a problem, there are jobs that can be done from home without the need to attend committee meetings. Just a few hours here and there will make a big difference. If you would like to help with maintenance and improving the grounds let us know, we have a list of projects we need help with and will get in touch and let you know when things are planned to happen.

We need people who really want to make a difference and give back to our community. Give Lyn Chambers a ring 0427 673 069 if you would like more information.

AGM Notice

Our AGM will be on the 21st February at the Dinninup Hall commencing at 7pm followed by a general meeting.

All positions will become available.

Upper Blackwood Agricultural Show









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Thriving Turnout at Book Launch

The Boyup Brook Library was abuzz with excitement in mid-December, as ex Boyup Brook resident Joan Embry launched her book 'Mission Down Under'. Twenty five people attended to hear more about the book, which highlights the Embry family's farming experiences in the Boyup Brook area during the 1960s and 1970s.

During the event, Joan shared the inspiration behind her book, originally conceived as notes for her grandchildren and great-grandchildren about the family's early days in clearing 1700 acres of Australian bush to start a farm.

Mark Embry's father, Sir Basil Embry, a renowned WWII pilot and high-ranking officer, played a central role in the narrative. Joan revealed that many wondered about his fate post-retirement, and the book aims to shed light on his life, filled with flying adventures and later, farming endeavors in Boyup Brook.

Addressing the community present, Joan connected the challenges faced by the Embry family to the universal struggles of farmers – the hardships of land development, unpredictable weather patterns, market fluctuations, and the evolving landscape of government regulations. She expressed gratitude for the enduring spirit of farmers, acknowledging the difficulties they face while emphasising the love for the land and the rewarding aspects of farming life.

"I know many of you here today are farmers and ex-farmers. I have always regarded us all as 'the salt of the earth!' Many of you I am sure can relate to some of what is contained in this book. Your fathers and grandfathers have been there, as were we," remarked Joan.

Following the launch, guests were treated to a lovely afternoon tea catered by Sue White who had also helped in organising the event. Joan sold and signed copies of her book for guests, generously gifting a copy to the library, making a great addition to the local history collection.

'Mission Down Under' promises to be an engaging read, offering a touching blend of personal and local history, and the resilient spirit of Australian farming life.



Community Calendar

If your community group or business has an important date coming up, get it included in the Community Calendar. Call 9765 1169 or email gazette@boyupbrook.org

St Mary's Catholic School



Welcome to an Exciting Year at St Mary's Catholic School!

As we embark on a new academic year, the St Mary's community is buzzing with anticipation for the incredible experiences and growth that lie ahead.

It's a pleasure to welcome Mr Rossiter as our new interim principal. With twelve years of experience at St Michaels in Brunswick Junction, he brings a wealth of knowledge and enthusiasm to our beloved school. Mr. Rossiter expresses his excitement stating, "This is a beautiful school and local community, and I am looking forward to getting to know everyone this year and to helping St Mary's continue to be the great school it is."

Join Us for a Warm Welcome BBQ on Friday, Feb 9th

Mark your calendars for Friday, February 9 as we invite you to our P&F Welcome BBQ after school. It's a fantastic opportunity to come together, share some laughs, and kick off the year with a sense of community. Let's celebrate the spirit of St Mary's as we forge connections and make lasting memories.

Get Ready for the 2024 Auction Extravaganza

Later this year, the P&F is gearing up for our famous auction, promising a delightful array of artwork and other items crafted by our talented students. Additionally, we have a treasure trove of donated items up for grabs. Stay tuned for more details on this exciting event that not only raises funds for the school but also showcases the creativity and generosity within our community.

Welcoming Mrs Melanie Elks to Our St Mary's Family

We are thrilled to welcome Mrs Melanie Elks to our teaching team. Formerly at Leschenault Catholic Primary School as a social worker, Mrs Elks is excited to take on the role of teaching our 3/4 class. She shares her enthusiasm saying, "I can't wait to get started with the students, and I'm super excited about being part of the St Mary's family and getting to know everyone."

A Term Bursting with Excitement

As students return on Wednesday, January 31 we have a vibrant term ahead filled with thrilling events. From a bush poets incursion to swimming carnivals and our eagerly anticipated triathlon, there's no shortage of excitement. Stay connected with us through our website and Facebook page for more information on these events and other updates throughout the term. Let's make this year at St Mary's one to remember!

Gazette Submissions

The Boyup Gazette welcomes submissions to share news, achievements and coming events.

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37th Festival Unveiled

The Boyup Brook Country Music Festival (BBCMF) is a festival steeped in the local community. At the core of Boyup Brook, the Country Music Club has discovered a reliable partner in Tourism WA, securing backing for its 37th edition. This support will play a crucial role in maintaining arts and cultural events, with a focus on marketing assistance.

Established in 1979, the Country Music Club of Boyup Brook organised the first festival in 1986. Now the oldest and largest country music event in Western Australia, and one of the oldest in Australia, it's the ultimate destination for live music, arts, camping, and all things country. Nestled in natural bushland, the festival offers a unique experience under a starlit sky.

Taking place from Friday, February 16, to Sunday, February 18, 2024, the festival features five major events: the West Australian Country Music Awards and Concerts, Street Carnival, Ute and Truck Muster, headline concerts at the Music Park, and WA's largest Bush Poets Breakfast. Fringe activities include variety showcases, performances, an art showcase (organised by the Community Resource Centre), and diverse workshops.

The festival is a pivotal moment for Boyup Brook, injecting excitement and energy into our town and region. It engages and uplifts locals, providing a platform to celebrate achievements, build identity, and foster a sense of belonging. Not only does it stimulate the regional economy, supporting local businesses and organisations, but it has also solidified Boyup Brook as the Country Music Capital of WA.



What started as a vision for a summer event has evolved into a unifying showcase of our community and a defining element of our town's identity, history, and purpose.

The festival isn't just an event; it's a creation of our tight-knit community, fueled by hard work, patience, and an unwavering love for our town. Devoted volunteers have poured their energy into making the 37th festival an iconic experience. With a relaxed, authentically refreshing vibe, it brings the grassroots of country music to our warmly welcomed guests. Featuring big names and WA originals, including headline act Troy Cassar-Daley for 2024, it's three days of cheerful entertainment with a lineup that promises to keep all ages smiling.

The festival stands out as one of Western Australia's beloved family music and camping events. It offers a welcoming celebration of country music in a stress-free atmosphere. The Music Park, nestled alongside the scenic Blackwood River with its mature river gums, provides an enchanting venue for the festivities.

Boyup Brook Craft Hut

To wind up 2023, fifteen of us had a delightful Christmas Luncheon at The Quacking Frog Teapot Shed. A big thank you to Ruth and Ray Gorman for hosting us. We had a cool day and the table settings were a delight. The tea pot display is amazing to see and our meal was very tasty.

Our Christmas Hamper Raffle was very successful raising \$425.60. A huge thank you to everyone who bought tickets and gave us donations. First prize: Purple ticket D23 was won by Barb Gibbs. Second prize also a Purple ticket number D61 was won by Leith and Chris Hales. We were able to deliver both prizes to the winners on the day, and hope they enjoyed the contents.

Here at the Craft Hut, we hope you have had a safe and enjoyable festive season and a fun New Year. The Craft Hut will continue with our Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday groups. The Wednesday Patchwork group, meets on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays of the month, and will restart from Wednesday, January 3. The Thursday morning craft group will continue from Thursday, January 4 and our Tuesday afternoon sewing group will restart the following week on Tuesday, January 9.

Please feel welcome to come visit us and check us out. We have plenty of space and would love to welcome new members. Contact Jenni Mackie 0428 631 060 for further information.



New Year's Message From Co-op Chair

Thank you to all the members who attended our annual Christmas party last month. 2023 brought its share of challenges to the farming community, and your unwavering optimism has been the driving force that carries everyone through. Country people are a resilient lot and I know we all look forward to seeing the market shift in our favour this year.

As we reflect on the past year, the Co-op takes great pride in continuing its tradition of giving back to the community. Despite the challenges in the farming industry, we are thrilled to announce that we have been able to sponsor local sporting clubs with a generous contribution of just over \$30,000. This support not only fosters a sense of camaraderie and sportsmanship but also helps these clubs thrive.

Additionally, we are delighted to share that the Co-op has contributed just over \$56,000 to various not-for-profit groups in Boyup Brook from our Community Fund. This funding has empowered these organisations to undertake initiatives that they might otherwise not have been able to pursue. Whether it's supporting new purchases of equipment, community events, or essential services, these contributions have made a tangible and positive impact on the lives of many.

As we celebrate the holiday season, let us also celebrate the strength of our community and the difference we can make when we support local businesses. Thank you for being an integral part of our Co-op family and for your continued support throughout the year.

I would like to acknowledge and thank a long serving Board member for 15 years of Service, Kylie Bleechmore! Kylie is a very dedicated member of our board and was Chair during the time the Co-op took over the Boyup Brook Tyre Service.

Finally, I would like to thank Travis and the team for all that they do, they are committed and passionate about the Co-op and do a fabulous job! I will be stepping down as Board Chair at our AGM in January whereby a new Chair will be elected but I will remain as a board member and continue to support the development of the Co-op in any way I can. Wishing you all a great 2024!

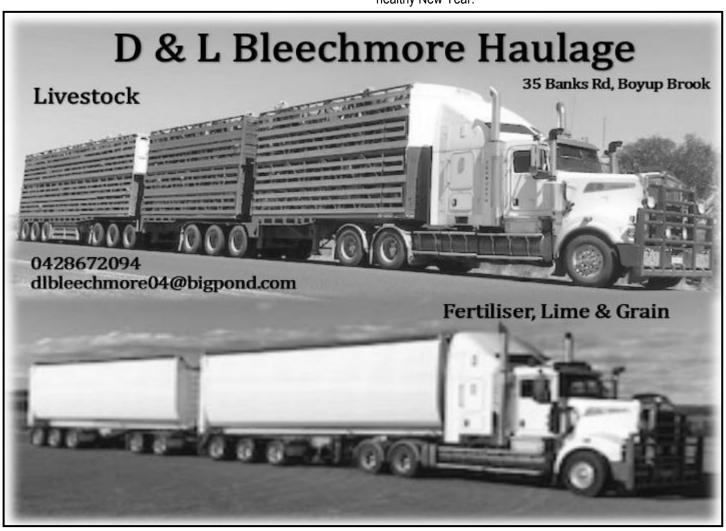
Michael Wright, Boyup Brook Co-op Board Chair

Museum News

Firstly a big thank you to all who supported the Museum raffle on Friday, December 15. Congratulations to the winners: 1st - Todd Atherton, 2nd - David Ryan, 3rd - Dorothy Ricetti.

The Museum Committee are planning to install an accessible toilet for people using walking frames or wheelchairs, as the current one is not suitable. We have contacted the CEO of the Shire and the Building Inspector for information regarding what is needed and how to obtain a permit. This is now in progress.

Our next meeting will be help in the Masonic Temple at the Museum on Wednesday, February 14 at 2:30pm. We would love to see you there. Our Committee wish you all a happy and healthy New Year.



Christmas Hampers

Thank you to the Community of Boyup Brook for supporting the hampers for our community members. The community spirit comes together with St Vincent de Paul to help at this time of year.

We would like to thank the Boyup Brook CRC, Boyup Brook Lions Club, St Mary's school, the combined churches, and the families that helped pack the goodies.

Thank you also to everyone who helped with the raffle and bought tickets. The winners were: 1st: Blue 068 - Lee, 2nd: Blue 14 - Meriol Beatty, 3rd: Red 058 - Desrae.

Thanks again to the community for the wonderful spirit of giving at Christmas.





St John Ambulance

St John Ambulance Boyup Brook recently held an end of year dinner for all volunteers, at this event the annual Sub Centre Awards were presented.

- The Trainer Award went to Danelle Huggins for her dedication in attending regular training and maintaining her skillset.
- The Quiet Achiever Award was awarded to Reuven Meiri for his dedication in making sure the ambulances are in good running order every week.
- oOfficer of the Year was awarded to Darren King for his dedication to the community not only as an Ambulance Officer, but also the work he undertakes with ensuring the Automated Eternal Defibrillators (AED) located around the Shire, are in good working order and maintained as part of the First Responder Program and his communications role within the Sub Centre.

Boyup Brook Sub Centre welcome community members to join the team and be part of a supportive environment. We pride ourselves on reassuring and comforting those in distress, creating a more compassionate emergency response experience for the community.

If you would like to volunteer for your community, please contact the Boyup Brook Sub Centre or visit https://careers.stjohnwa.com.au/volunteer-page.

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Above: St John Ambulance Boyup Brook Officer of the Year recipient Darren King.

Community Directory

To update details in the latest Community Directory, please contact the CRC on 9765 1169 or email crc@boyupbrook.org.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT YOUR CRC

Before our staff took a well-earned break over the Christmas period, we finished the year off with plenty of activities in December.

- Community Access for All highlighting positive and challenging locations around Boyup Brook for people with disability, and looking at possible solutions.
- Bushfire Ready at Ridgeview 20 local residents gathered to hear valuable information about preparing their properties and themselves for the fire season. Thanks to the Shire, Ros, Donna, Brian and David for your input into the session.
- Christmas Kahoot and Bingo a great turnout for our annual event with the Kondinin CRC via Zoom!
- SEA and Gentle Gym Christmas activities and celebrations were held for both exercise groups. It has been exciting to have many new faces join us this year, and an absolute pleasure to be partnering with WACHS to deliver Gentle Gym and Social Club at the Lodge on a Wednesday.
- Christmas School Holiday Fun at Better Beginnings and for the older kids - lots of craft and activities for everyone!

The CRC has been successful in receiving funding from DPIRD as part of the Regional Traineeship Program for another trainee during 2024.

We are ready for another exciting year of providing services to our community and the launch of our Strategic Plan - and we also offer 1/2 price membership from Jan-June, so call in to sign up!



LIBRARY CORNER



For December, things were fairly steady in the library with plenty of people stocking up on their entertainment for the holiday period.

We were absolutely delighted to host the launch of Joan Embry's new book 'Mission Down Under' - it was fantastic to see so many people turn out for the event! A huge thank you to Joan for donating a copy of the book for the library's catalogue, it will be available to borrow shortly. In the meantime, check out the article on page 11 for more information about this event.

Better Beginnings had a quiet but cute wind down for the last session of 2023, with the little ones crafting some reindeer carrots and taking home an ornament to treasure for years to come. We are looking forward to seeing everyone again in the new year with the first session back on January 4.



Speaking of the new year, the library invites kids of all ages to come down and enjoy different activities each week of the school holidays, see over the page for more details. Come on in, keep out of the heat and have some fun in your library this summer!

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Registration for all events is essential as spaces are limited Call 9765 1169

COMING UP IN JANUARY

These events take place at the Boyup Brook CRC 86 Abel St, unless otherwise specified

> Please bring your own smartphone,

tablet or laptop if

possible, limited devices available to borrow



At your CRC in the new year... Mon, Jan 8

Tues, Jan 9

Wed, Feb 21

Thurs, Feb 22

Fri, Feb 23

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TUESDAYS

Seniors Exercise & Activity



All ages welcome, emergency contact number required.

Kids under 5 require guardian supervision



Aged 55+ \$5 /wk 10-11am @ TOWN HALL

There will also be Colouring In activities each day.

Don't forget to enter the Colouring Competition!

All fitness levels welcome! Group and individual activities focusing on strength, balance and flexibility, with plenty of fun.

NO SESSION - Jan 2 or 16

WEDNESDAYS

Seniors Social Club & Gentle Gym



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drop in any time

Age 65+ \$10/wk 9:30-11:30am @ Citizens Lodge

Chair based exercises, plus morning tea and activities.

Jan 3 - GG & Bingo

Jan 10 - GG & Brain Benders

Jan 17 - no session

Jan 24 - Colour and Chat

Jan 31 - Games

THURSDAYS

Stories, Rhymes & Fun Times





Monday, January 15 | 10am-11am

Families with children 0-5 10-11am @ CRC

Join us to read a story, sing a song, learn a rhyme and have a really fun time!

You can join us via ZOOM (please register by 9:30am of the morning for the link)

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Happy new year to one & all

Hello 2024! It's hard to believe we are already in to the New Year.

It's been great to meet with & talk to many of you over the last 12 months & to advocate for our communities.

Highlights last year included:

- \$64,485 secured from the Regional Economic Development Grants to support the Boyup Brook Hotel redevelopment project to re-open the kitchen, restaurant, bar and accommodation, along with upgrading 10 guest rooms;
- including on the South Western Highway \$1.5 million towards widening the seals (Vasse Highway to Quinninup), \$300,000 towards the construction of passing lanes between Bridgetown & Manjimup, \$130,200 towards upgrades on the Balingup-Nannup Road; & \$25,000 towards the widening and improving the geometry of Muirs Road in Manjimup East;
- \$400 electricity credit to every WA household:
- Expanding the WA Telestroke to become a 24/7 service in the regions;
- 11 new operational vehicles to volunteer bushfire brigades & a state-of the-art floodrescue boat valued at nearly \$3 million for emergency services in the South West;
- Increasing the Cost of Living Rebate for WA Seniors Card members & helping keep seniors safe at home with a Safety & Security rebate of up to \$400 per home.





I also delivered on my election commitment of \$60,000 to ComHAT to purchase mountain bikes & safety equipment as well as Youth Zone Building for the Youth Zone Precinct.

Looking to next year, I will continue to work collaboratively with local governments, community housing providers, local community groups & individuals to create opportunities to boost housing supply across our electorate.

It's my absolute pleasure & a privilege to be your strong regional voice for Warren-**Blackwood**, working hard to ensure the needs of our communities are represented in State Parliament.







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In Touch Farming

Minerals – The role they play and the resulting deficiencies in your livestock.

Boron (B)

Role - Growth.

Resulting Deficiency - Poor conception, and stunted growth.

Calcium (Ca)

<u>Role</u> - Growth, bone and teeth formation, nervous system and muscle function, blood clotting, and heart function.

<u>Resulting Deficiency</u> - Decreased milk production, loss of appetite, poor growth, poor fertility, skeletal defects, milk fever, and reduced conception.

Chromium (Cr)

Role - Metabolism

<u>Resulting Deficiency</u> - Lowered immune system, and reduced stress tolerance.

Cobalt (Co)

Role - Vitamin B12, red blood cells and haemoglobin formation, nerve function, energy metabolism, and rumen microbe function.

<u>Resulting Deficiency</u> - Decreased milk production, ill thrift, loss of appetite, weight loss, rough coats, poor rumen activity, skin defects, and anaemia.

Iron (Fe)

Role - Metabolism, haemoglobin and red blood cell formation.

Resulting Deficiency - Wasting, pour growth, anaemia, and scouring.

Manganese (Mn)

 $\underline{\text{Role}} \text{ - Metabolism, development of bone, cartilage, connective tissue, blood clotting, growth, reproduction, and lactation.}$

<u>Resulting Deficiency</u> - Reduced fertility, poor growth, lameness and skeletal defects.

Magnesium (Mg)

Role - Metabolism, bone and teeth formation, nervous function.

Resulting Deficiency - Reduced milk production, and grass staggers.

Gazette E-dition

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Phosphorus (P)

Role - Metabolism, nerve function, formation of bone, muscles and teeth.

Resulting Deficiency - Bone weakness, decreased milk production, reduced appetite, reduced fertility, poor growth and poor live weight gains, rough coats, lameness, skeletal defects, weak teeth, and pica (chewing foreign materials e.g. bones).

Selenium (Se)

Role - Antioxidant, growth and fertility.

Resulting Deficiency - Decreased milk production, ill thrift, infertility, weight loss, poor growth, lowered immune system, retained after birth, white muscle disease, and scouring.

Sodium (Na)

Role - Electrolyte balance.

<u>Resulting Deficiency</u> - Decreased milk production, reduced fertility, poor growth, reduced energy and protein utilization, skin defects and cracking.

Sulphur (S)

Role - Metabolism, protein synthesis, maintenance of hair, skin, hooves and joints.

Resulting Deficiency - Depressed rumen microbe function which may lead to decreased growth and appetite, and decreased milk production.

Zinc (Zn)

Role - Growth, metabolism, bone and cartilage development, skin, mucous membranes, hooves, hair coat and wound healing.

Resulting Deficiency - III thrift, reduced fertility, lowered immune system, poor growth, skeletal defects, lameness, hair coat abnormalities, skin abnormalities, stiff joints, and swollen feet.

Minerals are an extremely important part of any livestock operation and especially prior to critical events on the animal's calendar. Top ups are critical leading into the following times: At weaning, 2-4 weeks prior to joining, 2-4 weeks prior to lambing/calving, at times of stress, at change of season or change of pasture/food.

These top ups should not replace a dedicated mineral plan throughout the year to keep your stock minerals at above adequate levels. This should include adequate fertiliser applications as well as selenium and cobalt and other minerals added to pasture fertiliser and/or directly administered to the animal. Also don't forget the addition of lick supplements for mineral administration and to assist in getting the best out of the dry food on offer.

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What is a Total Fire Ban?

A Total Fire Ban (TFB) is a ban on activities that could result in a fire starting. A TFB is declared on days when fires are most likely to threaten lives and property. This is because of predicted extreme fire weather or when there are already widespread fires and firefighting resources are stretched.

Total Fire Bans are declared using local government boundaries including visitors and residents in both rural and urban areas. You can see whether your local government area is affected at emergency.wa.gov.au.

Some activities can continue during a Total Fire Ban if the activity is being carried out in relation to work for a business, a public authority, or as part of an agricultural activity. If you ignore a Total Fire Ban, you could be fined up to \$25,000 and/or be jailed for up to 12 months.

A TFB affects any activity that may cause a fire including:

- o Using a lawnmower or chainsaw
- Lighting a campfire or using a fire pit
- Using a grinder, welder or any other 'hot work' that creates a spark
- o Burning leaves, garden waste or grass cuttings
- Using an outdoor wood-fired pizza oven or stove, or a BBQ that uses solid fuel

For the full list of prohibited activities, visit dfes.wa.gov.au/totalfirebans

In any area on which there is vegetation (off-road), you cannot use equipment powered by an internal combustion engine including:



- Vehicles such as car, tractor, motorbike, quad bike or dune buggy
- o A chainsaw or lawn mower
- A plant trimmer or grass trimmer Bobcats, excavators, bulldozers (or any other similar machines)
- A generator
- Any tools that cause sparks can be used inside a shed if it is fully enclosed on all sides (i.e. has a door, four walls and a roof).

A TFB is announced either in the afternoon of the day before, or on the actual day and generally last for 24 hours. The need for the ban is assessed throughout the day and may be cancelled depending on conditions.

Other information to be aware of: any burning permits held by residents or landowners are fully suspended until the ban is over. TFBs are generally declared using the whole local government boundary. When the Fire Danger Rating is Extreme and above, TFBs are generally declared.

Linda Ashton Community Preparedness Advisor Lower South West Region

NEW YEAR & NEW BEGINNINGS

A recent 5 star review from a Seller in Boyup Brook shows why you should give Donna a call now for a free market appraisal.



Donna Read, who was the agent through whom I sold my house, was thoroughly professional in every way. She was always punctual for appointments and didn't mind spending extra time with me if it helped everything to proceed satisfactorily.

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Donna was honest and sincere and I am sure she was determined to do her best not only for me but for the buyer as well.

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-Jay

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2024 Fox Shoot

The Boyup Brook Community Fox Shoot is only six weeks away and will be held during the weekend of 9-11 February 2024.

With harvest finished or almost finished in some cases, we see more pests around as they can't hide away as easily without the covering. Let's hope they stay naïve until our fox shoot weekend.

Registrations will open during the third week of January. Teams can be registered at the Boyup Brook Co-op or you can phone Erlanda on 9765 3012 or 0429 375 609. The counting/weighing will be at 9am on Sunday morning at the Boyup Brook Pistol Club who will again put breakfast on for all.

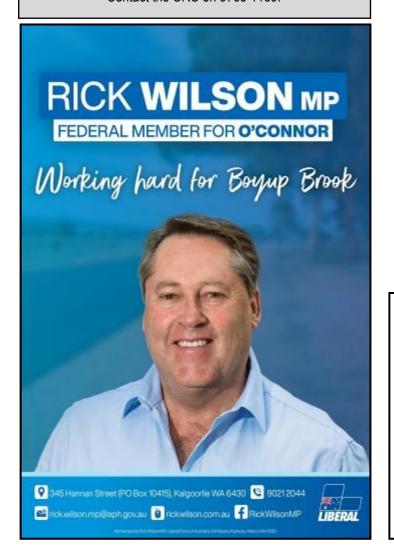
Please bring full bodies for the count. We are looking forward to seeing you (and your critters!) on Sunday, February 11 at the pistol club. Be safe, have fun and let's make it a big one again for Boyup Brook.

Gazette Subscriptions

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Marmalade

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That sets us on our feet

Coffee toast and marmalade
Will help us on our way
Just a 'fix' of marmalade
To see us through the day

Marmalade has also shown What Australian men are worth An international prize was won By an Aussie bloke from Perth

When the prize was given out Important people all were there It was actually handed to him By Paddington the Bear

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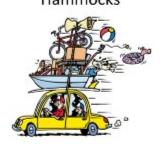


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Follow the Numbers

Find a sequence of numbers from 1-10.

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Sudoku

Fill in the numbers 1-9 exactly once in every row, column and 3x3 region.

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New Year's Revolutions

I have tried New Year's resolutions but usually found they didn't work. Be prepared for changes. The latest RAC magazine says, "By 2032-33 electric vehicles are expected to make up 30% of all cars and commercial vehicles on West Australian roads." What will happen to 'service stations' which rely mainly on providing fuel?

I am old enough to remember when cars were serviced with lube and oil change every 1,000 miles. When filling with petrol, the service station attendant would also check the engine oil level and clean your windscreen. These days most maintenance recommendations are for a check every 15,000kms or every 12 months.

There is biblical reference of converting swords to plough shears whenever peace broke out. In the late 1940's, Chamberlain industries took over a WWII ammunition facility to begin producing Chamberlain tractors in what was an outer suburb of Perth. Most farmers swear by the ruggedness of the Chamberlains, especially when establishing their farm. These tractors had comparatively high road speed and a bench seat so that the male and female farmer could travel to town for shopping and church. Well, it was much quicker than horse and buggy.

There is pressure to eliminate cash. Being in the mid to late 80's, I chose to use cash and cheques. What will our church offering plates look like when the plate is devoid of cash or cheques and the priest or LLM blesses an empty plate?

Adrian Price, Chair Bunbury Anglican Diocese-Sustainability Living
Working Group

Tonebridge Country Club

The Tonebridge Club had another successful pre-Christmas evening meal on Sunday, December 17 with forty-six people coming along. Santa also turned up to say hello to the children and give a little gift with one adult receiving a gift too because of health issues.

Vikki our treasurer and coordinator, would like to thank all those who helped prepare and clean up the club rooms afterwards - a big thank you to you all. It was great to see Richard F. at Tonebridge again, also Mary and Leon, Melanie, Terese and Hilary, and Richard, Reagan and Fiona.

The next Girl's Night will be Friday, February 2 at 5:30pm for a Paint and Sip Night more details later. Tennis and BBQ teas will resume on Sunday, January 7 at 5pm.

Be SunSmart



Often called our 'national cancer', Australia has the highest rate of **skin cancer** of the world. Two in three Australians will develop skin cancer in their lifetime, and every year around 2,000 Aussies will die from this disease.

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Saturday 10am to 2pm, and Sunday 9am to 12 noon

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New Year and New Administrator

Welcome to 2024, another New Year and all the possibilities that brings. Talking of new beginnings...

I have now been in the role of Administration Officer at the Visitor Centre since late November, but consider myself a learner in all there is to know about Boyup Brook, its history and its visitor attractions. I moved to Boyup Brook in 2004 with my husband and three children, to live on a property at North Dinninup. Over the years we have been part of many community and sporting groups.

I first joined the volunteer group at the Visitor Centre almost 10 years ago, then joined the committee two years ago as Treasurer. Interacting with tourists and promoting our town has become an interest of mine. So I took the opportunity to take on the Administrator position when it arose. We are certainly fortunate to live in such a picturesque and productive part of WA.

Kind Regards, Rosey Wright

Become a Volunteer at the Visitor Centre

Are you new to town or looking to meet people and would like to become part of a friendly team? Do you enjoy talking with visitors and sharing information about our part of the world? If you do we would be delighted to hear from you. Our volunteers love the sense of community gained by volunteering their time and promoting Boyup Brook, and sharing its history with both local residents and visitors.

The Visitor Centre aims to keep its doors open for visitors and locals every day of the week. To do this we rely on volunteers. All we ask is half a day per month, or offer more time if you wish!

We are also in need of a new volunteer Treasurer. Training can be provided. The Treasurer is a member of the Boyup Brook Tourism Association Management Committee and reports to their monthly meetings.



If you are interested in being on our Volunteer Roster or becoming a member of the Management Committee please phone 9765 1444, email: bbvisitor@wn.com.au or pop into the Visitor Centre for a chat and find out what is involved.

THANKYOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR GIFT SHOP AT CHRISTMAS......all sales support our efforts in keeping the doors open for Visitors and Locals alike.



Have Fun in the Sun - Safely

Summer is here! Don't forget to protect your skin from our harsh Australian sun. Before going outdoors consider the five S's of sun safety. Slip. Slop. Slap. Seek. Slide.

- Slip on a long-sleeved shirt or sun protective clothing
- Slop on broad-spectrum sunscreen of SPF 30 or greater, and re-apply every two hours
- Slap on a hat, the wider the brim the better
- Seek shade or shelter during peak sun exposure times, generally from 10am - 4pm
- Slide on UV-protective sunglasses to protect the eyes

And drink plenty of water to stay hydrated!

Alternatively, find a shady spot and settle in for a good read.....

New Book in Stock:

Mission Down Under by Joan Embry

Famous, highly decorated aviator and war hero (WWII) - Sir Basil Embry - decided to live out his dream in retirement, carving out the family fortunes in heavily timbered bush in WA...here in Boyup Brook!

His daughter-in-law Joan writes of the challenges of establishing two sheep properties, with basic living in sheds and shacks. Read this light-hearted tale of rural life in WA during the 1960's and 70's and a family's determination to create a better life for themselves.

Sell your products at the Visitor Centre

We are always looking for more items to add to our vast range of local product for sale. Visitors love our local products. Do you craft, sew, paint, weave, knit; are you an artist, sculptor, woodworker or author; do you have produce for sale, or anything along those lines? Please get in contact with us to discuss selling your items here.

Are you a collector or have a business that visitors will be interested in? Contact the Visitor Centre for more information about membership and promotion of your business.

St Saviour's Snippets

St Saviour's Church

Anglican Parish of Boyup Brook
PO Box 136, Boyup Brook, W.A. 6244

Christmas Greetings to Everyone. The Community Carol Service held at St Saviours was lovely. Not quite as many present as usual but all in fine voice.

The church was decorated with lots of paper angels and the Advent Candles - one to represent hope, peace, joy, and love, with the Christ Candle to be lit at the Christmas service. A Nativity scene was created during the service with the models of sheep, donkeys, shepherds, wise men, Joseph, Mary and baby Jesus being put in place by attendees to complete the tableau.

The service included Readings by people from the different churches, carols by the Boyup Brook Choir and lots of singing by all those gathered. It concluded with a video clip taken in 2018 of five people - an Arab, Italian, Palestinian, American and Israeli - singing "The Little Drummer Boy" in wonderful harmony on a roof top in Bethlehem. Beautifully performed and quite emotional as we all mentally re -visited the war-torn situation in Gaza today. After the service we socialised and enjoyed plenty of Christmas fare!

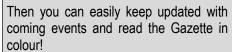
Sincere thanks to everyone who donated goods to go into the Christmas Boxes which are distributed by St Vincent de Paul to those in need; thanks also to those who did the packing. Also, thanks to the people at the Carols Service – your generous support of the Christmas Bowl appeal which assists and re-trains people in overseas countries is much appreciated.

I hope you all enjoyed your Christmas celebrations, keep safe as you travel and bring God's love to all you meet.

Anne Ritson

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Sing-along



Come along to the Seventh-day Adventist Church Hall. For a sing-along with the guitar. Old favourites and new.

Folk songs, old time gospel songs, The Seekers and more.

Saturday 6th January 6:30pm

Entry via rear of building. Light refreshments.

Enquires: Margaret Hale 9765 2862

Be Still and Know..... God

'I know the plans I have for you' Jeremiah 29:11 NLT

Read this Scripture: "For I know the plans I have for you," says the LORD. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope. In those days when you pray, I will listen ... I will end your captivity and restore your fortunes" (Jeremiah 29:11-12, 14 NLT).

The Israelites went through a long period of suffering because of their sins – seventy years of captivity. But God said, 'I still have a plan for you.' Have you sinned and gone through a season of correction and now you're wondering if God has turned His back on you? God may correct you, but He will never reject you! Two chapters later, God says to the same group of people, 'I have loved you, my people, with an everlasting love. With unfailing love I have drawn you to myself. I will rebuild you ...' (Jeremiah 31:3-4 NLT).

Note the word 'rebuild'. Your life may have fallen apart, but God can rebuild it. The Bible's theme is restoration. King David committed adultery and murder, but when he repented, God fully restored him. And the Bible says, 'After David had done the will of God in his own generation, he died and was buried with his ancestors ...'(Acts 13:36 NLT).

How would you like to have those words on your gravestone? You can! The Prodigal Son's older brother was angry with their father because he forgave and restored his younger brother. But his father restored him anyway. You cannot undo the fact of your past sins, but God can heal you from the effectsof them. Just come to Him today; take that first step!

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CHURCH SERVICES in BOYUP BROOK

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(5th weekend: 9.00am Sunday)

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Ph: 9761 1241 for up to date information

Fr Roshan Fernando

HOPE COMMUNITY FELLOWSHIP

Hope Community Fellowship is a non-denominational evangelical Christian fellowship.

All are welcome to join us for worship on Sunday at 9:45am on the Corner of Cowley St and Cailes Rd

Know, grow and overflow with abundant freedom in Christ Enquiries:

Ben Creek 0428 158 138

THE BLACKWOOD FAMILY CHURCH OF BOYUP BROOK

We invite you to join with us for our Sunday Worship Services.

These are held at 10:00am each Sunday in the Boyup Brook Primary School Hall.

Enquiries Pastor Glen Mader Ph: 9765 1101

ST SAVIOUR'S ANGLICAN PARISH

A warm invitation is extended to you and your family to worship with us for Morning prayer on Sundays at 9.30am. Ext. communion on the 4th Sunday of the month.

Cursillo Gatherings follow Morning Tea on 1st Sunday of the month. Contact 0428 601 074 or 0428 680 008

BAPTIST CHURCH

We welcome you to meet with us every: Sunday Worship 9:30am Mid week Bible Study Thurs 7pm Ladies Fellowship Tues 8:45am

First Friday monthly "Kids Club" Years PP-6 (Except School hols)

- Enquiries 0427 845 779

BRIDGETOWN CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER - DAY SAINTS

Meetings: Manjimup Rd. (op caravan park)
All welcome. Sunday Sacrament: 9:00am Sunday School: 10:10am

MAGGI'S PRAYER REQUEST

Text Prayer requests to 0427 661 076, if you are in need of prayer or know someone who is. If you wish to join our 'Prayer Warriors', text your name and mobile number, stating you wish to join. Confidentiality assured. No names or numbers given out unless requested.

SDA CHURCH Kulikup

Meets on Sabbath (Saturday) Sabbath School 10am, Service 11.30am Followed by lunch. Call Perry 0427 126 506

SDA CHURCH Boyup Brook

"Discover Bible Reading" and Discussion takes place On the 1st Saturday of the month from 3:30pm. All welcome followed by light refreshments. Margaret 9765 2862

Direction for Our Times

We continue our cycle of monthly messages for 2023 with the message for December 1, 2007 for our prayer groups and personal reflection.

Jesus

We are a faith of waiting. You wait for me to return to the world and I wait for souls to return to me. You feel a longing for me and for goodness that causes you pain at times. I feel a similar longing for people in the world who have rejected me and so suffer the loneliness of separation from me. How they hurt. How their wounds disturb them and cause them to hurt others.

My heart sighs with loneliness for them. I ache to comfort them and console them. I long to heal their wounds. You, my beloved apostles, comfort me in this grief by sharing this experience with me. I am comforted by your fidelity to me which is reflected in your fidelity to the cause of your brothers and sisters.

As I wait, so do you wait and as I suffer, so do you suffer. I speak to you today, though, to remind you of something. As I rejoice, so should you rejoice. Rejoice together with me at the return of others, just as perhaps others rejoiced at your return. Rejoice with me at the healing of many, just as perhaps others rejoiced at your healing.

You will rejoice that others return to me through your consistent and humble service. We are a faith of waiting, it is true, but we are also a faith of rejoicing.

The Father's goodness spreads out over the earth in this time in waves of kindness and benevolence. You, my beloved apostles, gently push these waves out with your commitment to my service. The great mercy of the Father draws people to my heart, the heart that burns steadily, a furnace of divine compassion and love.

We are waiting, yes. But while we are waiting, we are preparing. You prepare to receive your King and I prepare to receive the fruits of your service. Be at peace, my beloved friends. We serve together, we suffer together, and we rejoice together. Be assured that you are loved and that your loneliness is temporary. I am returning.

Submitted by Anne Staniforth-Smith. Direction for Our Times (DFOT) is a 501(C)(3) non-profit organization dedicated to spreading God's messages as revealed in the Volumes. Please visit our website at:

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Sports News

The place to list your club's upcoming sporting event, games roster or publish results.

From the Baseline

It's been a busy time at the Tennis Club with fantastic numbers coming along each week.

The junior program finished up for term 4 with a Christmas themed day, along with icy poles and a sausage sizzle. Term 1 sessions will commence on February 1, however juniors and families are most welcome to attend Saturday social tennis at any time.

The Tennis Club's annual Smash Cancer invitational day saw lots of people, awesome tennis and fun! Thanks to the crew from the Bridgetown Tennis Club for coming along and it was also great to see a number of locals who we haven't seen at the Club for quite some time.

Congrats to Anne, Sarah, Rohan and Simon for winning the clock tournament, sponsored by Boyup Brook Agricultural Supplies. There were some generous donations to Cancer Council Western Australia, including the payment of fines by players for the number of aces they made!



Above: Boyup Brook's juniors playing in the Tenterden tournament **L-R:** Brayden O'Hanlon, Braxton O'Hanlon, Liam Glisenti, Ruby Lloyd, Archie Lloyd (absent: Max Glisenti)

Christmas was celebrated with a clock tournament, with the junior awards going to Liam Glisenti and Ruby Lloyd, men's awards to John Scolari and John Eddy, and women's awards to Brooke Nield and Sarah Foy. Thanks to Rusty's Plumbing and Gas for sponsoring this event.



Above: Christmas fun at juniors

The Annual General Meeting provided an opportunity to celebrate the season so far, and also welcome Sarah Foy and Erin Squire to the committee, along with Sharon Nield who is returning for another stint. We also farewelled the Glisenti family as they head to Perth and thanked Miki for her contribution to juniors this term.

It was with Miki's encouragement, that six of our youngsters entered the Tenterden Tennis Club's Junior Tournament on December 17. It was the very first tournament for four of the players and it was a great day for all of them.

Max Glisenti and Archie Lloyd won the orange ball competition, Ruby Lloyd and Kirsten Simpson won the 10 and under girls event, and Liam Glisenti and Braxton O'Hanlon were the 10 and under boys champions. Two very special awards were presented, with the Sportsmanship award going to Ruby Lloyd, and Brayden O'Hanlon for entering at the last minute when another player was needed and for his great attitude.

January tennis will continue each week with Open Court on Thursdays at 5:30pm and Social tennis on Saturdays from 2pm. All welcome, including family and friends for a visitors fee of \$5 per person.

Please keep an eye on our website - www.boyupbrooktennis.com.au, Facebook and Instagram @boyupbrooktennis for updates.







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Cricket Club News

The last month has seen the Boyup Brook Cricket Club go at a 100% strike rate - undefeated in all games and as a result, we successfully managed to go back-to-back in the Warren Blackwood T20 Competition.

Throughout the competition the workload was shared between all who took the field and the job was never left to just one individual. The last month could simply not have gone much better for Boyup Brook and provides the blueprint for the remainder of the regular season, on our quest to do the double.

Results:

T20 One: BBCC 5/152 - FCC 131

Boyup Brook defeated Forestry by 21 runs – Tristan Mead 47, Todd Carroll 3/17

T20 Two: BBCC 8/155 - BCC 119

Boyup Brook defeated Bridgetown by 36 runs – Scott Tweedie 34, Braydon Ridley 2/9

T20 Three: MCC 6/137 - BBCC 5/139

Boyup Brook defeated Manjimup by 5 wickets - David Cowan

54, Declan Holland 1/15

T20 Four: PCC 6/121 – BBCC 6/125

Boyup Brook defeated Pemberton by 4 wickets – Tom Keightley 46, Rory Miller 3/16

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Upcoming Games:

Saturday, January 6: Home vs Pemberton
Saturday, January 27: Away vs Bridgetown
(In Boyup Brook though)

Saturday, February 3: Away vs Northcliffe

Don't forget, thanks to Boree Park Stud, all our games are livestreamed online this season. Simply check out our Facebook page and you can find the link attached to our Team Announcement post.

2024 Ronald McDonald House Charities Day

Following the success of 2023, the Boyup Brook Cricket Club are delighted to confirm that our Ronald McDonald House Charities Day will be back in 2024. Following the generosity of all involved, we donated over \$32,000 to RMHC this year and aim to do even better for the next one.

We are likely to host the Newbies vs Has Beens game and fundraiser on Saturday, March 16 (TBC). If you or your business would like to get involved with donations, prizes, equipment or in any other way, please do not hesitate to contact the club via email on: boyupbrookcricketclub1990@gmail.com

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