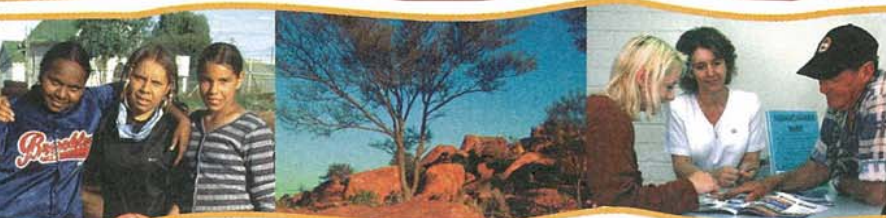


Meekatharra Dust



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Goodbye 2008

Fire at the Meeka Pub - January



Sorry Day - February



World's Greatest Shave - March



Anzac Day Service - April



Gymkhana - April



Jo's Twins - August



Australasian Safari - September



Rodeo - September



Welcome 2009

NOTE FROM THE EDITORS

Well we are nearly through to the end of January already for 2009. How time flies! We hope you enjoy this edition, we have tried to get as much information into it as possible. If you have any ideas or comments please don't be shy in coming forward.

We are keen to put photos in but would appreciate clear shots & names for captions so the whole community can distinguish who these people are.

So if you have any contributions please see us!

Your editors

Loz & Stella

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QUOTE OF THE MONTH

**'Believe in yourself and
reach for your dreams'**



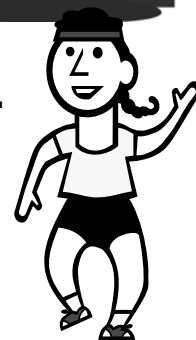
Dust Noticeboard...

Calling for Submissions

If you have any articles with information, about events, or photos you have taken that you would like included in the Meekatharra Dust, please drop them into Loz or Stella at the Shire before the closing date shown on the back page.



WE HOPE YOU ARE ALL MAKING USE OF THE TRAIL! THE CREEK TRAIL IS AN EASY, FLAT WALK ABOUT 3KM'S. (1/2 AN HOUR) THE VIEW FROM THE LOOKOUT IS FANTASTIC, WALK THE 'LOOKOUT TRAIL' UP TO ADMIRE THE VIEW! BE ACTIVE!!!!



EVENTS NOT TO MISS THIS MONTH

Blue Light Disco - Friday 23rd January
Speedway - Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th
Australia Day BBQ - Monday 26th January

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Meekatharra Speedway

When: 24th & 25th January 2009

Where: Across from the Airport
Gates Open at 3.00 pm



Dz Weekend

Opening Ceremony 6.45 pm on track

1st race at 7.30 pm both nights

Local Drivers:

Ashley Page, Michael & Brandon Mongoo
Peter Bell and Adam Howden

Visiting Drivers from:

Karratha, Port Hedland, Tom Price
Newman, Geraldton, Leonora & Collie

Canteen & Bar facilities at track

Prices!

One Night tickets for Saturday or Sunday

Adults \$15.00
11 to 15 gold coin donation
10 and under free

Two Night tickets

Adults \$25.00
11 to 15 gold coin donation
10 and under free

NO BYO Alcohol



Meeka's Weather

December 2008

Daytime maximum temperatures and overnight minimum temperatures were very close to the average for the month of December. The extremes for the month occurred on the 24th (a hot 42.6°C) and the coldest night was the 11th when the temperature dropped to 14.5°C.

The December rainfall amount was 14.8mm, resulting from thunderstorms on the 28th. The yearly total for 2008 was 302.2mm, which is 65.7mm above average.

Monthly Statistics – December 2008:

Warmest Day: 42.6°C on the 24th **Average Max:** 36.7°C

Coldest Day: 27.3°C on the 11th

Warmest Night: 26.7°C on the 30th

Coldest Night: 14.5°C on the 11th **Average Min:** 22.1°C

What to expect in January:

Average Daily Maximum: 38.2°C **Average Daily Minimum:** 24.3°C

Average Monthly Rainfall: 27.5 mm

What to expect in February:

Average Daily Maximum: 36.6°C **Average Daily Minimum:** 23.7°C

Average Monthly Rainfall: 36.2 mm

YOUTH CENTRE
STAFF WANT YOU TO



**COME AND CELEBRATE
AUSTRALIA DAY AT THE
SWIMMING POOL
MONDAY 26TH JAN**

FREE ENTRY

All kids
under the
age of 10
are to be
accompanied
by an adult.

10.30 am
Start with
games for
everybody



BBQ & Salad Lunch Supplied.

Get together your volleyball team and come and see how good you are against the kids.

There will also be fun games for the little kids.

Come and show your community spirit by joining in.

(We are desperately in need of volunteers to make salads and dampers)

Please call Anthony on 0438 993 013 or Daniel on 0458 328 778 to help with salad or any queries . We will supply salad ingredients

Talk to Anthony or Daniel about helping with salad and damper.



Swimming Pool Open



Opening Hours

Mon—Fri 9.30am—1.30pm 3.00pm—6.00pm
Saturday 10.30am—5.30pm 7.00pm—9.00pm
Sunday 12.00noon—6.00pm

Early Morning and Late Afternoon Swimming

Council has adopted a policy that will allow swimmers to use the pool between 5.00am to 8.00am and 6.00pm to 7.00pm daily. All intending swimmers must contact the office and complete an agreement that will permit the use by a key entry. A deposit is required and users must pay a fee for either a weekly, monthly or season pass. Conditions apply.

Hire of Swimming Pool Facilities

Council has adopted a policy that will allow the hire of the Swimming Pool facility by a group


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A/H: 0438 519232



OPEN: Mon – Fri
08:00 – 16:30

Better Beginnings & Story Time




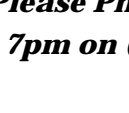









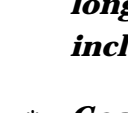






Meekatharra Shire is seeking interest in early literacy programs for children aged between 0-3 (Better beginnings) and 3-8 (story time). These sessions will take place once a month at the library .

Please express your interest.

Phone: 99 811 002

Email: reception@meekashire.wa.gov.au



FOR SALE

* ***International 2670 T Line Truck
22' tray with 24' double deck sheep
and goat crate with drop down deck,
long range fuel tanks & Hobbs hoist
included.***

* ***Goat Yards
29 Panels plus 4 Drafting Panels on
Trailer***

* ***TPW Wool Press
With Honda Petrol Motor***

* ***Shearers Beds & Foam Mattresses***

***If interested, Please Phone Muralgarra
Station after 7pm on (08) 99 637 994***

Library

We know our library is of the small scale, but we hope we have most of what you need. We get an exchange every month. The number of items we receive is much smaller though.

If there is anything specific that any reader would like we can order it from another library for you. (Sometimes this can take time for them to be sent to us)

Please note that you must be an existing member of the library to order in books.

*The Library is open:
Monday to Friday from 8 am to
4.30 pm.*



Library Info.

Welcome back to another year of great reading , listening and watching. We look forward to seeing you at the library during 2009.

Reminder: We have a number of library books and DVDs that have not been returned and are overdue. Please could you check that you have returned all overdue library items.

Thank you

Meg



On Saturday 22nd November 2008, Colin Lauritsen married Nyssa Henderson at the Lakes Entrance Golf Club in Victoria.

The journey started with the announcement of their engagement in 2005, followed by the hard decision of where to hold the celebration. As Nyssa grew up new Lakes Entrance and still has family and friends in the area, the decision was made to hold it at the stunningly picturesque Lakes Entrance.

The day before the wedding, some bad news was announced by the weather bureau announcing gale force winds and 100mls of rain for Saturday. This had everyone concerned and alternate plans were made for the outdoor ceremony and photographs.

On the morning of the wedding as all the women were busy getting glamorous, and all the men were sleeping in... it was decided the weather would hold off and everything could go as planned - and that it did.

It was a beautiful ceremony conducted by ex Meekatharraite Rev. John Boundy (aka The Flying Rev), and Colin of course had tears in his eyes as they said their vows and became husband and wife.

Colin and Nyssa along with family and friends, spent the week prior to the wedding completing final plans and taking the chance to have some R & R before the big day. This also allowed those from each side of the family who hadn't met yet to do so before the wedding day.



**L - R The Bridesmaids
Megan Alchin, Joanna & Amy**

Photos were taken at the golf club and along the beach and it wasn't until back at the club ready for the reception to begin, that the forecast weather began.

It was an amazing day and thanks go to the bride and groom, both sides of the family, the bridal party, and everyone who attended including the large number who travelled great distances!



**L - R Family Shot
Breyley, Nathan, Sarah, Shannon, Nyssa, Colin, Dottie & Clarrie**



Peter Bell & Emma Harris tied the knot on the 4th of October 2008 in Geraldton. The seaside ceremony was held at St Georges Beach followed by a gorgeous reception at the new Geraldton Surf Club.



Previous Meekatharra residents, Kym Jones, Robert Trenfield & Bradley Fitzpatrick were apart of the bridal party.

L - R Peter & Emma, Aaron Hammarquist, Pip-pa, Bradley Fitzpatrick, Jo, Robbie Trenfield, Amanda, Johnno & Kym Jones



L - R The Bells
Margaret, Peter, Emma & Ron

The night flew past with a delicious dinner, heartfelt speeches and some great times had by all on the dance floor!

OUT AND ABOUT IN MEEKA.....



Patrons who visited the Meekatharra Swimming Pool on Sunday the 18th and Monday the 19th of January were lucky enough to be treated to a rare visit by a pelican. The pelican became known as "Percy" on his/her short stay

A long way from home, Percy was very tired, hungry and distressed. After much effort and care however, Percy has shown great improvement in his/her condition and is ready to move on.

A special thanks goes to the Meekatharra Police and Jo for their services in giving Percy the best chance of survival.





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THE BLARNEY STONE

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You tell me why and you will get a reward next time I come through to The Royal.

Regards, Mowzy The Maori fella

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Youth After Dark

Safe after Hours location for children.

Quiet supervised activities.



Where: Youth Centre

When: Thursday 8 – 10pm

Friday 8 - 12pm.

To ensure that children remain safe after leaving for the night, transport will take children home or a designated safe house.

The bus **WILL NOT** drop children off on the Main Street or at parties.

Good behavior is essential for all attending.

If you have any queries please call

Daniel - 0458 148 771

*Please Note: This program is not designed to be an extension
of the Youth Centre program.*



MURCHISON VISITING CLINICAL SERVICES

VISITING TIMES IN MEEKATHARRA

Physiotherapist - Brian Poller
For appointments: 9981 0600

February 2-3, March 9-10, April 6-7,
May 4-5, June 8-9

Podiatrist - Gerrard

February 3, March 10, April 7,
May 5, June 9

Ophthalmologist - Dr Gordon Bougher

Dates to be announced

Paediatrician - Dr Mohammad Jehangir

February 10 - 12, March 24 - 26, May 26 - 28

Speech Pathologist, Occupational Therapist: Referrals to Cue Primary Health on: 9963 1539

RFDS Doctors...In Meekatharra RFDS medical services are prioritised according to urgency. Outpatients opening times: Mon - Fri 9 am-12 noon (except Thursday - 10am - 12noon) and 2pm-4pm.

(Note: In order to provide the highest quality emergency medical services in remote WA RFDS doctors may be unavailable at the time noted above).

Psychiatrist.....Mental Health team: 9981 0625

Other visiting specialists include Ear, Nose and Throat Specialist, Physician & Paediatric Physiotherapist.

**As all dates are subject to change - please reconfirm appointments the day before.
(Appointment availability is usually determined by prioritising according to health needs.)**

DENTAL VISITS TO MEEKATHARRA

(Correct as at 21/1/09 and subject to change)

DATES
2nd - 13th February
4th - 15th May
29th June - 3rd July
20th - 24th July
19th - 23rd October
16th - 20th November
30th November - 11th December

Phone contact during above periods only:
Meekatharra Dental Clinic 9981 0640

For more information:
Dental Health Services (Perth) 9313 0555

Christmas Dinners and Hampers 2008

This was a fantastic team effort from many 'quarters' particular those who attend the Interagency Meetings on a regular basis thought-out the year. The Domestic Violence monies attributed to the general cost of the Dinner on Sunday 21 December where more that 200 people enjoyed a fantastic meal and entertainment. Father Christmas popped in for a short time, entertained the children with lollies and a Christmas Stocking each.

Bob Curley, Lainie Zepeda & Khesan Flannigan dressed up for the night and went away with some fantastic prizes including a Milkshake Maker, Popcorn Maker & a Doughnut Maker.

The door prize of camping gear, valued at \$1000 was won by Cassandra Alone and 2nd prize won by Theresa Edwards.

Throughout the evening music was played by 'our' local musicians and Timika King who led the Christmas Carols.

The following morning Monday 22 December at 7am (after we cleaned and packed away the dinner goodies), 180 Christmas Hampers were diligently packed and some delivered by volunteers; again from the various agencies and support centres in Meekatharra. Each hamper was valued at approximately \$67.00. In the weeks leading up to the event anyone who had a healthcare care card or similar was eligible; by simply filling out a form obtainable at the various agencies in town, signing it to say Yes! they would like a hamper received one.

Apart from a little tiredness of those who worked throughout the weekend in preparation for the two events a huge thank you must go to:

- Lotterywest - who provided the funds, through Murchison Financial Advocacy Project for the Hampers,
- Domestic Violence - for the dinner on Sunday evening and wonderful prizes.
- Farmer Jack's- the multiple orders and re-orders,
- The Commercial Hotel staff - who assisted in the preparation of the meal,
- The Shire of Meekatharra - for the use of the venue,
- And the many volunteers who worked diligently throughout the whole project.
- Mission Australia - for entering *all* the names into a data base.

All supporters of the Interagency



***The Winners -
Laine & Bob***



Lesley, Santa, Elaine, Renee & Zana



Edgar & Therese

Shire Staff

The Shire welcomes three new staff to start off 2009.

Stella Johnson - Community Development Administration Officer

I have recently arrived in Meekatharra to follow up on the great job that Megan did as Community Development Administration Officer. I have recently been working as Health Promotion Officer with the WA Country Health Service for Bunbury, Harvey and Yarloop and before that as the Healthy Communities Project Officer with the Shire of Carnarvon.

I look forward to meeting you and discussing any ideas or things that you would like to happen regarding community activities and events.

Currently I am looking for enthusiastic people to assist with the planning and organising of the Meekatharra Festival, the Rodeo, Battle of the Bands and Tidy towns.

Please contact me on: (08) 99 811 002

Lauren Howden - Administration Assistant

I have lived on Murchison Downs Station just out of Meekatharra for the last 24 years with 10 years of that time spent in Geraldton for High School and an Admin Assistant job in an accountants office for 6 years.

Myself along with Stella will be in charge of the "Dust" publication, along with other duties that I am yet to find out. So if you have any articles you would like to submit please feel free to email me on: admin@meekashire.wa.gov.au. We are very keen to get a wider range of information into the monthly magazine, for example articles on any events that may be happening within town, new staff to your business etc etc. So please don't hesitate to contact me.

Cheers,

Loz

Jareth van Wees - Customer Service Officer

I came to this area to take over from Lauren as a Nanny, as this is what I am qualified to do. Anyone would think I'm trying to follow her! When finishing up there I was sure I wanted to stay in the area so I applied for my first office job here at the shire.

I look forward to fulfilling my new position both as the first point of contact at the front counter and in the library.

My email address is reception@meekashire.wa.gov.au

Cheers Jareth (or Jay if its easier).



L—R Jareth, Stella & Lauren

Call For Quotes

Internal Renovations - Shire Buildings

Broad specifications, closing date, and full details will be available to applicants from Monday 9th February 2009.

House, 137 Darlot Street, Meekatharra

Renovation of kitchen and two bathrooms.

Works will include:

- **gutting of existing facilities,**
- **kitchen cabinet design, construction and installation,**
- **plumbing,**
- **electrical,**
- **gas fitting and**
- **tiling.**

Sport Complex Building, Meekatharra

Upgrade kitchen cupboards and bench.

Shire Office, Meekatharra

Design, build and install new front counter.

Build/supply and install office shelving.

Please contact **Lauren Howden** at the Shire Offices to register your interest in obtaining broad specifications and full details of these projects.

Tel: 9981 1002 Fax: 9981 1505 Email: admin@meekashire.wa.gov.au

Note: this information will be available and supplied to applicants from Monday 9 February 2009. (Information will not be provided to applicants until 9 February 2009).

Quotes will close Tuesday 3 March 2009.

Sale of Vehicle

Offered for trade or outright purchase to the public:

2005 Toyota Landcruiser Prado GX Wago

- Series: KZJ120R, 74,000 kms (as at 20/1/09)
- Rego: MK004 (to be kept by seller)
- 8 Seat capacity, White, Manual Transmission 5 speed
- 4 x 4 constant 4WD, Dual Range, Diesel Fuel - 180 litre fuel tank
- 3000 cc 4 cylinder Turbo Intercooled Engine
- Air Conditioned, Bull Bar, 2 Spare Wheels
- Tow Bar - 7 pin & 12 pin trailer plugs
- Genuine Toyota seat covers

The vehicle is also being offered as a trade in for purchase of a new vehicle. The highest offer will not necessarily be accepted.

Offers must be submitted on a Shire form, in a correctly marked, sealed envelope and hand delivered or sent to:

Roy McClymont
Chief Executive Officer
PO Box 129
ra WA 6642

Meekatharra

Offers will be received until 4.00pm, Thursday 26 February 2009.

Inspection by appointment - contact Roy McClymont Mob: 0417 989 076

Offer amounts must be inclusive of GST. GST will be charged on this sale.

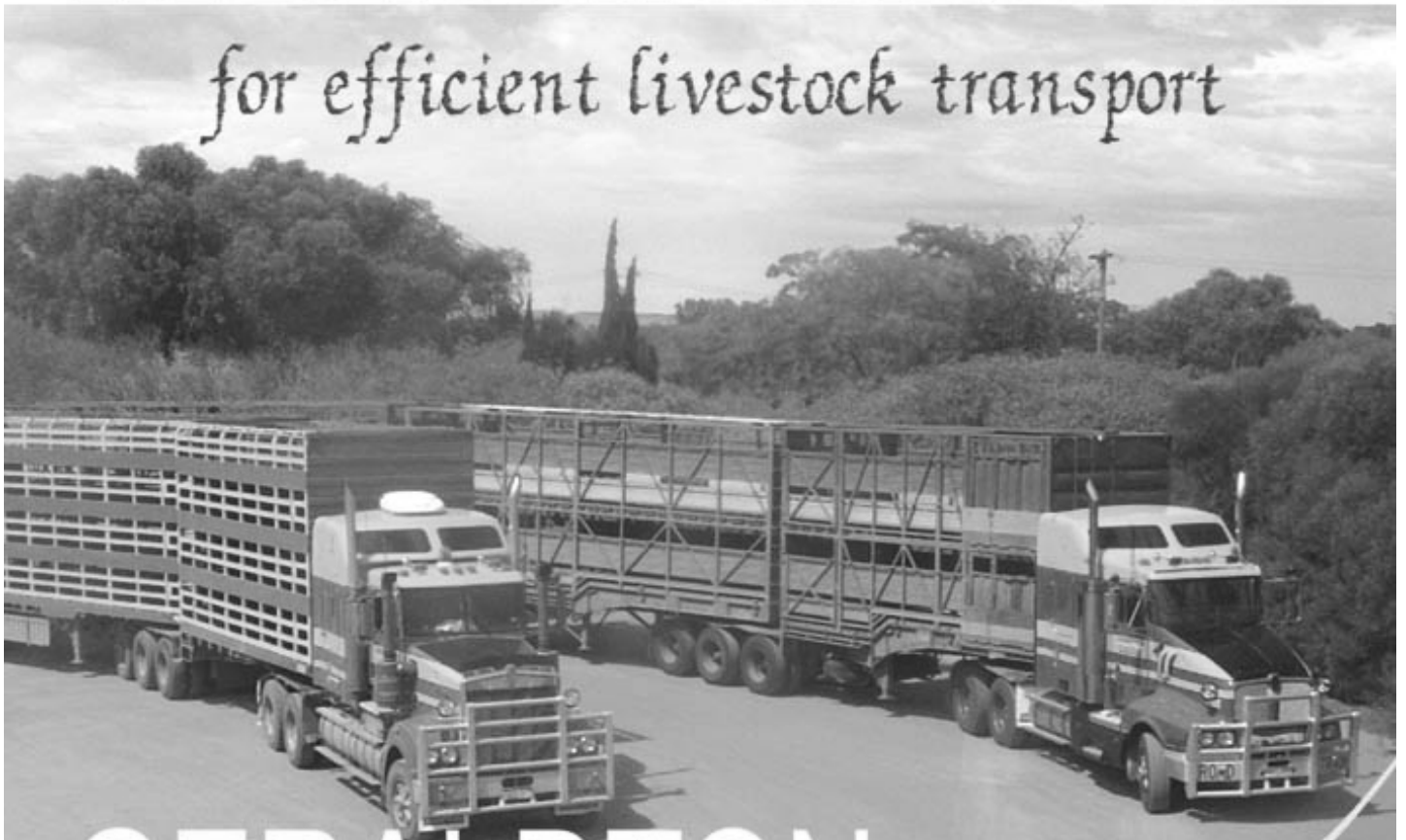
Offer Forms

**Area available from the Shire Offices
Tel: (08) 99 811 002 Fax: (08) 99 811 505
Email: admin@meekashire.wa.gov.au**

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Meeka for Tidiest Town



Expressions of Interest

COMMUNITY ACTION TIDIEST GARDEN COMP CONSERVATION

Contact Stella,
Community Development
Administration Officer
Tel: 9981 1002
Mobile: 0438 938 605
Email: cdo@meekashire.wa.gov.au

Newman Vet



End of Month visits to Cue, Mt Magnet &



Meekatharra

Located at **Paddy's Flat**

Check Notice Board for Dates

For appointments phone: **9175 1309**

EMERGENCY ADVICE : 9175 1309

or Dalkeith Veterinary Clinic on **9386 6277**

News Update From Meeka FM 98.3

There have been some major adjustments at Meeka FM over the past few months with members learning new skills right across the board.

If you take a drive down the highway you will see the freshly painted Meeka FM sign which was done by none other than Meekatharra's own Andrew Binsiar, it's a great sign Andrew! It will stand out in a big way & hopefully attract more listeners, especially in the tourist area.

We have a fully functioning phone system now allowing on air interviews with anyone, we have even had a lady in London on Meeka FM. Every Thursday night you can catch up with the local news from Mundulla South Australia when long time Meekatharra resident Peter Bannister comes & tells us the weather update from his retirement farm.

We've had an increase in volunteers wanting to participate both on air and in the committee side of thing which is a goal we have been trying to achieve for a long time. There is plenty of on air time left if you want to join us and share your taste in music with the rest of the community.

Meeka FM is now a financial member of the Southern Community Media Association which will allow us to have more training opportunities and resource networks at our disposal in addition to the Community Broadcasting Association of Aust and the WA Community Broadcasting Association.

In 2009 we are aiming for more indigenous programming and youth participation, at present we are discussing ways to involve the teachers and classes at Meeka FM. Also the Geraldton Family Relationships Centre will be visiting in February to record youth promoting families and these will be broadcast on Meeka FM as community announcements .

So we are looking forward to a spectacular year at Meeka FM, please call us with suggestions or requests on 99 811 358 and we will be more than happy to meet your needs. Tune in Thursdays from 7—9 for Nita's BitzbBobz, Friday and Saturday nights 8—10 for Benny C's House of Madness and Saturday mornings for the smooth sounds of Richie's Current Affairs, we are also trying to pin down Roy every other Sunday for A Wybenga Sunday for the latest goings on in the field of Human Rights and the Enviroment.

If your not sure where we are located, we are right next door to the Meekatharra SES Unit and right behind Yulella Mechanical, just look for the big antenna!



FREE PROMOTIONS

Any non profit organisations or activities which are purely for the benefit of the Meekatharra and surrounding communities can promote themselves free on Meeka FM in many ways.

- * **We can create a promo and have it played at specific times on air**
- * **We can promote your service/activity while we are on air**
- * **We can get you into the studio to record a promo**
- * **We can do phone interviews to promote your services**

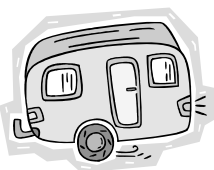
So if you're wondering how you can get your message out to the community with very little effort, please contact **Meeka FM 98.3**

Email: meekafm@bigpond.com

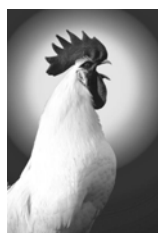
PH/FAX: 08 9981 1358

Anita's mobile: 0400761747

MEEKATHARRA CARAVAN PARK



OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK



CHEAP FUEL MINI DELI
GAS BOTTLE REFILLS ICE
GOLDEN FRIED CHICKEN



Words from your Council

- ✓ The Council has adopted a Drug & Alcohol Management plan for the Meekatharra Aerodrome. This is a new mandatory requirement of the Civil Aviation Safety Authority.
- ✓ Council will receive \$100,000 under the Federal Government's Regional & Local Community Infrastructure Program. Council resolved to build a Squash Court with this funding along with a council contribution of approximately \$50,000. The new Squash Court will be built near the existing Recreation complex building and Tennis courts. Council aims to complete this project by June 2009.
- ✓ \$6,000 has been donated to the Meekatharra Speedway Club to assist with electrical work required for the upcoming Speedway event this Australia Day weekend.
- ✓ Council resolved to purchase a 24v Electro Magnet & suitable Tracked Vehicle to assist with the clearing of salvageable metal from the Rubbish Tip. This machine will greatly enhance the day to day management and life of the rubbish tip. Once the machine is operational Council may offer to hire the machine to other WA Councils.
- ✓ The council has approved an application for the Royal Flying Doctor Service to construct a carport & patio area outside the existing lease area at the Airport.
- ✓ The Shire Council has set a date in February to undertake the Annual Road Inspections.

For further information about these matters please contact Roy McClymont on (08) 99 811 002.





Expressions of interest To help with:

- * Battle of the Bands
- * Festival - Family Fun Night; Live music; Market stalls; Food; Outback Ball
- * Rodeo
- * Fundraising

*Contact Stella,
Shire of Meekatharra Community Development Administration Officer
Tel: 99 811 002
Mob: 0438 938 605
Email: cd@meekashire.wa.gov.au*



Changes to Transwa Coach Timetable From 1st Feb 2009

In the interest of passenger convenience, our coach service on Wednesday from Geraldton to Meekatharra will be rescheduled to run on Thursday. Conversely, the Thursday service from Meekatharra to Geraldton to now run on a Friday. This will now provide a connection for Meekatharra passengers through to Perth where a connection was previously not possible.

These Times Are Only Applicable Up Until The 31st January 2009

West Rail Meekatharra/Geraldton Bus Timetable

From Geraldton

		Mon	Wed			Tues	Thurs
		PM	PM			AM	AM
Geraldton (Railway Stn)	Dep	1.15	2.30	Meekatharra (Royal Mail Hotel)	Dep	7.00	9.00
Mullewa (Swimming Pool)	Arr	2.30	-	Tuckunarra	Dep	7.55	9.55
	Dep	2.35	3.45	Cue (Post Office)	Dep	8.22	10.22
Yalgoo (General Store)	Dep	4.00	5.10	Mt Magnet (Swagman R/House)	Arr	9.18	11.18
Mt Magnet (Swagman R/House)	Arr	5.27	6.35		Dep	8.48	11.48
	Dep	5.57	7.05	Yalgoo (General Store)	Dep	11.15	1.15
Cue (Post Office)	Dep	6.53	8.00	Mullewa (Swimming Pool)	Arr	12.40	-
Tuckunarra	Dep	7.20	8.27		Dep	12.45	2.40
Meekatharra (Post Office)	Arr	8.15	9.20	Geraldton (Railway Stn)	Arr	2.00	3.55

These Times Are Only Applicable From The 1st February 2009

West Rail Meekatharra/Geraldton Bus Timetable

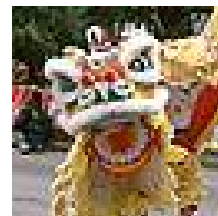
From Geraldton

		Mon	<u>Thurs</u>			Tues	<u>Fri</u>
		PM	PM			AM	AM
Geraldton (Railway Stn)	Dep	1.15	3.00	Meekatharra (Royal Mail Hotel)	Dep	7.00	9.00
Mullewa (Swimming Pool)	Arr	2.30	-	Tuckunarra	Dep	7.55	9.55
	Dep	2.35	4.15	Cue (Post Office)	Dep	8.22	10.22
Yalgoo (General Store)	Dep	4.00	5.40	Mt Magnet (Swagman R/House)	Arr	9.18	11.18
Mt Magnet (Swagman R/House)	Arr	5.27	6.55		Dep	8.48	11.48
	Dep	5.57	7.25	Yalgoo (General Store)	Dep	11.15	1.15
Cue (Post Office)	Dep	6.53	8.25	Mullewa (Swimming Pool)	Arr	12.40	-
Tuckunarra	Dep	7.20	8.57		Dep	12.45	2.40
Meekatharra (Post Office)	Arr	8.15	9.50	Geraldton (Railway Stn)	Arr	2.00	3.55

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Chinese New Year 26th January 2009 - Year of the Ox

Chinese New year is a festival based on the lunar calendar and falling between January 21 and February 19. It is the most important event in the Chinese year and festivities traditionally last for two weeks. During this period, towns and villages are decorated with coloured lanterns, floral displays, and brightly coloured banners emblazoned with New Year greetings. In Chinese communities in Britain, Hong Kong S. A. R., and elsewhere in the world outside mainland China, this is usually the Cantonese greeting *Kung hay fat choy*, meaning "May you prosper". In the home, preparations begin in the week before New Year when, to honour the kitchen god, the house is thoroughly cleaned and decorated with flowers, food is prepared, debts are paid off, and on New Year's Eve fireworks are let off. In the New Year people put on new clothes to symbolize the discarding of the old year and its misfortunes and take gifts to friends and relatives. These usually include foods such as special rice flour cakes and kumquats that signify prosperity. Other familiar gifts believed to bring good fortune are the small red paper packets containing money that married couples give to unmarried relatives, friends, and children.

Among the most spectacular communal events are the dragon and lion dances which are performed to the sound of gongs and drums as they parade through the streets and reach up to take red money packets and fruit and vegetables which are hung from shops in the hope of good fortune. The celebrations end with the Lantern Festival when, traditionally, children parade through the streets with lighted lanterns.

Encarta Encyclopaedia



Welcome to the year of the **Ox**

Element: Earth **Heading:** North-North-East **Color:** Violet **Yin/Yang:** Yin/Yang balanced **Chinese Name:** NIU **Meaning:** Industry **Sign Order:** Second **Season:** Winter

Favorable Month: January

Counterpart: [Capricorn](#) **Friend:** [Rooster](#), [Snake](#) **Foe:** [Goat](#)

Positives: Honest, Loyal, Sincere, Steadfast, Popular, Reliable, has Integrity

Negatives: Stolid, Stubborn, Inflexible, Impatient, Narrow-minded

Famous Oxen: Meryl Streep, Margaret Thatcher, Bach, Warren Beatty, Napoleon, Charlie Chaplin,

Christmas Message from:

Revd. Lesley, Frontier Services, Murchison Patrol.

Over the Christmas period many families will have experienced hospitality in many different forms and many of you will have spent a great deal of time sitting around telling stories. Telling stories is a wonderful way for sharing 'our' family history - did you know that hospitality in Bethlehem at the time of Jesus birth has contributed to many Christmas legends and traditions. Therefore, if you visit your local library or the Internet with your children you will find many resources. This is often a great way to relate your own experiences, to some of these stories.

For example the Mexican tradition of Las Posadas involves processions in which 'Mary' and 'Joseph' search from inn to inn, for a place to stay. (Google 'Las Posadas' for descriptions of the celebration.)

'The Friendly Beasts' is a Christmas song about the animals in the stable showing hospitality to the baby Jesus by giving him their feed box, a warm coat and a song. (www.kididdles.com/lyrics/f050.html)

And yet another carol tells of the hospitality of King Wenceslas towards a peasant; while the opera and book 'Amahl and the Night Visitors' tells of the hospitality of a peasant family towards the kings, travelling to Bethlehem.

An old story tells of someone who is promised a visit from Jesus on Christmas Day. She becomes so involved in preparing for a special guest that she turns away a beggar needing food, a lame person needing a place to stay and a child needing water. Only to find out later that each of these needy visitors was, indeed, Jesus coming to her for the original story by Leo Tolstoy and a shorter version by Helen Steiner Rice, go to www.holytrinitynewrochelle.org/ - see Christmas and then Where Love is, God is, by Leo Tolstoy. (*Adapted from Faith and Family*)

If all else fails - you can find the original Christmas hospitality stories in the Bible. There you can read about Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem and the birth of Jesus in Luke 2:1-20. The story of the Magi's royal welcome gifts is in Matthew 2:1-12.

Alastair and I hope that you all had a great Christmas and thank all those who have literally put out the 'welcome mat' - over the past eleven months. Blessings for a great New Year and may hospitality be an attitude to have all year long, not just during special times like Christmas.

Cheers,

Revd. Lesley



Weekly Church Services:

Recommence: February 1st at 9am

Communion: 1st Sunday in the month

Diary Date: **World Day of Prayer**

At: Frontier Services Church

When: Friday 6th March 2009

Time: *to be decided....*



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2008 Midwest Healthy Food Access Basket Survey – Summary of Results

The cost and availability of a basket of healthy foods across 15 towns in Midwest WA was assessed using the Queensland Healthy Food Access Basket survey. The basket is consistent with the Australian Guide to Healthy Eating and is made of commonly available foods. The basket has enough food to meet 95% of the nutritional requirements of a family of six people for two weeks¹.

Surveys took place in the Midwest between June and September 2008 and were completed by WA Country Health Service Health Promotion Officers throughout the region and Health Promotion students. Store owners/managers were not made aware of when the survey was going to be conducted, however permission was gained from store owners/managers on presentation at the store. Stores were separated into categories using the Accessibility Remoteness Index Australia (ARIA) and were classified as highly accessible, accessible, moderately accessible, remote or very remote. To ensure that survey data remained confidential, data was analysed and comparisons made using ARIA categories rather than town name.

Table 1. Towns where surveys took place

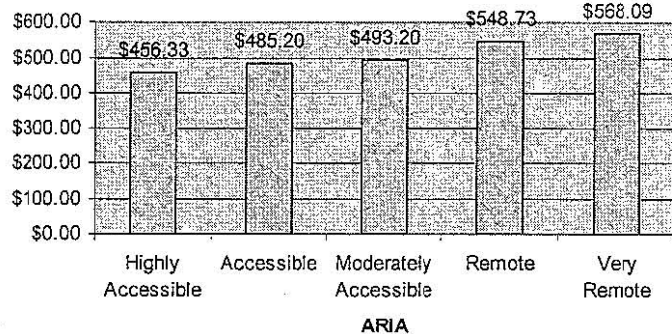
ARIA	Town	No. of Stores Surveyed
Highly Accessible	Perth	2
Accessible	Geraldton	6
Moderately Accessible	Mingenew	1
	Eneabba	1
	Leeman	1
	Dongara	3
	Mullewa	1
	Northampton	1
	Morawa	2
	Carnamah	1
	Kalbarri	1
Remote	Mt Magnet	1
	Perenjori	1
Very Remote	Cue	1
	Meekatharra	1

As well as the cost of the healthy food access basket, the availability of 28 different fruit and vegetables and 12 better nutritional choices was assessed to look at the variety of nutritious food provided at the stores.

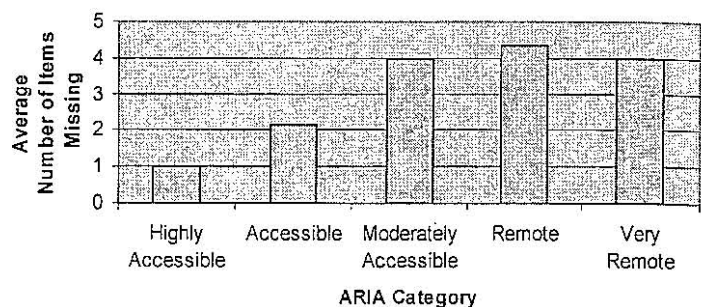
¹ Queensland Health. The 2000 Healthy Food Access Basket (HFAB) Survey: Full Report. Brisbane: Queensland Health 2001. <http://www.health.qld.gov.au/phs/documents/shpu/9137.pdf> (accessed June2008).

RESULTS

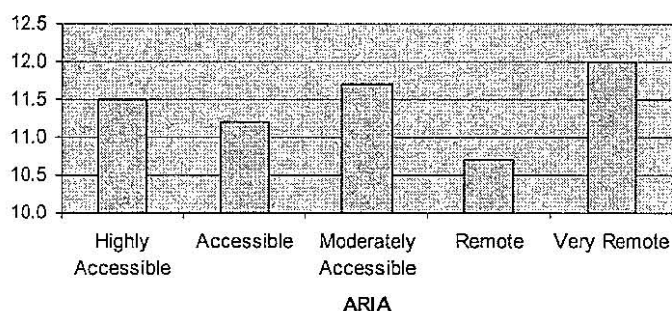
Average Cost of the Healthy Food Access Basket



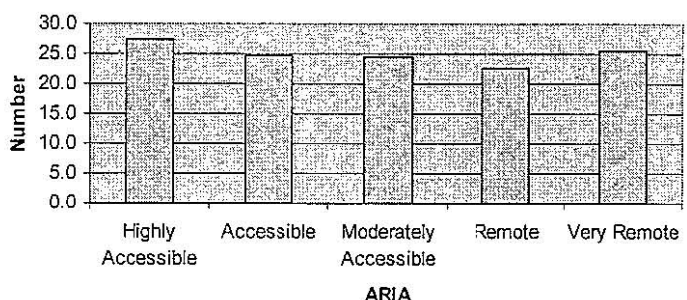
Average Number of Items Missing from the Healthy Food Basket



Average Availability of Better Nutritional Choices
(out of a maximum of 12)



Average Availability of a Variety of Fruit and Vegetables
(out of a maximum of 28)



The results show that, on average, the cost of a basket of basic food items increases as remoteness increases. It should be noted that large variations were seen in the cost of the food basket within ARIA categories. For food group baskets, the fruit and vegetable basket was the most expensive basket for all ARIA categories and also showed the greatest variation within ARIA categories. On average, a greater variety of fresh fruit and vegetables were seen in very remote areas compared to accessible, moderately accessible and remote stores. Better nutritional choices were shown to be readily available in most of the stores surveyed with a maximum of 3 items from the list of 12 being unavailable.

CONCLUSION

The survey confirms that the cost of basic food items increases with remoteness. In order for the community to make healthy choices, healthy foods need to be readily available and affordable from sources such as the local supermarket. The survey results show very positive results for the availability of a variety of fresh fruit and vegetables and better nutritional choices. There are many factors which influence the cost of foods in rural and remote areas including freight, high overheads and other factors unique to rural and remote areas. Many of these factors are outside the influence of both store owners and the health sector however there is scope for store owners and the health sector to work in partnership to increase the demand for healthy foods and influence the supply of healthy choices to the community.

For more information: contact Liz O'Neill, Health Promotion Officer.
Ph: 9956 1961 or email : liz.o'neill@health.wa.gov.au



JACK HILLS IRON ORE MINE WESTERN AUSTRALIA'S MID-WEST REGION

COMMUNITY NEWS

Operations Update

Crosslands Resources, owner and operator of the Jack Hills iron ore mine 380 kilometres north-east of Geraldton, is set to meet its next milestone in 2009.

Crosslands is on target to increase production from current levels of 1.5 million tonnes per annum (mtpa) to 1.8 mtpa during February 2009.

Ultimately a new rail network will provide Crosslands and other miners with a long term solution for transporting increased volumes of ore. However, in the meantime, an increase in ore production requires an increase in truck movements, from the mine to the port of Geraldton.

As a result, road haulage will increase from current levels of one full truck every 33 minutes to approximately one full truck movement every 20 minutes by February 2009. This equates to one full or one empty truck along the current route every 10 minutes.

Crosslands CEO Stuart Hall said that the trucks would continue to be staggered to help maintain safe operating distance between the trucks using the roads.

"Our trucking contractor was selected for their safe and reliable transport practices. Our fleet uses state-of-the-art trailers; custom designed for safety, stability and noise minimisation.

"All trucks have dust covers, signage to advise other road users of safe overtaking practices, and refrain from using engine brakes in built up areas in order to minimise noise.

"We will continue to support our contractor to enforce a number of controls to ensure compliance, including driver training and fatigue management. We will also apply new technology to ensure the safety of our operations and we will work to reduce trucking movements by increasing payload."

Oakajee port and new rail long term transport solution

Mr Hall stressed that the proposed new rail network and port at Oakajee would provide a long-term transport solution.

"This will eventually eliminate the need for trucking of ore on mid-west roads," he said.

"In the meantime, our road haulage will continue throughout the Shires of Cue, Murchison, Yalgoo, Mullewa and Mt Magnet as well as the City of Geraldton-Greenough."



Ore is mined, crushed and screened at Jack Hills, then transported, via Cue, to the Port of Geraldton where it is loaded and shipped to customers in China and Korea.

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THE HEART OF MID-WEST IRON ORE: Crosslands Resources Ltd is the owner of the Jack Hills iron ore mine located in the mid-west region of Western Australia. Jack Hills boasts a significant high grade iron ore resource with expansion plans expected to provide a major boost to the economy of the mid-west. Crosslands is jointly owned (50/50) by Murchison Metals Ltd and Mitsubishi Development Pty Ltd.

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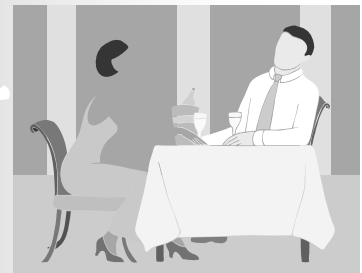


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We all know how important it is to use our precious water wisely and climate change means finding ways to use it even more wisely. That's why, from 1 October 2007, everyone in WA, including local councils, large businesses, schools and homeowners, will be working towards reducing the amount of water they use. Regional homeowners will be asked to join the rest of WA in adopting an effective garden watering roster scheme. Experts agree these rosters will provide more than enough water to maintain a waterwise garden.

Homeowners in all towns north of Kalbarri and Kalgoorlie, will be asked to limit their garden watering, by sprinklers or reticulation using scheme water, to every second day, based on house or lot number and days of the month. To find out your specific watering days refer to the table opposite.

Gardens can only be watered once on each of the allocated days, either before 9am or after 6pm.

You can still water with a hand-held hose at any time.

For more information on the new water efficiency measures or tips on how to be waterwise, visit waterwisewaysforwa.com.au or call the Waterwise Infoline on 13 10 39.



Please tear off this roster and put it on your fridge.

To find out your watering days, simply take the last digit of your house or lot number and apply it to the table below:

North of Kalbarri & Kalgoorlie Watering Days

Last digit of your lot or house number	Your scheme watering days are:
1	1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, 11th, 13th, etc
2	2nd, 4th, 6th, 8th, 10th, 12th, 14th, etc
3	1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, 11th, 13th, etc
4	2nd, 4th, 6th, 8th, 10th, 12th, 14th, etc
5	1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, 11th, 13th, etc
6	2nd, 4th, 6th, 8th, 10th, 12th, 14th, etc
7	1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, 11th, 13th, etc
8	2nd, 4th, 6th, 8th, 10th, 12th, 14th, etc
9	1st, 3rd, 5th, 7th, 9th, 11th, 13th, etc
0	2nd, 4th, 6th, 8th, 10th, 12th, 14th, etc

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Meekatharra Police Report

Date 20 January 2009

Welcome to 2009.

Firstly let me introduce you to the new faces here at the Meekatharra Police Station and explain the changes to the management of the Police Station.

Senior Sergeant POPE continues as the Officer in Charge; however he now has two Sergeants to assist with On Road Policing, Administrative Roles and Responsibilities.

Joining me as a Sergeant is Drew TAYLOR. Sergeant TAYLOR arrived into town from Karratha in December. Sergeant TAYLOR has extensive country service, having spent time in Exmouth, Fitzroy Crossing, Southern Cross, Denmark/Walpole and of course Karratha.

First Class Constables Tim AYRES and Mike HENDERSON transferred to Meekatharra in the last quarter of 2008. Constable AYRES was attached to the Perth Airport Police and Constable HENDERSON to the Regional Operations Group.

Also commencing in February and returning to his home town after five years in Roebourne is First Class Constable Steve BEESON. Essentially this now means that Meekatharra has 12 Police Officers and a Police Staff member, Donna SCOTT.

With two Sergeants assisting the Senior Sergeant, it will allow a Sergeant to be on duty both during the day and into the afternoon shift. The Sergeants as mentioned above will not only complete administrative duties attached to the Police Station, they will also be on road and tasking along with their fellow team members.

This Friday the 23rd January sees another **Meekatharra Blue Light Disco** at the Youth Centre. Blue Light is an initiative of West Australia Police in collaboration with the local community, so I encourage the community of Meekatharra to join together with your local Police by assisting with the coordination and running each and every month throughout the year. For further enquires please contact 1/c Constable Jennie JANNINGS at the Police Station on 99811007.

Meekatharra Police continue to conduct Drivers Licence theory tests, whilst the practical driving assessment is completed by the Department for Planning and Infrastructure monthly. Please call Donna at the Station for times and dates of the practical assessment. The theory test, along with firearms matters are completed every Tuesday between 10.00 AM and 3.00 PM.

Meekatharra Police makes no apology in relation to their no tolerance towards anti social behaviour, and street drinking. It is an offence to either walk around town drinking alcohol or conveying open containers of alcohol. This WILL see you issued with a \$200.00 on the spot fine.

Some traffic news you may not be aware of, since mid 2008, if a vehicle is stopped by Police and a passenger of any age is not wearing a seatbelt, and this expression DOES include adults, besides the adult passenger receiving a \$ 500.00 fine, the driver WILL also receive a fine which starts at \$ 500.00. If there are three adults not wearing a seatbelt, the fine would be \$ 700.00, so please buckle up front and back, and if driving, refuse to start the vehicle until all passengers are safely seated and securely fastened in.

In the next issue of the Meeka Dust, we will publish some crime figures, giving you a view of what your Police are doing and how we correspond to the rest of the Mid West-Gascoyne District.

Until next time, stay safe,

Sergeant Ian MORRIS

Meekatharra Police

Skippers' Flight Schedule PERTH TO MEEKATHARRA

SUNDAY - No Flights

MONDAY

FLIGHT NUMBER	DEPART	TIME	ARRIVE	TIME
JW1942	PERTH	0700	MEEKATHARRA	0835
	MEEKATHARRA	0905	WILUNA	0935
	WILUNA	1005	PERTH	1145

TUESDAY

FLIGHT NUMBER	DEPART	TIME	ARRIVE	TIME
JW1940	PERTH	1030	MT MAGNET	1145
	MT MAGNET	1215	MEEKATHARRA	1245
	MEEKATHARRA	1315	PERTH	1450

WEDNESDAY

FLIGHT NUMBER	DEPART	TIME	ARRIVE	TIME
JW1941	PERTH	0700	MEEKATHARRA	0835
	MEEKATHARRA	0905	MT MAGNET	0935
	MT MAGNET	1005	PERTH	1120

THURSDAY

FLIGHT NUMBER	DEPART	TIME	ARRIVE	TIME
JW1941	PERTH	1030	MEEKATHARRA	1205
	MEEKATHARRA	1235	MT MAGNET	1305
	MT MAGNET	1335	PERTH	1445

FRIDAY

FLIGHT NUMBER	DEPART	TIME	ARRIVE	TIME
JW1941	PERTH	1230	MEEKATHARRA	1405
	MEEKATHARRA	1435	MT MAGNET	1505
	MT MAGNET	1535	PERTH	1650

SATURDAY - No Flights

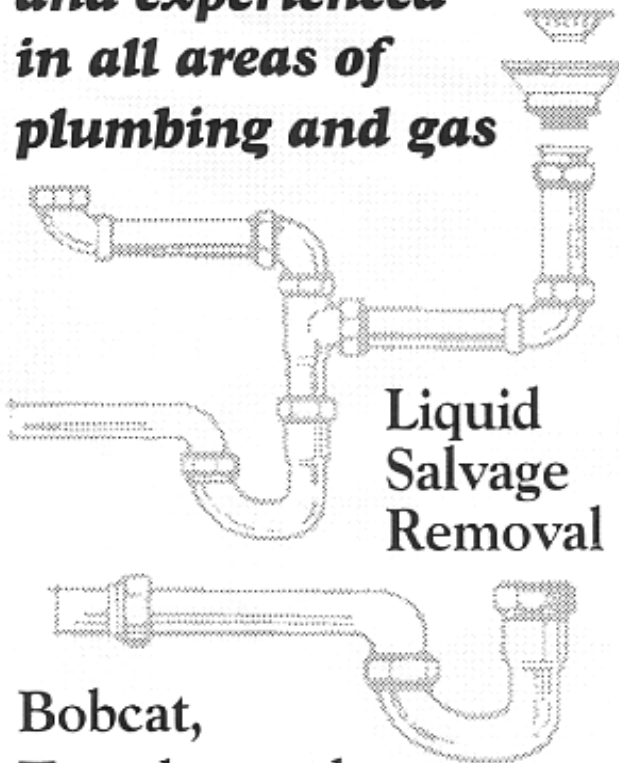
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AUSTRALIA DAY FIND A WORD

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T	S	S	O	N	G	S	D	O	O	F	A	M	I	L	Y

The remaining letters will spell out what we do on Australia Day:

Holiday
Anthem
Fireworks
Concert
Parade
Nation
Proud
Food

Cheering
Crowds
Celebration
Songs
Banners
Green
Gold
Fun

January
Summer
Barbecue
Survival Day
Date
Values
Show

Indigenous
Australia
Twentysix
Family
Spirit
Laughing
Smile

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ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE POINTS

Perth	PER	Wellington Street Bus Station
Midland	MID	Midland Train and Bus Station
New Norcia	NCA	Gull Road House
Walebing	WBG	General Store
Miling	MLG	Newsagency
Dalwallinu	DWU	BP Roadhouse
Wubin	WUB	BP Roadhouse
Mt. Gibson	MTG	Turn Off
Paynes Find	PYF	Paynes Find Roadhouse
Mt. Magnet	MMG	Swagman Shell Roadhouse
Cue	CUY	Bell & Co
Bluebird Mine	BBM	Turn Off
Meekatharra	MKR	BP Corner Store
Karalundi	KLU	Turn Off
Plutonic Mine	PUM	Turn Off
Kumarina	KMN	Kumarina Roadhouse
BP Newman	BNE	BP Roadhouse
Newman	ZNE	Visitor Centre
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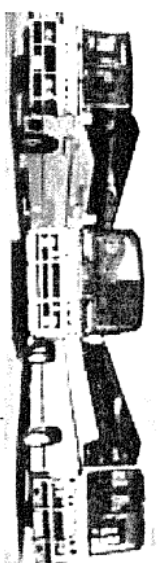
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Cue	\$107	\$96	\$86	\$54
Meekatharra	\$124	\$112	\$99	\$62
Karalundi	\$144	\$130	\$115	\$101
Newman & Wittenoom t/o	\$214	\$193	\$171	\$150
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PERTH TO PORT HEDLAND			
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Code	Service #	IC40	Wednesday
PER	Perth	Dep	9:00 PM
MID	Midland		9:30 PM
NCA	New Norcia		10:55 PM
WBG	Walebing		11:20 PM
MLG	Miling		11:50 PM
Thursday			
DWU	Dalwallinu		12:25 AM
WUB	Wubin	Arr	12:50 AM
		Dep	1:10 AM
MTG	Mount Gibson		1:45 AM
PYF	Paynes Find		2:45 AM
MMG	Mt. Magnet	Arr	4:30 AM
		Dep	5:00 AM
CUY	Cue		6:00 AM
BBM	Bluebird Mine		6:45 AM
MKR	Meekatharra	Arr	7:20 AM
		Dep	8:00 AM
KLU	Karalundi		8:45 AM
PUM	Plutonic Mine		10:05 AM
KMN	Kumarina	Arr	10:50 AM
		Dep	11:15 AM
ZNE	Newman Visitor Centre	*Arr	1:05 PM
BNE	BP Newman	Arr	1:10 PM
		Dep	1:30 PM
ZNE	Newman Visitor Centre	*Dep	1:40 PM
WIT	Auski Road House	Arr	3:50 PM
		Dep	4:10 PM
SHE	South Hedland		6:40 PM
PHE	Port Hedland	Arr	7:00 PM

PORT HEDLAND TO PERTH			
<i>via Great Northern Highway</i>			
Code	Service #	IC41	Friday
PHE	Port Hedland	Dep	9:00 AM
SHE	South Hedland		9:30 AM
WIT	Auski Road House	Arr	12:00 PM
		Dep	12:45 PM
ZNE	Newman Visitor Centre	*Arr	2:50 PM
BNE	BP Newman	Arr	2:55 PM
		Dep	3:20 PM
ZNE	Newman Visitor Centre	*Dep	3:30 PM
KMN	Kumarina	Arr	5:10 PM
		Dep	6:00 PM
PUM	Plutonic Mine		6:50 PM
KLU	Karalundi		8:10 PM
MKR	Meekatharra	Arr	8:55 PM
		Dep	9:10 PM
BBM	Bluebird Mine		9:20 PM
CUY	Cue		10:15 PM
MMG	Mt. Magnet	Arr	11:10 PM
		Dep	11:30 PM
Saturday			
PYF	Paynes Find		1:05 AM
MTG	Mt. Gibson		2:00 AM
WUB	Wubin	Arr	2:45 AM
		Dep	2:50 AM
DWU	Dalwallinu		3:10 AM
MLG	Miling		3:50 AM
WBG	Walebing		4:15 AM
NCA	New Norcia		4:40 AM
MID	Midland		6:00 AM
PER	Perth	Arr	6:30 AM

* Please be aware: Newman Visitor Centre is on the timetable twice!
The Arrival time is **before** and the departure time is **after** the comfort stop at BP Newman

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**15.06.08
Comp**

**3rd Round 72 Hole
Stroke**

Winner: Shane
R/U: David
Gross: Clarrie
N/P No. 04: Clarrie
N/P No. 16 : Clarrie

22.06.08

Stablefort

Winner: Shane
R/U: David
Gross: Clarrie
N/P No 04: Peter Clare
N/P No. 11: Ashley

29.06.08

Meacho's Day Stablefort

Winner: Doug Holt
R/U: David
Gross: Doug
N/P No 04: Bill
N/P No. 16: Bill

03.07.08

**Monthly Mug
Stablefort**

Winner: Ashley
R/U: David
N/P No 16: Rusty

06.07.08 Bisque Par

Winner: Shane
R/U: Roy
Gross: Clarrie
N/P No. 02: Roy
N/P No. 16: Jenky

20.07.08 Stablefort

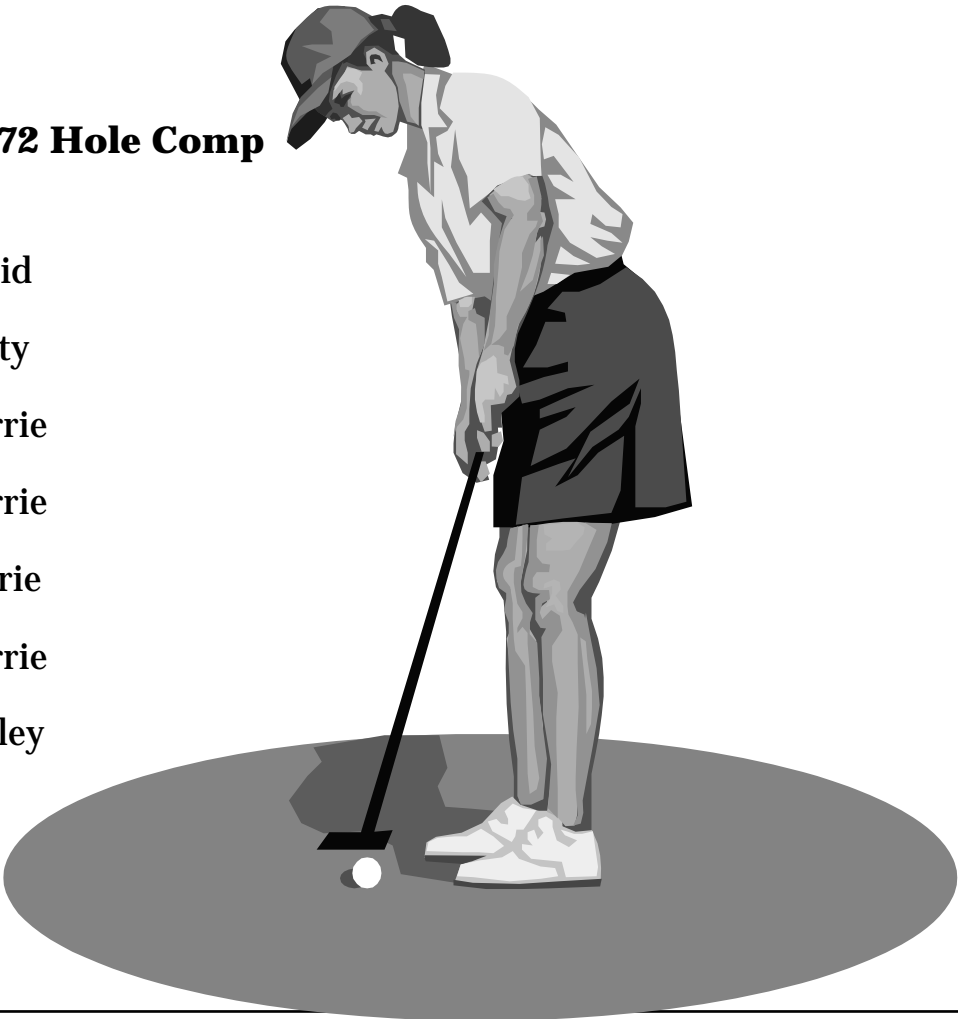
Winner: Shane
R/U: Rusty

**13.07.08 Monthly Mug
Stablefort**

Winner: Shane
R/U: Roy
Gross: Shane
L/D: Shane
N/P No. 04: Roy

**27.07.08 4th Round 72 Hole Comp
Stroke**

Winner: David
R/U: Rusty
Gross: Clarrie
L/D No. 05: Clarrie
N/P No. 04: Laurie
N/P No. 16: Clarrie
Least Putts: Ashley



03.08.08

Monthly Mug Stablefort

10.08.08

Sweepstake Stablefort

Winner:

Ashley

Winner:

Shane

R/U:

Maureen

Gross:

Shane

17.08.08

Rusty’s 3 Stick Comp

N/P No. 04:

Shane

Winner:

Peter Clare

N/P No. 16:

Roy

R/U:

Shane

24.08.08

Presidents Day Stablefort

Winner:

Greg

Gross:

Jenky

R/U:

David

N/P No. 04:

Rusty

Gross:

David

N/P No. 16:

Rusty

N/P No. 02:

Ashley

N/P No. 04:

Greg

N/P No. 11:

Ashley

31.08.08

Par Event

Winner:

Maureen

R/U:

Ashley

N/P No. 04:

Vince

N/P No. 16:

Maureen

07.09.08

5th Round 72 Hole Monthly Mug

Winner:

Ashley

R/U:

Jenky

N/P No. 04:

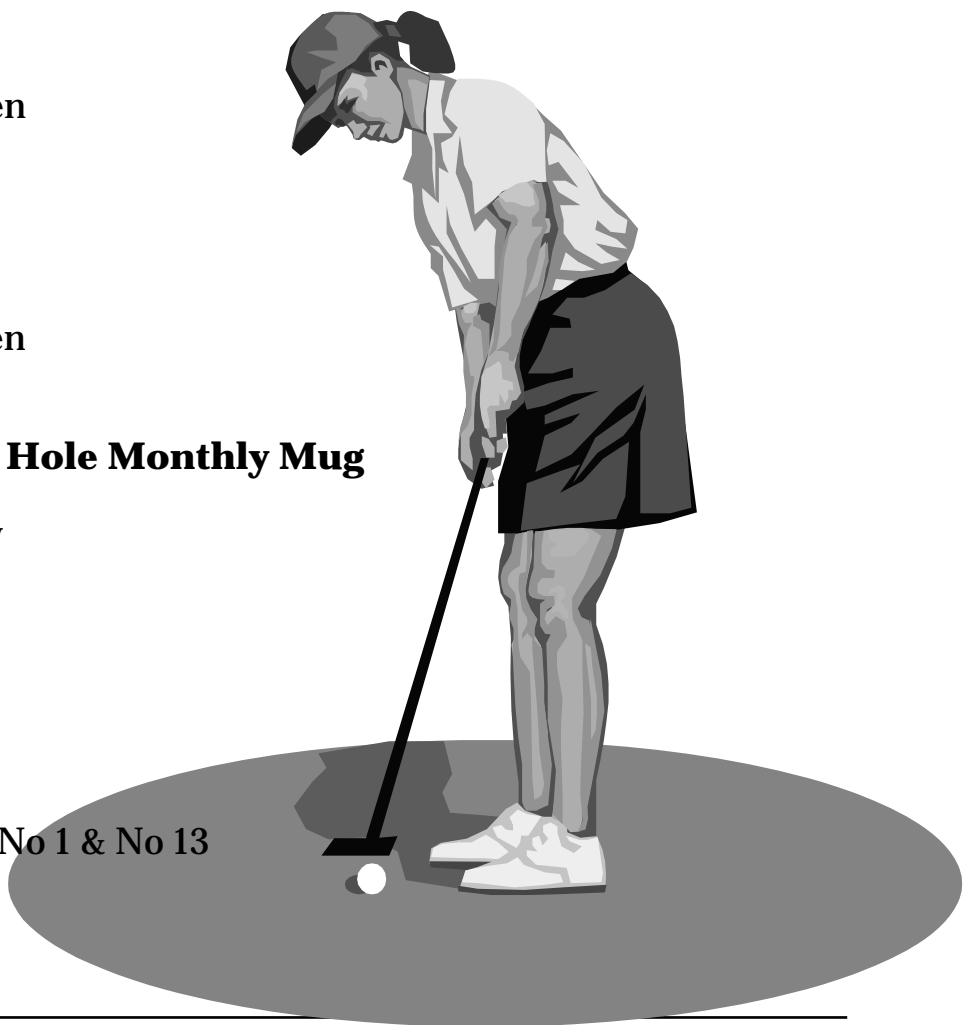
Jenky

L/D No. 03:

Jenky

Ferrett’s:

Rusty No 1 & No 13





21.09.08

Winners:

N/P No 02:

L/D No. 12:

Patron's Day Ambrose

Clarrie, Laurie & Cris

Rusty

Rusty

29.09.08

Winner:

Race Weekend Stablefort

Rusty

05.10.08

Winner:

Monthly Mug

David

10.10.08

Winners:

R/U:

L/D No 16:

N/P in 3 No 15:

Closing Day Ambrose

Peter, Roy, Meagan, Shane

Clarrie, Jenky, Nathan, P. Moses

Peter Clare

Coates Team

Seasons Winners

Club Champion:

Clarrie

Club Champion R/U:

David

Nett Winner:

Ashley

R/U:

David

Eclectic Winner:

David

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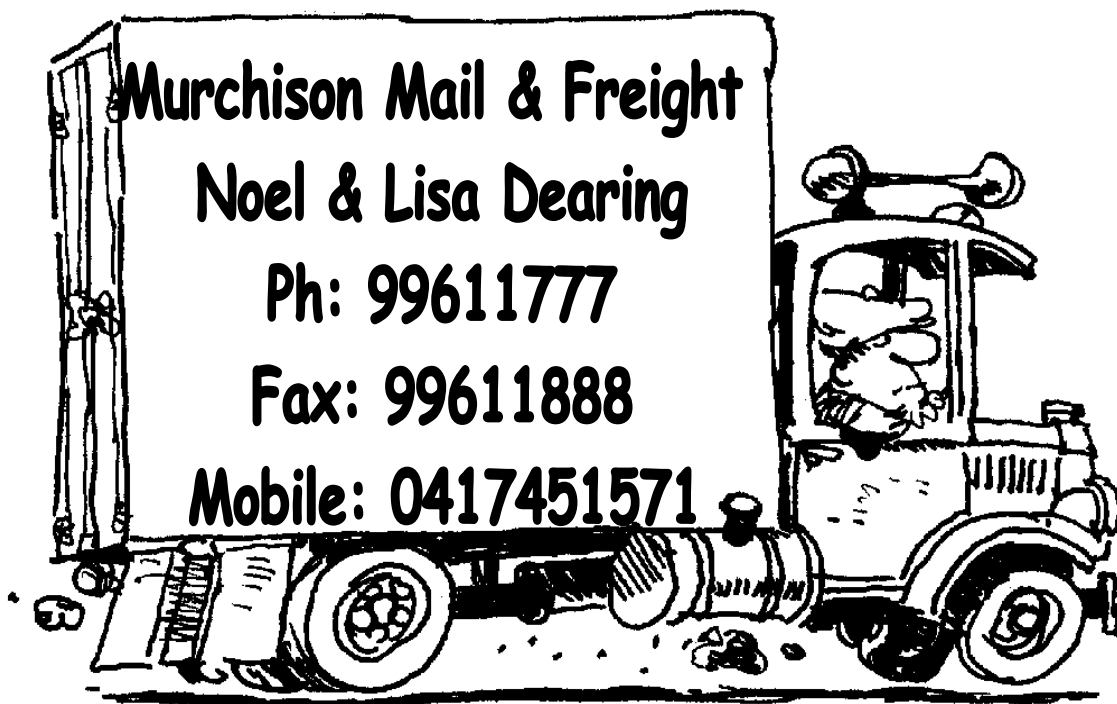
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<i>Antionette Hill</i>	<i>8th Jan</i>
<i>Andrew Gentle</i>	<i>14th Jan</i>
<i>Chelsea Robinson</i>	<i>18th Jan</i>
<i>Dylan King</i>	<i>24th Jan</i>
<i>Cedric Wingo</i>	<i>24th Jan</i>
<i>Nicolas Mongoo</i>	<i>26th Jan</i>
<i>Lillian Mogrige</i>	<i>27th Jan</i>
<i>Tom Quartermaine</i>	<i>29th Jan</i>
<i>Brittany Quartermaine</i>	<i>29th Jan</i>



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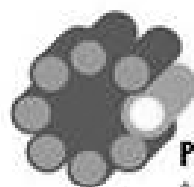
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What's Cooking?

Grilled Steak with the Ultimate Mushroom Sauce

Ingredients:

(Serves 4—with leftovers for toast)

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|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| * 25g Dried Porcini Mushrooms | * Olive Oil |
| * 1.5 Cups Boiling Water | * 4 x 250g Porterhouse or |
| * 1 Leek, Finely Chopped | Scotch Fillet Steaks |
| * 4 Cloves Garlic, Finely Chopped | * Sea Salt Flakes |
| * 30g Unsalted Butter | * Freshly Cracked Black Pepper |
| * 0.5 Cup Red or White Wine | * 1 Cup Cream |
| * 0.5 Tsp Salt | * 1 Tbsp Finely Chopped Rosemary |
| * 4 Medium Field Mushrooms, Sliced | * Grainy Dijon Mustard, |

Method:

Soak the dried porcini in the boiling water for a minimum of 10 minutes. Using a heavy-based frypan, fry the leek and garlic in the butter until softened, then add the wine, soaked porcinis with the strained liquid and salt. Bring to the boil and gently simmer for 5 minutes. Heat a barbeque grill plate and drizzle the field mushrooms with 2 tbsp of olive oil. Rub the steaks with additional olive oil & season well with sea salt flakes and freshly cracked black pepper. Grill the sliced mushrooms before adding to the sauce together with the cream and rosemary. Simmer until the sauce has reduced to a thickened consistency. Grill the steaks to desired degree and then leave to rest, loosely covered with foil, for 5 minutes before serving topped with the mushroom sauce.



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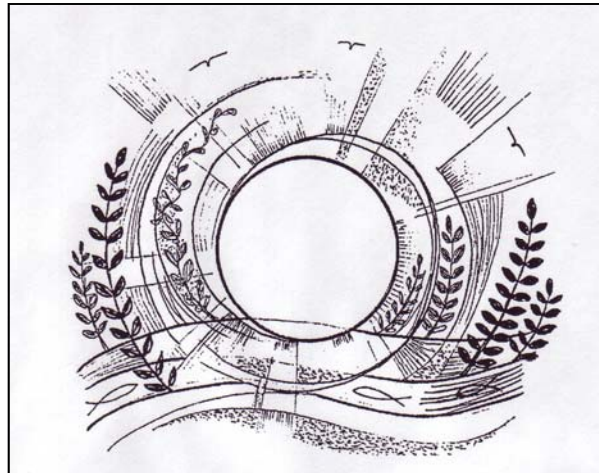


CATHOLIC CHURCH

Christ the King

(Corner of High and Darlot Streets, Meekatharra)

ALL WELCOME



Usually on Saturdays at 6:30pm

Celebration of the Word with Communion

Or

The third Saturday of each month

Celebration of the Eucharist – Mass

**Please check the notices at the Post Office or the Supermarket for
any changes.**

Information for Newcomers or Sacraments

Sr Gerri Boylan sgs / Sr Maree Nash sgs ☎ 9963 4179

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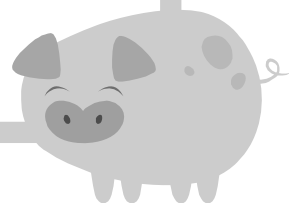
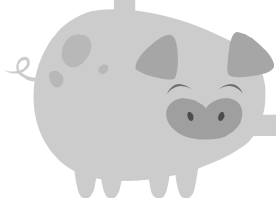
Events Calendar

February

Saturday February 14th- Valentine's Day

Friday February 20th - Meekatharra Shire

Welcome Drinks



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