

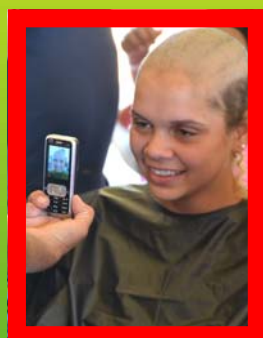


Meekatharra Dust

Issue Number 230—December 2011

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NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Dear Readers

It's that time again, to bring out the Christmas tree and decorations and get into the festive spirit!

Another scorching Christmas is in sight with the average December temperature being 36.5°

I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

-Sam

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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 Sam at the Shire before the closing date shown on the back page.

Sunday 4th—Meekatharra Pharmacy BBQ

Tuesday 13th – Carols By Candlelight – 6pm at the school



Sunday 18th—Meeka Pool Party

Wed 21st – Xmas Hampers Pick Up at the Shire Hall

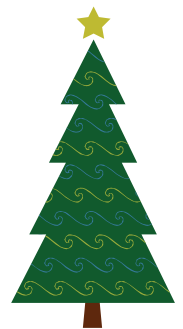
Sunday 25th Christmas Day!

Monday 26th Boxing Day

Tuesday 27th Public Holiday

Sunday 1st New Years Day

Monday 2nd Public Holiday



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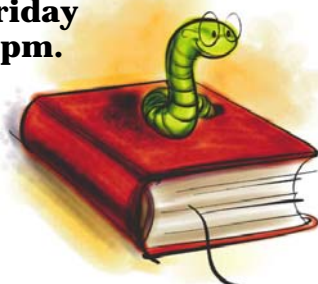
Did you know we get a new exchange of books every month? Come in and check out what is new this month!

If there is a particular novel or author you are interested in, we can request these for you, just pop in to the Shire office.

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Located in the Shire Office

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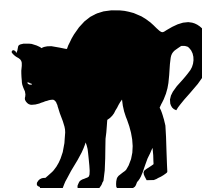


We have a number of library books and DVDs that have not been returned and are overdue. Please could you check that you have returned all overdue library items.

Thank you –Mel

Newman Vet

Meekatharra



Dr. Rick Fenny

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KARALUNDI WINS STATE AWARD

On Friday 18th November an award ceremony for the Tidy Towns – Sustainable Communities 2011 program was held at the Esplanade Hotel in Fremantle. Karalundi Aboriginal Education Community, as one of seven finalists in the 'General Appearance' category, was announced as the state winner.

In 2010 Karalundi Aboriginal Education Community entered the Tidy Towns – Sustainable Communities awards, a 21 year old national program organised by the Keep Australia Beautiful Council. Our entry resulted in Karalundi being the overall regional winner for the Midwest region of Western Australia.

In 2011 Karalundi entered again and was the Midwest regions winner under the 'General Appearance' category, this meant inclusion for the state title. The presentation event was attended by the Governor of Western Australia, His Excellency Malcolm McCusker AO, CVO, QC, along with other dignitaries and community regional winners. The WA Minister for Environment and Water, the Hon. Bill R Marmion's speech ended with Karalundi announced as the state winner under the 'General Appearance' category and was presented with a framed certificate. David V Cowled, Chief Executive Officer of Karalundi who accepted the award, has since stated that, "this is a significant win for an Aboriginal community and hopefully will begin to break down some of the stereotyping associated with Indigenous communities. We would like to encourage other Indigenous communities like those in the Kimberley region to join in the Tidy Towns program across Australia. It not only means cleaner and healthier physical communities but acts as an important bonding activity for community members' social, physical, mental and spiritual health".

The Tidy Towns – Sustainable Communities awards program in 2011 resulted in entries from 61 communities around Western Australia, the largest number of entries in the WA program's 42 year history. The overall winner for the state was West Arthur which is now a finalist for the national title.



Hon Bill R Marmion with David V Cowled



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Based in Meekatharra**

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We currently seek a dynamic and committed Financial Advocate to coordinate our Murchison Financial Advocacy Service, which aims to increase practical knowledge and skills around personal finances amongst low-income community members, on occasion assisting them in applying for low-interest and emergency loans. The position is based in Meekatharra but frequent travel by road will be required to the surrounding towns and communities.

A work vehicle is provided for the fulfillment of this role. A Diploma of Financial Counseling or willingness to complete the diploma or a similar qualification is essential. Substantial experience working in the community services sector and an ability to empathise with people in remote Western Australia.

A developed understanding of the issues confronting Aboriginal people is essential as is a developed cultural awareness and sensitivity with respect to working with Aboriginal people.

Importantly we are seeking people who are able to work autonomously, ethically and within the Frontier Services ethos. A commitment to human rights and social justice underpin our services and it is expected that applicants will reflect these same values.

Frontier Services can offer a working environment that is supportive, professional and fun, and with flexible conditions and salary arrangements.

For more information and to lodge an application, please contact Michele MacPherson at assist.perth@frontierservices.org or on 08 9355 9175. For More information on Frontier Services, please visit www.frontierservices.org. **Applications close Friday, 30th December 2011.**



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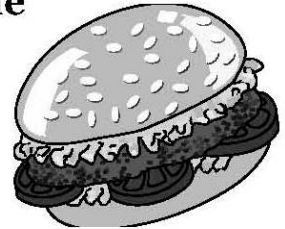
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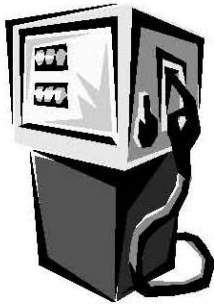
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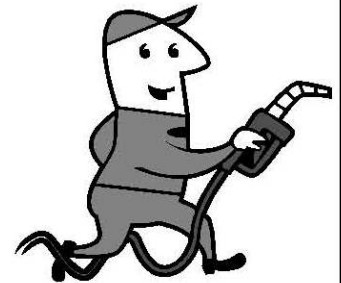
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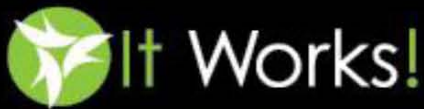
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Karalundi State Finalist - Indigenous Service Award

Karalundi Aboriginal Education Community Inc was announced as a finalist in the prestigious Department of Indigenous Affairs Indigenous Service Award at the 2011 Regional Achievement and Community Awards on Friday 11th November 2011 at the Perth Convention and Exhibition Centre.

The event hosted by Matt Tinney from WIN television was attended by 420 guests from across Western Australia including the Patron of the Awards, the Hon Brendon Grylls MLA, Minister for Regional Development.

A framed certificate was presented by Cliff Weeks, Acting Director General from the Department of Indigenous Affairs and was accepted by Darren Farmer, Chairperson of Karalundi accompanied by David V Cowled the Chief Executive Officer. The Indigenous Service Award recognises a group or individual who has achieved outstanding outcomes for Indigenous people. The award focuses on leadership, active engagement with the Indigenous community, long-term positive impact and measurable results.

Other finalists in the category were: Albany Heritage Reference Group Aboriginal Corporation Inc: City of Greater Geraldton - Reconciliation Committee: Magabala Books, BROOME.

Karalundi congratulates Magabala Books as the 2011 category winner as we are united in improving Indigenous outcomes.



Movember 2011

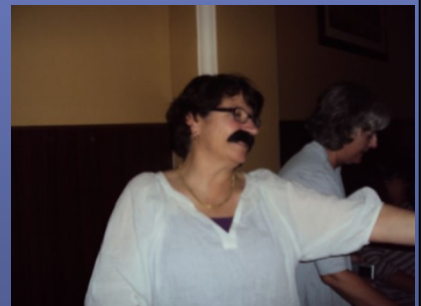
From Meekatharra Medical Moustaches
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Dr Ron Dobson, Dr Elena Ghergori, Anne McCall - Nurse Practitioner, Dr Christine McConnell



Dr Ron Dobson & Dr Elena Ghergori





Meeka Goes Green



Do you want to do something about the **environment**?

Would you prefer seeing valuable resources **recycled** rather than dumped in landfill?

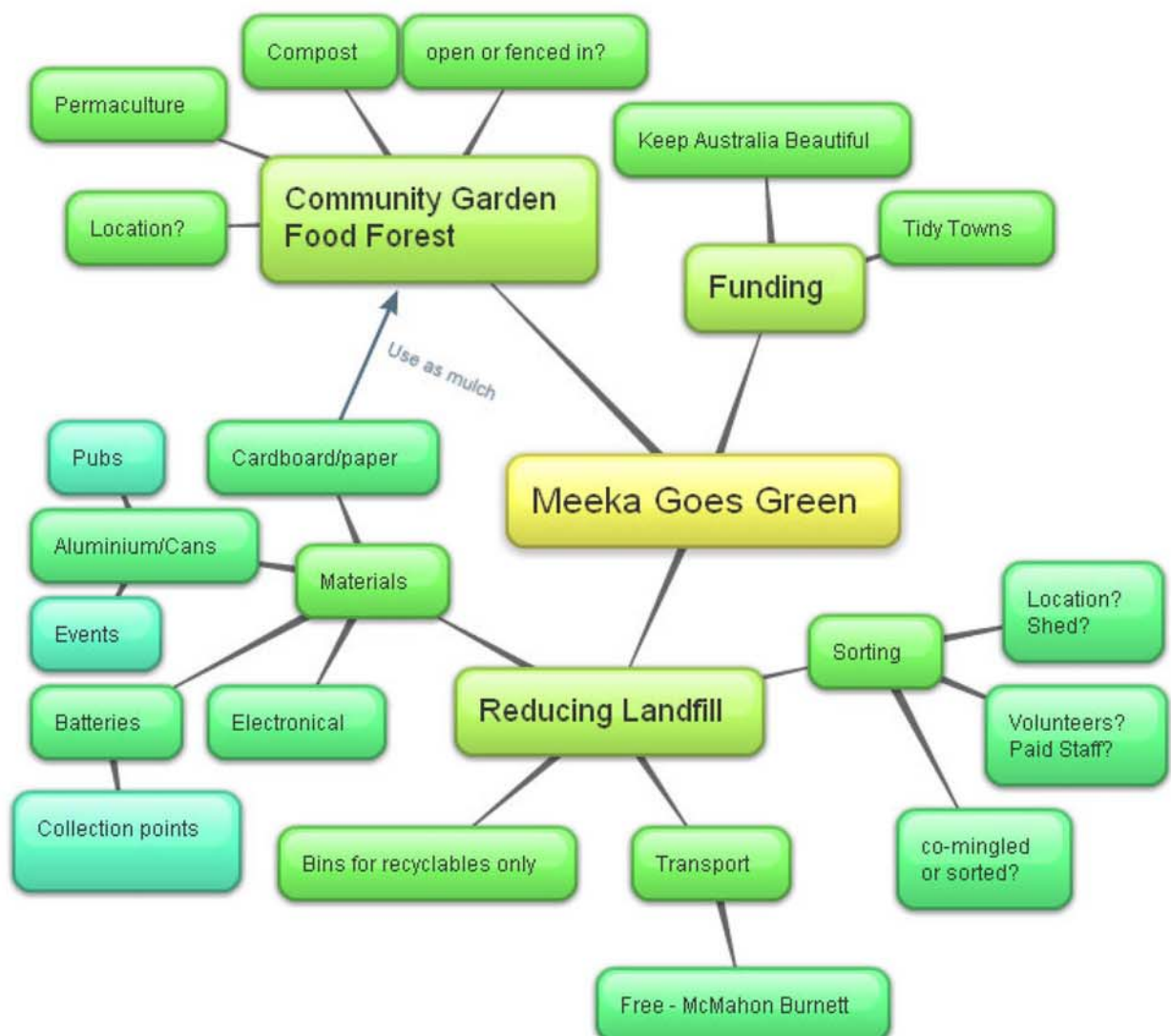
Do you like the idea of having a **community garden**?

Do you feel like you want to **change** something?

Talk to Sabrina from the Community Resource Centre (old Telecentre)

or Svenja from the Shire

or Robyn from Yulella - robyn@yulella.org.au





Western Australia Police
Meekatharra Police Station

Midwest Gascoyne District

Savage Street

Meekatharra. WA 6642

PH: (08) 99811007

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

Meekatharra Police are seeking information in regards to a house fire which occurred at 122 Darlot Street, Meekatharra.

At about 1:45am on the 5th of November 2011 a fire was started on the rear patio of the home, which resulted in the complete destruction of the premises. Police are treating the matter as suspicious.

If you can provide any information, please contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000. Your identity can remain anonymous.

The Australian version of Jingle Bells

Dashing through the bush,
in a rusty Holden Ute,
Kicking up the dust,
esky in the boot,
Kelpie by my side,
singing Christmas songs,
It's Summer time and I am in
my singlet, shorts and thongs

*

Oh! Jingle bells, jingle bells, jingle all the way,
Christmas in Australia
on a scorching summers day, Hey!
Jingle bells, jingle bells, Christmas time is beaut!,
Oh what fun it is to ride in a rusty Holden Ute.

*

Engine's getting hot;
we dodge the kangaroos,
The swaggie climbs aboard,
he is welcome too.
All the family's there,
sitting by the pool,
Christmas Day the Aussie way,
by the barbecue.

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Come the afternoon,
Grandpa has a doze,
The kids and Uncle Bruce,
are swimming in their clothes.
The time comes 'round to go,
we take the family snap,
Pack the car and all shoot through,
before the washing up.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MEEKATHARRA U17 FOOTBALL TEAM



MURCHISON FOOTBALL
COMPETITION U17 PREMIERS

CONGRATULATIONS

JAYDEN MONGOO - COACHES
AWARD

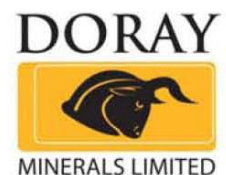
WILLIAM RYAN - BEST
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YOUTH SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAM

STARTING THURSDAY 15TH DECEMBER

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY's

Swimming pool opening hours

Contact Jason on 9981 1065

9.30am – 1.30pm

3pm – 6pm

7pm – 9pm Friday night

Community Resource Centre

Computer Games/ Wii Club

Contact Izzy on 9980 1811

3.30pm – 4.30pm

Shire Youth Services

Contact Belinda on 0438 993 013

Terrific Tuesdays!

10am – 12 noon

A mixture of art, craft, &/or cooking

3pm – 5pm swimming pool

Wonderful Wednesdays!

December 21st 10am -2pm

Cue Water Park

January 4th

10am-12 noon swimming pool

5pm-9pm campfire

January 11th

10am-12 noon swimming pool

5pm-9pm campfire

Thunderous Thursdays!

3pm -5pm Bike Riding Club – repairs to bikes at the pool

7pm – 9.30pm Meeka Bike Riding Club night ride! We may even do some overnight camping and ride back on Friday morning.

Fantastic Friday's!

10am-12 noon swimming pool

6pm – 9pm Open Night (either at Youth Centre or swimming pool)



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Sun	12pm – 6pm

2011 Meekatharra Community Christmas Hampers Appeal

**Pick-up date: Wednesday 21st December from 10am,
at Shire Hall Meekatharra.**

Your name will be entered on a central database which will be destroyed immediately after Audit requirements are met.

Details completed by applicant (Please use blue or black pen & **PRINT** in block letters)

NAME OF CLIENT (IN FULL).....**DOB**.....

NAME OF PARTNER:..... **DOB**.....

No. CHILDREN (under 12 years):.....

AGES:...../...../...../...../...../...../.....

ADDRESS:

.....

ID:.....**TELEPHONE Contact:**

(e.g. PENSION/HCC/LICENSE & REFERRING AGENCY)

APPLICANTS SIGNATURE:

Date:.....

Cut-off date: Tuesday 13th December 2011 4:00pm – Please return all forms to:-

Tom Pallippadan Paul, Mission Australia, Crn Main & High Street, Meekatharra. 6642

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OR: Evelyn Fraser Mission Australia 08 9981 1436

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YULELLA

Junjar Mudar Mia Sushi Drive Fundraiser



Every month over the next few months a separate department from Yulella will be holding a fundraiser. On Monday 21st of November The Junjar Mudar Mia Playgroup coordinated a Sushi Drive fundraiser.



Some of the Delicious Sushi
made
Clondic making the soy sauces

We had an enormous response from the community with 72 plates of Sushi sold and total of 360 pieces of Sushi sold. The gross amount raised was \$510.00 with the net amount after expenses being \$340.00 towards helping with the expenses for Janine Mongoo's

recovery.

Tamika and Mary Joy would like to thank Mandy from the Department of Domestic Violence and Clondic from Women on the Move for their help on the day your assistance is very much appreciated.



**Mary Joy and Tamika
Making Sushi (Right and Above)**



Women on the Move

This month women on the move have enjoyed coming together and making beautiful jewellery while they talk about interests, likes, and women issues. The young ladies learn to make jewellery including things such as a set of earrings, bangles or a necklace. Bonnie Gentle and Frances Walsh have taken the leadership of this group and they decide and help Clondic to facilitate the programs as well as to identify venues.

It's happening in Meekatharra.



You can join us by calling Clondic on 9980 1339/0467667589 or talk to Bonnie now.

**Women on the Move making
jewellery**

Halloween at the purple house





Meeka Goes Green



Meekatharra
Community
Resource
Centre

**Do you have any old mobile phones?
Don't know what to do with them?**

**Come into the
Meekatharra CRC and
drop them into the
green recycling box.**



**Don't forget: Ink Cartridges and Toner can be
Recycled at the Post Office!**



Meekatharra
Community Resource Centre

Last minute Christmas Gift Ideas!!
FROM THE MEEKA CRC!

- **Meekatharra 2012 Calendar**

Designs by the creative artists at the DHS Kick Arts Club and local photographers

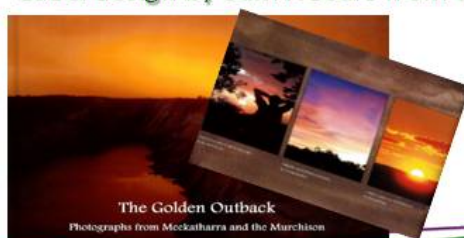
- **Golden Outback Photobook**

Photos of Meekatharra and the Murchison, by our local talented photographers

- **Postcards**

designed by the talented students at the DHS Kick Arts Club

- **Authentic Meeka Roo Poo (Chocolate Malt Balls)**
Label design by Sam Needle from the Meeka Shire



The Golden Outback
Photographs from Meekatharra and the Murchison



Department of
Regional Development and Lands





Meekatharra

Community Resource Centre

COMMITTEE MEETING

Next Meeting: **Tues 6th December @ 5pm**

Where: Meekatharra Community Resource Centre
55 Main Street

What's your
big idea?

The aim of the CRC is to support capacity building in the Community through the delivery of information and technology services, facilities and education to the Meekatharra community.

The CRC Committee welcome you to attend our Committee Meetings to share your big ideas! The CRC is Community owned and managed, and we use our Committee Meetings to discuss **new ideas** to reach **new groups** with **new & improved services**. Whether you are a local individual, organisation, group member or business employee/er, we would like to hear your fresh ideas of how we can improve and grow our service in the Community.

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FROM THE MEEKA CRC!

Pop in and get your photo
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Santa will have a little lolly bag for each kid



We will print your Santa photo for **FREE**



WHEN: 14th December 2011, between 2.30pm – 3.30pm

WHERE: At the Meekatharra CRC, 55 Main Street



Santa Claus is coming to town...



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The Meekatharra Dust

December 2011



Expressions of interest To help with:

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

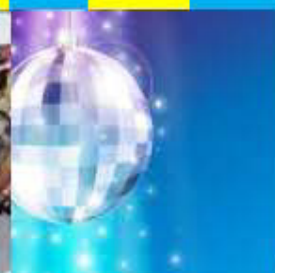
Contact Kelly,

Shire of Meekatharra Community Development Administration Officer

Tel: 9981 1002

Mob: 0438 938 605

Email: cdo@meekashire.wa.gov.au





Thank you to everyone who took part in this great cause!





The Meekatharra Dust
December 2011



Lesley's and Alistair's farewell at the Shire hall





Thank you for your four committed years of community service and involvement in numerous committees and voluntary agencies. Your help, friendship and effort is very much appreciated and we wish you all the best for your future in Albany.



THANK YOU





JUNIOR BELLE - TILLY KYANGA

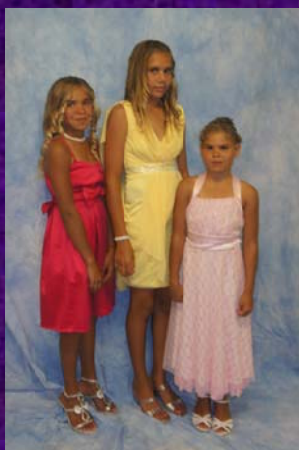


JUNIOR BEAU - PRESTON HATCH

SENIOR BELLE - BRITTANY QUARTERMAINE

SENIOR BEAU - BOB BINSIAR





Frontier Services – November Dust 2011

This will unfortunately be my last Dust update as I leave Meeka early December for the Southwest. For those who have not heard the '*news*' I have been asked by the Uniting Church in WA to take a placement with the Albany Regional Congregations; which include Wesley, Scots, Lockyer (in Albany) and then Denmark and Mt Barker, hence, life will continue to be busy!!

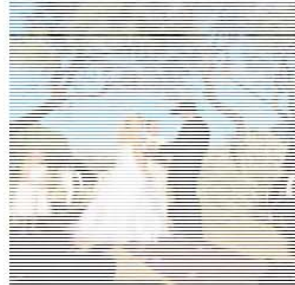
It is with sadness that Alastair and I leave the Murchison and in particular Meeka after four years, we will miss the many friends we have met along the way; but looking on the bright side, we are not leaving the state and many of you can come to visit Albany for a '*sea change*' and maybe even '*score a bed*' as well; we will be living in the original manse which has several (spare) rooms, one street back from the Albany Port☺.

Other good news is that Mission Australia have the funding this year for the 200+ Christmas Hampers and we the church have brought a heap of goodies for children 0-12 years in the community; this has been something very close to our hearts and feel a sense of pride as the indigenous community get behind the day and in doing so make it such a success.

In October I went to my last Frontier Services Patrol Ministers Conference in Alice Springs, apart from getting the flue it was great to see Alice again after 20 years (I worked there in the 80's). As the 24 Patrol Ministers had four days together it reinforced the sense of family as we connect to the Sydney Office and staff; with a little over 700 people working around Australia in FS organisations it's become a 'huge' network. One of the guest speakers was Dr John Ashfield who conducted training on how to identify and assist with mental health issues; focusing in particular on gender and differences between stress grief and trauma.



Patrol Ministers



Weddings: Nalan



Walling Rock

Since arriving back in October I had the pleasure of officiating at two weddings one at Nalan Station and the other at Walling Rock south of Cue. Alastair and I took the opportunity after the wedding at Walling Rock to visit Lake Ballard; which was amazing and well worth the trip with great camping facilities; even has a bush 'loo'.

The Meeka Church also hosted the Subiaco Baptist Youth in October (they painted the wall by the swimming pool last year), this time they laid pipe for a watering system so that a lawn can be planted at the Youth Centre. They connected well with the children of the community and ended with a Pool Party at the swimming pool to raise funds for Frontier Services Largest BBQ, the Church donated a mountain bike as a door prize on the night – lots of fun was had by all who attend.

The church will remain open by those who gather together each Sunday and hopefully when a 'new' Patrol minister arrives the church will continue to be open on Sundays. The church has been generous to the community over the years and the doors open when I'm in town. My final Church Service will be Sunday 27 November at 9am, an invitation goes out to the immediate community and ICPA Meekatharra members to come along and share the service with us.

ICPA will be in town for their 40th birthday on Saturday 26th at noon for celebrations at the Sports Oval and a school camp at Paddy's Flat from 28-30 November.

Wider Church News:

- **The Uniting Church WA Synod Social Justice Unit** now have available a DVD of the recent SBS production of *'Go Back to where you came from'*. Six ordinary Australians agree to challenge their preconceived notions about refugees and asylum seekers by embarking on a confronting 25 day journey. People groups are invited to view this documentary. For more info contact Sarah Mumme on 9260 9800 or email sarah.mumme@wa.uca.org.au.
- **Frontier Services** is the successor in the Uniting Church to the **Australian Inland Mission, established in 1912** to provide support to the people of remote Australia. 2012 marks the centenary year for Frontier Services, who will be holding various events **to celebrate the vision of churches and Rev John Flynn, as well as the work that has been done over the past 100 years**. For more info visit <http://www.frontierservices.org.au/about-us/our-centenary-year>.
- **Frontier Services Gift Cards** give you an opportunity to buy gifts for loved ones at Christmas that will have a direct impact on people living in remote Australia throughout the year to come. For more info or to purchase cards, visit www.frontierservices.org.

A Prayer from the Pulpit:

Most generous God, I thank you for your unfailing love, and for your constant willingness to renew your relationship with us and all of your wonderful creation.

We pray for a strong spirit of hope in each of our communities.

May dignity and mutual respect be the hallmark of our dealings with others.

We pray for all those who live beyond the towns of the Murchison and for all who struggle to survive economic uncertainties and demographic change.

We pray for all who work faithfully in the Murchison to make a difference.

Almighty God, your Son, Jesus, is the light of the world.

May his grace, healing and reconciliation enable your people to reflect his strong but ever so gentle love in the world. **Amen.**

Blessings **Lesley**

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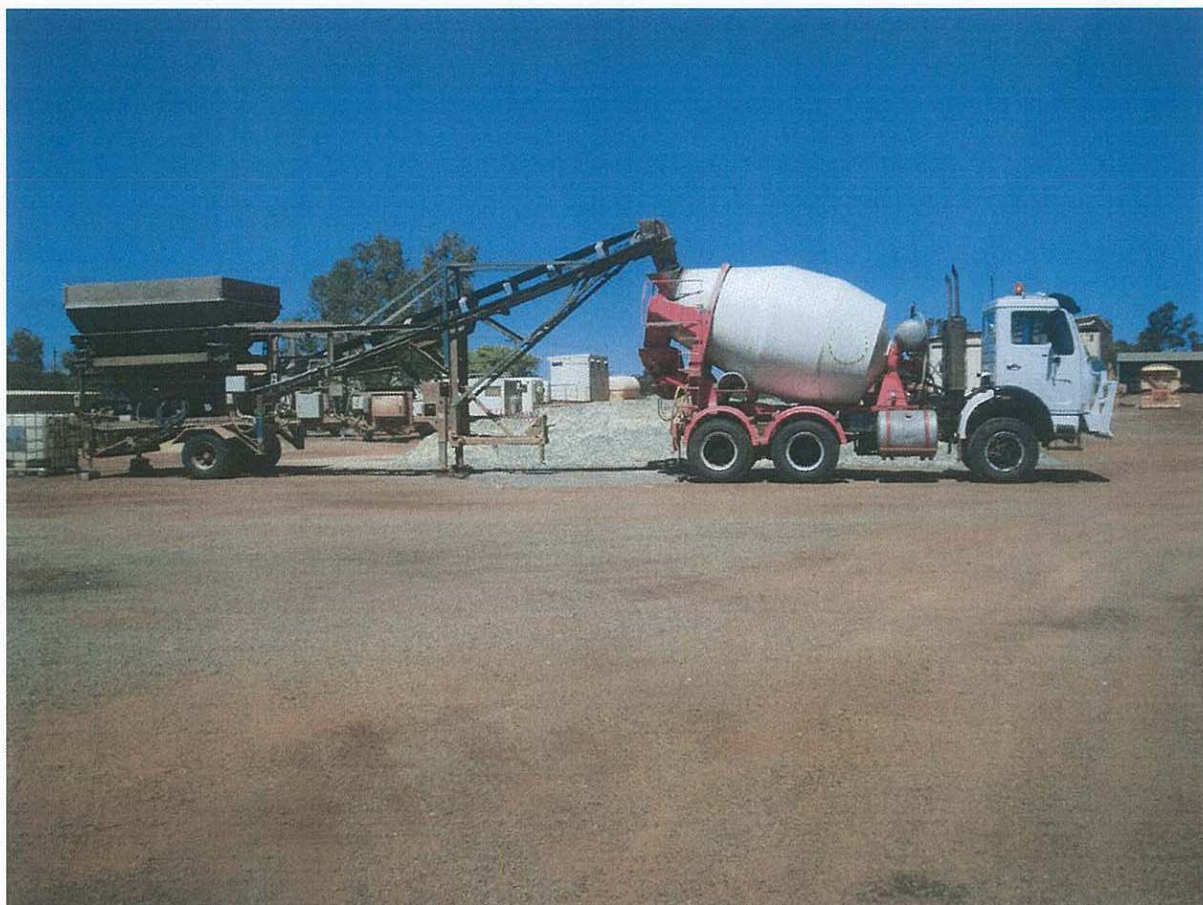
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		Mon PM	<u>Thurs</u> PM
Geraldton (Railway Stn)	Dep	1.15	3.00
Mullewa (Swimming Pool)	Arr	2.30	-
	Dep	2.35	4.15
Yalgoo (General Store)	Dep	4.00	5.40
Mt Magnet (Swagman R/House)	Arr	5.27	6.55
	Dep	5.57	7.25
Cue (Post Office)	Dep	6.53	8.25
Tuckunarra	Dep	7.20	8.57
Meekatharra (Post Office)	Arr	8.15	9.50

From Meekatharra

		Tues AM	<u>Fri</u> AM
Meekatharra (Royal Mail Hotel)	Dep	7.00	9.00
Tuckunarra	Dep	7.55	9.55
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	Dep	8.48	11.48
Yalgoo (General Store)	Dep	11.15	1.15
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December 2011



December Horoscopes



Aries - December 2011 : Lofty thoughts or long distance travel could have you in far away places these first few weeks. Long distance communication during this time is critical, so heads up. Pay attention to what you say and what is being said. You will find you have a responsibility to keep those communications clear and in order.

Cancer - December 2011 : Taking on too much could render you a completely exhausted person by the 21st. Slow down and relax. Things have a synergy and happen in their own time. Or as we aging Hippies used to say, "Go with the flow, man." You don't wind up getting a box of tissue for Christmas as you could wind up with a case of the sniffles.

Libra - 2011 December: Get those cards out early this year. Make all those phone calls. Get the shopping done early. Drop off gifts early. It's going to be a mad house effort if you don't. Make a plan and a schedule and stick to it to avoid any last minute fire drills this Holiday Season.

Capricorn - December 2011 : As always this time of year, for the first three weeks of December you'll feel like your feet are dragging and you just need to catch a quick nap. Take it slow. Have a plan and stick to it. Don't try to over-do anything. There could be some health issues that could mar the Holiday Season if you over do. So relax.

Taurus - December 2011 : Watching the purse string this Holiday Season could pay off big for you. You may find yourself wanting to give gifts of lasting value or of deep personal meaning to the receiver. Remember that the greatest gift can't be wrapped in colourful paper with a bright bow. That gift is Love.

Leo - December 2011 : Roses in the snow could be blooming for you the first part of December. Or you could have a burst of creative energy that will not be denied. Whatever the case is, use the energy well. Do something to remember for the rest of your life. There is such a powerhouse of energy in you that shouldn't be left untouched.

Scorpio - December 2011 : This year has been one of major changes for you. Your value system has been turned upside down and inside out. Have you learned what really counts in life? The Universe has put you on a very tight budget just to show you this. If you've discovered what that is then the gifts you give this year will be more precious than diamonds or gold.

Aquarius - December 2011 : Dreams and wishes come true for you all month long. This could be a time of manifestation that could even surprise you for a change. Things that you have been working on now seem to come to completion with ease and with wonderful results. Friends stand at both hands and behind you during the first three weeks of this month to enliven your outlook and bring joy to you wherever you may be. However, don't neglect that romantic someone in your life or suppress any creative urges you have. They will be there to teach you something.

Gemini - December 2011 : These first few weeks of December, you could come to realize how valuable that committed other is in your life. This could be the basis of some major changes on your part. Remember always if you want changes to occur in your life, you must make the first change. Let your partner show you what direction to take by paying close attention to what is or isn't said

Virgo - December 2011: You are going to want to make everything just as perfect for this Holiday as you can. Trouble is that you may need time away from your career or workplace to accomplish what you have planned. Seek outside help from those close to you for this event. Involving others in your plans can surprise you with the results.

Sagittarius - December 2011 : Life of the party. You are on a roll this month! Places to go and things to do. Busy, busy, and busy! You could attract the attentions of the opposite sex and not even realize it as you scurry through the first three weeks of December. If you're committed to another, pay some extra attention to them during this period. Your rose coloured glasses may need a cleaning, Santa.

Pisces - December 2011: Career glory is showered down on you for the first three weeks of this month. It's well earned. However, there has been a cost and that has been your family life. Balance is so important and before you lose something very valuable, take the time you need for that all-important home front



Country Cruising

A 7 night cruise to the Pacific Islands of New Caledonia sounds pretty good but throw in some of the most well known country music stars in Australia to entertain you and you have the cruise of a lifetime.

My friend and I boarded the beautiful 'Rhapsody of the Seas' on 27th October in Sydney and settled in to our balcony cabin. It was just like a hotel room albeit a little smaller but there was plenty of room for the two of us and oodles of storage space.

Being new to cruising we weren't sure how it all worked but that wasn't a problem as every evening staff would place the 'Cruise Compass' on our beds which would give us a full run down on what activities were on the next day.

The most difficult part for us was trying to decide what to do as there was so much to choose from. You could swim, read, dance, eat, join in quiz shows or games, climb a rock wall, work out at the gym, have a massage, facial, manicure or get your hair done to name just a few. Of course there are also shops on board!!

Every evening we were treated to shows by stars such as Adam Harvey, Gina Jeffries, Becky Cole, Catherine Britt, Amber Lawrence and John Williamson and more. Amber Joy Poulton performed her 'Honky Tonk Angels' showed based on the life of Loretta Lynn and the Johnny Cash Tribute band did justice to many of his songs. Other performers offered their time for song writing workshops or to back up those on board who wished to try their hand at singing in public. We became big fans of an Adelaide based band called 'The Rustlers' who play a great style of country rock/folk, most of their songs being original works.

You could eat formally in the dining room, casually in the café, relaxed by the pool or in your cabin via room service –all included in the cost of your ticket. Drinks such as lemonade, water and juice were included whilst all other drinks were reasonably priced and you could purchase packages for the duration of the cruise. Every day featured a cocktail of the day and for an extra couple of dollars you could take the glass home too.

We had two days in port, one in Noumea and one at The Isle of Pines, both being French owned. Noumea, being the capital of New Caledonia is much larger but being a Sunday most shops were closed although tours were available for those who wanted them and you could hire nifty little buggies to drive around in if you were game.

The Isle of Pines was my idea of a tropical pacific island. The sea was crystal clear, the beach smooth and clean, tropical flowers blossomed and the only shopping was stalls set up by the locals. It was sunny but not hot.

We had smooth sailing for the whole trip with just a little rocking and rolling on our return trip. It did make it interesting for the performers on the stage trying to keep their balance and most of the women had to resort to singing in bare feet.

You would think with around 2000 people on a ship there wouldn't be much likelihood of running into people you know but I knew before I left that Leanne and Deb Howden (both formerly of Meeka) were going to be on board but then ran into another couple who used to have Gabyon Station out of Yalgoo!!

This cruise was one of the most fantastic, value -for -money, holidays I have ever had and would recommend it to anyone. I know some who were on it have already booked for 2012.

If you'd like to check it out go to <http://www.cruisincountry.com.au/2012/about.html>

The company also does other musical based cruises including Elvis Cruises and Rock'n'Roll Cruises.

Raelene Hall



Adelaide band The Rustlers



Becky Cole



Noumea Race Course



Isle of Pines



**Leanne howden, Deb Howden
and Debs sister Kerry—Melbourne**



**Rhapsody Cup held on Mel-
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Police Station—Isle of Pines



Entrance to Shall We Dance Lounge



Adam Harvey



Adam Harvey



Rhapsody of the Seas—Our Ship



John Williamson



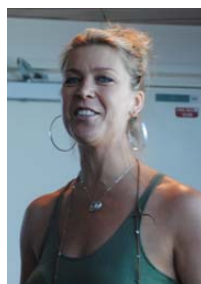
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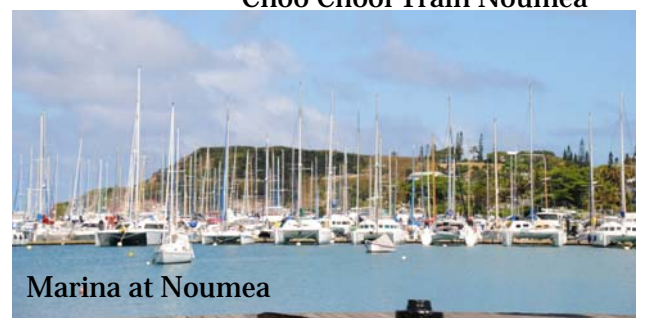
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Noumea



Gina Jeffreys



Marina at Noumea

3D paper ornaments



When you've got young kids, you want safe Christmas tree ornaments - those glass ones are just accidents waiting to happen. In comparison, these 'onions' are safe, simple to make and look pretty hanging en masse from a tree or strung together as a garland. Also cute for birthday parties or as a mobile in a baby's

To make 3D paper ornaments, you'll need:

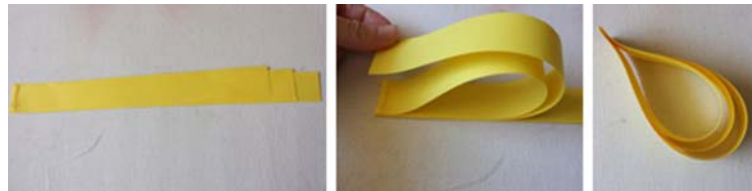
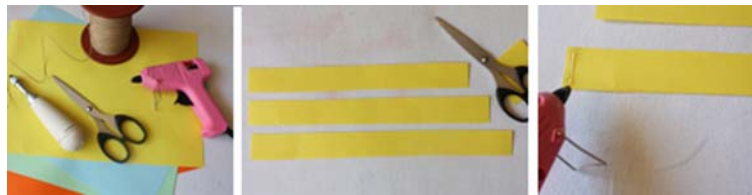
A4 sheets of coloured paper

Scissors

A hot glue gun

String

Single hole punch



Step one

Cut the A4 paper into 1.5-2cm wide strips the length of the page. You need three strips per 'onion'.



Leave one strip as is. Then cut about 1.5 centimetres from the end of another strip. Then cut about 3cm off the end of the third strip so you are left with three strips of different length.

Step two

Starting with the longest piece, place a strip of glue at one end and stick the second longest strip of paper on top.

Repeat with the smallest strip so you have all three strips stuck together with one edge all neatly lined up and the other visibly showing the different lengths.

Step three

Apply more glue to the end of the glued together paper strips. Then bend the bottom of the shortest strip up to meet the glue end and press it into place. Repeat with the other two strips. You should have a kind of three-tired teardrop shape.

Step four

Glue the centre of the bottom of the paper strips together so that they stick together at the base of the 'onion'. Gently push the 'onion' down to flatten it out a little more.

Step five

Punch a hole in the top of the 'onion', tie a piece of string through the hole and hang.

Potato-stamped wrapping paper

This is one for the big and little kids. You do the clean cutting; they do the messy stamping (although you'll have to do the cleaning up of the mess) Wrapping paper with the mark of the kids is a cute personal touch to family-member gifts and looks cute and cheerful mixed with an assortment of different wrapping papers under the tree.

You'll need:

Paints

A sponge, cut in half

A potato

A knife

A texta

Paper



1. Equipment
2. Cut potato in half
3. Trace stamp shape onto cut potato half using a paper stencil
4. Using a knife, cut away the potato flesh from the traced shape
5. Dip the stamp in paint and get stamping!

Step one

Cut the potato in half.

Step two

Draw your desired shape on a piece of paper (it helps to trace around the potato face-down on the paper first so you can fit the shape exactly into the potato's circumference).

Step three

Cut around the shape from the top and a few millimeters down the potato too so the shape rises from the rest of the potato.

Step four

Place the sponges on a small plate and squirt paint onto each sponge. Let the kids loose with the stamps on a large sheet of butcher's paper or craft paper (we used the Ikea paper rolls). Leave to dry then wrap!

Media Release

Hon **Wendy Duncan** MLC

Member for Mining & Pastoral Region | Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Regional Development, Lands | Parliamentary Leader in the Legislative Council

THE **NATIONALS** for Regional WA

\$10 MILLION ROYALTIES FOR REGIONS BOOST TO REGIONAL AIRPORT DEVELOPMENT SCHEME

29 NOVEMBER 2011

The Hon Wendy Duncan MLC has today welcomed the announcement that the Regional Airport Development Scheme (RADS) is to be given a boost with \$10 million of Royalties for Regions Funding.

Ms Duncan said that the Royalties for Regions funding would be in addition to \$3.8 million of RADS funding.

"The Royalties for Regions boost to the Regional Airport Development Scheme means that some of our more remote and isolated airports can also put their hand up for an upgrade, be it improving the runway surface, upgrading lighting or even fencing out the camels! It also is of great assistance to airports needing to upgrade security so they can accept larger jet aircraft."

Ms Duncan encourages community members to approach their local authority if they have a proposal to improve their local airport. Owners and operators of existing or proposed publicly accessible airports are eligible to apply for funding in 2012-13.

Applications open on the 14 December 2011 and close on 27 January 2012.

An information brochure and application forms can be found at
<http://www.transport.wa.gov.au/rads>

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Skippers' Flight Schedule
PERTH TO MEEKATHARRA TO PERTH

SUNDAY - No Flights

MONDAY

FLIGHT NUMBER	DEPART	TIME	ARRIVE	TIME
JW1941	PERTH	0735	MT MAGNET	0855
	MT MAGNET	0925	MEEKATHARRA	1000
	MEEKATHARRA	1035	PERTH	1200

TUESDAY - No Flights

WEDNESDAY

FLIGHT NUMBER	DEPART	TIME	ARRIVE	TIME
JW1941	PERTH	0735	MT MAGNET	0855
	MT MAGNET	0925	MEEKATHARRA	1000
	MEEKATHARRA	1035	PERTH	1200

THURSDAY

FLIGHT NUMBER	DEPART	TIME	ARRIVE	TIME
JW1940	MEEKATHARRA	1000	PERTH	1145

FRIDAY

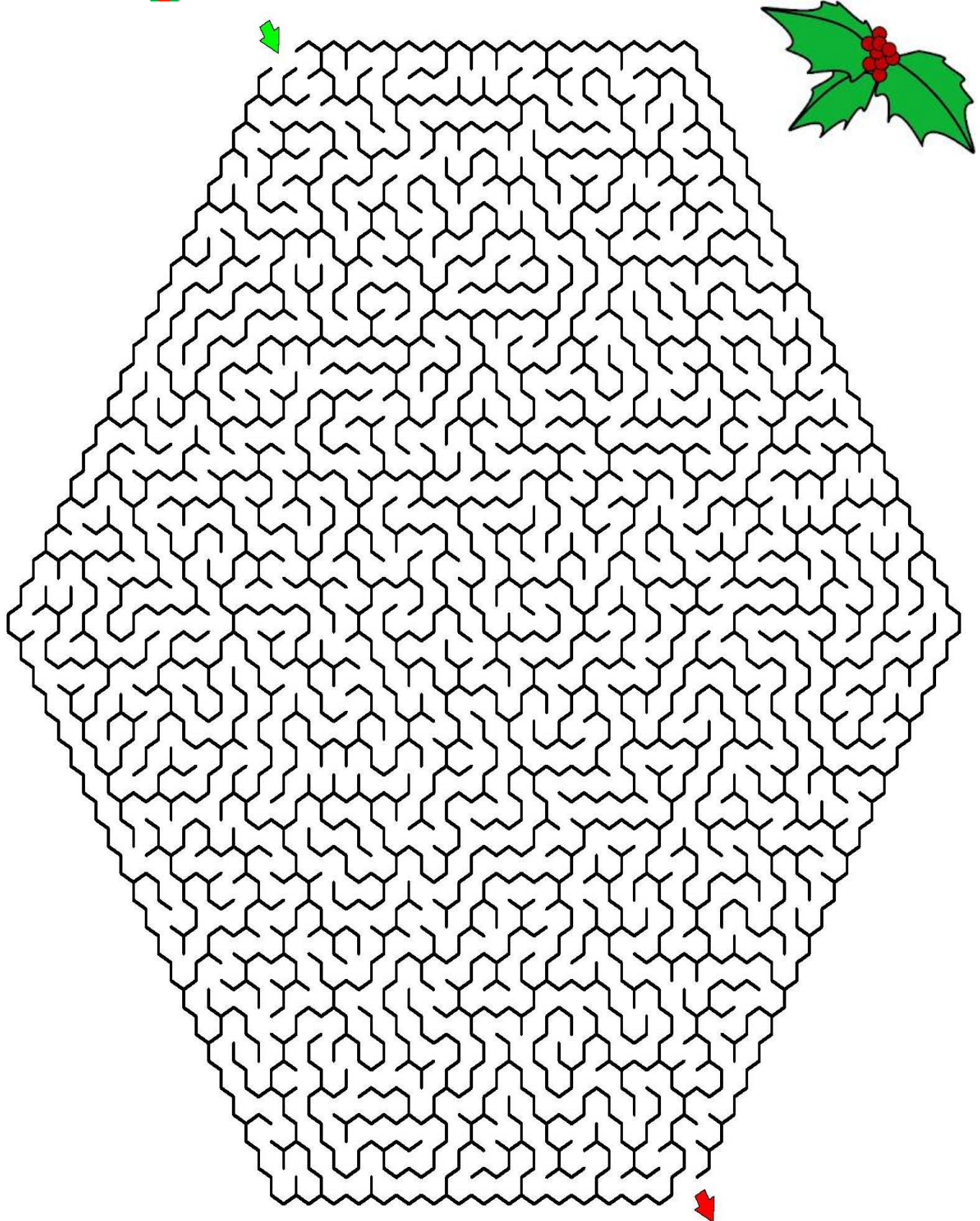
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JW1941	PERTH	1230	MT MAGNET	1355
	MT MAGNET	1425	MEEKATHARRA	1455
	MEEKATHARRA	1525	PERTH	1650

SATURDAY - No Flights

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Sudoku

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November

Sudoku

Solution



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	7	3				4	1	
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GIANT Crossword

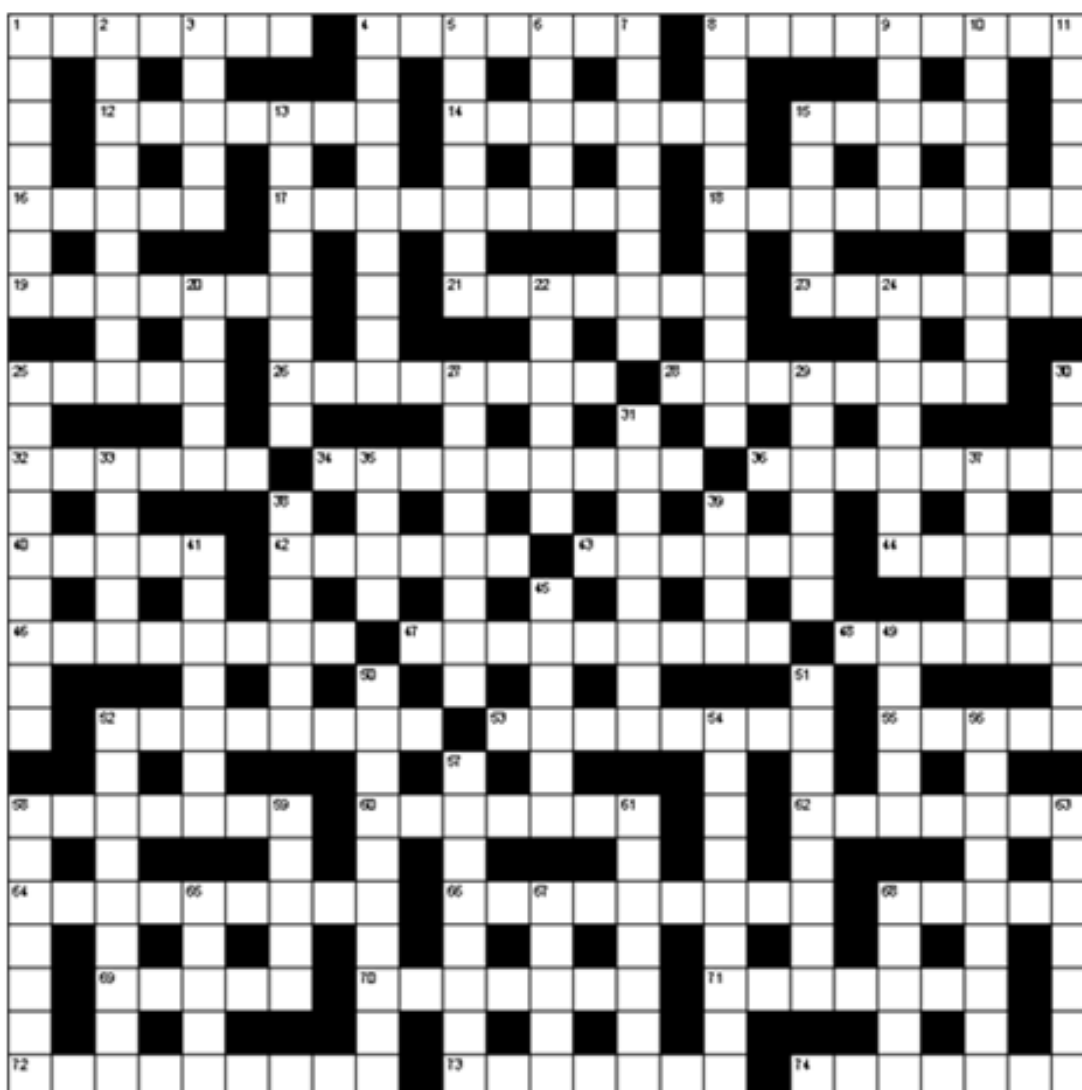


Across

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| 1. Marine crustacean (7) | 26. Element (8) | 53. Cellar (8) |
| 4. Type of duck (7) | 28. Circumspect (8) | 55. Garret (5) |
| 8. Exactly the same (9) | 32. Risk (6) | 58. Amassed (7) |
| 12. Stone pillar (7) | 34. Expectations (9) | 60. Equipose (7) |
| 14. Fatuous (7) | 36. Church (8) | 62. Graceful (7) |
| 15. Musical note (5) | 40. Performed (5) | 64. Villain (9) |
| 16. Throw out (5) | 42. Suitable for cultivation (6) | 66. Stamina (9) |
| 17. One who expects the worst (9) | 43. Mute (6) | 68. Italian dish (5) |
| 18. Farcical (9) | 44. Incisors (5) | 69. Disagree (5) |
| 19. Hankered (7) | 46. Exhaustive (8) | 70. Environmental condition (7) |
| 21. Evidence (7) | 47. Arduous (9) | 71. Liberate (7) |
| 23. Reading stand (7) | 48. Vote (6) | 72. Disbelieving (9) |
| 25. Parts of a book (5) | 52. Attuned to the feelings of others (8) | 73. Hereditary (7) |
| | | 74. Thin (7) |

Down

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| 1. Theft (7) | 22. Complied with (6) | 49. Astound (5) |
| 2. Australian throwing stick (9) | 24. Pharmacist (7) | 50. Fiendish (10) |
| 3. Attend to an ailment (5) | 25. Spectacular ceremony (9) | 51. Airy (8) |
| 4. Stopgap (9) | 27. Out of date (8) | 52. Intricate (9) |
| 5. Bounding (7) | 29. Maps (6) | 54. Bizarre (9) |
| 6. Legal excuse (5) | 30. Indifferent (9) | 56. Surpass (9) |
| 7. Floating aimlessly (8) | 31. Orientation (8) | 57. Slumbering (8) |
| 8. High-minded (10) | 33. Slogan (5) | 58. Sled dogs (7) |
| 9. Invigorating medicine (5) | 35. Harvest (4) | 59. Lament (5) |
| 10. Part (9) | 37. Paragon (5) | 61. Sincere (7) |
| 11. Affair (7) | 38. Captured (6) | 63. Movie preview (7) |
| 13. Insolent (8) | 39. Bill of fare (4) | 65. Evening (5) |
| 15. Decoration (5) | 41. Fell (7) | 67. Pulled (5) |
| 20. Relating to the nose (5) | 45. Confine (6) | 68. Platter (5) |



Perfect Roast Chicken



Preparation Time

20 - 30 minutes

Cooking Time

210 minutes

Ingredients (serves 10)

- 100g butter, at room temperature
- 2 brown onions, finely chopped
- 150g pancetta, coarsely chopped
- 350g (5 cups) fresh breadcrumbs (made from day-old bread)
- 110g (2/3 cup) unsalted pistachio kernels, finely chopped
- 1/2 cup fresh continental parsley
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh sage
- 5kg whole fresh or thawed frozen turkey
- 1.625L (6 1/2 cups) chicken stock
- 50g (1/3 cup) plain flour
- 80ml (1/3 cup) port
- 80ml (1/3 cup) red wine
- 1 tbs chopped fresh rosemary



Method

1. Melt 60g of the butter in a large frying pan over medium heat. Cook the onion and pancetta, stirring occasionally, for 8 minutes or until soft. Stir in the breadcrumbs, pistachio, parsley and sage. Season with pepper.
2. Preheat oven to 180°C. Remove excess fat, giblets and neck from the turkey cavity. Wipe inside and out with paper towel. Starting from the tip of the breast, run your fingers under the skin to loosen and create a large pocket. Press half the breadcrumb mixture into the pocket and spread evenly over the breast. Loosely fill the cavity with remaining breadcrumb mixture. Use unwaxed white kitchen string to tie the legs together. Tuck the wings under. Place on a V-shaped rack in a roasting pan. Spread the remaining butter over the breast.
3. Pour 1L (4 cups) of stock into the base of the pan. Cover the turkey with non-stick baking paper, then cover the pan with foil. Roast for 1 hour, then baste with pan juices. Roast, covered, basting once, for a further 1 1/2 hours. Discard the foil and paper. Roast for a further 30-40 minutes or until golden and the juices run clear when the thickest part of the thigh is pierced with a skewer. Transfer the turkey to a serving platter. Cover tightly with foil. Set aside for 30 minutes to rest.
4. Meanwhile, pour the liquid from the roasting pan into a heatproof jug and reserve. Transfer 2 tablespoons of fat from the surface of the reserved juices to the roasting pan. Place over medium-high heat. Add the flour and cook, stirring, for 1 minute or until the mixture bubbles. Remove from heat. Gradually whisk in the port and red wine. Place the pan over medium-high heat and cook, scraping the pan with a flat-edged wooden spoon to dislodge any bits that have cooked onto the base. Add the remaining stock, reserved liquid and any juices from the resting turkey. Cook, stirring often, for 10 minutes or until the gravy reduces and thickens. Stir in the rosemary. Season with salt and pepper.

Transfer the gravy to a serving jug and serve with the turkey.

Baileys Rum Balls

Makes

30

Ingredients

- Dark chocolate & rum truffles mixture (see related recipe)
- 220g pkt good-quality dark chocolate, coarsely chopped
- 220g pkt good-quality milk chocolate, coarsely chopped
- 80ml (1/3 cup) thickened cream
- 2 tbs Baileys Original Irish Cream liqueur
- 100g chocolate sprinkles

Method

1. In step 1 of the dark chocolate & rum truffles recipe: Make the ganache using the dark chocolate, milk chocolate and cream. Stir in the Baileys. Place in the fridge for 4 hours to chill.
 2. In step 2 of the dark chocolate & rum truffles recipe: Roll the truffles into balls, then roll in chocolate sprinkles to coat. Place in the fridge until firm.
- Omit steps 3, 4 and 5 of the dark chocolate & rum truffles recipe.

Baileys Rocky Road



Makes

12 slices

Ingredients

- 50ml Baileys Irish Cream liqueur
- 200g good-quality dark chocolate, roughly chopped
- 20g unsalted butter
- 1/3 cup (100g) sweetened condensed milk
- 50g chopped unsalted pistachio kernels
- 75g roughly crushed shortbread biscuits
- 200g mini marshmallows (or regular marshmallows, chopped)
- 150g white chocolate, roughly chopped

Method

1. Grease an 8cm x 20cm bar pan. Line with baking paper, leaving some overhanging.
 2. Place Baileys, dark chocolate, butter and milk in a heatproof bowl over a pan of simmering water (don't let the bowl touch the water). Allow to melt, then stir gently until smooth. Remove from heat and cool slightly. Stir in nuts, biscuit, marshmallow and 100g white chocolate. Spread mixture into pan, then chill for 2-3 hours until firm.
- Melt remaining 50g white chocolate as before. Drizzle over fudge, leave for 3-4 minutes to set, then cut into squares. The fudge will keep in an airtight container in the fridge for up to 1 week.



December 2011

Sunday 4th—Meekatharra Pharmacy
BBQ



Tuesday 13th – Carols By Candlelight –
6pm at the school

Sunday 18th—Meeka Pool Party

Wed 21st – Xmas Hampers Pick Up at the
Shire Hall



Sunday 25th Christmas Day!

Monday 26th Boxing Day

Tuesday 27th Public Holiday

Sunday 1st New Years Day

Monday 2nd Public Holiday

Closing Date: 21st Dec