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Thank you, Meekatharra Shire





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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 the Shire before

IMPORTANT DATES AUGUST 2015

COUNCIL MEETING

15 AUGUST 2015 9.30AM

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CNR MAIN AND SAVAGE STREETS

Note from Council

All items to be presented at Council Meetings need to be submitted to Shire Staff two weeks prior to Council Meeting dates. All items received after this time will be held for further consideration.

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YOUR COUNCIL NEWS



| August 2015 |



compiled by Katie Hartrick
via long distance bush telegraph

THE 2015/2016 BUDGET

Council has formally adopted the 2015/2016 Shire budget. The budget covers a wide range of planned activities, including progressing the revitalisation plan with new pedestrian access point along Main Street, some major streetscape works, Lloyds building and skate park designs.



Shire Roads

The Shire has received approval to commence flood damage reinstatement works on a number of badly damaged roads throughout the Shire. These works are funded through the Natural Disaster Recovery and Relief Arrangements and have been estimated to cost \$8.8M.



Tenders have been called for contractors to undertake these works. The Shire is also awaiting approval for Business Case funding from the Royalties for Regions Program to continue upgrading and sealing Landor Road over the next three years.

15/16 Budget



2015 VARIETY 'PORT TO PORT' BASH

The Shire is donating use of the sporting complex for the 2015 Variety Bash when they pass through Meekatharra.

The annual Variety Bash is Australia's most successful charity motoring event. Starting at Port Denison, the 2015 troupe will head across the Western Australia on a seven day journey ending at Karatha.

Location: Port Denison to Karratha

When: 8 -15 August 2015

The exact Bash track and timetable is top secret - so keep your eyes peeled for their arrival.

www.variety.org.au/WA/Events/Bash



WANT TO BE A SHIRE COUNCILLOR?

Want to know more about what Elected Members can and cannot do? Ever thought about becoming a Western Australian Elected Member but not quite sure if you are the right person for the role? Why not attend a free webinar with local government experts...



The WA Local Government Association (WALGA) lobbies and negotiates on behalf of 139 WA Local Governments. WALGA is hosting a free webinar for community members who are considering becoming Elected Members on Wednesday, 12 August at 5.30pm.

If you don't have access to a computer please contact Roy McClymont at the Meeka Shire Office and arrangements will be made for you to view the webinar.

The webinar will run for 45 minutes and will cover the following topics:

- About Local Government
- Becoming an Elected Member
- Councillor Roles and Responsibilities
- Council Meetings
- Personal Responsibilities
- Impacts on Home Life

If you can't make it on the day, the webinar will be hosted on the WALGA Training website for future access.

If you have further questions on the webinar, or want to learn more please contact James McGovern, Manager Governance on 9213 2093 or email jmccgovern@walga.asn.au.

www.walga.asn.au



MEEKA MUSTER

August is shaping up as an active month, starting with the Meeka Muster. The two day basketball carnival kicks off 1st August (games playing as the Dust goes to print).

The Shire is donating the use of the sporting complex and funding for independent umpires.

MEEKATHARRA SPORTS COMPLEX
1 - 2 AUGUST 2015

Town Cleanup

The 2015/15 budget has also allocated funds for a major town clean-up, targeting the numerous car bodies littering on public land.



Other Upgrades

Other big ticket items include the upgrading of the town walkway, new apron lights at the airport to improve night safety for aircraft, as well as improvements at the Swimming Pool and sporting complex.

BE INVOLVED & HAVE YOUR SAY

You're welcome to attend the monthly council meetings (check the back cover of *The Dust* for the next meeting date). Council Minutes are available to everyone, and detail the issues council discusses at each meeting.

You can also write to the council, c/- The Shire of Meekatharra CEO, PO Box 129, Meekatharra 6642

MEEKATHARRA SHIRE COUNCIL

ORDINARY ELECTION

Saturday 17 October 2015

Non Statutory Advertisement

STAND FOR COUNCIL

Get involved and influence your community

As a local government councillor you can influence decisions about your community in areas including:

- Sport and Recreation
- Environment
- Community Development
- Public Health and Safety
- Essential Infrastructure
- Future Planning

The best way to influence change is to be involved in the decision-making process.

WHO CAN NOMINATE AS A CANDIDATE?

This ordinary election is to elect four Councillors, each for a four year term expiring October 2019. People can nominate to become a candidate, if they:

- Are 18 or older
- Are an elector of the district and
- Meet all other eligibility requirements for a councillor

Nominations open on Thursday 3 September 2015

and close at 4.00pm on Thursday 10 September 2015.

For more information:

Please contact Roy McClymont, CEO, Shire of Meekatharra Tel: 9980 0600

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS WEBINAR



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SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA

ORDINARY ELECTION

SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER 2015

ENROLLING TO VOTE

Non Statutory Advertisement

You may be eligible to be enrolled to vote in the “in-person” Meekatharra Local Government elections on 17 October 2015 if you live in or are an owner or occupier of rateable property in the Meekatharra District.

Residents

You are automatically enrolled to vote if you are on the State Electoral Roll as at 5.00pm 28 August 2015.

If you are not already on the State Electoral Roll but meet the eligibility criteria for this roll, a claim for enrolment can be made to any Divisional Returning Officer of the Australian Electoral Commission Western Australia. Forms are available from all post offices, the WA Electoral Commission and most Shire Offices and must be completed and reach a Divisional Returning Officer by 5.00pm Friday 28 August 2015. You can also complete the form online at www.aec.gov.au

Non-Resident Owners and Occupiers, Joint Owners and Occupiers and Corporations may also be eligible to enrol to vote and should contact the Returning Officer at Meekatharra for details.

SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA

81 Main St, Meekatharra 6642

TEL: 9980 0600 **FAX:** 9981 1505

Email: executive@meekashire.wa.gov.au

RETURNING OFFICER: Roy McClymont

Bubbles & Barney ~ A story of feathers and fur



Who says those of different backgrounds cannot find common ground or friendship.

A bird and a dog, two very different species by any classification... little grounds for a friendship based on the histories and general natures of the species.

While Bubbles owner was away, Bubbles went to stay with Barney's owner. Neither animal is a young one (but not so old either!), so the theory goes there shouldn't be too many new tricks... and yet...

Bubbles used to circle Barney's cage and Barney would dance around and back and forward with Bubbles... Bubbles would bark at Barney (*and anything else that came up to the house*) and Barney would dart at Bubbles. Just games. After Bubbles went back home, it was like he never left Barney's place for Barney could bark!! But that's not the story...

Barney was having his cage cleaned and his temp cage latch came away and so Barney took off... His owner was distraught beyond belief ... frantic calling, sweet cooing, food, nothing brought Barney down – he was off to stretch his wings.

Friends were called, Mitch at the radio station was contacted to broadcast Barney's escape and desperate search, anyone in the owner and her friends' phones was called... to no avail no sightings reported. Desperate moment in any pet owners' life.

So here's the story – Bubble's and his owner are out on their front porch at the end of the day, watching the sun go down with Bubbles barking away at the passersby. When Bubbles tilts his head, like he can hear something worth paying attention to.. but we are guess here 😊

Three days and no sign or report on Barney. He has flown the coop so it seems. But then on day three there's a flash of colour a bit of tail hanging down from the car port gutter at Bubbles house. "What was that", "No way", "It couldn't be", "Where's my phone?" Then a little head pops down (on that angle only a bird and a yoga expert can do). It couldn't be. A frantic and somewhat excitedly cautious call is made... it could be...

A dash to the car cage in hand and a quick drive to Bubbles house by Barney's owner. Some sweet calls and offers of treats and Barney is in the arms of his owner....

You can call it a fluke or luck, but we think it was a case of friendship and familiarity. A cross species communication, a story of feathers and fur.

The Late Kenneth Hall

Neds Creek Station

Kenneth Hall was born on the 1st September 1923, second child to Walter and Winifred Hall. He had an older sister Florence and later, two younger brothers Peter and Ian. Sadly Ian passed away at just 12 years of age. The family lived first at Illgararie Station and later at Bulloo Downs Station. Ken's father was a manager until he and Peter purchased Bulloo Downs in later years.

At the age of just 14 years, Ken left home to work on Ashburton Downs Station, doing general station work, including looking after windmills and mustering sheep –not his favourite animal.

After three years at Ashburton Downs, Ken and a mate purchased horses, saddles and packs with the intention of heading for Queensland but with a drought on at the time, that plan fell through. His mate got a job working for Wattie Hall (Ken's father) as a windmill man, whilst Ken took up roo shooting.

When World War 2 broke out Ken was manpowered, preventing him from joining up, much to his disgust. His mate did go to war as a rear gunner and never returned.

Following the war Ken worked at Bulloo for a short time. He had got himself a complete droving plant together and used to drive the Bulloo Downs and Ethel Creek

cattle to Meekatharra to go on the train to market.

At the age of 23 Ken went into partnership with Monty Bender to purchase Neds Creek. At the time there was about 7 mills and 700 cattle on the station. Today there is 47 watering points and about 3500 cattle. The agreement was that Monty would supply the pounds and Dad would do the work.

In 1952 Ken married Esma Nulsen of Wiluna and they made their home at Neds Creek. Shortly afterwards Monty Bender passed away

and Ken was forced to borrow money to pay out Monty's widow. This was the one and only debt Ken ever had in his lifetime.

Walter was their first-born son, followed by Clyde and then Lionel. All three boys were very much involved in the station during their childhood as well as doing correspondence lessons with their mother. Ken was always very proud of his boys, not that he would ever tell you, or them, that.

In the mid 70's the family purchased the lease of the adjoining New Spring Station, allowing them to run more cattle. Clyde and Lionel then joined their parents in a family partnership, K&EL Hall & Sons.

Ken was a terrific horse rider and an even better stockman. He believed in handling stock gently and passed this onto his sons and his grandsons. That's not to say he wouldn't give a beast a touch up if it were being difficult!

It could never be said that Ken was not a progressive person. He moved from horses to motorbikes to suzukis for mustering when he felt the time was right. Neds Creek was one of the first stations to start using solar power and he was never hesitant to change his cattle breed when he thought it necessary to meet the market.

What Ken achieved in his lifetime was due to sheer hard work and excellent management. He was a fair boss and those who worked for Ken had great respect for him.

Retirement was not a word that Ken had any interest in. He continued to work on his beloved Neds Creek until well in his 80's. Even when his body started to fail he would water the garden and do whatever he could, whilst waiting for his boys (sons and grandsons) to report to him at the end of the day about what was happening.

After 63 years of marriage it was a heartbreaking day for Ken when his wife Esma had to leave him to move to a nursing home. This would be the first time they would ever live apart.

His wish was always to die at Neds Creek and he came very close, only spending a brief time in Meekatharra hospital before slipping peacefully away.

Ken leaves an enormous legacy to all his family—a legacy of love, memories, knowledge, friendship and one of the best-run stations in the pastoral industry.

He was a good and decent man –a gentleman –who loved his wife and family and was dedicated to his station.

THANK YOU

The Hall family would like to thank everyone for the expressions of sympathy, cards, flowers and attendance at the funeral of our father, father in law and grandfather, Kenneth Hall of Neds Creek Station.

Special thanks are extended to Meg Forrester, Natalie Broad and Ron and Margaret Bell for their assistance in organising the funeral and wake.

Thanks also to the Commercial Hotel and the Meekatharra Accommodation Centre (Caravan Park) for their catering.



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Potential and existing suppliers are invited to register.

Information Required.

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Type of Services/ Goods provider

Please register by emailing admin@meekashire.wa.gov.au or telephone Rachel on 99800600.



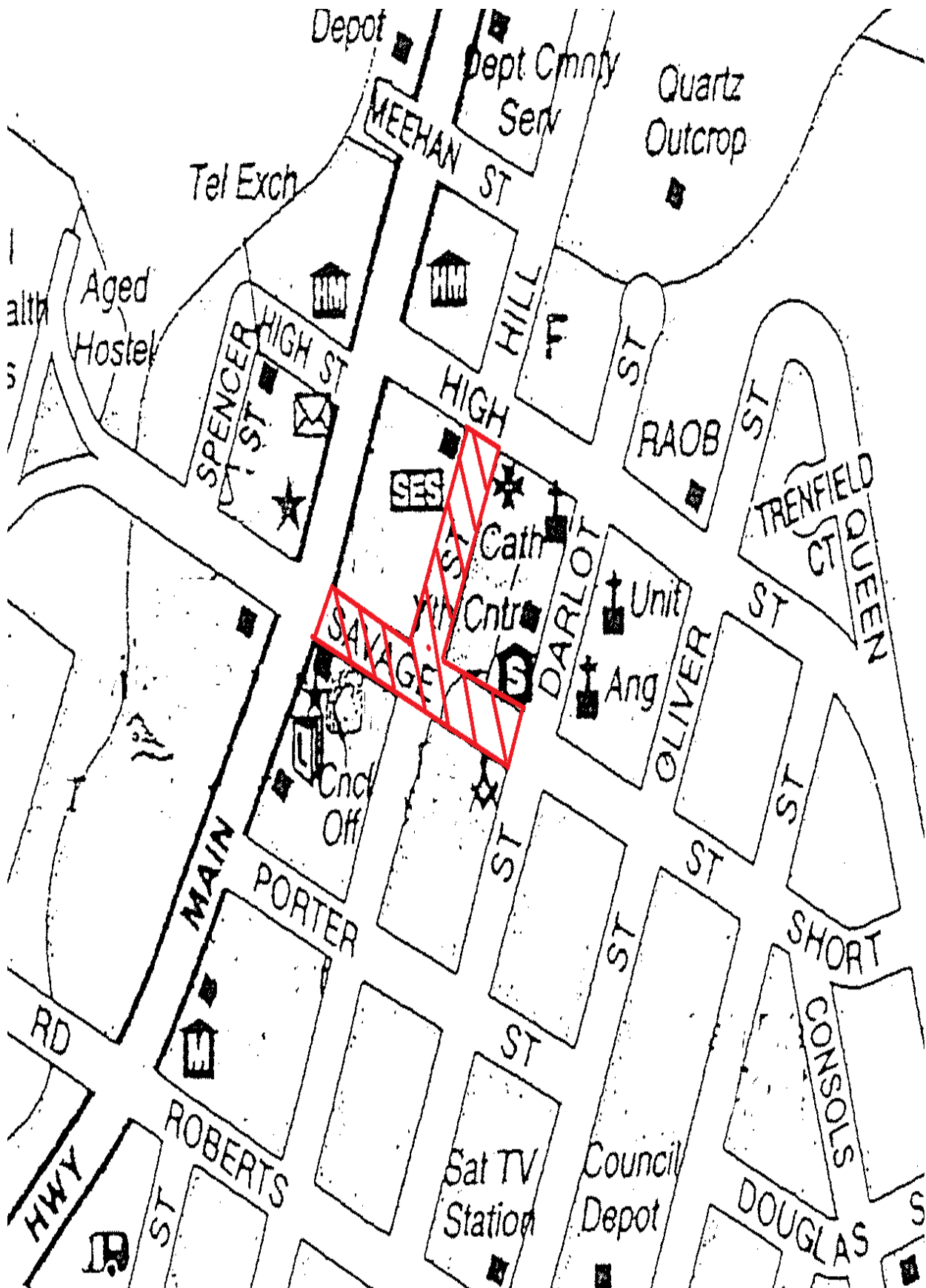
DORAY- MEEKATHARRA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TRUST

Invitation to submit Grants

The sole purpose of the Trust is to provide grants to individuals, groups of individuals, companies or associations (eligible recipients) located, based or operating within the Shire of Meekatharra, for charitable purposes, with the aim of assisting the overall development of the community within the Shire of Meekatharra.

Further details and Trust documents are available by contacting Geoff Carberry, on (08) 9980 0600 or email cdsm@meekashire.wa.gov.au

Trust Applications must be received on or before **4pm Friday, 18 September 2015.**



FESTIVAL ROAD CLOSURES

FRIDAY 26th September 12pm - Saturday 27th September 2pm

EXCLUSIVE 2015 FESTIVAL BEER MUGS



Friday, 25 Sept
Family Fun Night
Fireworks

Saturday, 26 Sept
Street Festival
Horse Racing
- *Meekatharra Cup*

Sunday, 27 Sept
Circus Matinée
Outback Ball

Monday, 28 Sept
Horse Racing
- *Meekatharra Sprint*

The Meeka Outback Festival is not possible without community help. As a thanks for their contribution, 2015 Festival volunteers will receive an exclusive beer mug. These glasses are reserved for volunteers only, so if you want one sign up! There are both 'active' roles, like marshalling, and 'chair based' roles ticket collecting.

If you can help out during the weekend phone Dave on 9980-0600, email volunteer@meekafestival.com.au or message us on Facebook.

Thank you to all volunteers past and present for your wonderful support!

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Saturday 26th Sept, Meekatharra Race Club

Sunday 27th Sept, Meekatharra Outback Ball

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2015

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TIME **7PM - MIDNIGHT** DATE **27 SEPT**

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Outback Festival

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Watch this space for more details

bluesforthebush.org.au

Midwest Population Health Unit

Mosquito-borne disease warning for the Midwest & Gascoyne

An increase in Ross River Virus cases last month has resulted in the WA Country Health Service (WACHS) warning Midwest residents and visitors to take extra care to avoid mosquito bites.

WACHS Midwest Population Health Unit is urging all residents and visitors to the Midwest & Gascoyne to take extra care to avoid mosquito bites following an increase in the number of cases of Ross River virus (RRV) infections in the region.

WACHS Midwest Public Health Physician Dr Marisa Gilles said 21 RRV notifications were received in April alone, significantly higher than in the same period last year when there were no cases notified.

Dr Gilles said that holiday makers from the Midwest should take extra precautions against mosquito bites when they visit other parts of Western Australia.

"RRV occurs in nature in environmentally-driven cycles between mosquitoes and animals (including humans). It is transmitted only through the bite from a mosquito and cannot be caught from direct contact with another person or animal," Dr Gilles said.

"The illnesses caused by Ross River viruses may include painful joints, aching muscles, lethargy, fever, headache and skin rashes, and symptoms may last from weeks to months.

"Patients are most commonly 20 to 60 years of age, although all age classes can be affected if exposed to mosquito bites.

"People experiencing such symptoms should seek medical attention from their GP or local hospital.

"There are no specific cures or vaccines for RRV so it is very important that people take care to prevent being bitten by mosquitoes.

"Mosquitoes are at their most active at dawn and dusk. To reduce the chances of being bitten, people in mosquito-prone areas should cover up by wearing long, loose-fitting clothing and use insect repellents containing DEET or Picaridin as an active ingredient on exposed areas of skin.

"Householders should ensure that insect screens fitted to doors and windows are in good condition.

"Mosquito numbers can be reduced by removing stagnant water around the home or campsites. Mosquitoes will breed in anything that can hold water including old tyres, unused fish ponds and pot plant holders."



Meeka Goes Green



News

Quiz Night!

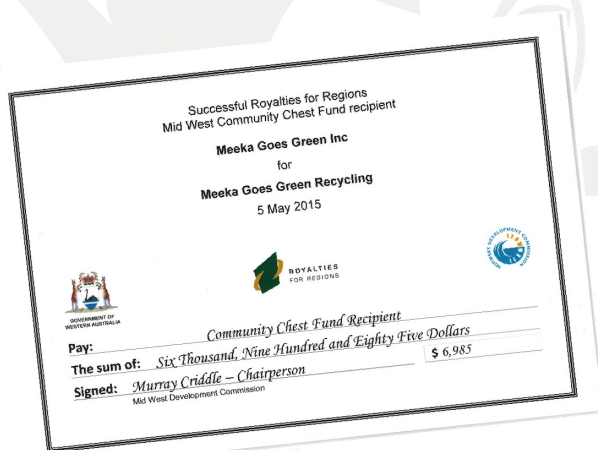
Remember! The Meeka Goes Green Fundraiser Quiz Night is on Saturday 15th August at the Royal Mail. If you haven't registered yet we recommend you do, as space is limited! It's tables of six, so grab five friends and come on down. The Royal Mail of course have a bar and were very generous to allow you to BYO Nibbles! We have lots of questions on different topics and some fun games and activities to guarantee a good night out. It's \$10/ticket and all goes to a good cause (that's us, naturally).

Bring some more cash because we also throw in an AUCTION where you can bid and win one of two handmade Meeka-pallets-wishing-well-planter-boxes that come in Fremantle Dockers and West Coast Eagles colours. Not to mention all the other prizes we have. Only one way to find out what they are: come down Saturday from 6pm (Quiz starts at 7pm sharp. No snoozers.) and your team might just win!



AGM, Tuesday 1st September

We are holding our Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 1st September at the St Johns Ambulance training room. The meeting kicks off at 5.30pm, hope to see you there.



Thanks to our sponsors

We would also like to thank the Midwest Development Commission for their generous funding through the Community Chest Fund scheme that allowed us to purchase a rain water tank for our recycling centre, get a power connection established and amongst other things also funded the purchase of wheelbarrows and trolleys that we use to move recyclable materials within the yard (the trolleys are so much fun!).

The Best Garden Competition

The Best Garden Competition is well underway and yet we still get people wanting to sign up! Of course you're welcome to join still if you want to have a crack at gardening, at improving your garden or just want to show off an existing masterpiece. Keep in mind though that you've only got a couple of months left until the final judging! For those who yet want to enter, please let us know.

For all those already signed up for the competition: here's your half-time reminder that might help you to avoid typical gardener's disease leaving-it-until-the-last-weekend-before-judging-itis that seemed to have affected a few entrants last year. Two months to go! We're excited to see your gardens!



Tidy Towns Finalist!

Meekatharra made FINALIST in the 2015 Tidy Towns competition for the Community Action and Partnerships category for the awesome Best Garden Competition. We were one of six finalists in this category out of 56 entries in total. A big Thank You to Robyn Gerace who showed off her beautiful garden and praised how much the competition had motivated her to improve her front yard and how it engages people and helps build community partnership and strength.



Join us at the Community Garden

If you're unsure about gardening in your backyard but would like to learn, join us at the community garden up on the high school farm and help shape and establish a garden from ground up.

Whether you're interested in raised garden beds, what to grow in Meekatharra, water wise ideas, share your valued knowledge and experience or just want to hang out with some great people - let us know, follow us on facebook or sign up for our email list and you'll be sure to receive our dates and event reminders.

See you at the Recycling Centre

If you are interested in recycling, dropping materials off, wanting to help out at the recycling centre or have any questions: get in touch!



/MeekaGoesGreen



Keep up to date and involved on our Facebook page.

Tidy Towns
Sustainable Communities

2015
State Finalist
Community Action & Partnerships
Meekatharra



Mr Mel Hay, APM
Chairman
Keep Australia Beautiful Council (WA)



Department of Environment Regulation
Department of Regional Development
Waste Authority



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5 May 2015



Pay: Community Chest Fund Recipient

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Signed: Murray Criddle – Chairperson

Mid West Development Commission

\$ 6,985

How can YOU help to reduce the toll?

101 people were killed or seriously injured on Mid-West/Gascoyne roads in 2014:

- 17% were not wearing seatbelts
- 20% speed was a contributing factor
- 15% alcohol was a contributing factor
- 30% fatigue was a contributing factor

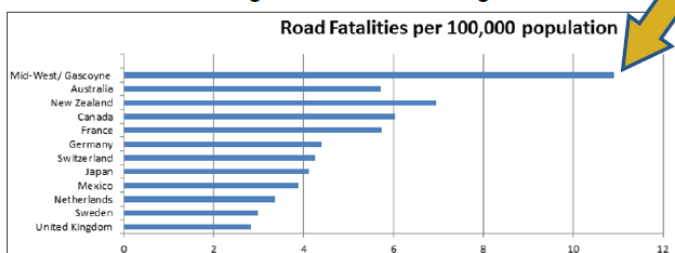


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Entries will be drawn on 30 October 2015

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*Part of "Lunch Bag Series" by Lynnette Bowron
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For entry forms and more information please contact

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Now available through the Shire of Meekatharra Website.

The Shire of Meekatharra takes food hygiene within our shire very seriously. All food businesses have obligations and the Shire of Meekatharra is assisting food businesses to meet these obligations by providing free access to this exciting new training tool.

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June, July, August

<i>Sat 20 June</i>	<i>Celebration of the Eucharist (Mass)</i> <i>Catholic Church 6.30 pm</i>
<i>Sat 27 June</i>	<i>Celebration of the Word with Communion</i> <i>Catholic Church 6.30 pm</i>
Sat 04 July	Uniting Church Service Uniting Church 6.30 pm
<i>Sat 18 July</i>	<i>Celebration of the Eucharist (Mass)</i> <i>Catholic Church 6.30 pm</i>
Sat 01 August	Uniting Church Service Uniting Church 6.30 pm
<i>Sat 08 August</i>	<i>Celebration of the Word with Communion</i> <i>Catholic Church 6.30 pm</i>
<i>Sat 15 August</i>	<i>Celebration of the Eucharist (Mass)</i> <i>Catholic Church 6.30 pm</i>

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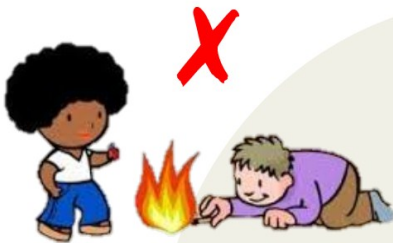
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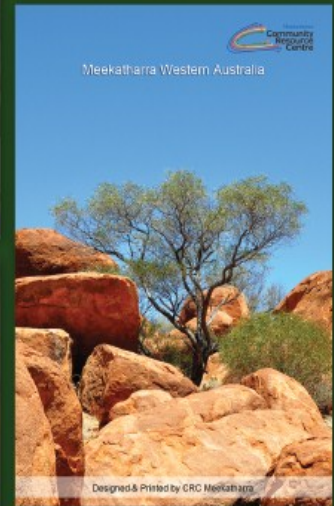
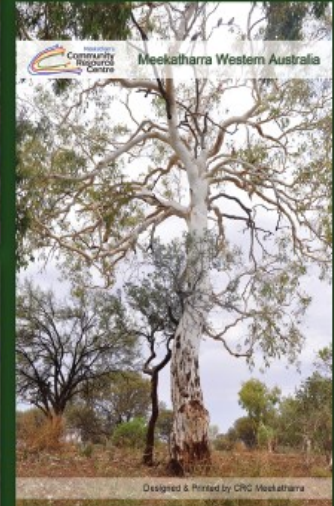
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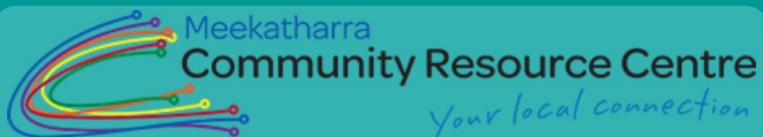
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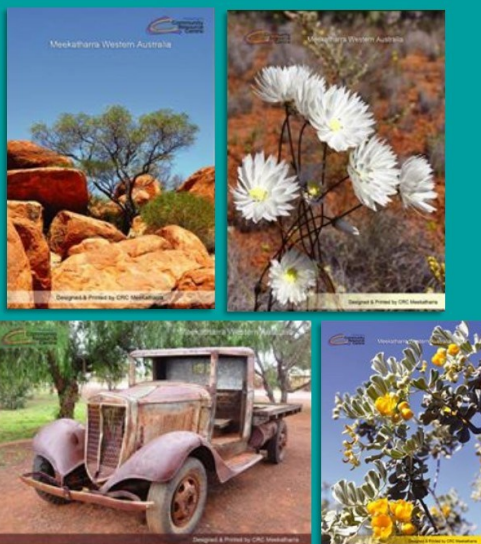
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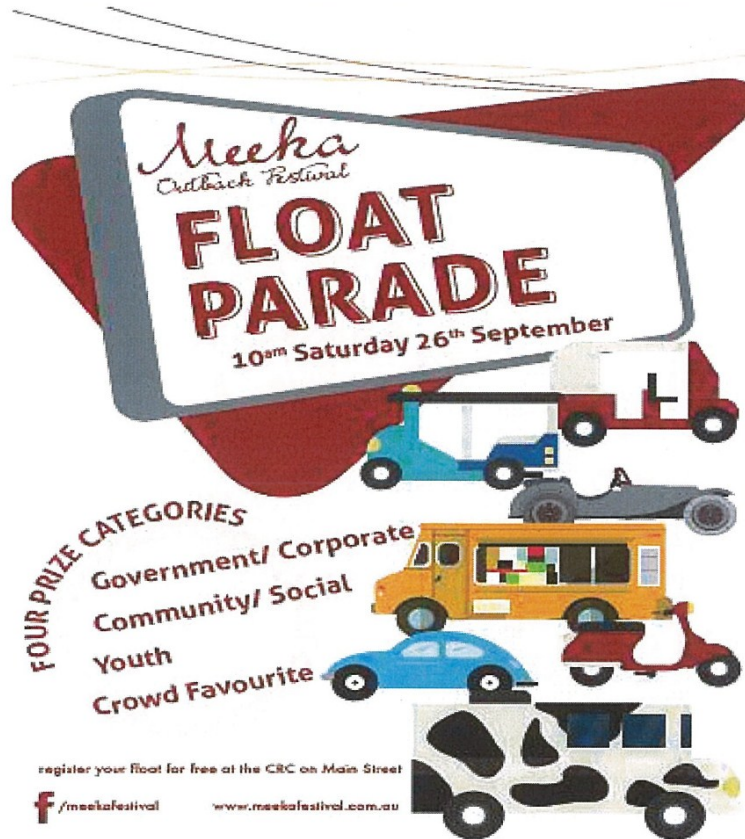
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15 AUGUST 2015



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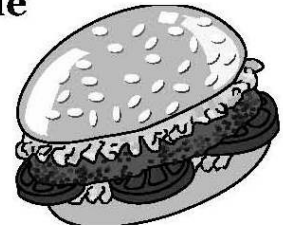
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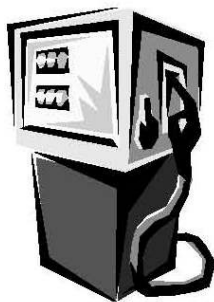
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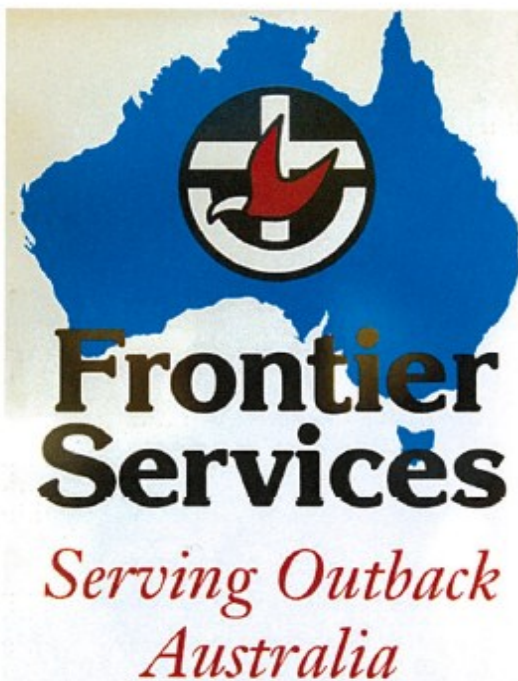
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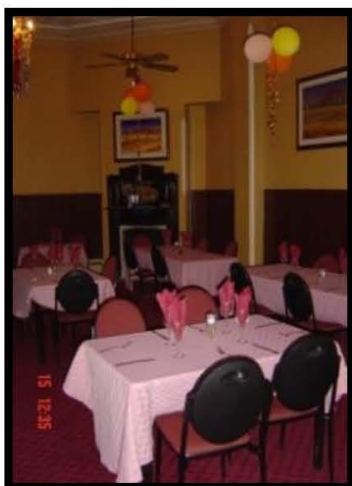
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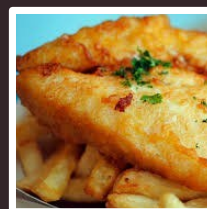


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