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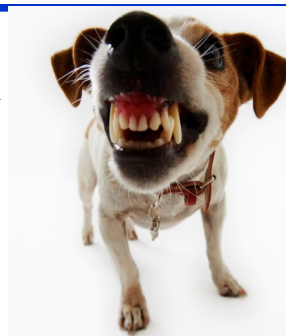
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Thank you, Meekatharra Shire





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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 the Shire before

IMPORTANT DATES NOVEMBER 2014

COUNCIL MEETING

15TH NOVEMBER 2014

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CNR MAIN AND SAVAGE STREETS

CHRISTMAS GLOW PARTY

MEEKATHARRA POOL

13TH DECEMBER 2014

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Meeka Muster Press Release

The 2014 Meeka Muster was a festival of family, basketball and community held over the first November weekend. The highly successful drug and alcohol free event drew people from as far away as Port Headland, Perth and even South Australia.

“#brothers, #uncles...can’t wait!” wrote Robert Binsiar (18), celebrating the bonds between the players on his team Junjarus. It was the same story for all teams. Identical twin brothers coached the Western Mulga team. Black Label boasted three brothers, all grandfathers.

“All family and in-laws, we are,” said Jodie Whitby of her team the Yamatji Ngarlu’s.

There were close family connections between teams as well.

“On the field it’s about the sport, off the field it’s about family and we laugh and joke about it,” said Gina Riley from Yulga Jinna.

“Even though the facilities aren’t ideal here, you don’t have to go watch the Wildcats because the quality of basketball this weekend has been unreal,” said Phillip Curley, Chairperson of Yulella Corporation, Meekatharra. “People who organize in these communities take lot of weight...we’ve had very good people running this.”

The revival of the Meeka Muster tradition was the inspiration of dedicated volunteers who have reformed the Meekatharra Sportsmen’s Club. Their efforts have been supported by major sponsor Western Mulga, who have provided both manpower and funding. Other contributors include the Meekatharra Shire and Doray.

“Four young people – Andrew Binsiar Jnr, Luther King, Gudja and Wayne Mongoo – had this idea to honour and remember a special person – and they went with it to their community leaders – Janine and Andrew Binsiar, Wanda and George Flanagan, Elaine King – and all these passionate people put their heads together, ” said Western Mulga Director Sandy McEwan. “It is just a

The conditions were pretty trying, but all games have been played in a good spirit,” said Police Officer Revis Ryder from Yalgoo. “The weekend’s been great, good for the town, good for the region.”

“It’s been a long time since they’ve had a carnival and Meekatharra’s got the best facilities for this kind of event as it has the most basketball courts,” said Ashley Walsh from Mt Magnet.

“It was an absolute credit to all the committee members,” said Pat Sperling from Doray.

“It’s been a great weekend and everyone is looking forward to making next year’s Muster and facilities even better said Meekatharra Shire Councillor Andrew Binsiar.

Contact: Andrew Binsiar Jnr, 0428 734 678





Thanks from the Meeka Muster Committee.....We would like to acknowledge and thank the following contributors to the Meeka Muster that was held on the first weekend in November at the Meeka Sport and Recreation centre.

We would like to thank Western Mulga being at the top of the list as the major contributor which helped make the event possible. They spent time fixing up the Basketball courts prior to the event, purchased all of the trophies and put up the portable shade structures around the courts. They helped make it all happen.

Other contributors were:

Ngoonooru Wadjari	10x shade shelters
Ausdrill Northwest	2x marquees
Boart Longyear	2x marquees
Catercare Services	2x marquees & cleaning products
GBF	2x marquees
Bunnings	1 marquee
WA Water Corporation	240 bottles of water
Farmer Jacks	240 bottles of water
Cancer Council	12 bottle of Sun Screen
Totally Workwear	20 Shirts
Coates Hire Meeka	4 portable toilets
Mark Smith	Pump out of the portable toilets
Shire of Meeka	Use of the Sports Centre
Doray	Ice

Thank you all and all the volunteers for helping to make this event a success.

On behalf of Andrew Binsiar Jnr and the Meeka Muster Committee



If You're Still Alive In The Morning, Can You Get Me An Icy Pole?

We've been in bed for ages. A week? What year is it? I think we're up and about now, but I'm absolutely off my face on prescription codeine and cough syrup, so this might all be a dream. We have The Cough - you know the one. You have it. We have it. Everyone who comes into the roadhouse has it. We keep passing it around, like a borrowed lawn mower. Once we're finished with it, you can have it back. I'm sorry we took it for so long.

It hit us late one night. I was dozing off when my handsome personal Vicks chest rub attendant, Gary Hammer, began to make terrible wheezing noises. Then he started coughing, then retching, then clutching at his chest. "I'm taking you to the hospital!" I declared. "Nah, I'll be right," he said, being a typical bloke, except that through the phlegm it sounded like "naCCCHgaabeHARRGHightFLURFPPHGH." I speak fluent Bloke so I just gave him some cool water and lay there listening to his lurching, gargled breathing, hoping he wouldn't die during the night. Who would do the genny fuel filter changes?

After a few hours, I began to cough as well, with a throat that felt like razor blades. Soon both of us were thrashing helplessly in retching choking coughing fits. I somehow got out of bed and went into town to buy 37 icy poles, heaps of flu tablets and all the chicken noodle soup I could carry (2). I think it was me who drove into town. I'm not sure. It might have been the dog. By now I couldn't talk and had to make myself understood with sign language and choking noises.

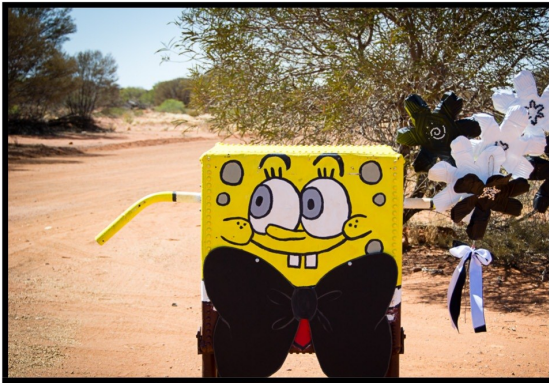
When I got home, Gaz sounded worse. If he'd been a dog I would've shot him. Poor Gary! A firm pillow over the face would have put him out of his misery, but I was unable to move, gripped by coughing seizures racking my feverish body. "We'll go to the doctor Who in the whirlygig noodle pole," I moaned, then passed out. We lay curled in bed for days, coughing and deranged, the dogs whining anxiously at the door. "Just eat the cat," I whispered. "Tell Lassie to get help. Good boy."

Anyway, the only reason we got up was because the Bathurst 1000 was on the telly. Gaz crawled to the sofa and somehow found the herculean strength to operate the remote control. I could tell that he was delirious because he began excitedly croaking on about someone called Craig and the 0.00001 of a second difference a set of kryptonite tyres could make. I dragged my aching, 2000-kilo jellified body to the recliner chair, and after half an hour's rest I was able to raise my 30-pound eyelids and stare blankly at the cars going round and round and round ohhhhhh BLUUURGH. It could have been Portuguese Llama Fighting for all I cared, and I didn't, because all I could do was cough and gaze weakly at the dogs eating my lung chunks off the floor. I was so out of it that apparently I agreed to book us a holiday at next year's Bathurst 1000; I don't have any interest in motor sports, so this was the equivalent of booking a bloke into a four-day National Tampon Conference. I hauled us both to the doctor before things could get worse.

We seem to be better, but now Ebola is lurking on the horizon. When it comes to Meeka, it will arrive at the roadhouse, where we spread good cheer and five dollar notes seething with unspeakably hideous public bacteria. The Cough pops into the roadhouse regularly, and I can imagine it making good friends with Ebola, which likes to party, or as they say scientifically, "mutate".

The reason we know that Ebola is coming is because of the officials on the telly. You know what I mean - we all watch the movies, we know how it works. First there's a few rogue cases which get the human interest segments on the news, then it gets a little more serious and people in suits have press conferences on national TV where they say things like "We have strict protocols in place" and "Our medical experts have everything under control." Are they kidding? Haven't they watched Contagion? We all know someone's unregistered pet monkey will escape and spread it to some illegal dockside workers. Then it will mutate via a forgotten underground sewage system and a low-ranking government whistleblower will reveal that the bulk supplies of public medical masks are just cheap Chinese swimming goggles because of budget cuts. As soon as we heard the phrase "There is no need for concern about ebola in the western world", Gaz and I looked at each other and said, "We're all gonna die!!"

So don't worry about The Cough, because I suspect that it's not going to be a problem for much longer. Just stay in bed and keep gargling down that cough syrup, and if you see our dog driving the car, can you ask him to get us some more icy poles?



On the 10th October 2014 Scott Haynes (Scotty) & Naomi Johnston (Johnno) FINALLY tied the knot with many people traveling from far and wide to attend the wedding. There were ex Meekatharra people coming back after long absences as well as many from down south making the trek north.

The couple exchanged their vows at the breakaways 10km from the Munarra homestead and then headed back to the homestead for the reception. The homestead palm trees were decorated with fairy lights making it a magical evening.

Naomi looked absolutely stunning in a white with black embroidered wedding dress and Scotty also scrubbed up well in a white shirt with black tie. Baby Nate as always looked adorable in his own one-piece suit.

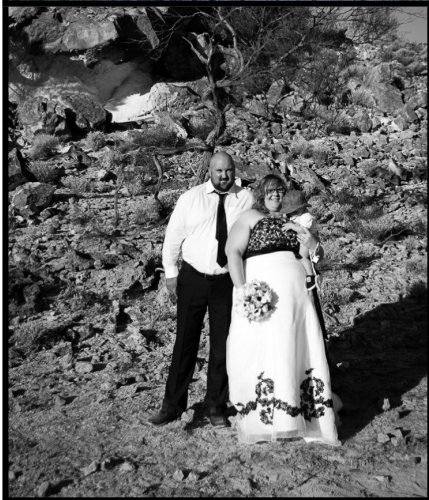
Scotty was accompanied by four groomsmen, Richie Driscoll, Martin Ross (Ex Meekatharra DHS teacher), Jai Newman (ex Meekatharra Elders stock agent) and Michael Ostazewskyj (also an ex Meekatharra DHS teacher). All men looked dashing in their suit and ties.

Four beautiful bridesmaids Penny Johns, Lauren Howden and Naomi's two sisters', Kirsty Edwards and Anthea Dean, attended Naomi. All the girls looked striking in black dresses with white sashes.









photography by Raelene Hall and Svenja Clare





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**Everyone
Welcome!**



Helping the Community



Cater Care Service's Rochelle Neill; manager of Doray's Andy Well Village went along to teach Cup Cake Decorating with Yulella's 'Women on the Move' group.

Teaching basic skills to the women that participated, they did a fantastic job in watching, listening and learning.

Cater Care Services supplied all the ingredients for the women to design and implement their talent.

It was a great effort all around with big thanks going to Rochelle for taking time out to teach the women.



Getting creative at the 'blue shed', a space for young women in Meeka.





Brigade News

Due to the recent high number of deliberately lit scrub fires in the residential areas of town, the fire brigade is taking advantage of the mild pre-summer weather to conduct burnoffs in those areas most at risk. We undertook a good burnoff of the vacant lots along the east side of Oliver Street and will be continuing around town during favourable weather conditions.

David Anderson, whom many of you will know from Frigtech, completed his basic training and has been a great asset to our brigade, but unfortunately has to leave town for family reasons - we will miss him, and wish him and his partner all the best.

Marcus Saxton has taken on the roles of Lieutenant and training officer with gusto; along with Geoff Carberry we are very fortunate to have these two experienced firefighters on our team.

Gary Hammer, Captain



Burnoffs Protect Town

Oliver Street scrub area - Geoff Carberry using the drip torch; Paul Smith on the lookout in the light tanker; Captain Gary Hammer and Lieutenant Marcus Saxton supervise Anna Johnson and Dave Anderson. It felt a little strange being the ones to light the fires for a change! A big thanks to Steve Hoare for ringing us to let us know we were lighting fires...



DIAL 000

*Good On Ya Dave!
Thanks from your brigade mates*

New Volunteers Welcome

We meet each Tuesday at 6:30 pm at the Fire Station at the northern end of Hill Street - pop in for a chat if you want to ask about volunteering, say "G'day" or ask about safety information.

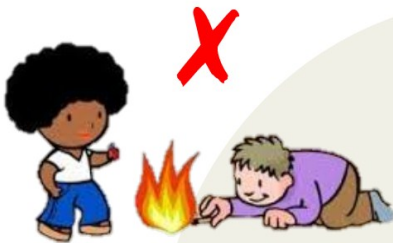
Meekatharra VFRS Media Liaison:

Anna Johnson, Paul Smith

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Fire Season In Meeka

Meeka Fire & Rescue will be conducting burnoffs of high risk areas around town as weather conditions permit. Most of these burnoffs will take place in the evenings. Where possible we will let locals know in time to prepare for smoke in their area.



You are responsible

for your children's behaviour.

Most of Meeka's fires are started by children. Where are your kids?



What's your
fire plan?

Have you eliminated any fire risks
in and around your property?



Clear scrub and debris

away from all sides of your
fences and buildings - call the
fire brigade if you would
like us to conduct a
burnoff at your place.



Are your

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Your Council News

November 2014

by Anna Johnson on behalf of the Shire of Meekatharra

A Vision For Meeka's Future

Shady grassed areas, alfresco dining outlets, an art gallery - these are just a few of the potential ideas for Meeka's future as outlined in the draft "Economic Development Strategy", which is available for comment, and the "Revitalisation Plan", which has now been endorsed by our Council.

It's well worth having a read - you can get copies from the Shire office or check them out on the website. Comissioned by the Shire and prepared by consultancy companies Urbis and CCS Strategies respectively, the documents are a refreshingly down to earth, easy to read overview of the issues facing our town.

Both documents reflect a substantial amount of communication with a broad range of people & businesses in our community. They highlight practical, affordable projects that could be undertaken in the short and long term to improve Meekatharra for residents, tourists, visiting workers and businesses.

Increasing Meekatharra's tourism and business appeal features strongly. It's clear that there is much more tourism and business potential in our area than we have at present, and the Council & Shire are already working on ways to liaise with various organisations, government and service providers in ways that benefit local growth. This includes things such as negotiating with "outside" companies to use local services, for example.

At present, the Council is prioritising and getting costings for various projects, such as streetscape improvements, outdoor seating and other public area enhancements for Meeka.

Locals will certainly find much to agree with and think about throughout the documents. Council is further discussing the revitalisation plan prior to preparing its final resolution, and welcomes your feedback & ideas - it's a great opportunity to contribute your say to the future of our town.



An art gallery, shady rest & social areas, more public events, new uses for old spaces and improved facilities for locals, tourists and business - the draft strategy suggests many ways Meeka can easily boost its local & regional appeal

*images courtesy of
Svenja Clare
Andrew Binsiar
Anna Johnson*



a chance to have your say

Alcohol Restrictions

Council working hard to make sure Meeka's voice is heard



There are many community and local business concerns about the future of alcohol restrictions in Meekatharra.

It's a complex issue with many voices - local police are among those on the frontline of alcohol-related violence, the pubs and bottle shops want to be able to run their businesses, we have our many tourists, regional workers, station people and travellers who want to purchase supplies in town, and of course many of us just want a well-earned drink or two after work.

While the final decisions are out of Council's hands, the Council and Shire staff have been very busy making representations and submissions on our town's behalf. A further meeting has been agreed to which will also involve other Shires of the region, who of course have similar concerns.

New Gym Site Worked Out



As part of the Facilities Revitalisation Plan, the Council has resolved to locate Meeka's new gym at the recreation ground, next to the squash courts. A Request for Tenders has been advertised.

The Lloyds building was deemed unsuitable for a number of reasons, and Council decided to work within the state's Department of Sports and Recreation strategy to have all facilities of the same type in a common area. Other factors affecting the decision were the time frame for using the grant and obtaining Ministerial approval for the location change. The Council's Request For Tenders is currently being prepared so that the project can go ahead.

The Facilities Revitalisation Plan was prepared by CCS Strategy and has now been endorsed - by the time this goes to print the Council will have had meetings to refine its approach to the suggested projects.

You're welcome to attend the monthly council meetings (dates and times are listed in The Dust) and have your say. You can also obtain a copy of the Council Minutes to find out about the many other projects, discussions and improvements that the Shire is undertaking on behalf of the Meeka community.

WA Public Air Routes Under Review

Council recently made comment to the Review of Regulated Regular Public Transport Air Routes in Western Australia, requesting that the Northern Goldfields routes continue to be regulated after 2016.

As the Minister of Transport's foreword to the review states, "A new approach is proposed for air route regulation beyond February 2016 when current regulatory arrangements between the State Government and airlines cease."

You can read the full review and supporting info on the Department of Transport's website:

<http://www.transport.wa.gov.au>



Handy to everything - the new gym will be located at the recreation ground with our other sports areas.



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"Meekatharra - A Golden Prospect"



Meeka Goes Green



The community garden is underway!

October was a busy month for Meeka Goes Green and the community garden. Pipes have been laid from the oval to the water tank and trenches dug underneath the school farm road. Our next steps is constructing garden beds and structures.

Busy Bee 25th October

We held a successful busy bee in late October. Members got to know each other while swapping tips, tricks and seedlings. Seeds, potting mix and pots were given out so that gardeners can raise seedlings at home.

A big thank you to Ben Neill for donating pots!

Seed raising

Meeka gardeners are currently nurturing seedlings at home. These plants will be moved to the community garden when the garden beds are ready. This means instant greenery for the whole community to enjoy!

Meeka Goes Green uses heirloom seeds from Yilgarn Nursery in Geraldton. Heirloom seeds are improved varieties that have been saved and passed down through many generations of farmers and gardeners. These seeds are reliable, pest tolerant and suited to Meeka's climate.

Are you interested in gardening?

Want to add colour to your garden with Sunflowers? Grow mint for a refreshing mojito? What about passion fruit, parsley or basil? We have a range of heirloom seeds, potting mix, pots and gardening tips for plants that grow well in Meeka.

If you would like to raise seedlings for the community garden contact Helen Clancy on 0403 343 243 or email meekagoesgreen@gmail.com

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Principal Mr Dean Carslake explains "The try out week enables staff to assess if a prospective student has appropriate behaviour and attitude to succeed at the college. Prospective students are interviewed about their career aspirations and if they show an interest in Agriculture or related industries and meet the college enrolment criteria a position at the college may be offered".

Tryout places are available through the school year and timing is negotiated to suit the family and school Calender. Students planning on attending as a year 10 must try out during year 9.

Places are limited to three try out students per week and because of increased demand prospective students may miss out. Book your spot now by calling 9971 1158



Left: Prospective student Mikyla Roberts of Geraldton with Deputy Principal Lorraine Pedrick and current student Montana Hyde also of Geraldton.
Below: Prospective student James Silvestro of Yanchep and current student Trevor Layton of Meekatharra.





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OPPORTUNITIES FOR HEALTH CARE IN THE MURCHISON REGION

The Royal Flying Doctor Service ceased operating the GP clinic in Meekatharra at the beginning of October. This change brings about an opportunity to change the way we deliver health in the Murchison region.

The WA Country Health Service has assured me that by providing two full time doctors there is continuity in GP Coverage Meekatharra, while we work to deliver the best way to provide future GP services for the region.

Meekatharra health services sit within the Murchison Multi-Purpose Service (MPS) which also include health centres at Yalgoo, Mt Magnet, Cue and Sandstone.

The concept of the Mid West Health Initiative has been developed to outline developments required in the Mid West to improve Health outcomes for residents of the region.

My vision for the Mid West Health Initiative (MWHI) includes:

- The rebuild of Meekatharra Hospital.
- Development of a Meekatharra Primary Care Centre to include GP Services, Murchison Hostel Requirements Mental Health, Drug and Alcohol services, Dental, Allied health, visiting specialists and other visiting teams. These services are currently spread across several buildings on the Meekatharra hospital site.
- Refurbishment of the Murchison Aged Care hostel and construction of two new units.
- Establishment of Nurse practitioner services to Meekatharra to support GP's in delivering services.
- Increased use of Tele health facilities to reduce the need for patient and specialist travel.

I look forward to updating the community as we progress to make these plans a reality and make lasting and significant changes to healthcare in the Murchison.



VINCENT CATANIA MLA
Member for North West Central



NOTICE TO ALL RESIDENTS

Residents are reminded that the Local Health Law states

Limitation on Numbers of Poultry and Pigeons

5.4.2 An owner or occupier of premises within a townsite shall not keep a combined total of more than 12 poultry and pigeons without the approval of the local government, on any one lot of land.

Conditions for Keeping Poultry in Limited Numbers

- 5.4.3 A person who keeps poultry or permits poultry to be kept shall ensure that -
- (a) no poultry is able to approach within 9 metres of a dwelling house, public building or premises where people are employed or where food is stored, prepared, manufactured or sold;
 - (b) all poultry is kept in a properly constructed and securely fastened structure or enclosure;
 - (c) the structure is in a yard having an otherwise unobstructed area of at least 30 square metres;
 - (d) no poultry are able to approach within 9 metres of a street other than a right of way unless, in the case of land at the junction of two or more streets, local government has approved a lesser distance;
 - (f) no poultry is able to approach within 1.2 metres of any side or rear boundary of the premises; and
 - (g) all enclosures or cages within which poultry are kept shall be maintained at all times in a clean condition and shall be disinfected or otherwise dealt with in a way as directed by an Environmental Health Officer.

Roosters, Geese, Turkeys, Peafowl's and Gamebirds

5.4.4 (1) An occupier of premises within a townsite, shall not without the written approval of the local government, keep or permit to be kept on those premises, any one or more of the following fowl -

- (a) a rooster;
- (b) a goose or gander;
- (c) a turkey;
- (d) a peacock or peahen;
- a gamebird (includes emus and ostriches)

(2) The local government may upon written application, grant approval with or without conditions to the owner or occupier of premises to keep any one or more birds as specified in subsection (1)

A person who has been granted approval under this Section to keep a bird may keep the bird on the premises only while he is the occupier thereof.

The local government may revoke an approval granted under this Section if it is of the opinion that the keeping of the birds specified in the approval is causing a nuisance or is injurious, offensive or dangerous to health.

Penalties under this law range up to \$1000.

Christ the King Catholic Church



ALL WELCOME

**Liturgies for
August, September, October,
November and December
Saturdays at 6.30 pm**

30 Aug	Celebration of the Eucharist (Mass) NB change of date
06 Sep	Celebration of the Word with Communion
13 Sep	Celebration of the Eucharist (Mass)
11 Oct	Celebration of the Word with Communion
18 Oct	Celebration of the Eucharist (Mass)
08 Nov	Celebration of the Word with Communion
15 Nov	Celebration of the Eucharist (Mass)
06 Dec	Celebration of the Word with Communion Christmas Mass time to be advised

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The GP clinic will continue to operate from the same location from 6 October, when the Royal Flying Doctor Service stop providing this service.

The GP clinic at the ex- Community Health Centre building will continue to open Monday to Friday excluding public holidays.

The contact number for GP appointments is **9981 0604**.

Emergency care and inpatient services will continue at Meekatharra Hospital.

For more information about the changes, please contact:

Andrew Klein

District Operations Manager

WA Country Health Service Midwest

9956 2268 or 0417 980 835

Andrew.klein@health.wa.gov.au

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

Tenders shall be contained in a sealed envelope endorsed with the appropriate tender number and description and addressed to the Chief Executive Officer and either mailed to PO Box 129, MEEKATHARRA WA 6642 or deposited in the tender box situated in the Meekatharra Administration Office, Cnr Main & Savage Streets, Meekatharra. Faxed or emailed tenders will not be accepted.

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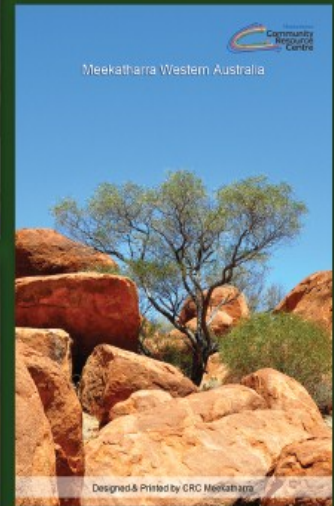
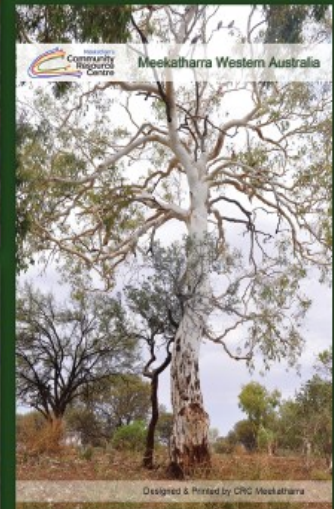
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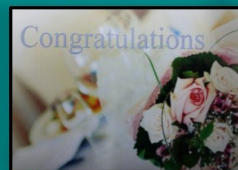
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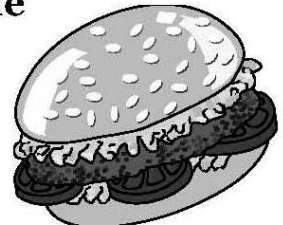
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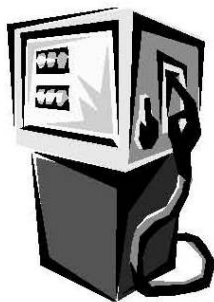
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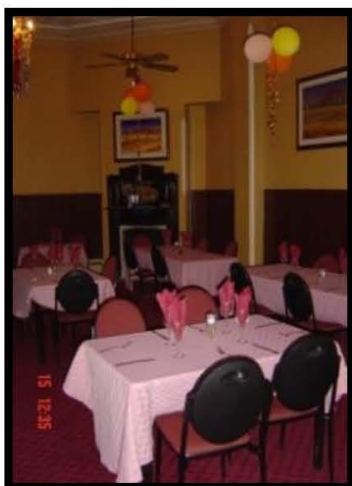
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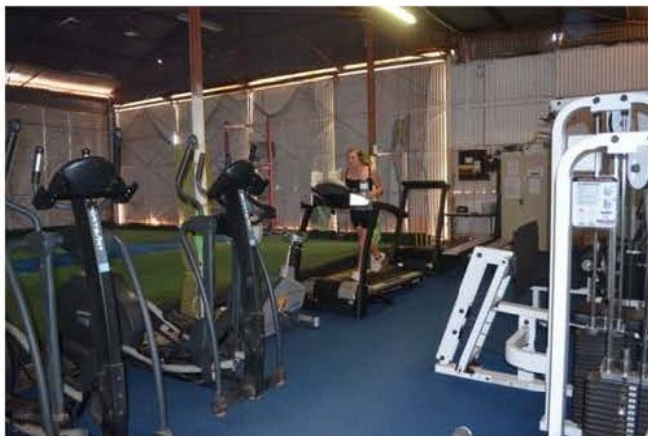


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14. Take a --- rather than eat, drink, smoke or groom yourself while driving
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17. Distracted Drivers are ---
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22. Ensure all passengers are properly --- in the vehicle

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4. --- down and enjoy the ride
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8. If you plan to drink, plan not to ---
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12. recognise what makes you --- and either avoid engaging in that activity when driving, or find a safe place to pull over and do it
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November 2014

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