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When walking your dogs on the town oval you must be in complete control of your animal at all times and dispose of any droppings in the rubbish bins provided by the council.

Thank you, Meekatharra Shire





Dust Noticeboard...

Calling for Submissions

If you have any articles with information, about events, or photos you have taken that you would like included in the Meekatharra Dust, please drop them into the Shire before

IMPORTANT DATES SEPTEMBER 2015

COUNCIL MEETING

19 SEPTEMBER 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

September 2015 • by Anna Johnson on behalf of the Shire of Meekatharra

COMMUNITY CONVERSATION Yes, Your Shire Is Listening

Community consultation is a requirement of all local governments, but in Meeka, that's not always an easy task. Even though we're a small town, not everyone reads the Meekatharra Dust or noticeboard flyers - and not everyone is a reader, either. There's always the chance of bending an ear at the pub, of course, but that's not quite what the government requirements define as "consultation"! The Shire has tried a number of approaches, including sausage sizzles and public meetings, and of course locals can submit agenda items for monthly council meetings, attend in person, and even just drop in for a chat if they have something on their mind.

If you have opinions, questions or suggestions you'd like to bring up with the shire, why not send a letter or email to the council, or to your favourite councillor? Putting things in writing mean that the shire and its councillors have something concrete to work with and refer to, and they are usually available in person to let you know what's happening. The Dust is also a venue for open letters, news or other community information you may want to share.

There may be other consultation techniques that the Shire hasn't thought of yet - if you have a useful suggestion, let them know; it's a constant challenge for the shire in our town. Some locals have suggested things like Facebook or other social media, or even a suggestion box, although these options can create more problems than they solve. At any rate, it's crucial that locals do their best to voice their questions, comments or ideas, whether it's in writing, attending council meetings, or popping in to say g'day.



How You Can Help

It's important to realise that there are many people in our electoral area who may be difficult to reach by standard means - it's hard for the shire to reach people who live out bush, or who may not have the means or ability to get news and information through the usual channels of internet or print. You can help by sharing information with friends or family members who may not be able to get it themselves, or who may be hard to reach otherwise. You can encourage and support others in becoming part of the consultation process, whether it's by reading aloud, assisting them with written documents or helping them to meet with others so that they can be included.



COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Why Not Have A Go?

The annual council election will be held on Saturday October 17, 2015. An election is held only if more than four nominations are received. Nominations are open from Thursday 3rd Sept. and close at 4:00 pm on Thursday 10th Sept.

So, what's involved in being a councillor? There's a handy general information website (see below for link) which provides a very readable overview of the roles and responsibilities, which include things like liaising with other levels of government, managing some aspects of shire employment, representing ratepayers, planning the shire's financial strategy and facilitating community participation - to name just a few!

As you can imagine, it can be a challenging role, involving meetings, discussions and having to make sure you're up to date and complying with local government requirements. There is a support system in place, however, and plenty of resources to help newly-elected councillors learn the ropes.

On the plus side, it's a chance to provide a voice and leadership within your community, with a wealth of learning opportunities and the chance to make a difference - why not have a go?

<http://www.goodgovernance.org.au/roles-relationships/roles-in-local-government/councillor/>

Late Meeting Quorum Quavers

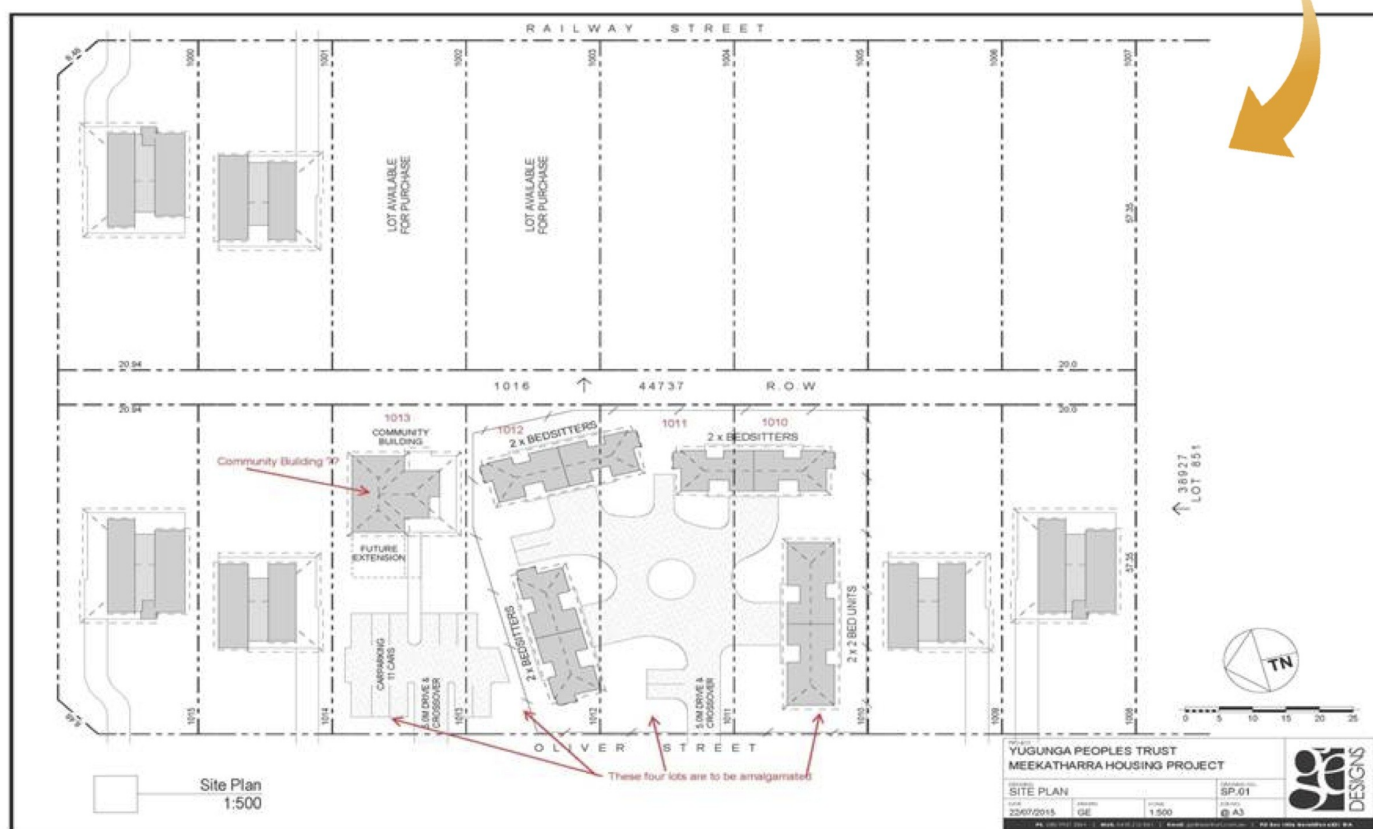
It took a few goes this August, but council finally achieved a quorum (the number of councillors needed to legally constitute a meeting) on the third attempt last Thursday night. There have been some councils (not Meekatharra) that have failed to get a quorum, meaning that that meeting is lost for that month, which is not ideal. Fortunately, despite people's busy schedules, Meeka council managed to come together albeit a bit late in the month.

Council meeting dates are posted in each monthly Dust

Iron Your Shirt, Dust Off Your Frock: It's September

It's that time of year again - we've shaken off the winter chill and we're ready for some fun before Meeka summer kicks in and the mercury hits fifty, so shine your shoes, get your parade float ready, freshen up your frock and try to find a clean shirt somewhere in the back of the wardrobe for the 2015 Outback Festival weekend. Don't forget to pace yourselves - Landor's next! Check this edition of The Dust or ask at the shire office for festival schedules.

OLIVER STREET MAKEOVER : WATCH THIS SPACE



New Housing & Community Building To Be A Welcome Addition To Our Town

Council received the application by Yugunga-Nya Peoples Trust to develop Lots 1010, 1011, 1012 and 1013 Oliver Street in Meekatharra by the construction of eight (8) living units and a Community Building as depicted in the layout block plan submitted as part of the Application for Planning Consent. Whilst the 6 single residential buildings don't need approval the 4 bedsitters and the Community Building do need planning and development approval. Advertising for submissions is in progress and must be received by Council no later than 12 September.

The blocks have been empty for many years, and the new development will be a welcome addition to our town's residential area, providing some much-needed centralised social areas for residents and an improvement to the Oliver Street northern section. For more information, contact the Shire office.

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. All items or letters for council should be addressed and sent to the Shire Of Meekatharra CEO, at the Shire address (see right).

Streetscape Artists Wanted



The shire is inviting the submission of registrations of interest to design and supply streetscape cutout panels as per the Revitalisation Plan. There are flyers around town, and you can pick up a copy at the shire offices; the brief is for large-scale cut-out style art installations in Main Street - they can include garden-type features as well. It's a chance for local artisans to make their mark - you need to register before the 28th of September, so get a copy of the brief and see what you can come up with!



Shire Of Meekatharra
Main Street
PO Box 129

Meekatharra WA 6642

Phone : 08 9980 0600

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REGISTRATION OF INTEREST

Registrations of interest are called for the design and provision of streetscape cut out panels.

Construction

The panels should be constructed of robust materials, be HIGHLY resistant to vandalism and low maintenance.

Design

The design should give the impression of activity in the town centre. Examples of similar panels are shown below; there is no requirement to follow these designs. Your design may include seating or a waterless garden. Cultural or historical images should not be used.

Locations

- Main Street outside of the Lloyds building.
- Main Street outside of the Old Bank building near Centre link.

Size

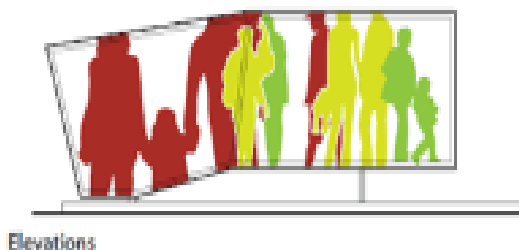
The height of the panels should not exceed 2.1m

The width is up to the provider but should be relative to the area of the installation.

Each art work may consist of more than one panel to achieve an overall design.

When registering your interest you should submit a concept design and estimate of costs including installation. Council will consider both the design and cost as part of its decision.

Contact Geoff Carberry 9980 0600 or cdsm@meekashire.wa.gov.au to register your interest. Registrations close 4pm Monday 28 September 2015



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

Community Development Officer

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Closes: Monday, 14 September 2015 at 4pm

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You are **not** required to address the selection criteria, however, a detailed resume/CV must be provided.

Generous benefits include free housing and all utilities except gas, vehicle with limited private use, 5 weeks annual leave, 19 day month, up to 14.5% superannuation and a relocation allowance.

Reporting to the Community & Development Services Manager, this is a senior position with the Shire of Meekatharra with responsibilities for community development, events coordination, youth and recreation services. If you have knowledge and skills in community development or events management services you are encouraged to apply.

Interested persons should obtain an information package from Rachel Quinn on 99800 600 or admin@meekashire.wa.gov.au.

For further information about the position or Meekatharra, please contact Geoff Carberry on 99800 600 or 0428 817 939.

Applications close –**Monday, 14 September 2015 at 4.00 pm.**

Schedule III (B) - NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR PLANNING CONSENT

SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA TOWN PLANNING SCHEME NO.3

NOTICE OF PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT OF PLANNING PROPOSAL

Notice of public advertisement of planning proposal

The Shire of Meekatharra has received an application to use and/or develop land for the following purpose and public comments are invited.

Lots No.: 1000, 1001, 1008 to 1015

Street: Oliver Street and Railway st

Suburb: Meekatharra

Proposal: Residential Development

Details of the proposal are available for inspection at the Shire of Meekatharra Office during our normal Office hours.

Comments on the proposal may be submitted to the Shire of Meekatharra in writing on or before the

12th day of September 2015

Signed: Roy McClymont

Dated: 22nd August 2015.

for and on behalf of the SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA

MEEKA NAIDOC WEEK 2015

Meekatharra NAIDOC Week opened on Sunday the 5th July with the raising of the Aboriginal flag outside of our local shire offices, by Adeline Gilla and Bill Shay, two of Meekatharra's well respected elders. The day also included an opening ceremony and a traditional Aboriginal lunch at the Shire hall for the whole community.



Monday was hosted by Buttah Windee community, and the NAIDOC celebrations continued with arts, a community meal and a Corroborree presented by our local children, led by elder Jeff Mongoo.



Tuesday was an open day at the hall, with art and history on display, and a slideshow of historical photo's. Wednesday saw the local elders of Meekatharra share stories and a meal with children.



Thursday was an education and careers pathway expo, with role models, services and agencies sharing their work and inspiring the kids with options for their futures.



Thursday evening Rabbit Proof Fence was screened at the hall for the whole community to enjoy. Friday was the NAIDOC Youth Ball, with the Adult Ball on the Saturday night.





NAIDOC Adult Ball 2015

Writing about the Youth Ball by Year 4 students:

NAIDOC Ball

On Friday me and my brothers and sisters and my friend went to the ball to have fun . It was NAIDOC week . At 6.00pm we got ready for the ball. My sisters put on their really nice dresses and me and my brother put on our tuxes.

After we got ready we went to the hall and we danced for a little bit and at 7.00 pm we had a feed and the little kids had to go home. After the little kids went we just sat down for most of the night then the girls started dancing then boys started dancing to "Watch me Whip".

After it finished I felt good. I can't wait to the next ball.

THE BALL

ON FRIDAY THE 10TH OF JULY WE WENT UP TO NANA BIBS TO GET READY FOR THE BALL.

THE GIRLS PUT ON THEIR BEAUTIFUL DRESSES WHILE THE BOYS WERE PUTTING ON THEIR SUITS. NANA BIB WAS SEWING AND AUNTY BOBBIE WAS DOING THE HAIR WHILE MUM WAS DOING THE MAKE UP.

WE GOT OUR MONEY THEN WE WENT DOWN TO THE BALL THEN WE GOT OUR PHOTO'S TAKEN. WE WENT IN AND DANCED AND PLAYED GAMES.

WE HAD DINNER AND IT WAS PIZZA, GARLIC BREAD, SPAGHETTI BOLOGNESE AND SOME MEAT AFTER WE HAD OUR FEED THEY DID THE BELLE AND BEAU OF THE BALL AND IT WAS VINNIE AND BELLA.

I HAD A LOT OF FUN AND I CAN'T WAIT UNTIL NEXT YEAR'S BALL.

The NAIDOC Youth Ball was a fantastic night enjoyed by all who attended! The children were all superbly dressed in their best evening wear. The Junior Belle and Beau winners were Isabella Quartermaine and Vincent Gentle. The Senior Belle and Beau winners were Montana Curley and Raymond Binsiar. At the Youth Ball, the NAIDOC 2015 Youth Award winners were announced and Lainie Zapeda was awarded the Female Aboriginal Junior Award and Nicholas Mongoo was awarded the Male Aboriginal Junior Award. Big thanks go to the Meekatharra Police for DJ'ing on the night and keeping the kids moving! The hall decorations by Kadison were stunning and set the scene for an amazing night of celebration, for both the Junior and Adult Balls.

Saturday the 11th July was the Adult NAIDOC Ball and the official closure of NAIDOC week celebrations. The guests were entertained by live music, The Warwick Tullock Project and Vince Jones - No Limits. The Belle and Beau of the night went to Pam and Geoffrey Mongoo.

The Aboriginal Youth Award winner was Kadison King. The Senior Aboriginal Award winner was Ian Kyanga. The Aboriginal Elder Award winner was Phillip Curley. The Non-Indigenous Award winners were Dave and Belinda Hicks. There were also four additional awards, one to Andrew Binsiar for being the first Aboriginal Councillor. Geoffrey Mongoo, Pat Howden and Keith Mouritz all received awards for their contributions to the Meekatharra community. It was a great night, with everyone looking fabulous and having a fantastic time. The bar was hosted by the Royal Mail Hotel and the Catering was by Rochelle Neil.

The entire week was a huge success and we look forward to next years NAIDOC celebrations.

There will be a meeting to elect representatives for the NAIDOC action group. We would like the group to include at least one member of each family group. Keep watch for dates!



A huge Thank you to the 2015 NAIDOC team and all those who volunteered!

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Meekatharra District High School **Athletics Carnival**



Students, staff, families and community members enjoyed the MDHS Athletics Carnival on Friday 28 August.

The students enthusiastically participated in age races, field events, team games and novelty races. The community, staff and student races were strongly contested. The supportive cheering for all participants from Bungarra, Marlu and Yalabiddi continued throughout the day with Bungarra taking out the winning shield.

We would like to thank the many people in the Meekatharra community who contributed to making the day such a successful and fun event for the children.





Meekatharra District High School Principal

Julie McLaren is the new principal at Meekatharra District High School. Julie is originally from central Queensland and during her extensive teaching career she has worked as a principal in ACT and NT schools.

The school is an important part of the community and Julie hopes to build strong partnerships with families, organisations and businesses in Meekatharra Shire, in order to provide the best opportunities for children.

Julie is looking forward to working with school staff, families and organisations, so that all children develop good skills in literacy and numeracy and have a range of learning experiences as we prepare them for future success in further study or work and as members of the community.

If you would like to find out more about the school please contact us on 99811092.



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Quiz night update

Our fundraising quiz night was held on August 15th and was a big success!

Each team displayed formidable trivia skills and in-depth Meekatharra knowledge (with the exception of "The Bloody Backpackers").

We auctioned off great prizes on the night (including two customised wishing wells made from recycled materials), and raised money to continue with the community garden and recycling centre.

Thank you to all our supporters for a great night out! And a special thank you to Carl our brilliant auctioneer!



FREAGLES	6	6½	7½
FAR & MINING	6	4	6
THE BLOODY BACKPACKERS	0*	1	3
TRIPLE	6	4½	6



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Keep up to date and involved on our Facebook page.



Meeka Goes Green



RECYCLING CENTRE

Railway Street, Meekatharra

OPEN SATURDAYS

10-11AM



SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA

REGISTER OF SUPPLIERS OF GOODS OR SERVICES

The Shire of Meekatharra uses a Register of Suppliers /Contractors for informing potential suppliers of Requests for Quotes for a wide range of goods and services. Requests for Quotes will only be emailed to those on the list.

Potential and existing suppliers are invited to register.

Information Required.

Business Name

Contact person and number

Postal Address

ABN

Type of Services/ Goods provider

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



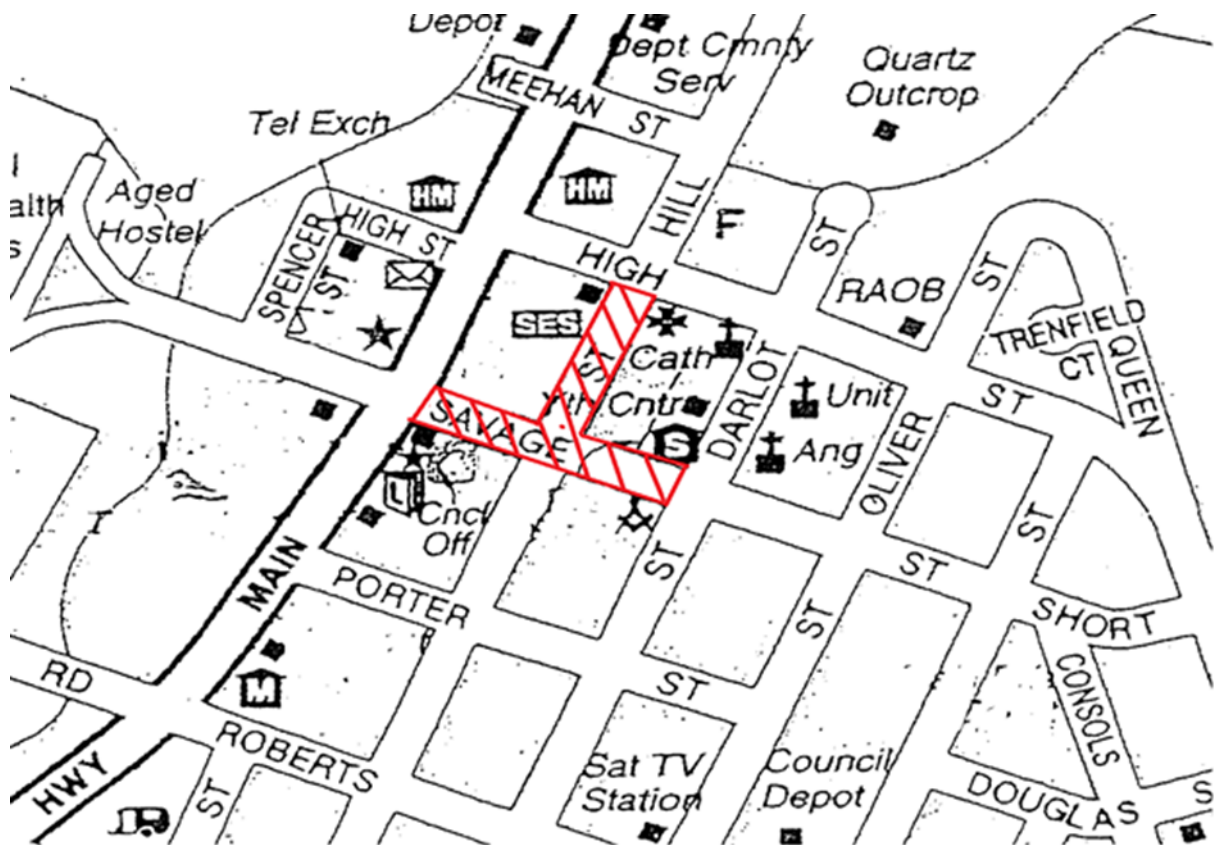
DORAY- MEEKATHARRA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT TRUST

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 25th September 12pm - Saturday 26th September 2pm

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Friday, 25 Sept
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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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www.meekafestival.com.au



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APPEARING:

Saturday 26th Sept, Meekatharra Race Club

Sunday 27th Sept, Meekatharra Outback Ball

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Outback Festival

Float Parade

10am 26th September

Showcase your business,
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Contact the Shire on 9980 0600 or
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to confirm your entry.



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SEPTEMBER
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Meekatharra Race Weekend 26th & 28th September 2015

SATURDAY

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CUP**

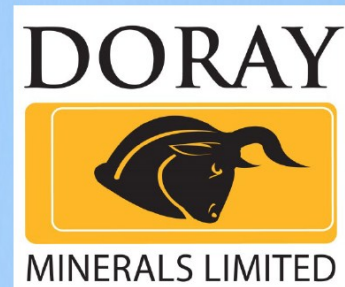


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**BAR OPENS 2PM
FIRST RACE 2.10 PM
LIVE MUSIC**

MONDAY

**DORAY
MEEKATHARRA
SPRINT**



**FIRST RACE
1.40 PM**

Saturday Fun



**Fashions on the Field
All welcome!**

Judging 4pm

**Hot foot your way round
the track in the Footrace**

**All ages! Heats start from
5.15pm**

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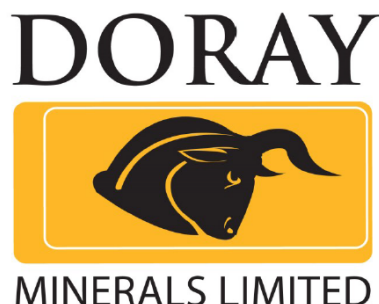
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Midwest Population Health Unit

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.

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MONDAY

FLIGHT NUMBER	DEPART	TIME	ARRIVE	TIME
JW1941	PERTH	0735	MEEKATHARRA	0920
	MEEKATHARRA	0955	WILUNA	1025
	WILUNA	1110	PERTH	1310

TUESDAY – No Flights

WEDNESDAY

FLIGHT NUMBER	DEPART	TIME	ARRIVE	TIME
JW1935	PERTH	0735	MT MAGNET	0855
	MT MAGNET	0925	MEEKATHARRA	1000
	MEEKATHARRA	1045	WILUNA	1115
	WILUNA	1200	PERTH	1345

THURSDAY – No Flights

FRIDAY

FLIGHT NUMBER	DEPART	TIME	ARRIVE	TIME
JW1941	PERTH	1315	MEEKATHARRA	1500
	MEEKATHARRA	1545	WILUNA	1615
	WILUNA	1700	PERTH	1900

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Please note changes of times



September, October, November

Sat 05 Sep	Uniting Church Service Uniting Church 6.30 pm
<i>Sat 12 Sep</i>	<i>Celebration of the Word with Communion Catholic Church 6.30 pm</i>
Sat 19 Sep	<i>Celebration of the Eucharist (Mass) Catholic Church 6.30 pm</i>
Sat 03 Oct	Uniting Church Service Uniting Church 6.30 pm
<i>Sat 17 Oct</i>	<i>Celebration of the Eucharist (Mass) Catholic Church 6.30 pm</i>
<i>Sat 24 Oct</i>	<i>Celebration of the Word with Communion Catholic Church 6.30 pm</i>
Sat 07 Nov	Uniting Church Service Uniting Church 6.30 pm
<i>Sat 14 Nov</i>	<i>Celebration of the Eucharist (Mass) Catholic Church 6.30 pm</i>
<i>Sat 28 Nov</i>	<i>Celebration of the Word with Communion Catholic Church 6.30 pm</i>

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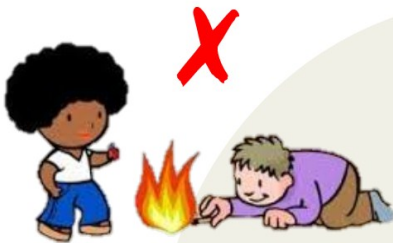
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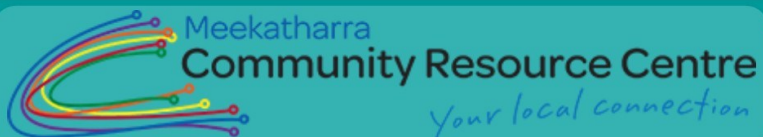
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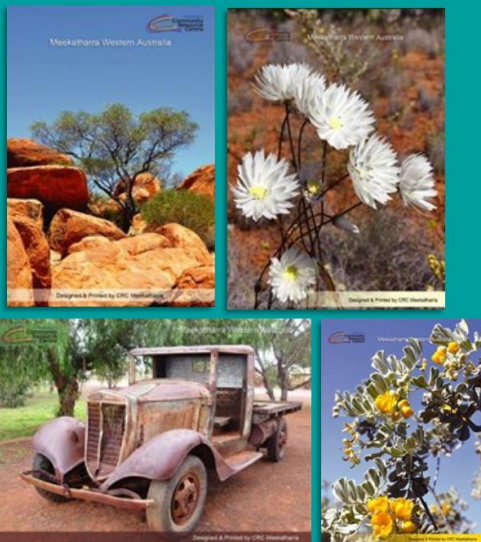
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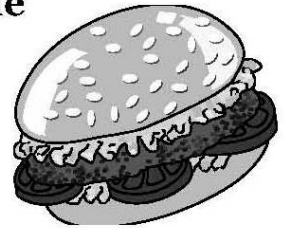
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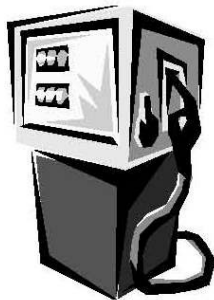
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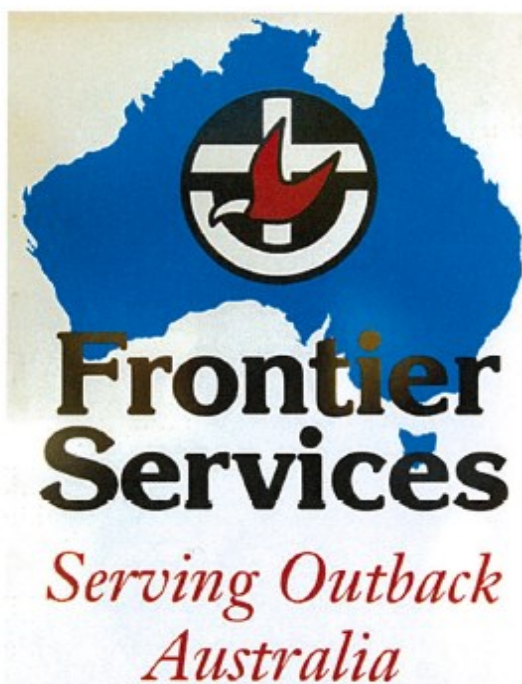
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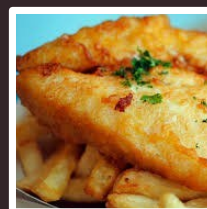
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September 2015

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