



Meekatharra Dust

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27 September (Festival Weekend)
Saturday Morning 11am
Cnr Savage & Hill St

All Ages Welcome
Free Entry
+ Colour Pack + Kids T-Shirt
(Adults bring your own t-shirt)

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Meekatharra's first paint race! This is an unlimited fun run where you start with a white t-shirt and end splashed in colour. We need volunteers for the day, if you're able to help please contact Katie on 0402-017-425 or email colour@meekatharrafestival.com.au

MEEKATHARRA RACE WEEKEND
SEPTEMBER 27 & 29

SATURDAY
SANDFIRE
MEEKATHARRA CUP

MONDAY
DORAY
MEEKATHARRA SPRINT

SANDFIRE RESOURCES NL
\$10.00/Adult/Day (Inc. Race Book) or \$15.00 - 2 Day Pass Under 18's Free of Charge 18+ ID Required

DORAY MINERALS LIMITED

12:30PM - FOOTY ON TV
3PM BAR OPENS
FIRST RACE 2:30 PM
RACE REINSTATE 3PM - 11PM

THUNDELARRA
FASHION ON THE FIELD
Judging 4pm

FOOTRACE
Hunts starts 3:15pm

STRICTLY NO BYO

Meekatharra Race Club promotes the responsible service and consumption of alcohol

Meekatharra Races
Saturday 27 September

Fashion On The Field

Open to all judging 4pm.

Proudly sponsored by **THUNDELARRA**

Prizes - value \$100 to \$300 for place getters

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Under the sea
Costumes welcome (not compulsory)

Skippers
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Meekatharra Outback Ball
Sunday 28th Sept
7pm - 12 Midnight

Lucky Door Prize
2x return flights to Perth
Donated by Skippers

Shire Hall | \$25 | 18+ | Semi-Formal
Tickets available from the Shire Office & on the door
Cash Bar | Fully catered by The Royal Mail Hotel

WESTERN MULGA FESTIVAL
ART EXHIBITION

Saturday 27th of September 12:00pm to 5:00pm
Come talk to some of our local artists
Bush & Wimmera Community Skin out the Gascayne road
Keep your eye out for our sign...

For more info
Please contact
Andrew Winstar
0418540534

10AM Saturday 27th September
Float Parade
Prizes! Prizes! Prizes!
Last Call for Entries

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Meekatharra Rodeo
Meekatharra Racecourse
RODEO FEST Meekatharra

\$10 Adults \$5 Children
Sunday 28th September

Strictly no BYO Alcohol
Cash Bar 12 - 5pm

\$20,000 PRIZES

Please BYO Chair As Seating Is Limited

Calling for Festival Weekend
Volunteers

The Meekatharra Outback Festival is not possible without help from volunteers. Every year we need to recruit volunteers to make sure the festival runs smoothly. If you can help out during the weekend please phone or email Dave on 0800-9000/rodeo@meekatharra.wa.gov.au

There are both active roles, like marshalling, and that harder role of ticket collecting. Events include:

- Friday Fun Night
- Float Parade
- ColourMe paint run
- Rodeo
- Outback Ball

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

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OUTBACK FESTIVAL

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COUNCIL.**

Thank you, Meekatharra Shire





Dust Noticeboard...



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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 SEPTEMBER 2014

COUNCIL MEETING

20 SEPTEMBER 2014

COUNCIL CHAMBERS

CNR MAIN AND SAVAGE STREETS

MEEKA FESTIVAL AND RACES WEEKEND

26TH –29TH SEPTEMBER 2014

TOWNSHIP AND RACE COURSE

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 2014

by Anna Johnson on behalf of the Shire of Meekatharra

What Has Your Council Been Up To Lately?

The latest minutes of the Meekatharra Shire Council reveal a very busy combination of regular ongoing works and some exciting projects being developed by Shire staff, elected representatives and members of the community for our town's future growth.

As always, the Shire has many maintenance and community activities underway. Recent completed projects include a new roof for the historic Masonic Lodge and re-doing the creek boardwalk with more durable materials.

Donations were made to the fire brigade, school holiday camp programs, community garden and volunteer ambulance service, just to mention a few.

The Shire also provides funds and resources to many other groups, events and activities in Meeka, such as the Youth Centre and the nationally famous "Shitbox Rally" fundraiser which came to town in June, and brought some excellent exposure and tourist dollars to our local businesses.

In addition, the Shire and its councillors are continuing to liaise with the police, health services and other agencies in regard to issues and needs that are important to our town - we'll feature more on those in next month's news.

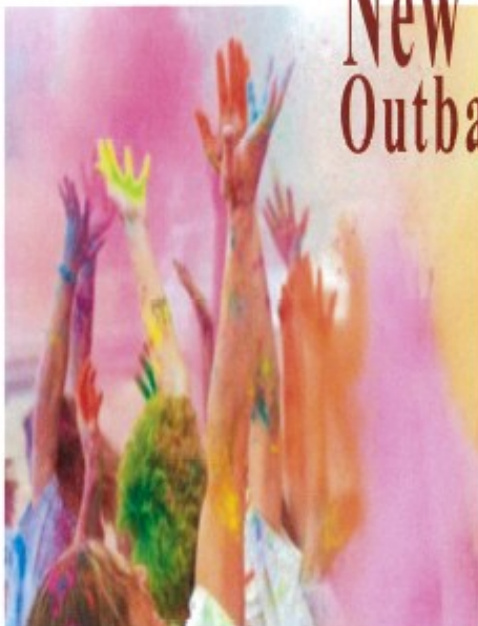
Anyone is welcome to have a read of the Shire's Council Minutes - it's a fascinating look into the nuts and bolts of what it takes to run a town, and community members are always welcome to attend the monthly meetings.



Above: the historic Masonic Lodge has a new roof (the old one was damaged by the 2013 Christmas mini-tornado). Below: the new creek area boardwalk, built tough for the outback.



New Look For Outback Festival



Shire staff, councillors and locals have been working hard all year to organise the upcoming Meekatharra Outback Festival taking place from September 26th to the 29th. Dave Macdonald, our new Community Development Officer, has brought together some dynamic changes:

"We have a lot more kid-focussed activities for this year's festival," revealed Dave. "There's the Colour Run paint race, Zap Circus, clowns, rides and of course the Parade, which anyone can take part in - you don't need to have a float, just join the fun! Remember to register for the parade beforehand."

This year the festival will stay in town on Friday and Saturday, based in Hill and Savage Streets. There will be no closure of Main Street, and the Parade will start off in Hill Street and end in Savage Street near the Shire offices.

Future Plans

Perhaps the most exciting news for locals is the "Meekatharra Revitalisation Plan" - a proposed roadmap for developing Meekatharra's tourism appeal and improving both business and community aspects of the town.

The plan is in response to the many concerns, needs and goals of people in the Meeka area, addressing what people would like to see in the future for our town, and working from the feedback of recent Visitors Surveys.

"People from both the community and the Shire have contributed some really good ideas and exciting projects," said Geoff Carberry, our Community & Development Services Manager.

Council is also about to consider a draft Economic Development Strategy. This document provides an interesting snapshot of Meekatharra today and some ideas for economic development into the future.

The draft Revitalisation Plan and Economic Development Strategy will both be presented to the Councillors on the 9th of September and then considered for formal adoption by council at its meeting on the 20th of September, after which members of the community can review these documents and provide their comments and feedback.

The draft Revitalisation Plan includes proposed improvements for 3 main zones in Meekatharra - the Main Street, Sporting Precinct and a Youth Precinct. There are also some specific development ideas for the old Lloyd's Outback Centre and ideas for improving existing aspects of Meekatharra to make our town more accessible and appealing for both visitors and residents.

Council news reports will keep everyone up to date on how this exciting project is progressing and letting you know how you can take part.

"We're always listening to what locals have to say and finding ways that the Shire can best respond in both the short and long term for the benefit of everyone in the Meekatharra district. The upcoming completion of some important new planning processes will provide Council with some useful direction over the next few years.

*- Norm Trenfield,
Shire President*

Want to know more?

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, Budget and other documents from the shire offices or online to find out about the many other projects and improvements that the Shire is undertaking.

"In recent years we have undertaken some extensive community consultation and planning processes. The broader focus of the Community Strategic Plan will be sharpened through the recent development of the Meekatharra Revitalisation Plan, our Economic Development Strategy and the Mid West Tourism Strategy. These plans and strategies are sure to offer up some exciting projects for our community in forthcoming years.

*- Roy McClymont,
Chief Executive Officer*



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"Meekatharra - A Golden Prospect"

26-29
Sept
2014

Meeka

Outback Festival

Queen's Birthday Weekend



Highlights

Friday
Family Fun Day
Fireworks

Saturday
Float Parade
Street Festival

Sunday
Rodeo
Outback Ball

+ Meeka Races Saturday and Monday



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Festival Weekend Programme

Friday 26th - Monday 29th September

Friday, 6pm - 9pm

Savage Street: the festival opens with fairground rides, food stalls, circus performers and live music.

8:30pm : fireworks display.

Saturday, 9am - Midday

Savage Street: family fun continues with a fairground rides and food stalls.

10am: float parade with fantastic prizes.

11am: ColourMe Run, an un-timed fun run around Savage and Hill Street. Runners start with a white T-shirt and end the race splashed in colour.

Shire Hall: local art on show.

Saturday Afternoon

Race Course: the annual Meekatharra Cup sponsored by Sandfire Resources NL.

2:10pm: first race.

Sunday, 10am - 5pm

Race Course: cowboys and cowgirls ride into town to compete in the famous Meekatharra rodeo.

Cash bar operating, strictly no BYO alcohol.

Tickets: adults \$10, children \$5.

10am: first performance (Slack).

1pm: second performance (Main).

Sunday, 7pm - Midnight

Shire Hall: round out the weekend with the annual Outback Ball. Dance the night away to Country Rock show band Renegade.

Cash bar. Tickets: \$25.

Door prize 2x return flights to Perth (donated by Skippers Aviation)

Monday Afternoon

Race Course: Meekatharra Sprint sponsored by Doray Minerals.

1:40pm: first race.



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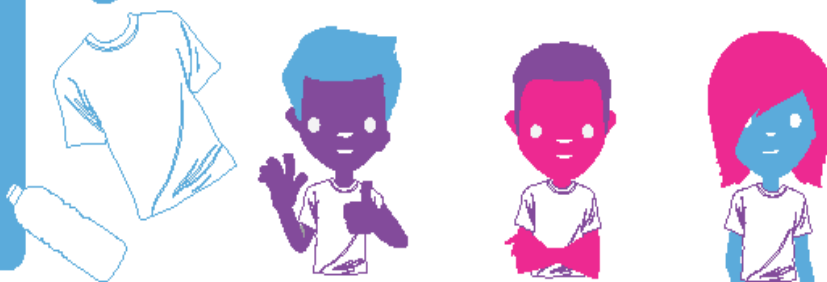


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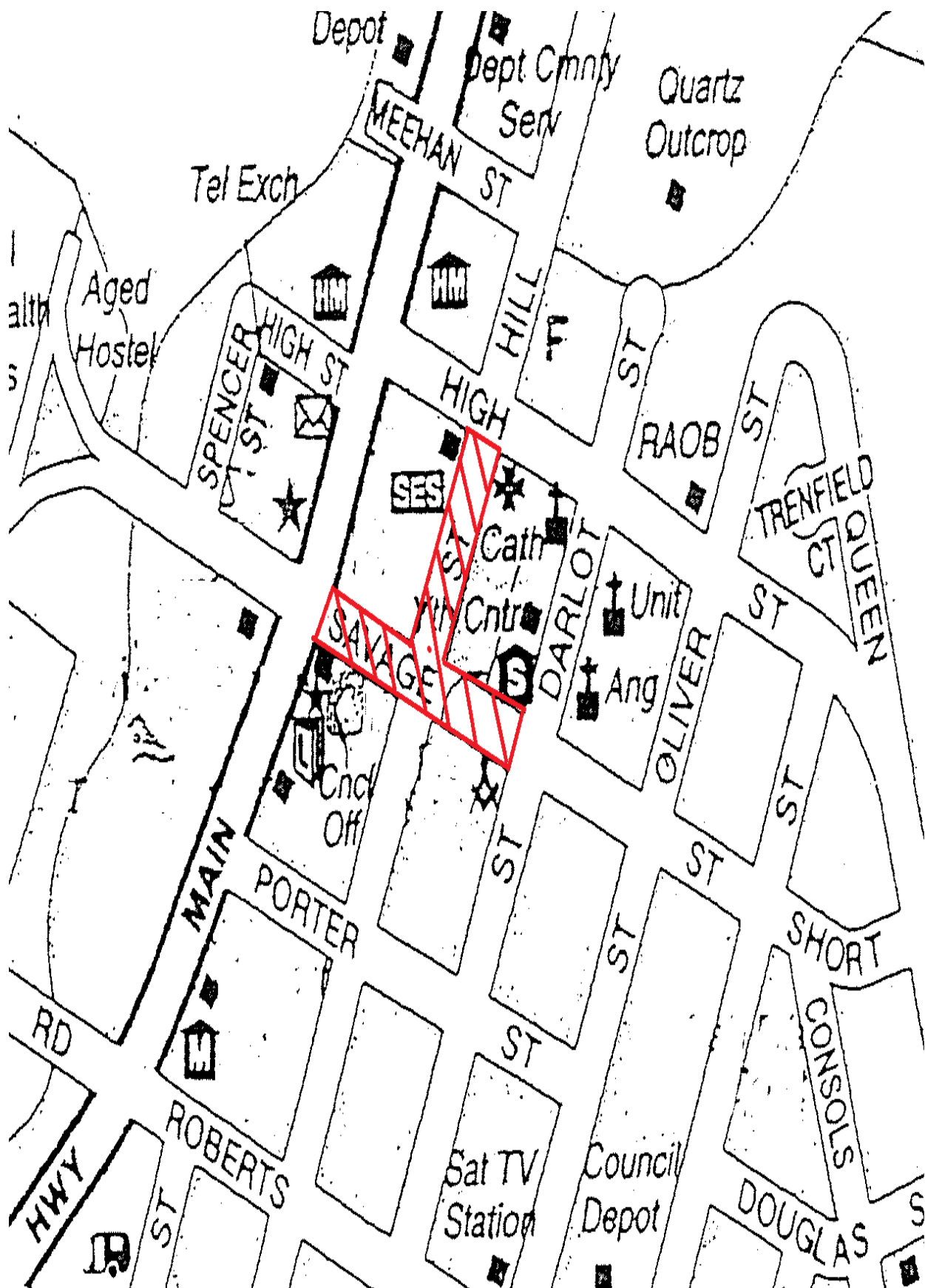


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FESTIVAL ROAD CLOSURES

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

MEEKATHARRA RACE WEEKEND

SEPTEMBER 27 & 29

SATURDAY

SANDFIRE

MEEKATHARRA CUP

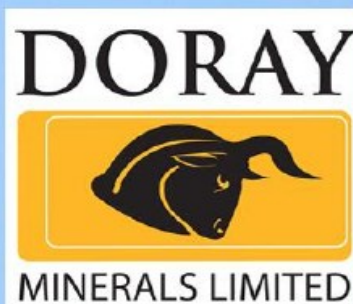


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or \$15.00 - 2 Day Pass
Under 18's Free of Charge
18+ ID Required

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12.30PM - FOOTY ON TV

2PM BAR OPENS

FIRST RACE 2.10 PM

BAND 'RENEGADE 7PM - 11PM

2PM BAR OPENS

FIRST RACE 1.40 PM

SUNSET - MEET THE
TRAINERS

SATURDAY FUN & PRIZES



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For all your plumbing, gas, water & waste management needs.



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**SATURDAY 27th
SEPTEMBER**

face painting,
hot dogs,
balloon
sculpting
& much
more!!

6-8PM @

the YOUTH CENTRE

***New mountain bike
to be won!!!***





SELLING?
BUYING?
BUSINESS?
MICRO-BUSINESS?
'MEEKA MARKETS'

Community stalls are returning!

Saturday 6th September

Welcome Park, Main Street

Stall Holders from 8am

Public from 9am

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Please register your interest to

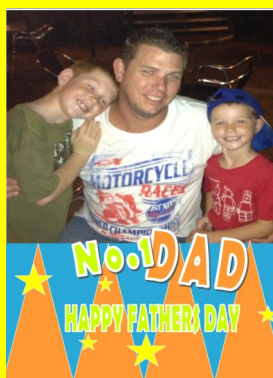
meekatharra@crc.net.au or

call 99801811

PERSONALISED FATHERS DAY CARDS

Fathers Day is only a week away, email us your photos or bring them in to the CRC and we can make a personalised card like the samples shown below.

We do personalised cards



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CRC Committee meeting

Tuesday 9th September, 5pm @ the CRC

As valued community members, we would like to invite you to the Meekatharra CRC Committee meeting.

The Committee meetings are an opportunity for you to hear reports about the activities that the CRC has been involved in. It is also an opportunity for you to have your say and express community development ideas that the CRC can consider as part of the business plan.

The CRC Committee welcome you to attend our Committee Meetings to share your bright ideas!

The aim of the CRC is to build capacity in Meekatharra and the surrounding Community through the delivery of information and communication technology services, banking, community development and training programs and government information. 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 an individual, organisation, or business in the com-

Farwell to these great community members



“ALL THE BEST DAN”
HOPE THAT THE
WEDDING IS A BIG HIT



THANK YOU
MEL AND CHAD
FROM ALL
MEEKATHARRA
COMMUNITY
MEMBERS





Meekatharra Outside School Hours Care: Kidzone



The Meekatharra Outside School Hours Care Programme has gone through a lot of changes recently. The kids voted for a change of name so now its called Kidzone. They also have some fabulous new outdoor equipment and have also changed buildings so the 5– 11 year olds have a space just for them. The kids love it and it is getting more popular by the week.

Mary Joy says their programme is growing and developing all the time. Jacqui from IPSU and David Mcdonald from the Shire used input from Mary Joy to develop a QIP. They will use their QIP to help guide Kidzone to become even better so that the Meeka kids have a very special, safe place to relax and do the things they want to do after school.

Apologies to Lauren and Darcy Lewis for the incorrect date for their wedding. It was May not April. Top points to Ross for picking up the error!

Congratulations to Anna on her article in the last 'Dust'. Brilliantly written and wonderful sentiments. Totally agree that the media only focus on the negatives in our town, not the many positives.

Raelene Hall

A Cup to Behold



On a recent visit to Tasmania Raelene Hall had the opportunity to hold the 1972 Melbourne Cup. Through friends she met Lisa Lucas, granddaughter of the late Ray Trinder, owner of Piping Lane who won the 1972 Melbourne Cup.

His jockey, John Letts of SA, was riding at Flemington for the first time when he won the cup on Piping Lane.

Whilst other Tasmania bred horses have won the Cup (Nimblefoot 1870, The Quack 1872, Malua 1884 and Sheet Anchor 1885), Piping Lane is the only Tasmanian bred and owned horse to win the cup.

At the end of his racing career Piping Lane spent a season in the show ring and also went hunting. He died at the grand old age of 29.

Piping Lane is buried on what was formerly the Trinder's property at East Devenport with a horseshoe shaped memorial and flagpole visible from the road.

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
22 Nov	Celebration of the Eucharist (Mass)
06 Dec	Celebration of the Word with Communion Christmas Mass time to be advised

The Catholic Church is located on the corner of Darlot and High Streets.
This parish is under the pastoral care of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan of the Order of St Benedict
Sr Gerri Boylan sgs 9963 4179, 9981 1120

If you were wearing more clothes this wouldn't have happened



I was with my handsome personal Dr. Who plot explainer, Gary Hammer, and some fire brigade mates at the Commie the other night and we suddenly found ourselves discussing the original series of Star Trek, as you do after a drink or two on a Tuesday night in a small outback town.

When I was five years old we would be riveted to the old black and white telly every Friday evening, mesmerised by James T. Kirk and his intrepid, stylish crew. Afterwards, our dad would happily indulge us in acting out Jim's standard fight routines (punch in the guts, then a karate chop to the back of the neck, shoulder roll into the back of the sofa/doomsday vortex) until the noise level escalated to African Buffalo Stampede levels and Mum shouted from the kitchen for us to Stop It.

Under the historic tin ceiling of the Commercial Hotel, however, adult logic reared its ugly head. How come, no matter where they beamed down, they would always run into someone in charge, handy to a nearby headquarters? This wouldn't happen in real life. In reality, they would land somewhere like outer Mandurah and be greeted by the alien equivalent of Craig and maybe a few of Craig's mates. "This ere's Bazza, Wazza, Chimp and Crusty," Craig would say. "And this is me Holden what we're tryin' ter get Davo's old 352 into. Yer got any smokes mate?" The Star Trek crew would then end up in some sort of tangle with Centrelink, like an interstellar episode of Housos.

As more beer was consumed, more questions arose. Why in God's name did they keep using the Transporter, which was clearly unreliable, breaking down in nearly every episode? Why did blokes keep signing up to be the guys in the red security outfits, when none of them ever survived through an entire episode? Why did they never take spare dilithium crystals, always running out of them millions of light years from the nearest Star Bunnings? Why on earth did they keep letting Kirk beam down to planets full of slinky, scantily-clad glamazon alien women when he had a proven track record of thinking with his dick and nearly getting everyone killed? Why did the initial scouting parties always consist of the most important leaders of the crew, leaving only Chekov and Nurse Christine in charge?

As we marveled at these absurd illogicalities, I realised what the problem was: there was no mum. You know, someone with common sense. For example, they were always beaming down to some godforsaken unknown planet with only a tricorder and a few phasers, which never worked against whatever slimy awful thing they encountered there. No sandwiches, no bottled water, not even a spare jumper. No mum in the universe would have let this go on. "James, have you got your warm jacket? Where's Scotty's lunch box? Uhura, you are NOT going out dressed like that, put something sensible on."

So, when you think about it, Star Trek was the galactic equivalent of letting Dad take the kids camping. You know what I mean - sure, it's awesome fun, and you learn heaps of cool stuff but unfortunately a lot of dads aren't always on top of things such as realising that you've been wearing your Spiderman costume for 12 days and nights straight and the filth-encrusted polyester fabric has actually melded into your top skin layers and may need to be surgically removed, or noticing that your little brother and the dog have been living on peanut butter and sugar from the same dish while your older brother has been playing Angry Birds for 157 hours and is now unable to blink or speak. "Dad, can me and Pete play with the gun?" you ask. "Sure," says Dad, preoccupied with re-wiring the boat motor that Mum told him to get fixed last summer but then his mate Kev came round and they drank beer and started fooling around with the quad bike instead and now that doesn't work either.

Mums stop us from turning into Lord Of The Flies. We should have official mums allocated around the world make sure countries get a grip on themselves. Groups of emergency mums could be sent to global hot zones to sort things out. They wouldn't need weapons. "No telly until that mess is cleaned up!" Imagine, if we had more mums in charge, how we could cut down on all the excessive occupational health and safety madness, overloaded court systems and so on - "Stop that or you'll poke someone's eye out!" "I don't care who did it, you're all going to your rooms until you've learned how to behave."

It was wonderfully exciting to imagine myself taking part in the gripping, life-or-death adventures of the Star Trek crew, but in reality I know that if I ever did have to venture on to an alien planet swarming with huge carnivorous plants and six-eyed bug monsters, I would definitely want a spare sandwich, and my mum. Gary would be handy too, but I'm not 100% sure how he'd go around the scantily-clad women - he might need me to rescue him. If the transporter's working, that is.



From the 10th to the 26th of August , Golden Triangle Tours attend at the Paddy's Flat Veterans Legion of Australia Meekatharra branch. They were hosted more than adequately by Chris Atkin who worked tirelessly making sure the group of 14 prospectors and 9 support staff were well looked after.

The gold yield was lean but still rewarding with the group recording well over 4 ounces in the days they went detecting. Friday the 15th saw a large charity auction amongst the group to raise funds for the RFDS.

Several sponsors contributed to the evening, including Figtech Meekatharra , Greckman Pty Ltd, Riverside Veterinary products, Richmond Resources, Doray Minerals and Cue Minerals.

The mining companies had \$100 donated on their behalf for access to leases during the tour and Golden Triangle Tours greatly appreciate the ability and the co-operation shown by these companies.

The result of the charity auction and "Fines/ Swear" jar donations saw a bank cheque for \$4270.30 presented at the final nights award ceremony.

Andrew Grech, owner of Golden Triangle Tours , said " We feel its very very important to contribute to the towns that we stay in with our fully catered and fully accommodated tours. We will have spent well over \$20,000 in the local economy for things such as Food from Farmer Jacks, meat for Mt.Magnet Butchers, fruit and Veg from Geraldton as well as our fuel for the local service stations and the use of the tremendous facilities at Paddy's Flat. Not to mention one or two beers at the local pubs. But no matter where we go in remote Australia we always raise funds for the RFDS. With the average age of our customers around 50-60 years old we may just need them one day to help one of these people . "

hope this helps with the article...please make sure we promote our sponsors and thank the local businesses for their hosting of us...

Andrew Grech

P.O.Box 9

Raywood Victoria

3570.



GP services to continue in Meekatharra

WA Country Health Service Midwest will ensure GP services continue for the Meekatharra community.

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

SHIRE OF MEEKATHARRA

CONTRACTOR REGISTER FOR SUPPLIERS OF GOODS OR SERVICES

The Shire of Meekatharra is compiling a Register of Contractors to use for informing suppliers of Requests for Quotes for a wide range of goods and services. Requests for Quotes will then be emailed to those on the list.

The Register list will be new so all existing contractors as well as other interested persons or businesses are invited to register.

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

For further information please contact Project Officer Gary Martin on 99800600.

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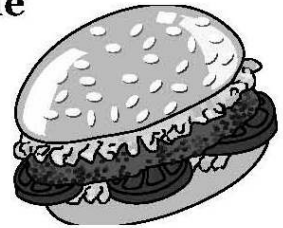
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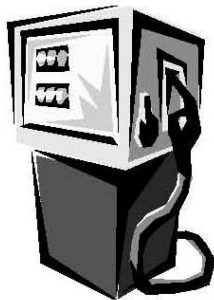
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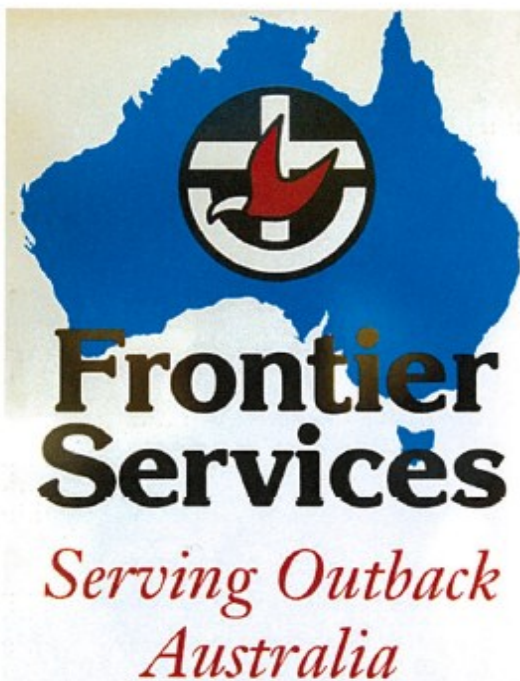
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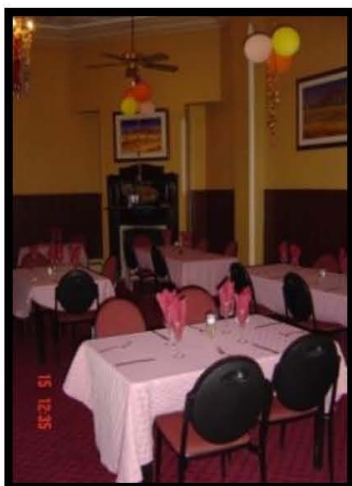
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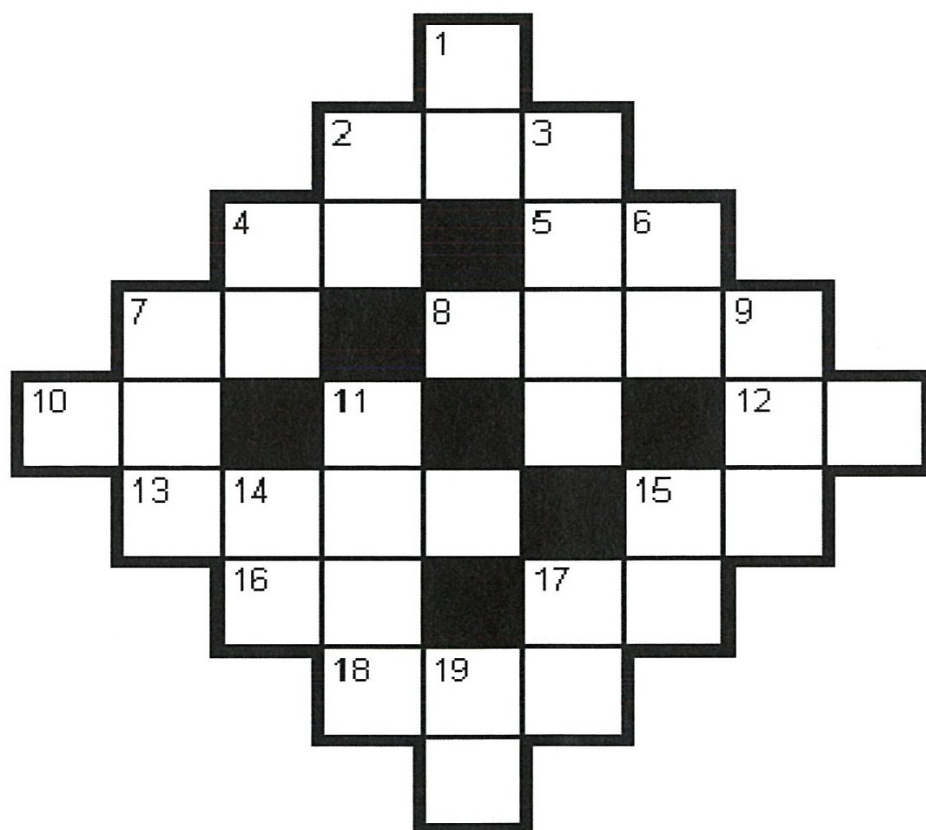


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Across

2. 7 down minus 482
4. Number of weeks in a year
5. Number of days in four weeks
7. Seven times nine
8. 8617 re-arranged
10. 15 down plus forty-two
12. Quarter of 100
13. Half of 10486
15. Half of 10 across
16. Quarter of 4 across
17. Four times twenty-two
18. $82+62+78$

Down

1. Four times eight
2. 12 across minus 16 across
3. 1640 doubled
4. 6 down minus 5 across
6. Nine times nine
7. Five times 121
9. Half of 1450
11. 716 doubled
14. A third of sixty-three
15. Number of hours in two days
17. Half of 164
19. 100 divided by five

Solution for page 51

ALPHA-CROSS Solution

A	N	T		B	R	I	C	K
P		O		E		G		I
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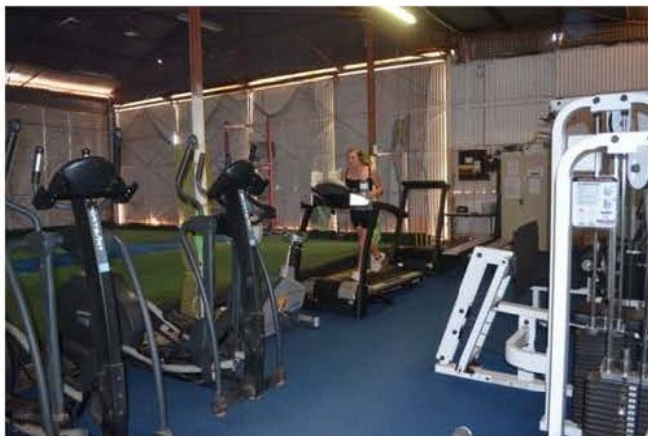
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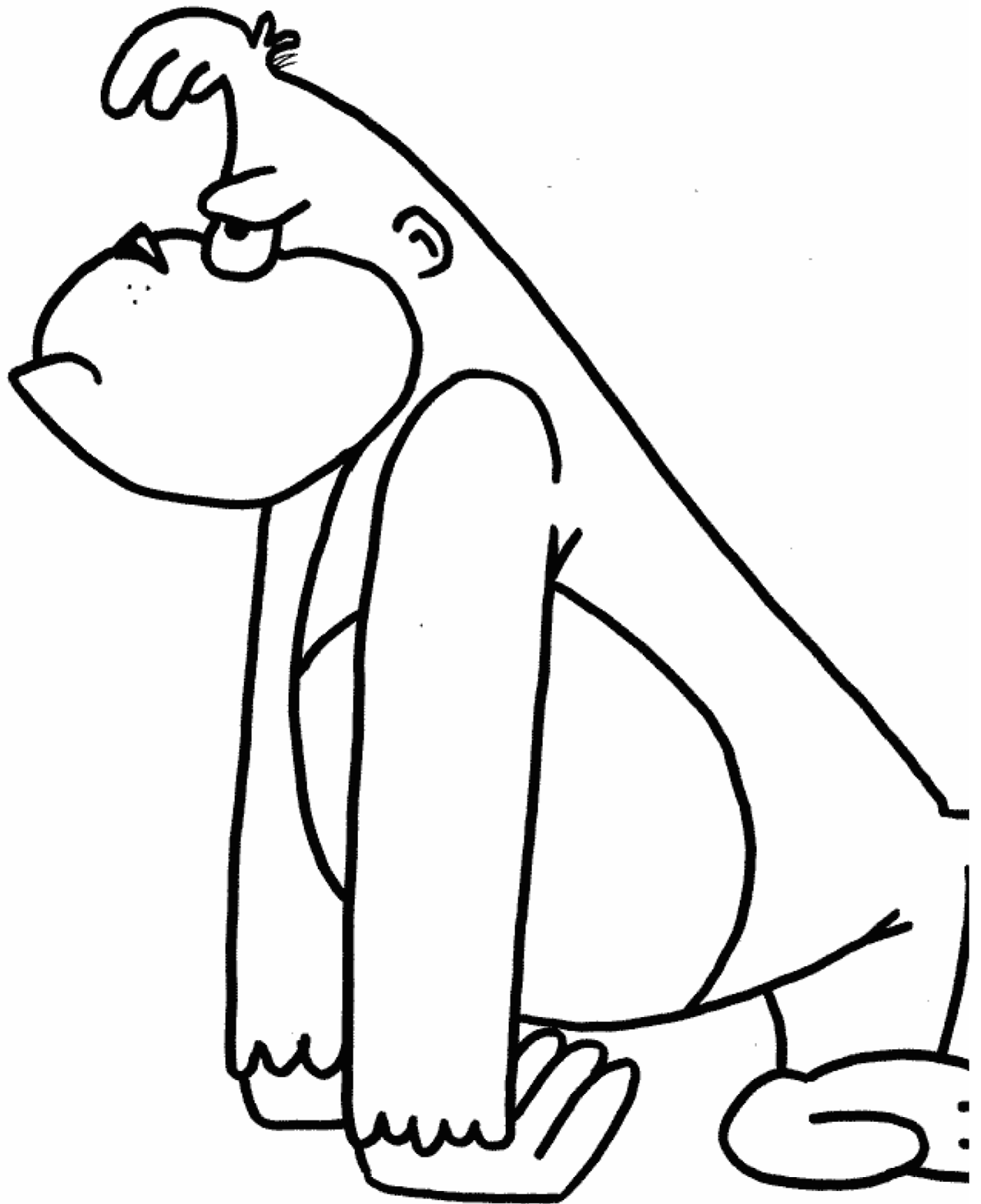


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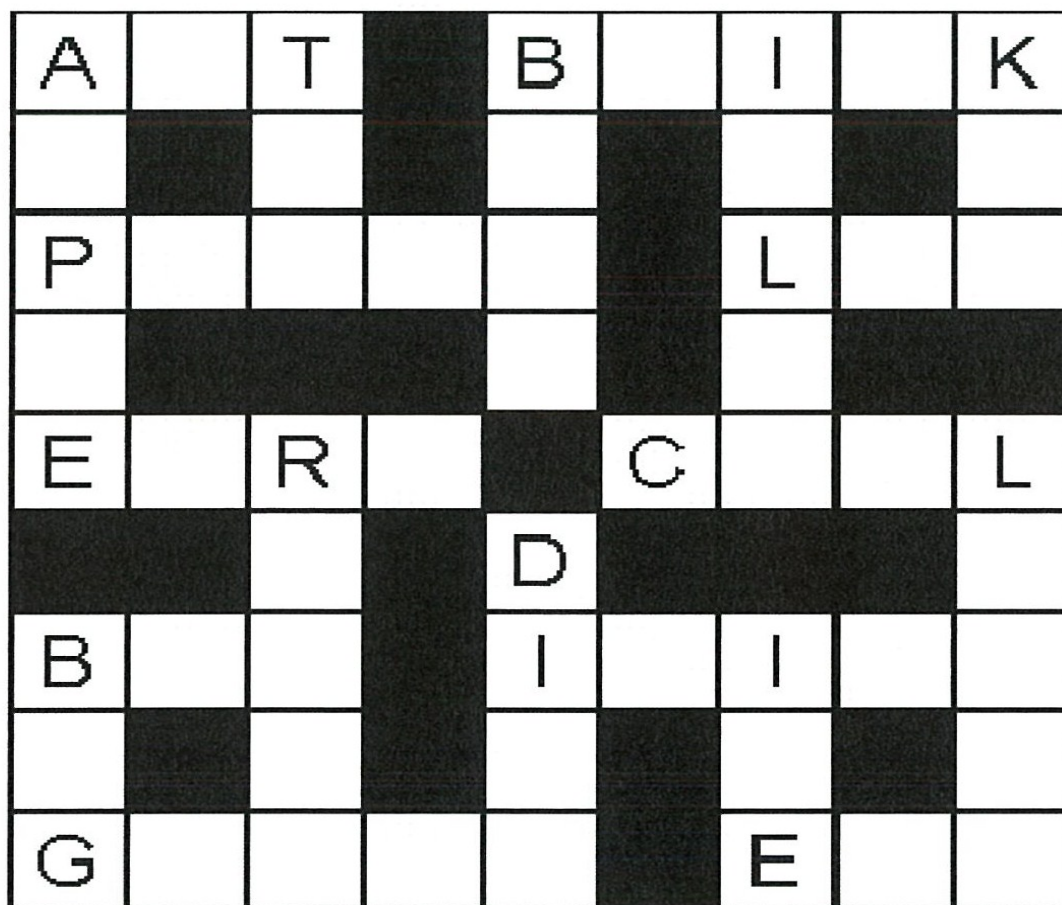


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Kids Colouring Page

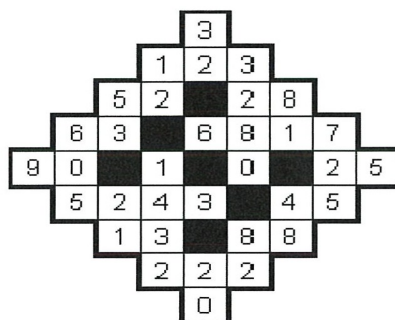


The first letter of each answer appears next to its clue in alphabetical order. All the first letters have been entered into the grid. Can you complete the puzzle?



- | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------|
| A. Small insect (3) | G. Worn on the hand (5) |
| A. Fruit (5) | I. Frozen water (3) |
| B. Somewhere to sleep (3) | I. Cake topping (5) |
| B. Flying insects (4) | I. Ice hut (5) |
| B. Large (3) | K. Young goat (3) |
| B. Building block (5) | L. Lawful (5) |
| C. Type of fuel (4) | L. Top or cover (3) |
| D. US coin (4) | P. Part of something (5) |
| E. Used for listening (4) | R. Something to listen to (5) |
| E. Snakelike fish (3) | T. Part of the foot (3) |

Solution for page 46 Figure It Solution



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