

Shire of Coolgardie

COOL RAMBLER

Free Community Newspaper

14th Dec
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Steinhauser
Reserve
Starts at
3.00pm

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Dogs
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KAMBALDA
COMMUNITY
CHRISTMAS TREE
2019

- ★ Sausage sizzle and cool drinks available to buy
- ★ Music, live entertainment
- ★ Giant water slide
- ★ Fun activities
- ★ Prime viewing for the BEST FIREWORKS in Kambalda courtesy of St Ives Gold

NORTHERN STAR
Shire of Coolgardie
Mother of the Goldfields
GOLD FIELDS



SHIRE LAUNCHES NEW BRAND
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Shire's New Brand Identity Unveiled

The Shire of Coolgardie is excited to announce the launch of its new brand identity to the community.

The Shire of Coolgardie's uniqueness and diversity is to be reflected in this identity, rightfully recognising Coolgardie as the 'Mother of the Goldfields'.

Coolgardie is renowned for being the birthplace of the great gold rush of 1892, and Kambalda is recognised as Australia's first nickel town.

A true mining powerhouse, this Shire has contributed to both the state's economy and mining output in a significant way. Generating \$3.4 billion of value in mineral production last financial year, this places the area as the largest mineral producer in the region, and the third largest local government producer in the state after the Pilbara.

Continuing to punch above its weight, there's also

been 8.9 per cent growth in mineral production from 2017/18 – the largest regional growth percentage.

Malcolm Cullen, Shire President, said "I believe these record numbers can be partly attributed to the Shire's proactive approach in engaging with mining companies to support their operations and growth in the area. We are anticipating continual growth in the value of mineral production of at least 4 to 5 per cent in the next two years."

Wednesday November 20 was centred around communicating and sharing this new brand identity to all members of the community - from Shire staff, to elected members, students from Coolgardie Primary School, Kambalda Primary School and Kambalda West District High School as well as parents and school staff.

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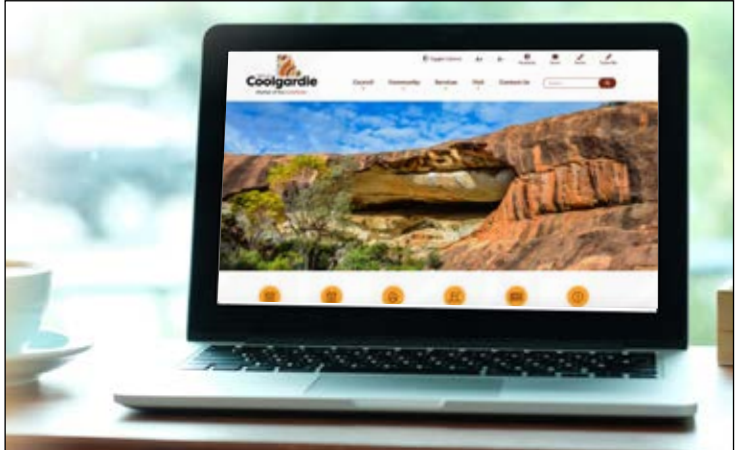
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“The Shire of Coolgardie has been progressing a number of exciting projects in recent weeks including the development of the Kambalda Aquatic Facility, the re-opening of Coolgardie Pool, and various health and wellness initiatives such as the Memorandums of Understanding (MOU’s) signed with Goldfields Individual Family Support Association and Addlife Physiotherapy, which complement our partnership in delivering Primary Health Services into Kambalda with St John Medical,” Mr Cullen said.

“It’s an important time to consider the Shire’s identity and how these new projects are shaping our community.

“The Shire’s current crest logo was designed and has been in use since the early 1970s. With so much renewed activity in the region, it is an exciting time for the Shire and our community and Council felt this was an opportune time to freshen up and promote the face of the Shire of Coolgardie.

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Upcoming Shire of Coolgardie Ordinary Meetings

Meetings of Council are held on the last Tuesday of the month at 6pm. Meetings alternate between Coolgardie Council Chambers and the Kambalda Community Recreation Facility function room.

Day	Date	Time	Location
Tuesday	December 17, 2019	6pm	Coolgardie



Message from the Shire President - December 2019

During the past six weeks in the Shire, Councillors and staff have been engaged in a series of workshops and training exercises with regards to updating and reviewing plans and procedures that guide both staff and the Council with the aim of gaining optimum output and efficiencies throughout the organisation.

The Asset Management workshop, being one of these, has resulted in a strategy to formulate the Shire Asset Management Plan and have this implemented over the following 12 months. This modern and updated system will enable staff to gain better understanding of asset renewal and the amount of funding required in future years to maintain and/or replace Shire asset. These include buildings, plant and equipment, vehicles, roads and footpaths.

Also, during the first week of November, the second phase of Service Level Review workshops were held with our consultant John Ravlic over three days in Kambalda. Since the initial inception of the Level of Service, the efficiencies within the Shire have seen steady improvement and with ongoing training and mentoring of staff the benefits to the community will continue to improve in the future.

Our CEO, James Trail, has developed a new organisational structure which will see a Director of Operation Services, Director of Economic and Community Development and Manager Commercial Services under and responsible to the CEO. The new Director of Operations Services will commence on December 2, 2019 and will bring more than 12 years of strategic experience to the Shire, whilst the Director Economic and Community Development and Manager Commercial Services positions will be filled by current members of staff.

At the Special Meeting of Council on November 12, 2019, Council endorsed a recommendation to commit additional funding to the Kambalda Pool restoration project. This funding will enable further work to be carried out to include shade structures and solar heating for the learn to swim and leisure pool, and some landscaping to the pool surrounds.

Whilst acknowledging the extra work may delay the opening of the pool, Council felt these works would enhance the project overall and would reduce the necessity to rework parts of the project next year. Once this work is completed, Council is confident that this facility will be a state-of-the-art recreation centre and benefit the community for many years into the future.

For some months now Council has been working with the Market Creations Group to develop a new logo and branding for the Shire of Coolgardie. In discussion with Councillors and staff, it was felt there was a need to update and refresh the Shire image in line with the strategic direction and improving economy in the region, and working with Market Creations we believe the new brand will enhance the image and promote the Shire as a proactive and engaging organisation.

The brand and logo was launched at both Coolgardie and Kambalda West schools on Thursday, November 20, 2019, then on the following day at the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Chamber of Commerce and Industry, What's Down the Track Forum and Exhibition. Overall the new logo has been received in a very favourable manner to date, with many positive comments on the Shire face book site.

Meetings and workshops attended this period:

October

- Regional Road Group meeting in Kalgoorlie.
- Australia's Golden Outback tourism AGM and conference in Kalgoorlie.

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- Inspection of the Public Building in Coolgardie.
- Asset Management Workshop Kambalda.
- Meeting with University of Adelaide regarding the CDC Trial evaluation.

November

- CEO Performance Review.
- Service Level Workshop in Kambalda.
- Council Briefing Forum and Special Meeting in Kambalda.
- GVROC Meeting and Strategic Working Group meetings in Kalgoorlie.
- Presentations of re-branding Shire logo at Coolgardie and Kambalda West schools.
- KBCCI What's Down the Track Forum in Kalgoorlie.
- Site meeting with Evolution Mining at Ben Prior Park to discuss park upgrade.
- Site meeting regarding the Coolgardie Truck Park project with Road Tech, staff and engineering contractor.

Malcolm Cullen Shire President



From the desk of the CEO - December 2019

Hi everyone,

Firstly, I would like to extend my sincere gratitude to the Shire staff, volunteer fire fighters, DFES crew and mining industry staff for their valuable assistance during the recent bushfires.

We acknowledge this was a very stressful time for our residents and I encourage everyone to visit our new website to refer to the DFES Fact Sheets and other pertinent bushfire information. The Shire is currently reviewing its Emergency Management Plan which will be released to the community in the new year.

The Shire also launched its new brand last month at the primary schools in Coolgardie and Kambalda. The new logo has been really well received with many positive comments. We intend to phase the branding into the community over the next financial year.

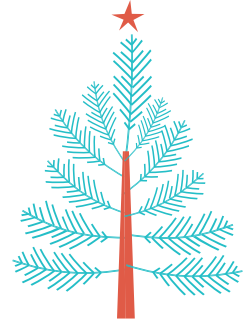
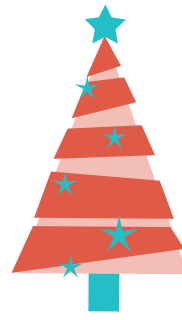
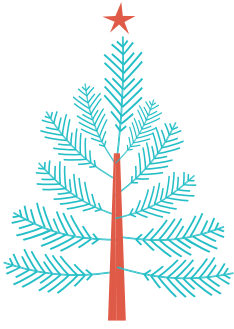
2019 has been a year of achieving significant funding for infrastructure projects from the State and Federal governments and the mining industry. Internally, we have undertaken a full organisational review, embedded new internal processes into the organisation and improved our communication mediums with the community. It's also been a time for the management of major construction projects, such as the Kambalda Aquatic Facility, that will service the community for future generations.

The number of partnerships established with organisations this year, such as St Johns, GIFSA, AddLife and Brightminds demonstrates the Council's commitment to building healthy and resilient communities.

I would like to wish you and your families a safe and Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Enjoy your well-earned rest and the beautiful Goldfields summer weather - if you are travelling please take care on the roads.

Take care,

James Trail
Chief Executive



Shire of Coolgardie Christmas Closure

The Shire of Coolgardie would like to advise residents of the closure dates for the following facilities during the Christmas and New Year period

SHIRE ADMINISTRATION, RECREATION AND COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRES:

Closing from 3pm, Friday, 20 December 2019
Reopening 8.30am, Thursday, 2 January 2020

COOLGARDIE VISITORS CENTRE

Closed:

Wednesday 25 & Thursday 26 December, 2019 Wednesday, 1 January, 2020

COOLGARDIE AND KAMBALDA WASTE FACILITIES

Closed:

Wednesday 25 & Thursday 26 December, 2019 Wednesday, 1 January, 2020

COOLGARDIE SWIMMING POOL:

Closed:

Wednesday, 25 December, 2019

CONTACT NUMBERS

For all life-threatening emergencies call: 000

For all other emergencies contact:

Coolgardie: 0427 081 074

Kambalda: 0409 266 607

Ranger: (08) 9080 2111

Power Issues: 13 13 51

Water Issues: 13 13 75

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and a Safe and Happy New Year

Coolgardie Looks To The Future At What's Down the Track Forum



On November 21, the 20th annual Kalgoorlie-Boulder Chamber of Commerce and Industry What's Down The Track Forum & Exhibition was held. As the event's Platinum sponsor, the Shire of Coolgardie presented a keynote address during the forum and hosted a booth within the exhibition display.

Chief Executive Officer, James Trail's keynote address formally launched the Shire's new brand identity to industry representatives.

"The new brand identity for the Shire of Coolgardie highlights the strength and diversification of our region's economic base and marks an exciting time for our community," said Malcolm Cullen, Shire President.

"After sharing this 'new look' with the community yesterday, we're excited by the opportunity to present our new brand to our partners in industry at the What's Down The Track conference."

"The Shire is privileged to have had the opportunity to sponsor an event that showcases the strength of the mining industry in the Goldfields. Over the past two years, the Shire has proactively engaged with mining companies, health service providers and other local organisations to promote economic development and deliver better services and benefits to our community."

Chief Executive Officer James Trail also announced a new organisational structure for the Shire within his keynote address. Endorsed at a Special Meeting on 12 November 2019, the new structure consists of:

- Director of Operation Services
- Director of Economic and Community Development
- Manager Commercial Services

The new Director of Operation Services will commence with the Shire on the 2nd December 2019 and brings in excess of 12 years' strategic experience as a Chief Executive Officer. The



Director of Economic and Community Development and Manager Commercial Services will be filled by current members of staff.

This restructure stems from an organisational review undertaken by the Shire which included interviews and workshops with staff members to create an unbiased reallocation of duties based on functionality and efficiency.

The review recommended that, for the Shire to progress, grow and continue to meet the needs and expectations of its community, the CEO and his management team must operate at a strategic level. The new structure has not meant any redundancies but rather a renewed focus on strategy and operational efficiencies.

Changes will reflect a Shire that, over the last four years have become more responsive, agile and better able to deliver on Council's commitments to the community. The changes also reflect Council's focus for a greater emphasis on community engagement, planning, development and improved customer service.

"The Councillors have been extremely well-briefed during the review process and in the development of this new structure," said Malcolm Cullen, Shire President.

"I am confident that we have a skilled team with the right people in place to deliver the best outcomes for the community and our stakeholders."



See The Library For All Your Holiday Reading

We are drawing to the end of the year and soon you'll see the library beautifully decorated for the festive season.

If you are planning to go on holidays and are wanting to borrow an item for longer than the normal two-week loan period, talk to your library staff member about the options available.

Spooklacular fun and games for Halloween

This year Halloween fell on Thursday, October 31, our usual storytime day and what a great way to celebrate by coming in all dressed up for a special storytime.

We invited children from One Tree Daycare services to join in the spooky action and had 30 children attend the event. Not only did we sing our most popular action nursery rhymes, but we also introduced a few new songs to learn all about bones, by singing along to "dem bones" and "shaking them all about".

All the children loved the story "Room on the Broom" by Julia Donaldson and Axel Scheffler, a book about a witch and her cat happily flying through the sky on a broomstick, with the wind blowing away her hat, bow and wand, and making new friends along the way. There was



much engagement from our curious readers, pointing out the illustrations in the storybook.

We then moved on to making broomsticks ourselves using wooden beads, twigs, and pipe cleaners as well as brown lunch bags.

The Kambalda library was decorated and covered in spider webs, bats, pumpkins and spiders to everyone's excitement. The children also went on a spooky scavenger hunt through the library bookshelves, and enjoyed a creepy feel box and games throughout the morning.

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The highlights however were the “throw the spider eggs on the spider web-game” using cotton balls, and the yummy spooktacular morning tea and treat bags that followed.

“Read it again” Storytime suitcase

Our Better Beginnings storytime suitcases have been so popular that we plan to use them even more in the new year. The “Read it again” suitcase especially introduced our young readers to a lot of fun rhymes and all-time favourite young children’s books such as: “Mary goes to the Library” by Lucy Cousins, “Hairy Maclary” by Lynley Dodd, and “Freight Train” by Donald Crews.



Making the crafts to go with those books has been exciting week after week, and introduces new skills and techniques, helping young children develop fine motor skills.

Recycling Week

National Recycling Week, held from November 11-17, marks a week promoting sustainable environmental practises and was acknowledged in our library by reusing shredded paper from the KCRF for a crafty activity.

Who would have thought we could make “Muffin Maclay, like a bundle of hay” out of recycled paper? The library is always looking for empty toilet paper rolls, egg cartons

or unused craft items you may no longer need. Contact your library staff for any donations you may have.

Remembrance Day

Acknowledging Remembrance Day each year has been a big part of learning about Australia’s history at storytime. This Remembrance Day we read “Anzac Ted” by Belinda Landsberry and created a poppy wreath to be displayed at the Kambalda Community Recreation Facility. It was such a beautiful display, well done to the lovely children and their parents that have helped with this project.

New arrivals - exchange stock items

If you have been a library member for a while you may already be aware, but we are still coming across patrons that use the library regularly and yet have not discovered our “new arrivals” shelf. Each month the State Library sends us new and used items to update our stock items and they are placed on the shelves for you to discover. Come and check out our new arrivals this month.



After-hours return chute

Have you spotted the new after-hours book return chute located to the right of the library entrance yet? Library opening hours are Monday-Friday, from 8.30am-4.30pm.

**WHAT'S ON AT KAMBALDA
PUBLIC LIBRARY**

December 12 & 19: Term 4 Storytime and Christmas crafts, 9.30am, weekly during school term, \$2 per child.

February 13, 2020: Term 1 Storytime begins for Term 1, weekly during school term, 9.30am.



BEWARE WILDLIFE ON ROADS

Lizards and other wildlife are increasingly on the move and sunbaking on the roads during warmer weather. Take care while driving to protect our wildlife and yourself.



CHRISTMAS CRAFT AFTERNOON

COME DOWN AND MAKE SOME AWESOME CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS. WE HAVE REINDEERS TO MAKE, WINDOW SNOWFLAKES TO CREATE AND BEAUTIFUL HANGING ORNAMENTS TO SEW.

COOLGARDIE RECREATION CENTRE

TUESDAY 17TH OF DECEMBER

AGES 5 - 12

FROM 3:15PM - 4:15PM



FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL THE COOLGARDIE RECREATION CENTRE ON 9080 2111

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Shire Prioritises Population Growth And Skills Supply

The Shire of Coolgardie is the largest producer of minerals in the region, with gold and nickel mining operations supporting globally significant regional exports.

With the rapid increase in mineral production, skills shortages throughout the region, and decline of the Shire's population (10.8% in five years), the Shire is committed to implementing attraction and retention strategies to its towns.

On November 27, the Shire formally signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Goldfields Community Legal Centre Inc. - a not-for-profit organisation that was successful in obtaining State Government Regional Economic Development (RED) Grants to deliver the Goldfields Migration Employment Project.

The project aims to alleviate the labour and skills shortage in the Goldfields region by engaging with migrant communities based in metropolitan areas of WA and assisting employment seekers with access to Goldfields-based job opportunities and ancillary settlement support services.

By signing the MOU, both the Shire and GCLC hope to work collaboratively to develop a migration strategy to attract people to the Shire. This includes promoting to metropolitan migrant communities, job opportunities and regional living benefits.

"The Shire is a partner in the Goldfields Designated Area Migration Agreement with a number of neighbouring local governments. A target was set to encourage businesses to sponsor 500 migrants each year to to the region. Four months into the agreement, this is proving to be an extremely ambitious goal," said Malcolm Cullen, Shire President.

"GCLC have an in-depth understanding on liveability factors that attract migrants to the region, and we intend to work closely with the GCLC to facilitate relationships and job opportunities. With median housing prices in Kambalda reported at \$100,000 and rentals ranging from \$150 to \$200 per week



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for three-bedroom homes, housing affordability, combined with plentiful job opportunities provide a real opportunity to attract locally based workforces.

"We are excited to become the first local government in the Goldfields region to develop this partnership with the GCLC and encourage other local governments in the region to establish similar partnerships."

The Shire of Coolgardie will develop marketing and promotional materials to highlight all that the area has to offer to new residents before Christmas.



Vibrant Colours Unleash Creativity At Workshop

On the evening of Wednesday, November 6, 2019, the Coolgardie Community Recreation Centre hosted Relax Focus Create for a beginner's acrylic pouring art workshop.

Acrylic pouring is a painting technique where acrylic paint is mixed with some type of pouring medium and then poured onto a canvas, and the surface is then tilted in different directions to let the paint flow and the colours interact in unpredictable, yet interesting ways.

The workshop was held from 6.30pm-8.30pm, with an excellent turnout of 10 people.

There were so many beautiful pours done by the attendees and it was an enjoyable, relaxing evening for everyone.

Leonie, the teacher, did an amazing job and we thank her so much for taking the time to come out to Coolgardie. There was also delicious food provided,



which everyone was grateful for.

We hope to do another workshop like this in the future, so keep an eye out on the Shire of Coolgardie Facebook page and around town for updates.



Families Enjoy Movies By The Pool

The Coolgardie Pool was transformed into a free family movie theatre for two evenings recently, with ‘Monster Family’ screened on November 3, and ‘Smallfoot’ on November 22.

The weather decided not to co-operate on the evening of November 3, and the weekend’s cool change meant there were as many blankets laid out as beach towels, but there were some brave young souls that took to the water for a swim.

The Crib Hutt and the Coolgardie Volunteer Fire

Brigade were on hand to provide delicious snacks, and movie goers were also able to bring their own food and drinks.

“The Coolgardie Pool pop-up movie night is an opportunity for all members of the community to join an evening of family fun,” Shire President Malcolm Cullen said. “With school holidays and Christmas just around the corner, the Shire is looking forward to supporting more events that bring people together to foster a sense of belonging and community.”



COOLGARDIE COMMUNITY RECREATION CENTRE

CHRISTMAS PINGO

December 11, 2019

Doors open 6pm; eyes down 6.30pm

★ Mystery pingo prizes!

★ Light nibbles provided

★ BYO snacks

★ No alcohol



Emergency contacts for the Shire of Coolgardie

In the event of an emergency situation where police, ambulance or fire and rescue services are needed, please contact **000** immediately.

For all other emergencies use the following contacts:

Coolgardie Police	9093 8400
Kambalda Police	9027 1555
SES	132 500
Main Roads	138 138
For power issues and faults - Western Power	13 13 51
For water or sewer issues - Water Corporation	13 13 75
For sewer issues - Coolgardie only	9080 2111
Dog attacks	9080 2111



Indue Card Shopfronts Ready To Help

The Cashless Debit Card shopfronts in both Coolgardie and Kambalda are still operating, and participants with any questions or concerns are encouraged to visit their local shopfront for assistance.

The Cashless Debit Card (or Indue Card) shopfront is still up and running at both the Coolgardie Community Recreation Centre and Kambalda Community Recreation Facility.

The team would like to remind participants that the Indue Card is very similar to a normal EFTPOS card and can be used at any store with an EFTPOS terminal, with the exception of stores that exclusively sell alcohol and/or gambling products (such as BWS, Liquorland, TAB etc.), or for withdrawing cash.



Some uses of the Indue card include:

- Paying your rent/mortgage with BPAY, direct debit, BSB and account number, using the card numbers or at your real estate's EFTPOS terminal. If you pay rent through Centrepay or Rent Deduction Scheme, no changes are needed.
- Pay bills with BPAY, using the card numbers, direct debit, in person at the post office or at your real estate's EFTPOS terminal.
- Pay car registration with BPAY, card numbers, at the post office or at the Department of Transport.
- Paying for insurances with BPAY, direct debit, card numbers or at the post office.
- Buying food and groceries from Coles, Woolworths, IGA, take-aways, restaurants and more.
- Purchasing a car from a dealership using the card numbers, direct debit or EFTPOS terminal.
- Paying for fuel.
- Shopping for clothes, electricals, furniture and more at stores such as Kmart, Target, Harvey Norman, Telstra etc.

- Online shopping using the card number, name, expiry date and CCV. Please check the Indue website for approved places you can shop online.

Please ensure that you have your bill letter with the barcode if you are wanting to pay bills at the post office.

If none of the above options of payment are acceptable for you, direct debits using an external account can be set up through the helpful team at the shopfront or over the phone with the Cashless Debit Card Hotline: 1800 252 604. Evidence will need to be provided (such as a regular payment for private rent, shown on a bank statement).

If you require any help with setting up payments or have questions about your Cashless Debit Card, please see the staff at the shopfronts.

■ **The Coolgardie and Kambalda shopfronts are both open Monday to Friday from 9am-2.30pm.**

The Holiday Period And Your Pets

Going away

Please ensure you have somewhere or someone reliable to care for your pets while you are away and that they have plenty of shelter, food and water available to last the entire time you are away.

Make sure all your details are up to date and that all your pets are registered and microchipped and that you have an emergency contacted listed with the Shire on your pet's registration details.

See below for some accomodation and pet sitter options:

<p>Sevenoaks Kennels and Cattery Ph: (08) 9091 8773 6 Hunter Street, Kalgoorlie WA 6430</p>	<p>The Animal Hospital Ph: (08) 9021 6000 464 Hannan Street, Kalgoorlie WA 6430</p>	<p>Pet Crew Kalgoorlie Mob: 0417 211 467 62 Federal Rd, Kalgoorlie WA 6430</p>
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Treats, sweets and leftovers

Holiday time means we all tend to over indulge - and our pets also tend to get a little more spoilt than normal. With this in mind please make sure you are keeping an eye on your pet's diet and what they are eating as there are a lot of foods around the Christmas table that may cause them harm. Foods that may be harmful to pets: chocolate, nuts, onion, garlic, chives, cinnamon, avocado, fruit pits, alcohol and coffee.

Weather conditions

Please keep fresh water and adequate shelter available and readily accessible for your pets over the holiday period as it is our hottest time of the year. Also keep in mind when exercising and walking your pets, that the bitumen and footpaths can get very hot and can potentially burn your pets' paws.



Along with the hot weather we tend to get a lot of summer storms that can cause a lot of damage so make sure you have any loose items in your yard tied down and secured. If you can, you should bring your pets inside or at least have somewhere safe for them to seek shelter during severe weather conditions.

Finally, don't forget, it is bushfire season so please make sure you have a plan in place for your pets as well as yourself, just in case you are required to evacuate and leave suddenly.

Ranger availability

Rangers will be available as per normal and will be on call for any emergencies over the entire Christmas and New Year public holiday period. To get in touch with the on-call ranger, please call (08) 9080 2111 and follow the prompts.

■ Please note: Shire offices will be closed from 1pm Friday, December 20, 2019 and will reopen on Thursday, January 2, 2020.

Fact Sheet - Canine Parvovirus Infection

What is Parvovirus?

Canine parvovirus (parvo) is a highly contagious infection that affects all dogs of any age. The virus is very aggressive and has an extremely high mortality rate if left untreated. Parvo attacks the lining of the dog's stomach and also the bone marrow which produces white blood cells. Dogs who have recovered from parvovirus should not be walked in public for several weeks.

How can my dog become infected with parvo?

The parvovirus is transmitted either by direct contact with an infected dog, or indirectly through faecal matter from an infected dog. Due to the stability of the virus it is easily transmitted via the hair or feet of



infected dogs, contaminated shoes, clothes, and other objects. This means that even if your dog never goes to the park or mixes with other dogs, it can be exposed to virus in its own environment. Parvovirus is highly resistant to the effects of heat, detergents and alcohol so it can remain in the environment for up to a year after an infected dog has been there.

What are the symptoms of parvo?

Dogs will usually become ill or show signs of illness 7-10 days after being infected with parvo. Not all dogs will show every sign of parvo. If your dog shows any sign of illness you should contact the vet as soon as possible.

Symptoms of parvo can include:

- Vomiting
- Diarrhea, including bloody diarrhea
- Loss of appetite
- Lethargy and depression

How do I protect my dog against parvo?

Parvo is an easily preventable disease through vaccination. Contact your local vet to check your dog is up to date with its vaccinations or to schedule a vaccination.

Can my dog pass parvo onto my family or other animals?

There is currently no evidence that Canine Parvovirus can be caught by humans.

Where can I find more information?

For more information on parvo, contact your local vet:

- Kalgoorlie Veterinary Clinic: (08) 9021 3965
- Kalgoorlie Animal Hospital: (08) 9021 6000.
- Murdoch Animal Hospital 24hrs Emergency: 1300 652 494.



Nickel Find Heralds New Chapter In Goldfields

Like all rushes, they die down. Kambalda wasn't the exception

The discovery of the Golden Eagle at Larkinville in 1930 triggered a new exciting chapter in the Goldfields.

George Cowcill was working on his father's farm in Quairading, when he, along with two friends decided to head to Larkinville themselves. Obviously, they weren't the only ones, as upon their arrival the area was crowded with prospectors.

George and his friends moved on to Kambalda. He began prospecting and recovered some gold at the surface, but after six months he ended up having to borrow money for fuel to get back to Quairading. He was hooked, and after shearing sheep to save money, he went back to Kambalda in 1932. He followed a small lead, but it was not enough to keep him financial, so, instead of returning to his farm, he got a job with the Lake View and Star Company in Kalgoorlie.

He worked at various mines from 1932 to 1949 and spent most of weekends prospecting – which was a common hobby among other miners.

In 1949, he returned to his farm. But by 1954, he left

again. This time he took his eldest son with him, and spurred on by the first uranium boom. After calling in to the Coolgardie Mining Registrar's office to look at samples of uranium-bearing rock, he was reminded of the rocks he had taken from the pits he dug in 1939. So, once again he headed back to Kambalda.

On October 4, 1954, he took samples into the School of Mines in Kalgoorlie to be tested for radioactive minerals. The tests came back negative, but a senior lecturer in geology at the school by the name of Bill Cleverly assayed them for copper and nickel.

The test showed that the samples contained traces of nickel, even telling Cowcill, "in view of the meagre Australian resources of nickel and the relatively high price, it might be worthwhile to explore the extent of the occurrence and to submit representative samples for nickel assay".

Of course, he returned to collect more samples which Cleverly tested. He told Cowcill the percentage of the nickel would be almost insignificant and certainly not an economic proposition. Yet, the fact that Cleverly reported the presence of nickel in the samples was important as Cowcill would have otherwise probably discarded and forgotten them.

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The Western Mining Corporation (WMC) had gold mining interests in Kalgoorlie and Norseman, and in the late 1950s they decided to expand its exploration. Cowcill had told a longtime associate, John Morgan, about his nickel find and checked the samples, confirming the presence of nickel.

These samples were then taken to WMC's assistant chief geologist, Mr. Roy Woodall, in Kalgoorlie, who recognised the significance of the results from the samples.

Morgan and Woodall visited the area in Kambalda in September of 1964, where they recognised the potential, and as such reported this to the General Superintendent of WMC, Laurence C. Brodie-Hall in a letter dated 23 September 1964: "I am not suggesting I have found an orebody, but the occurrence is of great significance."

Brodie-Hall's involvement at WMC board meetings, and active support and enthusiasm played a major role in the success of the project.

Mapping of the area was conducted under the

supervision of WMC geologist Guy Travis. His mapping was very thorough and of a high quality.

Cowcill was back working on his farm during this time but made the odd trip to the Goldfields to check on progress. During one of these trips he struck a deal with Morgan over a beer in Kalgoorlie: they would share anything ensuing from the prospect on a 50/50 basis.

The Kambalda nickel deposits were found in January 1966 and the following years saw a boom in exploration throughout the Goldfields that rivalled the discovery of gold in Coolgardie.

WMC became Australia's major nickel producer. Cowcill and Morgan were rewarded for their role in the discovery with a \$25,000 ex-gratia payment each, but neither of them got any mining titles and the payment recognised the fact that they had brought the prospect to WMC's attention. Now it was time to rebuild...

Information gathered in this article was as obtained from the book "Kambalda History of a mining town" written by J.J Gresham.



COOLGARDIE VISITORS CENTRE & GOLDFIELDS EXHIBITION MUSEUM

The Exhibition has been established to keep alive the memories of the discovery and development of the Goldfields of Western Australia with particular emphasis on the early days.

The Wardens Court building was built in 1898. The pink stone which was used to build the building came from a local quarry in Bullabulling, located about 30kms west of Coolgardie. You will see the same pink stone on many of the old buildings through out the Goldfields.

On the ground floor you will find The Pharmacy, The Entombed Miner and The Coolgardie Room displays.

Follow the original solid cedar staircase to the top floor and discover the exhibits telling the history of Coolgardie Prospectors, Pioneers, Transportation, The Pipeline, The First Nurses & Hospital and also the world famous Waghorn Bottle Collection.

Come in and visit our friendly visitors centre staff for advice on your next Goldfields adventure. We hope you enjoy the Goldfields Exhibition Museum while you are here, open Monday - Friday 8.30am - 4pm, Saturday & Sunday 10am - 3pm

◆◆ Closed Wednesday 25 & Thursday 26 December, 2019, and Wednesday, 1 January, 2020 ◆◆

Club Farewells Beloved Community Member

It is with great sadness that we recently lost one of our founding members from the Coolgardie Restoration Club, which is now called the Men's Shed.

Morrie was a very active member who helped with numerous restorations of historical items over the years. He was always the first person to turn up to help with anything the club required.

Everyone would appreciate that his "Signs of the Past" shop attracted visitors from far and wide - it really put Coolgardie on the map. Every gold coin entry into the shop was kindly donated by Morrie to charity - another example of his generous spirit.

Morrie was always available for a yarn and loved the bush where he spent many hours prospecting. Stories of his life and past mining days kept people entertained and intrigued.

Rest in peace Morrie - you will be sadly missed.



**- Coolgardie Community
Men's Shed Members**

The Coolgardie community is mourning the loss of one of its most generous members, Maurice Costello.
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See the CoolRambler in full colour online!

You can view each month's issue (as well as loads of other Shire information) in full colour from the Shire website on your computer, tablet and phone. To find the online version of the Rambler go to:

<http://www.coolgardie.wa.gov.au/documents>
and search for 'Rambler'



This is the final edition of the CoolRambler for 2019; the next edition will be published in February 2020. From everyone at the Rambler, thank you to all our readers and contributors, and we wish you a wonderful Christmas and New Year!



Grant Helps Group Celebrate School's 125th Anniversary

Congratulations to the Coolgardie Primary School P&C on their successful Community Assistance Funding Application celebrating the 125th year of Coolgardie Primary School! A great time was had by past and present community members, students and teachers.





Seniors Treated To Festive Celebration

Thursday, November 28, 2019 was a day of holiday celebration for our lovely seniors in the Shire of Coolgardie and the town of Norseman, with the annual Seniors' Christmas Luncheon held at the Kambalda Community Recreation Facility.



Shire of Coolgardie recreation staff spent months preparing for the special event and days transforming the function room into a magical and elegant Christmas setting.

The luncheon catered for 130 seniors from Coolgardie, Widgiemooltha, Kambalda and Norseman. The festive day began with all the seniors making their way into the decorated function room while being greeted by a few of Santa's little helpers.



The event began at 11.30am with an introduction and commentary by MC Michael Aslin, followed by Shire President, Malcolm Cullen, who gave a warm welcome and provided the latest information on the Shire. We also were fortunate to have Counsellor Eugen Winter say a few words to the crowd.



After formalities, the seniors were treated to some entertainment provided by Kambalda Primary School, Kambalda West District High School and the boot scooters. These performances were fantastic and beautifully captured the youth and seniors.

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After a busy morning, it was time for lunch! The delicious food, catered by ESS, was served at 12.30pm with a line of hungry seniors waiting patiently. After everyone had their serving, dessert was shortly followed and didn't fail to impress!

Meanwhile, the Seniors had a surprise visitor... Santa Claus! (Or, as we all know him, Wombat.) Santa gave out lolly bags to all those present and took photos with the seniors in front of our 'gold' photo backdrop!

Mary Leicester sang a delightful song which had the crowd joining in with her, and Willy Corcoran also gave a memorable performance of his bagpipe tunes, including a couple of Christmas songs. The crowd loved it!

Nearing the end of the afternoon, it was time for the door prize draw. There were multiple prizes to be won, including the new Shire of Coolgardie 2020 calendar. Shire President Malcolm Cullen and Councillor Tammee Keast drew the tickets out of the bucket and read out all the lucky winners, while Santa's helpers delivered the presents to the prize winners.

The 2019 Seniors' Christmas Luncheon concluded at 3pm and was an amazing day for all to remember. Immense appreciation goes out to all the kind sponsors for the event, and to our MC for the day, Michael Aslin, who kindly donated his time.

We look forward to the next annual Seniors' Christmas Luncheon, to be held in Coolgardie in November 2020.

■ **More photos P24**





Grant Workshop Informs Community Groups

A grant workshop held by Compass Project Consultancy in Coolgardie recently drew a fantastic turnout of interested community members.

The Shire of Coolgardie's Community Assistance Fund is currently open for applications from community groups, and the Shire hopes the community members that attended the workshop enjoyed it and gained valuable insights.

"Great grant workshop held by the Shire. With all my involvement in community, I am now enabled with information to help gain access to money and understanding of what will help get us a step closer to funding. Thanks to the Shire of Coolgardie and CRC," said Sheree Casey-Forward after attending the workshop.

A second workshop was at the Kambalda



Recreation Facility the following evening for community groups in Kambalda.

For more information and application forms go to <https://www.coolgardie.wa.gov.au/community/living-in-our-shire/community-assistance-fund.aspx>

Coolgardie Recreation Centre




Christmas Blue Light Disco



Prizes for best dressed, best dancers and more!

Come on down to the Coolgardie Rec Centre on
Friday 13th of December 2019
for our latest Blue Light Disco.

4 - 12 year-olds: 4:30pm - 6:00pm

Theme: Christmas Extravaganza
FREE ENTRY & FOOD

For further information, contact the Coolgardie
Recreation Centre on 9080 2111.



Blue Light Xmas Disco

Kambalda Community Recreation Facility
Thursday 19th December 2019

Time: 5.30pm - 7.30pm
Ages: 4-12

Tickets \$5 at the door
Entry (includes sausage sizzle)
snacks and soft drinks available for purchase

For more information contact
Senior Constable Layla Knight (08) 9027 1555



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9TH MARCH, 2020 | KAMBALDA
10TH MARCH, 2020 | COOLGARDIE
11TH MARCH, 2020 | NORSEMAN
13TH MARCH, 2020 | RAVENSTHORPE

No Charge for Entry or Exhibition Tables ..

Exhibition Tables are Limited ! Register early to ensure that you dont miss out !!

For all Queries and Registrations in regards to the Expos, please contact Natasha at
Goldfieldsevents@meedac.com or on 0472 824 422



SHIRE OF COOLGARDIE AUSTRALIA DAY -AWARDS 2020-

Nominations for:
Australia Day Youth Award
Australia Day Award
Australia Day Community Group or Event Award
Australia Day Corporate Citizen Award

Nomination forms are available from the following locations:
- Kambalda Community Recreation Centre
- Coolgardie Community Recreation Centre
- Online at www.coolgardie.wa.gov.au

Nominations Period:
1 November 2019 to the 14 January 2020

Please return nominations to the recreation centres or
email to execsec@coolgardie.wa.gov.au

For more information please contact Leanne Shilton
on 9080 2111





Shire of Coolgardie

Coolgardie Community Recreation Centre



Stories Delight Little Readers

Storytime this year has been a big success with CAPS kindy and pre-primary children.

We have spent the year exploring magical lands, chasing naughty animals through the woods, going on bear hunts, dreaming of our superhero powers and so much more.

The children especially enjoy the storytime boxes that are filled with puppets and interactive felt boards they can use to create stories out of pictures. The cheeky crocodile puppet, which liked to eat monkeys and children's fingers, was a big hit.

They also made so many wonderful crafts along with activities encouraging them to count, remember events from the books and sort pictures into certain categories.

We are all looking forward to another great year of stories and craft for the Coolgardie community.



Waste Facility Hours

Kambalda / Coolgardie Waste Facility Hours

Monday, Tuesday, Friday
10am to 3pm

Saturday / Sunday
8am to 1pm

Wednesday / Thursday Closed

All Waste
Facilities are
closed
Good Friday
and
Christmas Day

School Closing and Opening dates

School	Last day of Term 4	First day of Term 1
Coolgardie Primary School	December 19, 2019	February 3, 2020
CAPS Coolgardie	December 12, 2019	February 3, 2020
Kambalda Primary School	December 19, 2019	February 3, 2020
Kambalda West District High School	December 19, 2019	February 3, 2020



SHIRE OF COOLGARDIE TELEPHONE CONTACT DETAILS

KAMBALDA

COOLGARDIE

Shire Administration Building,
Irish Mulga Drive, Kambalda 9080 2111

Kambalda Community
Recreation Facility 9080 2111

Kambalda Community Resource
Centre and Public Library 9080 2111

Kambalda Cashless Debit Card 9080 2111

Shire Administration Building,
Bayley Street, Coolgardie 9080 2111

Coolgardie Community
Recreation Centre 9080 2111

Coolgardie Community
Resource Centre 9080 2111

Coolgardie Cashless Debit
Card Shop Front 9080 2111



Coolgardie Visitors Centre 9026 6090

Coolgardie Swimming Pool 9026 6081

Warden Finnerty's Residence 9026 6028



Council Approves New Works For Aquatic Facility

During construction of the Kambalda Aquatic Facility, it became apparent that Council had the opportunity to increase the scope of works to the facility by adding additional items that were originally planned for Stage 2 of the development in the next financial year.

At a Special Council meeting on 30 October 2019, Council were presented with a range of options that would significantly improve the features offered to the community. These were outside of the original tendered scope of works but were being considered for Stage 2 of the development at a later date.

The most significant of the additional works are:

- Pool lighting upgrade to current standards;
- Retractable shade sails to the learn-to-swim pool;
- Learn-to-swim pool solar heating and blankets;
- Additional refurbishments in canteen and changerooms; and
- Landscaping including wheelchair accessible BBQs.

The learn-to-swim pool, with a beach entry, will now be heated and have a retractable shade structure, which will significantly improve accessibility for young children, seniors and people with disabilities. It will provide a greater opportunity for sports participation and physical rehabilitation to community members, including the 180 people with disabilities residing in the Shire.

The Shire recently developed partnerships through Memorandum of Understandings with St John Medical, Goldfields Individual and Family Support



Association, Addlife Physiotherapy, and Bright Minds Therapy.

The MOUs contribute to a wider holistic community health plan called the St John Country Primary Health Care Model. The model is the first of its kind in regional Western Australia and aims to develop healthy communities and co-ordinated care for Aboriginal Australians and people with long-term disabilities.

Attracting and retaining people to regional WA can be challenging and the MOUs are designed to help the Shire to be more “Inclusive and Accessible” to everyone, irrespective of their ability or disability.

The new items will allow the Shire to extend its swimming programs to provide specialised water aerobics, learn-to-swim classes and interactive aqua sessions for small children, seniors and people with disabilities.

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The lighting upgrade to Australian and Swimming WA standards will allow the pool to be used for swimming training at night.

Due to the requirements to meet these standards, if this upgrade was not completed, the pool would not be able to be used for night training.

The original date of practical completion for the facility was 2 February 2020. The new date for practical completion is now 18 March 2020.

This date is subject to no unforeseen delays relating to third party suppliers such as utilities connections, health approvals, delivery of supplies and landscaping.

“By bringing these additions into a single stage, the community will receive a very high-quality pool - likely one of the best aquatic facilities for its

population size in Western Australia,” said Malcolm Cullen, Shire President. “This will also be the only heated outdoor learn-to-swim pool in the region with these features for children, seniors and people with disabilities.

A completion of the full scope of the facility by 18 March 2020 gives a 10-and-a-half month construction timeframe which is reasonable for a project of this size; particularly for a refurbishment bringing aging infrastructure up to a new standard.

“We know the community are really looking forward to the opening and hope that all community members understand that the inclusive and high-quality facilities will be worth the time it takes for construction.”

Construction of the Kambalda Aquatic Facility Project commenced on 10 May 2019.



NGALLA MAYA COMMUNITY BARBECUE

**From 4.30pm-5.30pm, December 12, 2019 at Coolgardie Park
Community Meet and Greet ; PLUS: Youth activities with YMCA**

Ngalla Maya is a a non-profit Aboriginal Training Organisation that is committed to providing training, education and mentoring services to the local and regional community. Come along to hear about their services and what they have on offer!

For more information please phone 08 9080 2111



Craft Group Gets Festive With Gingerbread Men

Our weekly Centrecare and social craft group got into the Christmas spirit during their morning gatherings on November 19 and 20.

The groups both utilised the beautiful spice mix that they made during the recent Seniors Have A Go Day at Kambalda, and made gingerbread men! They turned out to be delicious (although a little soft due to the oven!) and had a great shape to them. Once cooled, the ladies iced their gingerbread men and they looked fantastic.

We are very excited for Christmas and cannot wait for more crafts and baking to happen at the Coolgardie Community Recreation Centre!

■ **Centrecare Social Craft is held every Tuesday from 10.30am-1.30pm and Craft Group is held every Wednesday from 10.30am-12.30pm. Come on down and see what we're all about!**





Shire of Coolgardie

Local Public Notice - Form 19. Results of Election

Local Government Act 1995, s. 4.77

RESULTS OF ELECTION FOR Shire of Coolgardie

Results	These are the results of the elections for President and Deputy President on October 22 2019
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	Candidate	Number of votes
President	Cullen, Malcom Raymond	Elected Unopposed
Deputy President	Rathbone, Tracey Ann	Elected Unopposed

Therefore, Malcolm Raymond Cullen is elected Shire President, Shire of Coolgardie and Tracey Ann Rathbone is elected Deputy President, Shire of Coolgardie until October 26 2021

Returning officer	Full name: James Trail
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Fun And Friendship As Seniors Exercise Body And Mind

On Wednesday, November 13, we had an amazing day in the Kambalda Community Recreation Facility stadium for the Seniors have a Go Day, an annual event designed to make seniors of our community aware of the importance of exercise, socialisation and both physical and mental activity.

The event offered heaps of activities for everyone to enjoy. We had an amazing turn out, with approximately 40 people from Kambalda, Coolgardie and Kalgoorlie attending.

We had lovely students from the Kambalda West District High School Year 7-9 Leadership Group join in the fun and assist alongside the Shire staff.

We had tables set up for making gingerbread spice mixes and hot apple cider cinnamon spice mixes, as well as mosaic garden rock and terracotta pot decorating. We also had some cool hand-eye co-ordination games including tissue box races and sort the skittles into colours.

On the far side of the stadium we had several intense matches of badminton, fun bean bag throwing relays and a rather enthusiastic game of seated hockey. There was also ping pong, board



games, giant Jenga and a pool table set up for everyone to enjoy.

PureGold Bootscootn with Andrea, along with the Gid-up dance with Tracey Rathbone, both taught us all a few fast-paced line steps. They really got our hearts racing and our faces smiling and laughing. Thank you ladies.

One of the many highlights was the awesome "seniors surprise egg" papier-mâché pinatas, handmade by our wonderful staff member Nancy. The ladies and gents battled it out to see who could break open their pinata first, with the gentleman winning by a modest landslide. Lollies and chocolates rained down for all to share.

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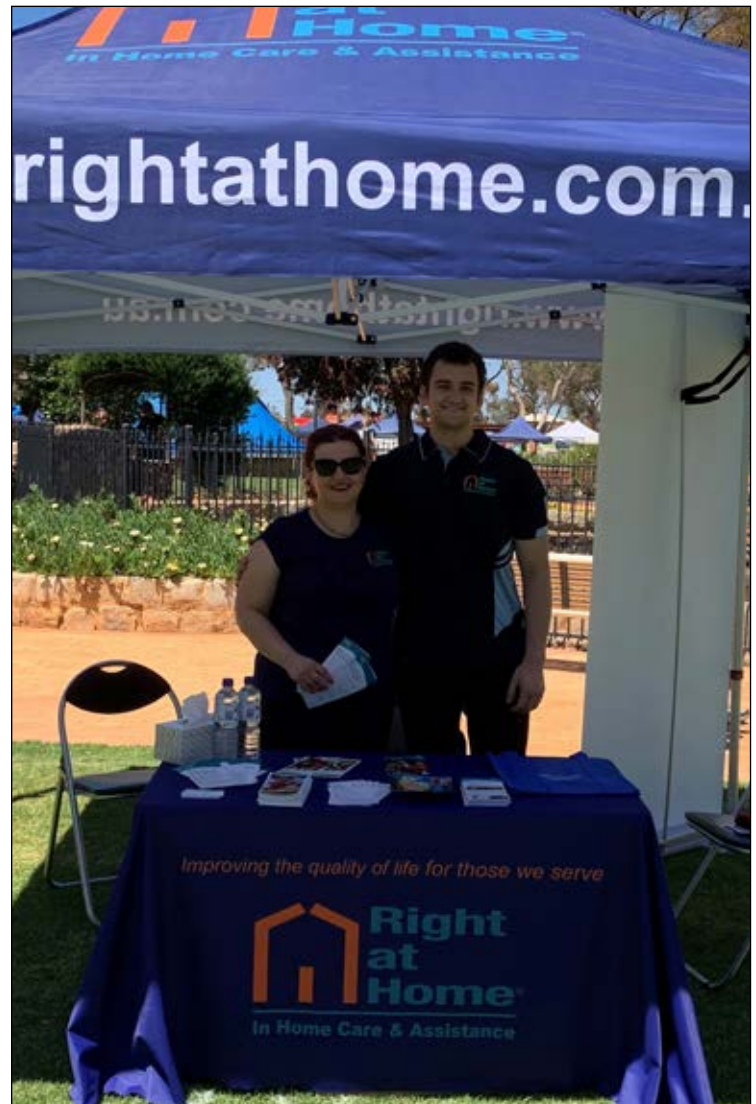
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The super fresh lunch included sandwiches, wraps, fruits and cakes, and a huge stack of fun prizes were handed out at the end to conclude a wonderful experience.

A big thankyou to Woolworths Kambalda for their kind donation, Andrea from PureGold Bootscootn for volunteering her time, Tracey Rathbone, Ella & Alison from Centrecare for their Djembe drumbeat, Ketul from Right at Home for displaying all their resources and to all of our amazing participants who helped make the event a huge success.

We have a feedback form for participants who attended the event available at the front counter at both recreation centres. If you have not completed one please pop in and ask for the form.





Right at Home Kalgoorlie Wheatbelt is an in-home care and assistance provider dedicated to supporting our older Australians, and people living with a disability and recovering from surgery or disease.

Our mission is to improve the quality of life for those we serve. We live and breathe this mission every day and are focused on making sure you and your loved one receive the right care, whenever and wherever it's needed.

We provide the support our clients and their families want, when they want it, and how they want it so that they can continue living independently in their homes.

If you require home care assistance but are unsure what kind of help you need or how care would fit within your homecare package, we strongly recommend contacting us about our free in-home care consultation. Our experienced care co-ordinator will visit your home and assess your needs and provide a care plan that you can use to decide what would best suit you.

We offer:

- Free, no obligation 30-minute consultation at your address by a professional.

- Get an individualised care plan that you can use with our carers.
- We don't have any administration fees, care management or package management fees. This means we can offer more hours of care and support to you or your loved one.
- We work with home care packages, NDIS or we provide private pay.

Feel the difference and experience the Right at Home approach by contacting our office on 9035 0417.

Right at Home Kalgoorlie Wheatbelt will be available to deliver more presentations to the interested individuals. For more information or to express your interest please contact the Shire of Coolgardie on 9080 2111.

Finance Tips At Business Networking Event

Kambalda businesses gathered on the evening of Wednesday, November 13, for a workshop on planning for regular financial commitments.

The workshop was delivered by Stephen Battaglia, presenter/small business education, small business experience from the Australian Taxation Office, with assistance from Kalgoorlie Boulder Chamber of Commerce Industry Inc, Business Advisor Sharni Foulkes.

Discussions centred on a straight-forward, five-step process to stay on top of regular financial commitments, and finding out how to identify business activities that trigger financial responsibilities. There were also interesting tips on planning for and meeting future commitments.

The group interacted well, with plenty of questions, with Stephen giving skilled assistance.

Refreshments provided by the Kambalda Community Resource Centre (CRC) and catering supplied by Toni Hayes made for a very relaxed evening.

Thank you to the home-based businesses, small



businesses and not-for-profit organisations that attended the evening.

To follow on from the event, a 'business planning' workshop with Sharni Foulkes will take place on Monday, December 2, from 8am-2pm, with child minding provided.

Numbers are limited so it is most important you get in quick to book your place. For further information and enquires please phone 9080 2111.



Coolgardie Recreation Centre School Holiday Activities January 2020

WEEK ONE

YMCA in the Park - FREE

Tuesday 14th January, 10am - 2pm

Head on down for fun and activities at the park with YMCA Kalgoorlie.
Please bring your own water bottle.

Kids & Nana's Pingo - \$5 per child

Wednesday 15th January, 10:30am - 12:30pm

Join the Senior Craft group for a fun game of Pingo followed by a few rounds of board games.

Movie & pizza - \$5 per child

Thursday 16th January, 10am - 12pm

Come down to the Rec Centre for a movie morning.
We will have mini pizzas and popcorn to enjoy the show with.
Please bring your own water bottle.



WEEK TWO

Kickboxing Session - \$5 per child

Tuesday 21st January, 10am - 2pm

Join Jacko at the Rec Centre for an awesome kick-boxing session.
This is a super fun workout for the kids, plus they learn a little self defense.
Please bring your own water bottle.

Jump Jam - \$5 per child

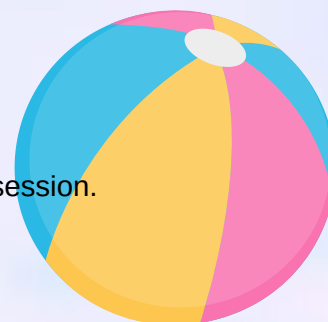
Wednesday 22nd January, 1pm - 2:30pm

Get funky and get moving in an epic Jump Jam showdown.
Show us your awesome moves and enjoy some snacks. Please bring your own water bottle.

Australia Day Baking & Games - \$5 per child

Thursday 23rd January, 10am - 11:30am

Come down for some fun Australia Day baking and then play indoor games.
Please bring your own drink bottle.



Ages 5 - 12 for activities. Please remember to bring a water bottle to all programs you attend.

Please call the **Coolgardie Recreation Centre on 9080 2111**, or email coolrec@coolgardie.wa.gov.au to book your child in for activities. ALL children must have a completed enrollment & indemnity form for activities prior to commencement. Activities MUST be paid prior to, or on the day.



Program Teaches Women Self Defence And Awareness

On Wednesday, November 6, a women’s self defense program was held at the Kambalda Community Recreation Facility, led by John Ravlik, 4th Dan Black (ITF) and International instructor and Examiner Australian Tae Kwon Do Federation National coach, held.

No fighting experience or martial arts skills were required. It was designed for women to learn how to self defend in a countermeasure that involved defending the health and wellbeing of oneself from harm.

The program was well received by participants where they developed strategies and methods from simple but effective martial arts, boxing and kickboxing. Attendees left the evening having gained confidence and awareness.

A total of \$165 was raised from fees payable on the night which in turn was donated to a local women’s charity, the Goldfields Women’s Refuge. This will help purchase new bedding for women in need.

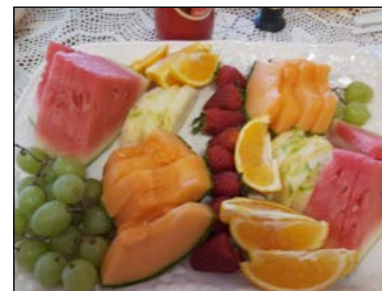


Thank you to everyone who came along and to John and Lisa for giving up their time to bring such a rewarding program to Kambalda.



Melbourne Cup Day at Kambalda Community Recreation Facility

This year a group of Kambalda ladies gathered to celebrate the Melbourne Cup - the 'race that stops the nation'.



Held on the first Tuesday each November, the Melbourne Cup is Australia's most well-known horse race. It is attended by more than 100,000 each year and has been a tradition in Flemington, Melbourne since 1861.

And on Tuesday, November 5, 2019, several Kambalda ladies brought Flemington racecourse to town. They gathered at the Kambalda Community Recreation Facility, where they watched the main race on TV, while dressed for the occasion in their finest clothes along with hats and fascinators.



They also supplied an amazing lunch.

Did anyone/all/or some of them place a bet? That remains to be a mystery. However, they did arrange their own sweepstake. Laughter and cheers were heard throughout the facility which was a sure sign of enjoyment.

Well done ladies and congratulations to the winners.



Full House For Spooky Pingo

On Friday, November 1, Kambalda's final Pingo event for 2019 was held, with a 'full house' of exciting game players.

The theme was Halloween, and the venue was set to add a little something else to the evening. People came along to play for enjoyment without having to think about winning all the time.

When the games start, its eyes down and the talking stops. Silence descends over the vast space, apart from the callers' voice, a faint but rising buzz of expectation, a shout from someone and a groan of disappointment from everyone else, then it's time to go again.

Congratulations to all the winners on the night and to our door prize winner Kim, raffle winner Mel, and best dressed Halloween costume winner, Chelsea.

Kambalda Community Recreation Facility staff would like to thank all of you who come along and support our Friday Pingo evenings and we look forward to many more in 2020.

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a happy and safe holiday.

KAMBALDA SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM (CHILDREN 5 - 12 YEARS OF AGE)



WEEK 1

TUESDAY, 14 JANUARY 2020 - 10.30 AM - 12.30 PM - **\$5.00 PER CHILD**
CRAFT CREATIONS & COOKING

WEDNESDAY, 15 JANUARY 2020 - 10.30 AM - 12.30 PM - **\$5.00 PER CHILD**
COMMUNITY HELPERS

THURSDAY, 16 JANUARY 2020 - 10.30 AM - 12.30 PM - **FREE**
YMCA FUN DAY



WEEK 2

TUESDAY, 21 JANUARY 2020 - 10.30 AM - 12.30 PM - **\$5.00 PER CHILD**
FAIRY BREAD PIN WHEELS & LAMINGTONS

WEDNESDAY, 22 JANUARY 2020 - 10.30 AM - 12.30 PM - **\$5.00 PER CHILD**
AUSSIE DAY DISCO FEVER

THURSDAY, 23 JANUARY 2020 - 10.30 AM - 12.30 PM - **\$5.00 PER CHILD**
MULITSPORTS



PLEASE PROVIDE A PACKED LUNCH AND WATER BOTTLE FOR YOUR CHILD

For more information please contact the Recreation
Centre on 90802111 or email us on
krc-counter@coolgardie.wa.gov.au



Swim For Fruit Makes A Splash With Youth

November was an exciting month for sports development in the Shire, with the launch of two new programs, Swim for Fruit, and scotch basketball.

Existing programs like mini roos, Kambalda youth nights, board games for seniors, after-school activities, also continued to keep young and old busy and entertained.

Mini roos has now started in Kambalda with 60 children signing up to the program. The Kambalda program has been going really well with a lot of kids coming down and loving the games. It's great to see the kids smile every time they learn a new skill.

In Coolgardie the program has also been going very well. The young participants have now had a session with each skill in soccer, so for the next two weeks it will be good to see the children develop their skills and get the hang of playing games.

In Coolgardie on Monday to Wednesday we run an after school program that is based on good behaviour. As a reward for good behavior, the kids come in and hang out at the recreation centre and play table tennis, games on the computers and do art and colouring in.

We also go to the pool, and spend time and hang out in a fun safe environment.

The first Kamalda youth night in November was popping - we had a whopping 50 youth join us. The basketball courts were full and we had basketball games from 5pm to close. We also had games of pool, and spent time talking and chatting to each other or playing board games. It was great to see all the youth there.

On the second week of the youth night we had another huge game of basketball that continued for the entire time slot, with the players doing their own interchange, so everyone got a shot.

In the function room a crowd gathered around the



pool table and got right into the game. Thank you to the police that came down to support the program.

Meanwhile, in Coolgardie every Wednesday the seniors have been gathering at the recreation centre to play board games and socialise. They seniors are really loving the game rummikub.

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As I mentioned in my last article the swim for fruit program has begun. In this program, pool manager Kathy runs swimming lessons with children aged 5 to 15, with the younger ones having their lesson first at 4pm.

Once they are finished at 4.30pm they join me for fun games like swimming races, Marco polo and trying to find squids on the bottom of the water.

The older group has a lesson from 4.30pm-5pm, after which they join me, and we have some intense swimming races. None of the kids can beat me yet, which is good.

The Shire is pleased to announce that we will have our first junior boys basketball team for the Kambalda community.

With most of our players being the age of 16 the team has been lucky enough to be moved down to the under 16s comp.

Our team is looking very good in the under 16s; we have played two games against very good competition, where we lost by four points to one team and 11 points to the other one. Of our players only two have played basketball before, so I think our team is going very well, and you can see how much the boys improve each week.

I feel if the players in Kambalda continue to buy in to our game plan and continue to come to training we will be getting a win very soon. Big congratulations to the boys on their efforts so far, and I am looking forward for the rest of the season.

**- Sports Development Officer
Mitchell Dzelebdzik**



Sports with Mitchell

**COOLGARDIE RECREATION CENTRE
FREE ENTRY
SNACKS PROVIDED**

**WED
8TH
JAN**



**9AM-
11AM**

Are You Ready For Bush Fire Season?

With the weather becoming warmer and drier, it is important to begin preparations for the looming bush fire season. The Shire of Coolgardie hopes to support community members in their preparations by providing helpful, timely and up-to-date bush fire information.

The Bush Fire Information page is a helpful resource for those looking for more information on burning restrictions, fact sheets and fire break requirements.

There are a number of other steps you can take to prepare yourself for the bush fire season, including familiarising yourself with the below information.

Fire Danger Rating

You may have noticed a new addition to our website. The Fire Danger Rating sits in the footer of the Shire of Coolgardie website and reports on local fire conditions. At each rating, the fire behaviour and potential impact on you will be different. Be sure to monitor this rating system daily to keep informed about the local bushfire danger.

Useful Links and Contact Information

- Department of Fire & Emergency Services (DFES)
- DFES - Facebook & Twitter
- Emergency WA
- Bureau of Meteorology (BOM)
- Bush Fires Act (1954)

In the event of an emergency where Fire & Rescue are needed, please contact 000 immediately.

Ranger (Coolgardie & Kambalda)	9080 2111
SES	132 500
DFES public information line	13 33 37
Western Power	13 13 51
Water Corporation	13 13 75
Bureau of Meteorology (BoM) - Recorded Information - National Weather Warnings	1300 659 210
Main Roads WA	138 138

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What should I do with my pets and livestock during an emergency?

Part of your bushfire preparations should include preparing for any pets or animals you have on your property. As an owner of animals you have a duty of care to provide appropriate food, water, shelter and treatment for injury or disease for your animals.

Having a duty of care for an animal means you are legally obliged to care for it by providing for its needs in a reasonable way, so it is important to have a plan in place if a bushfire were to occur.

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I can see and smell smoke, but here is no bushfire alert. What do I do?

DFES responds to more than 6,500 bushfires each year and only issues alerts and warnings when there is a known possible threat to life or property.

If there is no alert posted on the www.emergency.wa.gov.au website, recorded on the information line or distributed to the media, it often means there is no threat to your area at this time.

In the event that there is a bushfire that is known to be threatening property or personal safety, DFES will issue community warnings and alerts through a number of channels.

However, bushfires can start suddenly so you need to be ready to act even if you do not get an official warning. You need to stay alert on hot days and look for information, regularly going outside to check for signs of bushfire. Act immediately for your own safety. Do not wait and see – this can be deadly.

How can I find out today's Fire Danger Rating for my area?

Fire Danger Ratings are issued by the Bureau of Meteorology and are publicised by DFES when there is a rating of severe or above.

Check the Fire Danger Ratings page to find out whether your area has a rating at severe or above.

If your area is not listed on that page, you can find out the Fire Danger Rating for your area by going to the Bureau of Meteorology's website and clicking on the relevant section of the map. Alternatively, scroll to the bottom of the Shire of Coolgardie website and view the Fire Danger Rating in the bottom footer.

What are firebreaks? Why are they required?

Firebreaks are 'a strip of land that has been cleared of all trees, bushes, grasses and any other object or thing or flammable vegetation leaving clear, bare mineral earth.'

Firebreaks are also used as a generic term to describe the broader fire prevention work required by land or property owners.

Firebreaks are required in order to provide a safe area for firefighters to work from in a bushfire, to prevent the extension of a bushfire, and to prevent a fire entering or leaving your property.

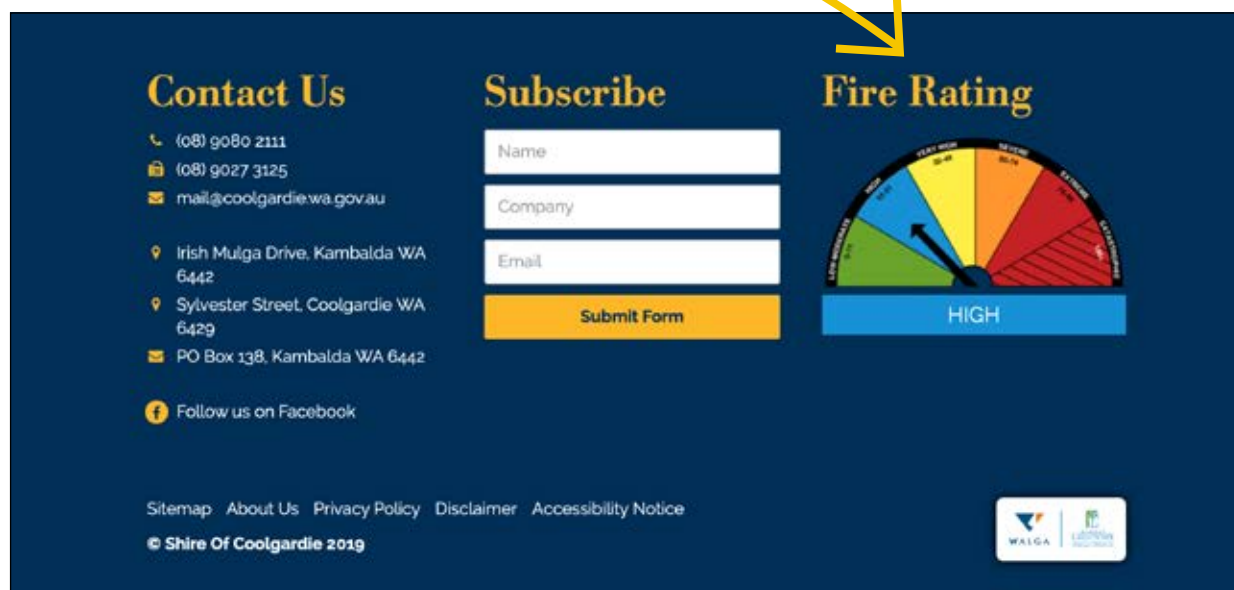
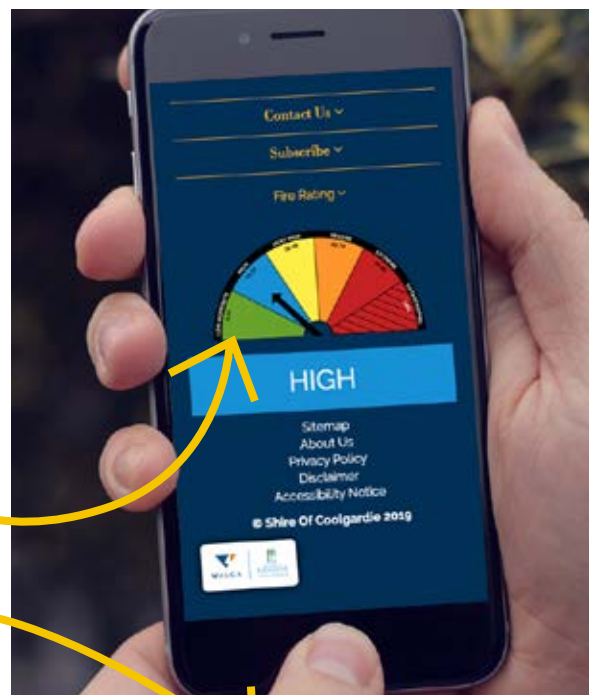
DAILY FIRE DANGER RATING

Keep up to date with local fire conditions with the Shire website www.coolgardie.wa.gov.au

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Be sure to monitor this rating system daily to keep informed about the local bushfire danger.

To view the Fire Danger Rating, go to www.coolgardie.wa.gov.au on a desktop or mobile device, and scroll to the bottom of the page.



Prohibited burning time



NO FIRES are to be lit in the open air between **November 1, 2019 and March 31, 2020**. The ban applies throughout the whole of the **Shire of Coolgardie**.

Do not put yourself, your family or your community at risk!



Shire of Coolgardie 2019 **Christmas Lights** Competition

To enter, register at the Coolgardie Community Recreation Centre, or the Kambalda Community Recreation Facility.

Registrations must be received by Monday, December 16, 2019.

For more information please phone 9080 2111.



COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE FUND ALLOCATIONS

Support For A Healthy, Thriving Community



PROMOTING HEALTHY COMMUNITIES

Congratulations to the Kurrawang Aboriginal Christian Community on their successful Community Assistance Funding for the redevelopment of their sports courts. We cannot wait to see the finished product.

SUPPORT FOR FUTURE FIREFIGHTERS

Congratulations to the Coolgardie Volunteer Fire & Rescue Service that received funding from the Shire to support 13 Coolgardie junior runners attend the WA Junior Fire Brigade State Championship in Fremantle.





let's get cooking...

honey mustard chicken with bacon & avocado

INGREDIENTS:

- 1/3 cup honey
- 3 tablespoons whole grain mustard
- 2 tablespoons smooth and mild Dijon mustard
- 2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1-2 tablespoons apple cider vinegar (or white vinegar), (optional - to cut through the sweetness)
- 1 teaspoon minced garlic
- Salt to season
- 4 skinless and boneless chicken thighs or chicken breasts
- 1/4 cup diced bacon, trimmed of rind and fat
- 4 cups Romaine lettuce leaves, washed
- 1 cup sliced grape or cherry tomatoes
- 1 large avocado, pitted and sliced
- 1/4 cup corn kernels
- 1/4 of a red onion, sliced



METHOD:

1. Whisk marinade/dressing ingredients together to combine. Pour half the marinade into a shallow dish to marinate the chicken fillets for two hours if time allows. Refrigerate the reserved untouched marinade to use as a dressing.
2. Heat a non-stick pan (or grill pan or skillet) over medium heat with about a teaspoon of oil and grill chicken fillets on each side until golden, crispy and cooked through. (Grill in batches to prevent excess water being released.) Once chicken is cooked, set aside and allow to rest.
3. Wipe pan over with paper towel; drizzle with another teaspoon of oil and fry the bacon until crispy.
4. Slice chicken into strips and prepare salad with leaves, tomatoes, avocado slices, corn, onion strips and chicken.
5. Whisk 2 tablespoons of water into the remaining untouched dressing and drizzle over the salad. Sprinkle the bacon over the top and season with a little extra salt and cracked pepper (optional).

KAMBALDA SCHOOL HOLIDAY POOL EXCURSIONS

CHILDREN 10 YEARS+
MUST BE ALREADY BOOKED INTO KCRF SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

WEEK 1

FRIDAY, 17 JANUARY 2020

9AM - 1PM (BUS DEPARTING KAMBALDA REC CENTRE 9AM)
COOLGARDIE POOL LARGE INFLATABLES

WEEK 2

MONDAY, 20 JANUARY 2020

9 AM - 1 PM (BUS DEPARTS KAMBALDA REC CENTRE AT 9 AM)
COOLGARDIE POOL MINI TRI
JOIN US FOR A MINI TRI - SWIM, RUN AND BIKE.
COOL SWIMMING BASED ACTIVITIES WITH SNACKS PROVIDED
BRING YOUR OWN SCOOTER OR SKATEBOARD

WEDNESDAY, 22 JANUARY 2020

9 AM - 1 PM (BUS DEPARTS KAMBALDA REC CENTRE AT 9 AM)
COOLGARDIE POOL LARGE INFLATABLES

FREE OF CHARGE

**Please provide a packed lunch for your child - 1pm pick up
from Kambalda Rec Centre**

For more information please contact the recreation centre on
90802111 or email us on krc-counter@coolgardie.wa.gov.au

Coolgardie Community Swimming Pool



HOURS OF OPERATION

2019 Swimming Season:

Saturday, October 26, 2019 to Friday, April 3, 2020 (dependant on weather).

Opening Hours: Monday to Friday, 12pm–6pm.

Weekends and Public Holidays: 11am–6pm.

School Holidays Hours: December 19, 2019 to February 2, 2020.

Seven days 11am to 6pm (Monday to Sunday).

Public Holidays: 11am–6pm. The pool manager will determine to stay open until 7pm due to weather temp above 36 degrees (school holidays only).

POOL BOOKINGS

Please send all enquires to kampool@coolgardie.wa.gov.au and Kathy will confirm all bookings directly with you. The pool bookings will be based on staff availability. Phone 9080 2111 for further information.

EVENTS FOR COOLGARDIE

POOL 2019/2020 SEASON

Christmas Day: Wednesday, December 25, 2019: POOL CLOSED.

Australia Day: Sunday, January 26, 2020.

Closing date: Friday, April 3, 2020 (weather permitting).

School Holiday Program:

- Pool Inflatables: Friday, January 17, 10am–12pm.
- Pool Mini Tri: Monday, January 20, 10am–12pm. Join the Mini Tri - swim, run and ride.
- Pool Inflatables: Wednesday, January 22, 10am–12pm.



Coolgardie Pool Bus Shuttle

A free shuttle bus is available on weekends for Kambalda residents who would like to visit the Coolgardie Pool, from November 2, 2019 until December 15, 2019.

Registrations are required each by 4pm Friday prior to travel. To register, visit the Kambalda Kambalda Community Recreation Facility, or download a registration form from the Shire website at: <https://www.coolgardie.wa.gov.au/community/facilities/pools.aspx>

Forms must be submitted to the recreation centre by 4pm on Fridays.

Bus days: Saturday and Sunday only.

Run times:

Depart: 1pm from Kambalda Community Recreation Facility

Arrive: 2pm at Coolgardie Pool

Depart: 4pm from Coolgardie Pool

Arrive: 5pm at Kambalda Community Recreation Facility

For more information phone (08) 9080 2111.





There are many types of portable pools, ranging from small plastic or inflatable paddling pools, specifically designed for young children, to larger more solid inflatable pools or flexible sided pools with frames that can accommodate adults.

Young children can drown in portable pools in a matter of seconds if left unsupervised.

Any pool that is designed for swimming, wading and paddling that contains water more than 30cm deep, must be enclosed by an effective safety barrier that complies with the laws. Please refer to the summarised checklist overleaf.



Help save young lives in and around water

- ✓ Never prop a pool gate open.
- ✓ Ensure you always actively supervise children within arm's reach whenever they are in, or around the water regardless of how much water is in the pool.
- ✓ Never rely on older children to supervise younger children, no matter how confident you are about their ability.
- ✓ For smaller pools ensure they are emptied and stored safely away from young children after use.
- ✓ Ensure the pool cannot fill with rainwater or water from sprinklers.
- ✓ Ensure the barrier is clear of climbable objects.

 Find out more at: www.dmirs.wa.gov.au/portable-pools

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Government of Western Australia
Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety
Building and Energy

Rules for PORTABLE POOLS



Did you know?

By law, swimming and spa pools containing water more than 30cm deep must have effective safety barriers that restrict access by young children.

This includes portable pools.



Does your safety barrier tick all the boxes?

If not, you risk the lives of young children and may face substantial fines or prosecution.

This summarised checklist is not exhaustive and should be read in conjunction with the **Rules for Pools and Spas** brochure.

Check the pool gate

- Does the pool gate close by itself from any open position?
- Does the gate have a self-latching device?
- Does the gate open away from the pool?
- Is the latch release mechanism at least 1.5 metres above the ground?

Check the pool fence

- Is the fence fixed securely in place?
- Is the outside of the fence at least 1.2 metres high?
- Are all vertical uprights in the fence spaced less than 10cm apart?
- Is there at least 90cm between handholds and footholds?
- Is the bottom of the fence 10cm or less from the ground?
- Is the surface directly beneath the fence stable and not easily eroded?
- If a boundary fence forms part of the pool safety barrier, is it at least 1.8 metres high?

Check climbable objects

Barbecues, flower-pots, trees, retaining walls, plumbing, cubby houses, toys, outdoor furniture, pool pumps etc. may all help a young child to climb into the pool area.

- Is the pool area clear of any items that would assist a child to climb over the fence or reach the latch on the gate that provides access to the pool area?

Check windows

Is the openable portion of a window that forms part of a safety barrier:

- permanently restricted to open no more than 10cm by a device that requires the use of a tool to remove it?
- or

- covered by bars or a metal screen, fixed in place by a device that requires the use of a tool to remove it?

Please note that key locks are not considered to be a permanent restriction.

Doors

- Doors with direct access to the pool area require local government approval.
- Pet doors are not permitted.

More information

Visit www.dmirs.wa.gov.au/portable-pools to download the Rules for Pools and Spas brochure, which provides further comprehensive guidance on the pool safety barrier requirements in Western Australia.

A hard copy is available by calling the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, Building and Energy Division on **1300 489 099** or email bcinfo@dmirs.wa.gov.au





Coolgardie Pool

Holiday Program Activities January 2020

All participants must be 10 years +

Pool Inflatables

Friday 17th January **10am - 12pm**

Fun pool excursion with Octo Obstacle inflatable.
Please bring water bottle, hat, sunnies and towel.

Pool Mini Tri

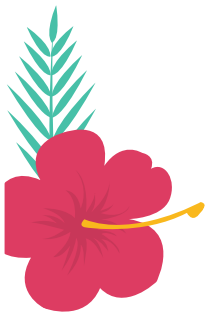
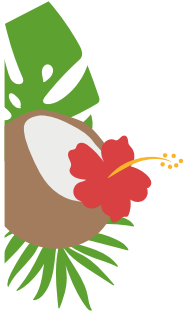
Monday 20th January **10am - 12pm**

Join the Mini Tri - Swim, Run and Ride.
Head to the pool for cool swimming activities.
Please bring water bottle, hat, sunnies, towel,
scooter and/or skateboard.

Pool Inflatables

Wednesday 22nd January **10am - 12pm**

Fun pool excursion in Octo Obstacle inflatable.
Please bring water bottle, hat, sunnies and towel.



KAMBALDA WEST



PLAYGROUP

DECEMBER 2019

Summer is here!

With Christmas around the corner it won't be long until it's 2020!

But first, a recap of what's been happening During October we had our first guest speaker - and her first time guest speaking - Liina Marston, Transformational Coach & Energy Healer.

With a turnout of 41 attendees (including children) there was an amazing energy created that couldn't be described, only felt. Not only were we empowered but brought together as a group by our vulnerability and ability to share our truths, and find that we are all in similar boats and how to support each other.

Thank you so much Liina, we hope you will come visit our group again in 2020.



We did the mash, we did the monster mash!

We ended October and welcomed November with a spooky kooky Halloween party. There was monster playdough creating, spooky storytelling, so many costumes, creative morning tea platters and lots of sensory fun had by all. It was oh so messy but oh so much fun at the same time.

Fundraising

At the beginning of November we participated in our first Nickeltown Car & Bike Show, with a super successful "summer lovin'" fundraiser raffle (total prize pool of over \$700), along with our tie dye shirts made by the little ones and Salimah Ainsworth, and our delicious variety of baked goods thanks to our members Nicole Lloyd, Nancy and myself (Jacinta



Perkins) and with the incredible support of the town and surrounding towns we raised over \$750!

We cannot thank our community and local businesses enough for the support and incredible donations we received that enabled us to put this together. With that money we will be able to improve our facility, the services we provide to our members and community and be able to apply for grants to take our playgroup to the next level.

Congratulations

Big congratulations to our winners of our summer lovin' fundraiser: 1st prize - Petra Nunn; 2nd prize - Baigal/Phil Melrose; 3rd prize - Manaia Taute. Congratulation to all of you, we hope you enjoyed your prizes.



Big thanks to: Oil & Spice, Super Cheap Auto, Goldfields Oasis, Archer Boulders, Everett's Butcher's, Beaten Track Brewery, Chunky Timber Co., Bunnings and Target for all the incredible donations.

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Recycling Week

Being a playgroup that uses a lot of recycling material, we thought it was time to refresh our knowledge on what can and can't be recycled, where we can recycle but also be conscious about the choice we make as consumers and the impact that what we bring into our homes can have on the environment.

What better time to do it than during Recycling Week. With all that is happening in our world, small changes make a big difference.

We talked about the impact storing our e-waste has and where we can dispose of it in Kalgoorlie, where we can take our printer cartridges and batteries. Did you know that if we were to recycle 10,000 mobile phones, it would reduce the need to mine 26,000 tones of gold ore? How insane is that?

There were recycling trucks, colouring in stations, recycling sorting stations, recycled art making - the lot. It was a great informative and fun day had by all. For information on recycling please check out our Facebook page or our display in the Kambalda recreation centre.



"Boardies Day" supporting Surf Lifesaving WA

With summer starting and pools opening, what better time to refresh our memories on water safety and to say thank you to



the many lifesavers in WA that keep us safe around water than through a Boardies Day party.

We had water inflatables and pools outside, lifesaver cap making and flag drawing inside, delicious mango, pineapple and watermelon ice pops after morning tea and a little refresher water safety and beach safety info session.

We also raffled off a very generous donation thanks to Salty's Surf N Skate with Hurley and Ripcurl merchandise valued at \$126. Congratulations to our winners.

We raised \$50 between us and hope to make Boardies Day bigger and better next year. For any water safety information please see our Facebook page or check out our display at the Kambalda recreation centre.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

December 13: KWPG Members Summer BBQ Christmas party.



Kambalda student Hayley Keast reports on her Leeuwin ocean youth voyage experience

During the last week of the Term 3 holidays I was privileged to participate in a Leeuwin Ocean Youth Voyage.

At the start of the voyage we were put into one of four different watches and I was in the blue one.

One of the first activities that we did was to set some goals for the duration of our voyage that we wanted to achieve. My goals were to push myself out of my comfort zone, improve my social and leadership skills, climb the mast, and to make many new memories.

During the trip I learnt many new skills including how to coil a rope (as silly as this sounds there is a special way to do this to ensure the rope can be accessed easily when needed), how to set and unfurl a sail (this was important as once the ship had motored out of the harbour it was under wind power only and we needed to make sure that we could get to where we were going), and how to tie different types of rope knots.

Another skill I learnt was how to overcome my fears in order to climb to the tippy top of the main mast and read the special message there for all



Adventure On The High Seas For Youth

those who achieved the task. If you want to know what it says, you will have to go on the voyage!

I was elected first mate during the take-over day where all of the participants got to take over the crew's roles. We were given a quick hand over then had to unfurl the sails, weigh anchor from off near Rottnest, and man the ship operations on a course set by our captain.

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Kambalda student Liam Blondel reports on the challenges and rewards of a youth explorer voyage on the Leeuwin



My time on the Leeuwin was the adventure of a lifetime. A day on the ship started at 7am.

Everyone was organised into watches, which related to times that we had to perform specific duties on the ship. My favourite watch was the 12am to 4am watch as this meant I got to sleep both before and after my watch, and it was nice and peaceful at this time of night.

I had never been out to sea before, so of course I got seasick! It lasted over 24 hours and was one of the most horrible sicknesses that I have ever experienced, but after a long first day I finally started to feel better and everything became more enjoyable.

I had a few goals that I set at the beginning of the voyage. My first was 'not to get seasick' but I failed that one immediately!

My most important goal was to climb to the top of the main mast, which I am proud to say that I achieved. There was a little message there - I would tell you what it said but we are supposed to keep it to ourselves. You will just have to climb to the top and read it for yourselves if you want to know what it says.

Overall, I will never forget the people that I met onboard, the skills that I have learnt and the challenges I have faced and overcome. I feel extremely lucky to have had this opportunity, and would like to recognise all of the parents and students who participated in our school-based fundraising events for giving me this opportunity.

I would also like to thank the Shire of Coolgardie for their donation which helped us finalise our costs for this adventure. I would strongly recommend a youth explorer voyage on the Leeuwin to all who are interested - it is the adventure of a lifetime!



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We had to ensure that all tasks were completed correctly and then drop anchor just outside Fremantle Harbour successfully.

It was certainly a challenging day but we were all so proud of ourselves for achieving it.

I made many new friends on my voyage and have been able to keep in contact with most of them.

I would like to thank all of those who helped us to fundraise for this voyage, including Miss Tisdell (our Student Leadership Co-ordinator) and a big thank you to the Shire of Coolgardie for their donation towards my costs. It was an experience I will never forget and I am pleased to say that I have been invited back to participate in future voyages as a Bosun's mate, and plan to set sail again in the Christmas holidays if possible.

*Haylee Keast
Year 10 School Captain 2019
Kambalda West District High School*

*Liam Blondel
Year 10 School Captain 2019
Kambalda West District High School*



**KAMBALDA CULTURAL AND ARTS GROUP
PO BOX 97, KAMBALDA WEST WA 6442**

20 Year Anniversary



Help us celebrate 20 years.

When: Sunday 8th December 2019.

Time: 11am—1pm

Where: Kambalda Arts Centre.

Free sausage sizzle and light refreshments.

Unveiling of Ashlee Donkin's window mural.

Art and Craft on sale.

Take a tour of the Arts Centre to view the new historical display in the art house.

Chat about the various projects that have been delivered and what the possibilities are for the future.

Meet our committee members.





James Balzano was in Kambalda in 1897-98

By John Scott

Attempting to collect historical information about Kambalda is a huge challenge with material scattered, sometimes mislaid, unavailable, omitted and quite often in publications and libraries involving copyright law that restricts use, or in the case of images, there is also a cost involved.

But, by collecting what is available to hand in books, newspapers and written notes, a collection is being established as a platform for building historical archives for the community, at the Kambalda Arts Centre.

In 1991 and 1992, Ron Manners and George Compton were compiling a book titled "Kanowna's Barrowman" - James Balzano—ISBN 0859051765. Ron had Balzano's diary, so about that time, it appears that our Mrs Billie Ingham was travelling to Kalgoorlie to transcribe the sections in Balzano's notes relative to his Red Hill stay.

This task was very difficult due to James's bad hand writing and time only allowed enough to do what was done. Thank you for your efforts Billie.

The period transcribed was between 10th March 1897 through to 27th May 1897.

According to Billie's notes, James was here through to 13th April 1898, including some time close by on block 48.

Attempts to locate Balzano's diary to complete this exercise have been futile. Ron Manners was contacted and he referred to the Kanowna Barrowman book for the Red Hill notes.

Although the book does have several pages of information regarding Red Hill, there is a footnote stating that the Appendix listing is not including the first hand account of the original Red Hill (Kambalda) gold discovery.

Enquiries have followed with Eastern Goldfields Historical Society indicating that the diary may have deteriorated due to its age, handling and consequently lost. Keeping this in mind, there is always a chance that someone

may have recorded the missing pages, unbeknown to us. Wishful thinking.

But, further research has led to the Kambalda progress committee meeting minutes that appear in the Coolgardie Pioneer for that period, so more information will come to hand.

The difficulties experienced in interpreting Balzano's notes associated with Kanowna's Barrowman were overcome because James transcribed some of his own notes later in life for the purpose of compiling more accurate historical records, but that does not appear to be the case for the Red Hill period.

The difficulties with Kambalda history is the short life of the original township, 1897—1907. It could be considered that it did not amount to much as it became a ghost town like others. But, when you look at what followed with the nickel boom, rebirth of Kambalda and the now substantial contribution it has made to the economy, its new history, then maybe more attention should be paid to the pioneering days and do more

Here is an extract of Balzano's notes from 23rd February 1897, when he was in Coolgardie. (See original notes below).

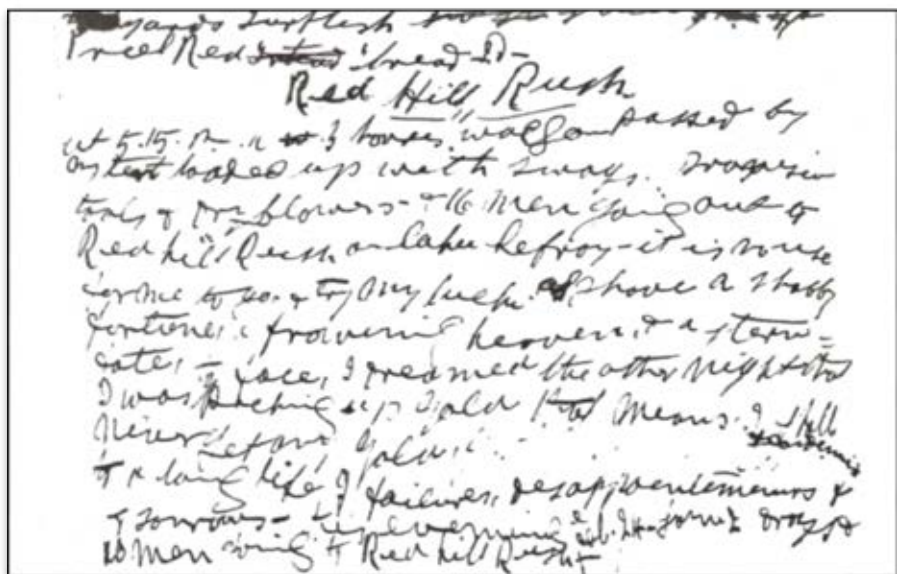
Red Hill Rush

Transcribed— "At 5.15pm a horse wagon passed by my tent loaded up with swags, provisions, tools & dry bowers & 16 men going out to Red Hill on Lake Lefroy—it is no use for me to go and try my luck. I have a shabby fortune & frowning heaven and a stern fate to face. I dreamed the other night that I was prepping up gold that means I will never get any gold and condemned to a long life of failures and disappointments and of sorrows—this evening & Feb 24— ? 2 drays and 10 men going to Red Hill Rush."

By March 3rd, James decided to try his luck at Red Hill and headed off, arriving on March 10th.

Try to read the writing and understand the difficulties. Yet, we should be grateful for James's efforts. He was a great man and very much loved. Apologies for any errors, but the message is clear.—the barrowman took up the challenge.

Excerpt from James Balzano's Diary Dated 23rd February 1897



Coolgardie Community Driver Reviver

The Driver Reviver Program is a community initiative operated nationally by volunteers. The Program aims to provide an opportunity for the community to contribute to Towards Zero, WA's road safety strategy 2008-2020 by addressing fatigue related road trauma.

By visiting an operating Driver Reviver site, travellers can take a break in their journey for a free cup of coffee or tea, a biscuit and most importantly, a chance to stop and revive so drivers reach their destination safely.

Driver Reviver is a national program, sponsored by the Toll Group (partner), the Arnott's Foundation, Bushells Coffee, Bushells Tea and Sunshine Sugar. In WA, Driver Reviver is managed by WALGA's RoadWise and overseen by a Reference Group comprising of representatives from Main Roads WA, the WA Police Force and the Road Safety Commission.

Through this sponsorship and RoadWise, Driver Reviver sites are provided with Driver Reviver and road safety promotional material, biscuits, coffee and tea to encourage drivers to stop, revive and survive.

Coolgardie Community Driver Reviver is run by local volunteers from Coolgardie Volunteer Fire and Rescue Service, Coolgardie St, Johns Sub Branch Volunteers, Coolgardie Police and the general public.

"LETS KEEP OUR ROADS FATILITY FREE THESE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS".

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from The
Coolgardie Community Driver Reviver Team 2019.

Calling for Volunteers!

Christmas Campaign Coolgardie Park

Sunday 22nd December from 10am to 4pm

Monday 23rd December from 10am to 4pm

If you are available for an hour or so please contact Steven on 0438 42 1130



Remembrance Day Commemorated

Remembrance Day was commemorated again in Kambalda this year, with approximately 50 to 60 members of the community attending the ceremony.

At about 10.45am everybody assembled at the memorial at Kambalda East. We had the fire brigade and St John Ambulance and police to make up the uniformed parade. Wreaths were laid to honour those who paid the ultimate sacrifice, with wreaths coming from the fire brigade, Shire of Coolgardie, St Johns, Kambalda police, Kambalda Mens Shed and the Kambalda RSL.

That was followed by the Prayer of Remembrance, spoken by Councillor Kathie Lindup. The RSL president then read out an address explaining Remembrance Day. At the end, he emphasised how we need to be more vigilant today than we have in the past 60 years.

We have lost Tanya, our trumpeter, but Kathie Lindup has stepped in with a music system and did a great job of playing the music required for the occasion. Thank you Kathie. Caryn (flag orderly from St Johns), at the sound of The Last Post, brought the flag down to shoulder level. We then had one minute silence, followed by the Ode, followed by Reveille, where Caryn took the flag back to full height, and then dropped it back to half-mast. Thank you Caryn.

The RSL president thanked everybody for their attendance and closed the ceremony.

- Allan Lindup, President, Kambalda Sub Branch



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Coolgardie Volunteer Fire & Rescue

From the desk of Lieutenant Steven Forward

With all the bushfires burning in NSW and Queensland at the moment we would like to remind people to maintain their properties to minimise the effects if we were to have a similar situation here in Coolgardie. Your properties should have all dried long grasses, dried shrubs and dead trees removed, and free of any flammable materials.

In a bushfire every five minutes counts, especially your next five minutes. Bushfires are unpredictable and happen every year. The single biggest killer is indecision. To survive a bushfire, you must be prepared to make your own decisions.

If you live near bush, even in a metropolitan area, bushfire is a real threat to you and your family. Taking five minutes to have a fire chat with your household and answering three simple questions could save your life. For more information about the five-minute fire chat please visit the DFES website <https://www.dfes.wa.gov.au/safetyinformation/fire/bushfire/Pages/default.aspx>



On a lighter note our Junior and Sub Junior running teams headed down to Fremantle for the Annual State Championships on the last weekend of November. A huge shout out to all that have purchased chocolates from our kids and a special thank you must go out to the owners of Boothey Family Morans Store for the generous donation of sausages and bread for the two cake stalls we held at the front of the shop.

All monies raised help get our kids to the competition. Good luck to all the kids, coaches and support staff in Fremantle.

Our volunteer fire fighters have been busy at the station these past couple of months with call outs, meetings, social events, various drills and BA Refreshers. Two members have also assisted with deployment duties at bushfires this season. We have had two new members sign up and are in the process of completing their introduction to firefighting, and another member is in the process of completing his bushfire fighting course. Well done guys and girls.

Don't forget to listen out for the fire trucks and sirens in the middle of December when Santa might pay a visit to hand out some lollies. This is normally done on Christmas Day but due to members being away we have decided to do it on the evening of Sunday, December 15.

Our members at the Coolgardie VFRS will be winding down for a well-earned break over the Christmas and New Year period and will commence trainings early February, but we will still be available for any emergencies that may arise over this time.

We would like to wish the community of Coolgardie a very Merry Christmas and safe and prosperous New Year.



Junior Teams Score Podium Place At Competition

On Sunday, November 3, the Coolgardie Junior Fire Brigade Running team had their second picnic competition for the year, held in Kalgoorlie at the running track behind the Oasis.

At this picnic competition, there were six teams (South Kalgoorlie, North Kalgoorlie, Coolgardie, Kambalda, Esperance and Southern Cross) competing – and what a fantastic day it was! There was a crowd of about 50 supporters, watching and cheering on the young runners throughout the day.

During the competition there were 10 events, for dry works and wet works. The overall winning team on the day was Esperance - a massive congratulations to this team and their efforts on the day were impressive.

Coolgardie placed second overall for the day, the juniors got second place and the sub-juniors came first! Jayden Forward and Joe Money tied equal fourth for the champion fireman section of the juniors and John Martin

placed third in the sub-juniors' section. Well done to the boys for their big efforts.

Coolgardie juniors and sub-juniors have been training hard over the past few months and it has definitely paid off! The young runners are the future of the Coolgardie Volunteer Fire & Rescue Service and it's fantastic to see the young 11-year-olds from the past, growing up and expressing an interest in becoming volunteer firefighters. Fire brigade running is a great sport for youth aged 11-17 as it helps develop important skills such as teamwork, sportsmanship, resilience, problem solving, fitness, commitment and determination.

We have seen so many of our youth grow as individuals and in a group ever since participating in fire brigade running and it has been a very rewarding sport to teach to the kids of Coolgardie.

- by Braden Shilton, Lieutenant and Head Coach Volunteer Fire Fighter





The Pastor's Pen with Bill Kirkland

Don't Lose Heart

In tight sporting contests we often see a flood of points or goals in the last few minutes of a game. The defeated team fights hard until they see it as impossible to win and then basically lose heart. Watching the recent rugby World Cup final was an example where England fought very hard for most of the game. When South Africa scored a few minutes from the end, it became obvious that England lost heart. South Africa went on to win comfortably.

The Bible describes much of King David's life. He had many ups and downs. He was Israel's most well known King, he slayed the giant Goliath, he regularly punched above his weight. He also made some pretty bad decisions in life: he was an adulterer, a murderer and he produced a very dysfunctional family. In one of the Psalms David wrote 'I would have lost heart, unless I believed that I would see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living' (Ps 27:13.)

Jesus describes a time in history where the hearts of men would faint with fear (Luke 21:26). I sometimes wonder if we are in those times. Christmas is met by many as a time of joy, sharing, family get togethers and good food. For others Christmas time triggers memories of loved ones that have passed, wayward children, failed relationships and pain.

For believers, the knowledge that the prophecies in Scripture of Jesus' first coming were fulfilled, and the knowledge that He is coming again for those who long for Him, is a great source of comfort and strength. In a world where we have done good and bad, and had wins and losses we sometimes feel discouraged. As we fight the good fight of faith our hearts will again be strengthened.

I pray all the Rambler readers will know our Creator this Christmas and be greatly blessed by Him in the New Year.

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What's on in the Shire of Coolgardie

DECEMBER 2019

Coolgardie Community Recreation Facility

Centre Care	Every Tuesday	10.30am-1.30pm
Headspace for youth	Every Tuesday	3pm-4.30pm
Worklink Consultations	Tuesday fortnightly	1pm-4pm (bookings to be made)
Toddler Time	Every Wednesday	9.30am-10.30am
Morning Craft & Cuppa	Every Wednesday	10.30am-12.30pm
YMCA for Youth	Thursday, December 12	3.30pm-5pm
Ngalla Maya Community BBQ	Thursday, December 12	4.30pm-5.30pm
Blue Light Disco	Friday, December 13	4.30pm-6pm
Pool Party (free entry & food)	Thursday, December 19	4-9 year olds: 4.30pm-5.15pm; Ages 10+: 5.30pm-6.30pm
Mini Roos Soccer	Every Saturday	10am-11am at Coolgardie Oval
Coolgardie Community Recreation Centre Christmas Closure	Closed from 3pm December 20, 2019; re-opens January 2, 2020	

Kambalda Community Recreation Facility

Group exercise	Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday	9.30am-10.15am
Senior Men	Every Monday	12.30pm
Junior gym	Every Tuesday during school term	4.30pm-5.30pm
Senior Ladies	Every Tuesday	9am
DRUMBEATS for Kambalda Youth	Every Tuesday	3.30pm-4.30pm
Kambalda West Playgroup	Every Wednesday and Friday	9am-11.30am
Santa's Little Elves Workshop (\$2 per registered child)	Wednesday, December 18	3pm-4.30pm
Quirky Quilters	Every Thursday	9am
Storytime - Kambalda public library	Every Thursday during school term	9.30am
Weekend trading (stadium only)	Every Sunday	9am-1pm
Worklink (Jobs & Skills)	On request	1pm-4pm
Shire of Coolgardie Christmas Lights Comp	Open now – Registration forms available at both Rec Centres	
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