SHIRE OF KOJONUP e-NEWS

Edition 237 – 1st of July 2022

~ art exhibition open ~

Feast your eyes on the incredible artworks by year 8 & 9 students from Kojonup District High School. The "Cultural and Creative Expressions" exhibition is now on until 31st July at the #kodjaplace gallery.

Come and enjoy an impressive hanging and digital display of young, local talent. Winners of the art exhibition will be revealed at 1pm this Friday 1st July.









Ordinary Council Meeting and Council Advisory Committee Meeting Dates – 2022

Council has scheduled its Ordinary Meeting and Advisory Committee Meeting dates for 2022 – please see below for details of place, dates, and times.

ORDINARY MEETINGS OF COUNCIL 2022 MEETING DATES

Ordinary Meetings of Council for 2022 are scheduled (unless advertised otherwise) to be held in the Shire of Kojonup Council Chambers, 93 Albany Highway, Kojonup commencing at 3.00pm, for the following dates:

- 26 July 2022
- 16 August 2022
- 20 September 2022
- 18 October 2022
- 15 November 2022
- 13 December 2022

ADVISORY COMMITTEES OF COUNCIL 2022 MEETING DATES

Meetings of Advisory Committees of Council for 2022 are scheduled (unless advertised otherwise) to meet in the Shire of Kojonup Administration Reception Lounge, 93 Albany Highway, Kojonup, as follows:

Audit and Risk Committee (commencing at 9.00am):

- 2 August 2022
- 1 November 2022



Council Briefs & Public Notices – June 2022

Grant Thompson (CEO)

Bushfire Communications

- 1. The Council commits to self-funding and building a new communications tower to the maximum height possible on an appropriate new mid-band site yet to be determined;
- 2. The Council accepts the CGS recommendation that the Shire should source its own Radio Frequency coverage data if contemplating a material capital spend;
- 3. The Council authorises the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) to engage an independent consultant to carry out a comprehensive investigation to verify the best site option within the Shire to locate new communications infrastructure enabling full coverage of the Shire of Kojonup and eliminating the risk of black spots; and
- 4. The Council authorises the CEO to engage the appropriate expertise and consultants to plan, design and cost a new communications tower build and table the design and costings at a future Council meeting for further consideration on tender and financing options.

Proposed Single House and 3 Cabins – 4631 Scotts Brook Road

The Council grant Development Approval for a single house and three cabins (holiday accommodation) at Lot 5 (No.4631) Scottsbrook Road, Mobrup subject to conditions as per the Ordinary Council Meeting – Minutes – 21 June 2022

The Shire of Kojonup – Cat Local Law 2022

That the Shire of Kojonup Cat Local Law 2022, inclusive of the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries' suggested amendments (as attached), be adopted:

Purpose: To address the impounding of cats, requirements and limitations on the keeping of cats, the requirements of approved kennel establishments and the establishment of cat prohibited areas within the Shire of Kojonup.

Effect: To provide for consistent and effective management of the cat population within the Shire of Kojonup.

The Shire of Kojonup – Parking Local Law 2022

That the Shire of Kojonup Parking Local Law 2022, inclusive of the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries suggested amendments (as attached), be adopted:

Purpose: To enable better parking practices and to remedy parking anomalies in the Shire of Kojonup.

Effect: Effective and consistent parking practices within the Shire of Kojonup.

The Kodja Place – Rose Maze

The Council approves the Schematic Concept Plan and Design from Realm Studios for an additional entrance to the Rose Maze, at the Kodja Place precinct, to enable Kodja Place Community Fund Inc volunteers to complete the works required, at no cost to the Council.



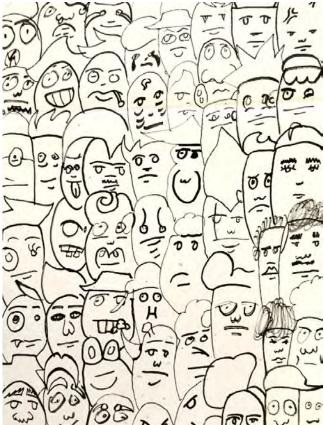
Shire of Kojonup - Administration and Depot Closure

14th July 2022 – 8.30am to 5pm

The Shire of Kojonup wishes to advise that its Administration Office and Depot will be closed for staff training from on Thursday 14th July 2022 and apologise for any inconvenience that this may cause you.

Small wild mushrooms - Showgrounds





Year 8 & 9 Art – Kojonup DHS

Regulatory Services - Health:

European wasp surveillance and eradication program 21 June 2022



End of season update

The 2021-22 European wasp (EW) season has drawn to a close, with 53 EW nests detected and destroyed. This was an increase from last season, yet still a much lower number than the 166 nests detected and destroyed during the 2018-19 peak season.

<u>Detailed maps</u> are available showing nest numbers and locations and areas for each of the surveillance seasons from 2016-17 to 2021-22. Nest locations ranged from Gnangara in the north, Orange Grove in the east and Cockburn Central in the south of the Perth region. There were no regional nests discovered this season which is a very positive sign that we have again succeeded in preventing the European wasp from establishing itself in WA.

We encourage anyone living in these areas to continue looking, particularly when the weather warms

up. Reports can be made to the Pest and Disease Information Service at any time of year.

The Swan Valley, Perth Hills, regional port areas and Kalgoorlie will be a focus for our 2022-23 surveillance season, which will commence as the weather begins to warm up again in November.



2021-22 Highlights

- **3000+ traps** were deployed across 98,700 ha (987km²) of the Perth metropolitan area and throughout regional WA.
- 53 nests were detected and destroyed.
- 92% of nests were underground (Four nests were found in tree hollows).
- Nest numbers increased from 14 in 2020-21 to 53 in 2021-22.
- Nests were found in 11 Local Government Areas (LGAs), incorporating 24 suburbs.
- More than 400+ public enquiries were received, leading to 12 detections.
- 174 new traps adopted and deployed by members of the general public.

Impact of European wasp

In Western Australia, the threat of European wasp invasion is increasing, due to its establishment in the eastern states, and the arrival of wasps on interstate vehicles and freight. Your continued support is therefore critical to help keep these wasps out of WA.

The permanent establishment of European wasp in WA would have serious consequences that are already experienced in other states, such as not being able to eat or feed pets outdoors where there are EW nests nearby, due to the EW's aggressive behaviour when scavenging for food and drinks, particularly meat.

This poses risks that most people would not be aware of such as scavenging wasps appearing in schoolyards and in pet bowls left outside.

Mostly hidden and underground, EW nests can be easily stepped on, disturbing thousands of angry wasps that will sting repeatedly.

They also pose a serious agricultural and environmental threat, with European wasp known to predate on insects, rob beehives and feed on soft fruits such as grapes.



Highest risk areas next season

Swan Valley: Our EW surveillance and eradication team will be focussing on locations bordering the Swan Valley as two nests were detected and destroyed in this area this season. A nest detected in Middle Swan is of concern, as they are a known serious viticultural pest do not want these pests to enter the world class vineyards of the Swan Valley.



SHIRE OF KOJONUP

Our team will ensure that if any nests or wasps are reported or detected next season, they are located and destroyed to prevent the establishment of additional nests.

The department will target communications to businesses in the Swan Valley to ensure winery operators and workers, restaurants and patrons, and visitors know how to recognise and report European wasps.

Local metropolitan Government Areas that need to be particularly vigilant include the main industrial areas of Belmont, Welshpool, Osborne Park, Stirling, Cockburn, Canning, Kenwick, Gosnells and Kewdale which are traditionally our biggest hotspots.

In regional areas, monitoring will focus on areas of high risk, including Geraldton, Bunbury and Albany that experience high freight traffic via the ports and Kalgoorlie due to high interstate freight traffic and interstate travellers. Hyden in the Wheatbelt will also be a focal point as historically there have been two detections in this region.

Perth Hills: Based on previous seasons detections bushwalkers and recreational visitors frequenting the areas of Banyowla Regional Park, Ellis Brook Valley Reserve, Korung National Park, the Victoria Reservoir and Canning River Regional Park are encouraged to be alert and look and report any wasp sightings. We have kept EW out of these areas for the last two seasons but need help to continue to keep them out!

Did you know???

In winter European wasp nests have fewer young mouths to feed and so lose their drive for protein (e.g. fish), making them near impossible to trap and track back to their nests.

Report activity

You can help us by continuing to be on the lookout for wasps. Report anything suspicious, even if in doubt and no matter how seemingly unimportant! Your reports and trapping, **even when you find nothing**, is vitally important - it tells us where the wasps are, *and where they're not*. Community trapping and reporting is the only way to find and destroy every nest! The best time to be looking will be from September onwards when the weather starts to warm up and the EW starts foraging for protein again.

Enquiries and reports of European wasps can be made via:

- The MyPestGuide app or online reporting
- The department's Pest and Disease Information Service on +61 (0)8 9368 3080
- Email photos to padis@dpird.wa.gov.au

Visit our <u>web pages</u> if you would like to learn more about our program, the impacts of European wasp and how to identify them.



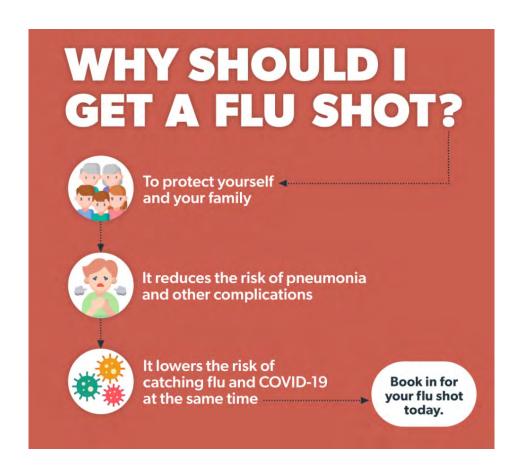


Next trapping season

The next trapping season will commence in November / December 2022.

THANK YOU and kind regards,

European wasp surveillance and eradication team

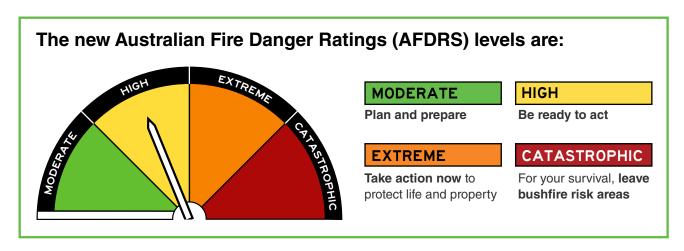




Fire danger ratings describe the potential level of danger should a bushfire start.

They are important because they provide people with information so that they can take action to protect themselves and others from the potentially dangerous impacts of bushfires.

From September 1, Australians will have a simplified, action-oriented Fire Danger Rating System.



- The AFDRS will also introduce 'off' for those days where no proactive action is required by the community.

 On these days, you will still need to abide by local seasonal laws and regulations, but there is little or no risk of a fire that starts spreading in a dangerous or life-threatening way.
- The AFDRS is informed by one of Australia's largest social research projects which found that most Australians do not understand the current system, and would prefer a simpler, action-oriented set of fire danger ratings.
- The AFDRS is being implemented consistently across Australia and will mean that wherever you are across the country, you will be able to understand the threat posed on any given day and make appropriate decisions to keep you and your family safe.



CHANGING THE SCIENCE:

- The current Fire Danger Rating System is largely based on science that is more than 60 years old. New technology and research have greatly improved our ability to accurately predict fire behaviour and the potential threat to the community.
- The AFDRS uses the latest scientific understanding about weather, fuel and how fire behaves in different types of vegetation to improve the reliability of fire danger forecasts. This strengthens the ability of those working in emergency services to be better prepared, make improved decisions, and provide better advice to the community.
- The new fire danger rating system is designed to be continuously updatable so that the system can take advantage of improving science, data and information into the future.
- By better understanding fuel types and fire behaviour on any given day of fire risk, agencies will be in a stronger position to respond to fires, adopting specific firefighting suppression strategies.



BENEFITS:

The Australian Fire Danger Rating System (AFDRS) Program is redesigning the forecasting of fire by:

- Improving the scientific accuracy behind fire danger predictions.
- Providing government and industry with better decision-making tools.
- Improving the way that fire danger is communicated.
- Reducing the costs associated with bushfire impacts.

The key benefit is a more prepared and resilient community resulting in a reduction in loss of life, property, and human harm.

The AFDRS calculates fire danger at a finer geographic scale than ever before so more relevant and specific information can be provided.

Significant cost savings are expected due to improved fire danger information leading to better decisions and more appropriate and timely action. It will also improve cross-border operations and support sharing of firefighting resources.

This is a national program funded by the Commonwealth and all the States and Territories and delivered by local implementation teams. The AFDRS is being coordinated by NSW RFS and AFAC (the National Council for Fire and Emergency Services), with support from the Bureau of Meteorology.

A National Program Board, with representation from each of the State and Territories' fire agencies, is overseeing the program.

LANDCARE

KDHS Work Placement

The Kojonup DHS work placement students spent a morning doing their part to clean up the Myrtle Benn bushland where household rubbish has been dumped over time. Much of what was collected was able to be recycled such as old hot water systems and washing machines, tyres and rims.

This activity along with that of the Kojonup Football Club and Saturday morning ride club efforts on the 18th June our town bushland is looking much nicer.



State NRM Blackwood catchment habitat and water quality improvements through fencing revegetation updates

Landholders who are participating in the State NRM Funded project to improve the Blackwood catchment through planting and fencing is well underway.

This week over 25,000 native seedlings have been planted in degraded creeklines in the far west of the Shire of Kojonup with another 12,000 to be planted in the coming month. Over the three year duration of this project 11km of fencing and 67,000 seedlings will be planted.



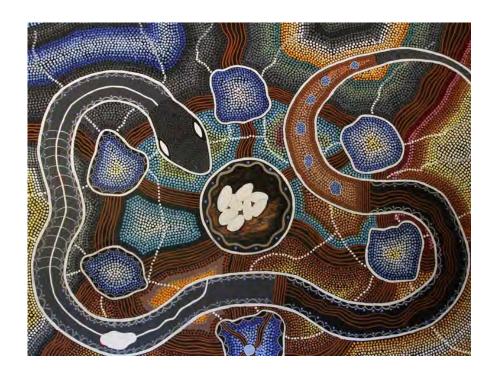


natural resource management program





The Kodja Place



'Y-INAGN' (Creation) by local Noongar artist Craig McVee

The Six Noongar Seasons are:	
Birak (Summer)	Mid-December / Mid-February
Bunuru (Autumn)	Mid-February / Mid-April
Djeran (Windy)	Mid-April / Mid-June
Makuru (Winter)	Mid-June / Mid-August
Djilba (Windy)	Mid-August / Mid-October
Kambarang (Spring)	Mid-October / Mid-December



LIBRARY



What's new to our Library!



Back to the Country - Mandy Magro:

Country singer Indigo Nash has it all, except love ...

At the height of her musical career, Indigo should be nothing but happy. But Indi is disillusioned with show business, finding herself depressed and lonely. When she reaches breaking point, a simple life back in the country begins to beckon her. But the demons left lingering in the shadows from a childhood trauma follow her, and nightmares of that fateful night plague her ... Can she unearth the truth of her family's deep dark secrets?

For two years Harley Knight has travelled the world with Indi as her bodyguard. She's a stubborn woman who drives him nuts, but also, in her vulnerable moments, shows

him a side of herself he secretly loves and always has since they were teenagers. When she hits rock bottom, he convinces her to return with him back to their hometown of Kuranda and stay at his property, where Harley hopes the peaceful landscape will give her the time and space she needs to heal. With these precious few weeks, can he show her what she's missing by constantly running away, or is time to let her go?



A Stone's Throw Away – Karly Lane:

When a drought dries up the contents of a water hole on her uncle's property, the last thing Investigative journalist Phillipa Davenport expected to find was a body. On a deadline and with a severe case of writers block, Pip doesn't have time to investigate this story - she just wants to write her book. However, the universe and her neighbour seem to have other ideas. And then there's the mysterious detective assigned to the case, who Pip is beginning to find very distracting.

When the only person of interest is a ninety year old war veteran, who's unable to communicate, and who appears to have been found unjustly guilty in the court of public opinion, Pip feels herself becoming drawn to the case despite the fact she

simply doesn't have time to take it on. But how often does an eighty year old cold case murder land on your doorstep?

With more questions arising with each layer of the past Pip peels back, she soon realises she's opened a can of worms and secrets thought long buried, suddenly emerge and bring with it some hard truths for the little town to face.



The Magic Faraway Tree – Jacqueline Wilson:

<u>(a new adventure – inspired by Enid Blyton)</u> Discover the Magic Faraway Tree and explore the amazing lands it can lead to, in an irresistible new story by bestselling author Jacqueline Wilson, set in this much-loved world.

Milo, Mia and Birdy are on a countryside holiday when they wander into an Enchanted Wood. Among the whispering leaves, there is a beautiful tree that stands high above the rest. The Magic Faraway Tree is home to many remarkable creatures including a fairy called Silky, her best friend Moonface and more. Little Birdy is only too happy to find that fairies are real. Even her older brother and sister are soon won over by the magic of the Faraway Tree and the extraordinary places they discover

above it, including the Land of Unicorns. But not every land is so much fun. Danger looms in the Land of Dragons. Will Moonface's magic work in time to save the children?

The Magic Faraway Tree by Enid Blyton was Jacqueline Wilson's own favourite book as a very young child. Now Britain's favourite contemporary children's author, creator of Hetty Feather and Tracy Beaker, revisits this glorious magical world, weaving a brand-new story perfect for the next generation of young readers. Discover the magic!



Drum Roll Please, It's Stevie Louise – Tanya Hennessy: Meet Stevie Louise. She is an entrepreneur (that's like a business person), an entertainer (obviously), and an extrovert on the inside (wait, is this a thing?).

Stevie has a BRILLIANT PLAN. She's going to have fun, make money, and most importantly, make sure the Brooke Street kids stay best friends forever. Then a new neighbour arrives and threatens to derail all Stevie's plans. *And then real disaster strikes*. But the show must go on. After all, Stevie is a professional.

Spotlight Please, It's Stevie Louise – Tanya Hennessy:

Stevie Louise is an entrepreneur (that's like a business person), an entertainer (obviously), and an extrovert on the inside (wait, is this a thing?).

Stevie and the Brooke Street crew are hard-up for cash. Going viral doesn't last forever, you know, and killer costumes are expensive. To keep their show-biz dream alive, the kids are competing in a local talent quest. But the competition is stiff (I mean, have you ever heard four goats sing a capella?), and Alex has a unicorn horn glued to his forehead for at least the next three weeks.

It's tough working under these conditions, but Stevie is up for any challenge to save Lunchbox Productions...

A gloriously warm, funny and relatable story from bestselling author, much-loved comedian, writer, radio announcer and social media sensation Tanya Hennessy.





The Eulogy – Jackie Bailey: It's winter in Logan, south-east Queensland, and still warm enough to sleep in a car at night if you have nowhere else to go. But Kathy can't sleep. Her husband is on her blocked caller list and she's running from a kidnapping charge, a Tupperware container of 300 sleeping pills in her glovebox. She has driven from Sydney to plan a funeral with her five surviving siblings (most of whom she hardly speaks to) because their sister Annie is finally, blessedly, inconceivably dead from the brain tumour she was diagnosed with twenty-five years ago, the year everything changed.

Kathy wonders – she has always wondered – did Annie get sick to protect her? And if so, from what?

In writing Annie's eulogy, Kathy attempts to understand the tangled story of the Bradley family: from their mother's childhood during the Japanese occupation of Singapore in World War Two and their father's experiences in the Malayan conflict and the Vietnam War, to Annie's cancer and disability, and the events that have shaped the person that Kathy is today. Ultimately, Kathy needs Annie to help her decide whether she will allow herself to love and be loved.

Jackie Bailey's novel is an astounding debut, deftly weaving together storylines and relationships over decades, and will stay with readers long after the last page.

How to keep your grandkids safe online



From watching their favourite YouTube videos and playing online games to using social media, children start their online journey at a young age. It is important to protect their online safety, especially when they are in your care.

Even if you don't consider yourself a tech expert, you can still play an active part in helping your grandchildren build good online habits. Just by talking to your grandkids and



SHIRE OF KOJONUP

showing an interest in what they do online can open up a conversation about online safety.

So how do you keep your grandchildren safe online? The <u>eSafety Commissioner has</u> <u>developed a handy guide for grandparents</u> about online safety issues that can affect young people.

This Be Connected article includes some great tips from the guide including setting up devices safely, teaching children to ask for help, setting screen time limits, safer online gaming, dealing with cyberbullying, and turning off in-app purchasing.

Interested in knowing more? Read the full article here.

Article by Yara Khalife via Be Connected, shared with appreciation.

Pre-loved Items



Thanks for saving a pre-loved items life!!

Your Kojonup Library has always had great support from our community with pre-loved books, DVD's, jigsaws & games. We welcome pre-loved items, but to add newer stock to our shelves older stock must make way. Please check out our used trolley, a small donation is gratefully received to purchase brand new stock. We also support the 'Free Little Library' situated by the path at the Kojonup APEX Park.

Knitting & Crotchet Circle

Life is certainly still changing for us all and it is wonderful to be able to reconnect with our community. If you feel you might enjoy meeting up with other knitters and crocheters to stitch and chat, or want to learn



how to knit or crochet, then please let me know if you would like to meet at the library with others to share and chat about knitting and crocheting.

Maybe you would like to learn new techniques, exchange ideas or find inspiration for your next project.

9831 2412...Lorreen, let's set a day and time that suits you all.



Sport and Recreation Development

Multi-use Court Facility Still Under Construction

Whilst the Shire continues to finalise the surrounds and fit-out of the new Multi-Use Court Facility at the Sporting Complex, we would appreciate the public remaining off-site until works are completed. The Shire currently has an agreement in place with the Netball Club for access to monitored and supervised use for training and game purposes. However, the courts are not open to unsupervised public due to the risk of injury within the construction site. Please not that public use is to be avoided at this stage.

The Shire understands that members of the community are very excited to use the space, and for the safety of everyone we need to be ensuring public use does not occur until after full completion of construction. The Shire will advise the Community when the courts are open to the public for use."





Beautifull art by KDH Year 8&9 Students



Notices and Avertisements

WHS Act presentations Coming to Kojonup 20 July





Get an understanding of the new Workplace Health & Safety laws introduced to WA About this event

Are you ready for the new WHS changes?
The Western Australian Government has passed some major health and

safety changes with the introduction of the Work Health and Safety Act, which came into force in March 2022.

In partnership with Southern Dirt, Safety Solutions WA will be conducting an information session in Kojonup to provide Southern Dirt member businesses details through the transition from the Occupational Safety and Health Act to the new Work Health and Safety Act

Wed., 20 July 2022 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm AWST



Location
Kojonup Sporting Complex
Benn Parade
Kojonup



Sending your kids to school every day is important for their education and future.

You need to apply to enrol your child in school for 2023 if they are:

Starting Kindergarten – 4 years old by 30 June 2023

Starting Pre-primary, the first year of compulsory school – 5 years old by 30 June 2023

Starting Year 7, the first year of secondary school changing schools.

Enrolments are now open.

Contact your local public school to apply to enrol by Friday 22 July 2022.

Visit our website for more information.

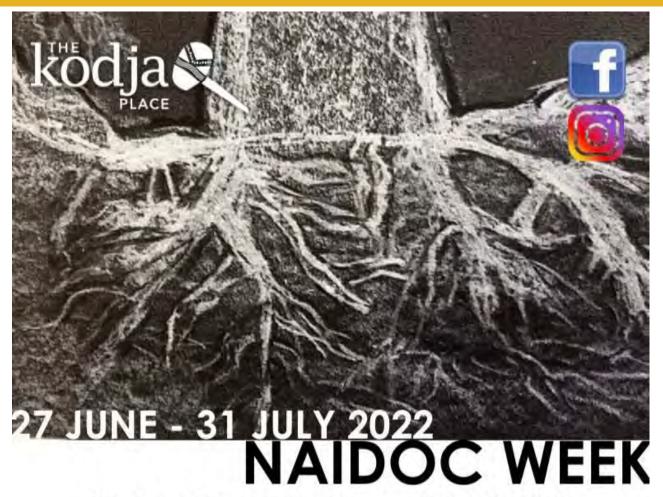
https://www.education.wa.edu.au/

2023 school enrolments are open Talk to your local school today









SCHOOL GROUP TOURS - PRELUDE TO NAIDOC WEEK

Mon 27th JUNE - 1st JULY

The Kodja place is leading up into NAIDOC WEEK early with a range of cultural sharing & related youth activities!

ART EXHIBITION OPENS - MON 27th JUNE

"CULTURAL & CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS" (-31 JULY)

Featuring artworks from the year 8 & 9 year groups from K.D.H.S A Hanging & Digital Exhibition - This project is based on an ABCD Grassroots Approach

> FRI 1st July @ 12pm— Sinking of the Time Capsules & 1pm - Winners of Art Exhibition Revealed

> > (Proudly Sponsored by the Rotary Club Kojonup)

AGE APPROPRIATE ACTIVITIES

Sun 3rd JULY 10am-12 TUE 5th 10am-12 Thurs 7th 10am-12

Billy's Tours, Story Time, Art, Craft, Face Marking, Chalking, Milo & Damper (Larger groups and Billy Tours will require a booking—Contact **The Kodja Place**)



MHFA National Consumers

Art Competition



Create your creative artwork using submit it online in any form be it either paintings, drawings, mosaics, photos, computerised images or other art mediums.

Winning artwork will be selected by a panel of judges for virtual showcase at the Mental Health Month Launch on the 1st of October 2022. Open to all members of the community.

Winning Prizes & Awards

The winning artwork will be showcased digitally at the respective states and territories launch event on 1 October 2022.

The winning artist in each state will be awarded with prize money and trophy during the National Mental Health Month 2022.

Prize: \$500

Applications close on 31st July 2022, 11:59pm

Submission

This year, the competition is being conducted online and nationwide. You can submit your artwork through the web form link

Form link: https://tinyurl.com/NCACM

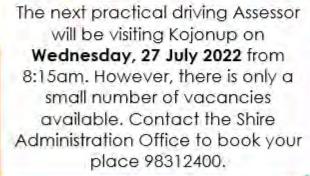


NATIONAL

MENTAL HEALTH MONTH 2022

www.mhfa.org.au

Practical Driving Assessments - Bookings are filling fast -







My kids pretty much all the time







Expressions of interest are open to include your event in this year's Great Southern Treasures 2022 Bloom Festival! If you'd like to host an event in the Great Southern Treasures region during September and October and be included in the festival promotion, just scan the code, and complete the online EOI.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/eoi bloom festival 2022

Questions? Our Event Coordinator Kahlia is standing by to help you with anything 'bloom' at bloom@greatsoutherntreasures.com.au



Articles from the Kojonup Archives

from The Great Southern Herald...



SHIRE PRESIDENT **OPENS NEW DRIVE-IN**

Kojonup entered a new era of cinema entertainment with the opening of the modern new Kojonup Drive-In by Kojonup Shire President W. H. C. Stretch last Friday.

About 100 cars, including town give a great lift to many invited guests, attend Kojonup and augur well for ed the opening.

Kojonup Pictures propri-etor, Mr J. P. Rourke wel-comed patrons and guests over the speaker system and expressed the hope that programmes screened at the new drive in would be suitable to their tastes.

He said for the time being the drive-in would screen four nights weekly with the Box changes of programme on Wednesdays, Fridays and Final adjustments to the Sundays.

The gates would open nightly at 7 p.m. and screen-

bar was under the care of Mr and Mrs Pelham whom, ne was sure, would do all in their power to please patrons.

CITY AMENITY

Shire President Stretch said few people would have thought the vacant paddock on the Katanning Road could so quickly be transformed into a city amenity for the enjoyment of district people. The new drive-in was a big

undertaking needing a lot of finance, courage and business ability.

"This venture and other progressive projects in the the future," he said.

"To Mr and Mrs Rourke I offer thanks from us all for their enterprise and confi-dence in this, their home town and district, and I am quite sure 'f will receive the great support their initiative in providing this cinema de-

The opening film "Follow the Boys" was supported

Final adjustments to the equipment were not comple. ted until late in the week. Although several technical ing would begin at 8.15 p.m. Although several techniques ing would begin at 8.15 p.m. hitches occurred during the screening of the programme, the presentation was of a standard which gives prom-

ise of excellent quality as soon as the staff settle in. About 50 guests were en-tertained by Mr and Mrs Rourke after the programme









WORK TO START ON RESTORATION OF OLD BARRACKS

Kojonup's oldest building - the "Old Barracks" - is soon to take on a new look.

The building has sawn timber and packing cases were common materbeen acquired for the ial. Kojonup Historical Society by the Kojon-up Shire Council and chairs had seats of inter-woven kangaroo hide strips. is to be restored to

Historical Society secre-tary, Mrs M. Bignell said this week that the Society this week that the Society had conducted several busy bees at the barracks to clean up the grounds and re-move unwanted sections of

the building.
Quotes have been obtained for necessary repairs and builders will start work on the renovations as soon as possible.

Meanwhile, the Society is making an all-out drive to obtain furniture and articles of historical value to furnish the museum.

The society plans to make the main room of the bar-racks typical of an early colonist's cottage and has re-

ceived many suggestions from Mis₈ M. Lukis, Librar, ian of the Battye Library.

In a letter to the Society, Miss Lukis states that the furniture used by early columnts was mostly hand made onists was mostly hand made and fairly primitive. Pit-

Tables were mostly square

original condition, filled with historical relics and opened as an historical museum.

"It would be appropriate to have a few smaller items such as work boxes and old small writing desks in the rooms, also a large family Bible and one or two photograph albums," Miss Lukis said. "It would be appropriate

"Candlesticks, mugs and other pieces of pewter and some old China would also be suitable.'

"Heavy iron or copper utensils, some old wooden barrels and tubs will be necessary for the kitchen.

"Kangaroo skins would be used as rugs on the floors and for beds, patchwork quilts and rugs from the skins of kangaroos, possums and other native animal would be appropriate.

Anyone with articles like these in their possession and willing to donate them to the Society is asked to con-tact Mr L. Treasure, Mr L. MacBride, Miss G. Cornwall or Mrs M. Bignell.

The Society is seeking old shot guns, pistols and ar-ticles of the time when the old barracks was a centre for soldiers.

Also required are impro-vised articles showing the ingenuity of the early sett-

lers. These may be made of wood, hide or even kerosene

Unusual types bottles frequently found on farm rubbish dumps also have historical value, and

have historical value, and the Society is trying to build up a collection of these. Persons with articles of any description they think may be of use to the Society are asked to contact the four committee members men committee members men-

committee members men-tioned.

The Society's plan to es-tablish the museum as one of the major places of histori-cal interest in the country will depend on the support of district residents.

The old barracks was built The bid barracks was built soon after the settlement of the Swan River as a place of protection for travellers on the Perth-Albany mall run. It was occupied first by British soldiers and later by prepsioners who

pensioners who supervised the convicts on roadmaking. The building has also been used as a school and as quar ters for the school mistress.

Negotiations for the purchase of the old barracks from Mr Robert Hadlow, began in June last year after a joint deputation from the APPEAL Kojonup Historical and Tree societies waited on the Shire Council.

The deputation was suppor-The deputation was suppor-ted by the W.A. Historical Society and the National Trust which have since ex-pressed appreciation to the Shire Council.

APEX ASSISTANCE

The Kojonup Apex Club has offered to assist the Historical Society in the laying out of grounds around the old barracks.

The restoration of the old the restoration of the old barracks will cost a considerable amount of finance and a fund raising pro-gramme is being conducted by the Society.

A street stall will be rur at a future date and any monetary assistance from Kojonup residents would be gratefully received.

Annual membership sub scriptions to the Society are





Want to learn more about **Kojonup's history?**

Visit the Kojonup Historical Society

Kojonup Historical Society | Past days to present times





Let's learn Twinkle Twinkle Little Star in Noongar



Djinda, djinda, kanangoor

Twinkle, twinkle, little star

Ngany kadadjiny naatj noonook

How I wonder what you are

Yirra ngalang boodjar-ak

Up above the world so high,

Boya-mokiny worl-ak

Like a diamond in the sky

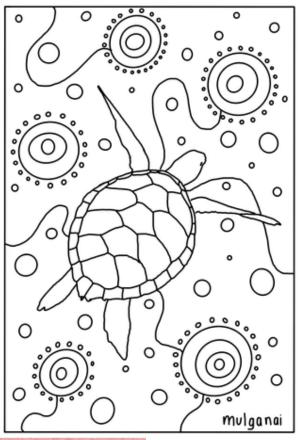
Djinda,djinda, kanangoo

Twinkle, twinkle, little star

Ngany kadadjiny naatj noonook

How I wonder what you are

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BZII12Fiuto







The Rainbow Serpent

The following story is based on a traditional Dreaming story, involving the Rainbow Serpent.

Long, long ago in the Dreaming, the Earth lay flat and still. Nothing moved and nothing grew. One day, a beautiful snake awoke from her slumber and came out from under the ground. This snake was known as the Rainbow Serpent.

She travelled for a very long time, far and wide. As she made her way across the land, her body formed mountains, valleys and rivers. The Rainbow Serpent was the Dreaming creature who shaped the Earth. After all of her travelling, she grew tired. She curled up and went to sleep.

that she had first appeared and called out to the frogs, "Come out! The frogs woke up very slowly because they had so much water in their bellies. The Rainbow Serpent tickled their stomachs, and the water began to fill the tracks that the Rainbow

After some rest, she returned to the place

to fill the tracks that the Rainbow Serpent had left. This is how the lakes and rivers were formed.

After this, water, grass and trees began to grow. All the other animals that lived in rocks, on the plains,





in the trees and the air began to wake up and follow the Rainbow Serpent. They were all happy with the Earth.

The Rainbow Serpent made laws that they all had to obey. Some did not like this and began to cause trouble. The Rainbow Serpent said, "Those who obey will be rewarded; I shall give them human form. But, for those who don't, they will be punished and turned to stone."

The tribes of people lived together on the land given to them by the Rainbow Serpent. They knew that the land would always be theirs, as long as they took care of it. They believed that no one should ever take it away from them.





