

# SHIRE OF KOJONUP e-NEWS

Edition 246 – November 2022

## Dealing with snakes



*Dugite. Photo Ann Storrie*

<https://www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/%E2%80%A6/living-w%E2%80%A6/87-dealing-with-snakes>

In spring and summer, many reptiles emerge to bask in the sun. During this time you should take precautions to minimise the chance of encountering snakes.

Remember, snakes are an integral part of the natural environment and play an important role in wildlife ecosystems.

### Common snakes around

Dangerously venomous dugites and tiger snakes are common in WA. Both species hunt small mammals, frogs and lizards, and are active during the day and at night in warm weather.

- Tiger snakes (*Notechis scutatus*) are most common in vegetation around wetland areas but may be found well away from water. They are seen throughout the year sunning themselves in open areas.
- Dugites (*Pseudonaja affinis*) are most common in the drier bushland areas around Perth, especially grasslands. These fast-moving snakes are attracted to aviaries and other locations where mice can be found.

### Precautions

- Take care in bushland and grassy areas.
- Walk and/or cycle in cleared areas only, where you can see the ground.
- When bushwalking, wear long trousers and boots or other enclosed footwear that preferably cover the ankles.
- Keep a watchful eye on the ground about a metre ahead of where you are walking, and avoid entering areas of long grass, rushes and undergrowth.
- Around your home remove long grass and items lying on the ground such as corrugated iron, which may provide cover for snakes.
- Reduce mice numbers around the house.

## If you find a snake

Do not approach or aggravate it in any way. Most bites occur when people accidentally step on snakes, or while attempting to kill them. As the warmer days of spring approach, snakes become more active as they leave their winter retreats in search of a mate and food.

If you find a snake in your house, follow the advice above and search online for a snake removal service near you.

*Tigersnake*



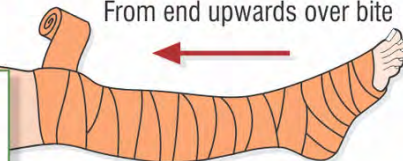
# SNAKE BITE

**1. STOP ALL MOVEMENT! - CALL 000**



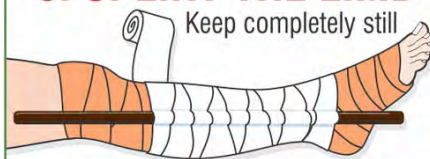
**2. PRESSURE BANDAGE**

From end upwards over bite



**3. SPLINT THE LIMB**

Keep completely still



**4. GET TO HOSPITAL**

Preferably by ambulance

This is one method of PIT immobilisation for bites on a limb.  
Attend a course to find out more about first aid.

## 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:

- 29 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:

— JOIN THE TEAM —  
**We're hiring!**

The Shire of Kojonup has the following position available:

**Springhaven Aged Care**

- Registered Nurse

To view and apply for this position please visit:  
[www.kojonup.wa.gov.au/employment](http://www.kojonup.wa.gov.au/employment)  
Email: [council@kojonup.wa.gov.au](mailto:council@kojonup.wa.gov.au)

**Kojonup**  
One community, many choices



# Council Briefs & Public Notices

## Special Council Meeting – 9 November 2022

### Grant Thompson (CEO)

ENEL GREEN POWER AUSTRALIA PTY LTD – Assessment of Development layout plan and management plans relating to conditions 4, 17 & 21 and easement for access to portions of certain road reserves

That:

- 1) Council approves the Development Layout Plan (Condition 17) for the Flat Rocks Wind Farm as reproduced in Attachment 9.4.2.2.
- 2) The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and Shire President are granted authority to execute, to apply the Shire of Kojonup's (Shire) common seal to the Agreement for Installation (Attachment 9.4.2.4) to enable the proponent to have access to portions of road reserves for infrastructure approved by the Development Layout Plan, and to enable the Shire (in the Shire's capacity as manager of the road reserve) to approve and have a record of the engineering details of the infrastructure approved of or contemplated by the DLP in the affected road reserves. This authority is subject to the CEO being satisfied that the intended easement locations provided for in the Agreement match with the DLP locations, and being satisfied with the technical details of the drawings for the cabling.
- 3) The CEO is granted authority to confirm the Shire's approval of the Noise Impact Mitigation Management Plan, provided the proponent first causes the version Rp 001 R01 20220108 dated 28.10.22 (Attachment 9.4.2.3), to be amended in the second-last sub-paragraph of 3.0 so as to state:

'In the event that background noise monitoring is carried out in the future, the results of this monitoring would be used for determining wind speed dependent noise limits in accordance with Condition 29, subject to their inclusion in an updated version of this NIMMP requiring approval by the Shire's Chief Executive Officer.'
- 4) Council notes that it is Council's understanding that any future noise monitoring for the purpose of establishing background noise should be undertaken without the turbines in operation.
- 5) Council further notes that approval of the Development Layout Plan and management plans does not override the need to obtain any relevant approvals that may be separately required from other agencies.
- 6) The CEO advises the Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup of this decision.

## Shire notices:



### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### Review of Representation

##### (Number of Council Representatives)

On 3 July 2022 the State Government announced a package of local government reforms including a reduction in the number of Council representatives for many local governments, based on population. The Shire of Kojonup is required to reduce representation from 8 to either 5, 6 or 7 Councillors and to conduct a Representation Review. Reducing the number of elected representatives will not limit the matters that members of the community can raise.

**Public submissions are invited as to the number of Council representatives**

**the Community of Kojonup would prefer**

**(either 5, 6, or 7)**

An information sheet\* is available detailing the different representative to electors and population ratios for 5, 6 or 7 councillors for the Shire of Kojonup. The information sheet also outlines factors for consideration and perceived advantages and disadvantages of having a lower or higher number of councillors.

**Public submissions, in writing, are invited or forms are available to be completed – either method of submission needs to be received by the Shire of Kojonup by 4.30pm, Monday, 12 December 2022 and can be delivered by:**

- **Post or over the counter:** 93 Albany Highway, KOJONUP WA 6395 or
- **email:** [council@kojonup.wa.gov.au](mailto:council@kojonup.wa.gov.au)

*\*For a copy of the information sheet, which includes the form, please contact Judy Stewart, Senior Administration Officer – [sao@kojonup.wa.gov.au](mailto:sao@kojonup.wa.gov.au), telephone 0898 312400, visit the Shire website [www.kojonup.wa.gov.au](http://www.kojonup.wa.gov.au), or call into the Shire Administration office at the above address.*

## KOJONUP BUSHFIRE BRIGADES



### Firebreak Inspection Warning:

**12 December 2022** – All protective burning and firebreak precautions to be completed on land outside the gazetted townsite

**13 December 2022** – Council will commence its aerial inspection process of all land outside the gazetted townsite

**BUSH FIRE BAN PHONE LINE: 9831 0145**  
**EMERGENCY SMS LIST: Shire 9831 2400**  
**BUSH FIRE EMERGENCY: 9831 1580 / 000**



The Shire of Kojonup is in the process of analysing and assessing the Bushfire hazard within the community.

A part of this process involves YOU!

Please scan the QR code to answer 5 short-easy questions that would help us identify local issues and areas to consider within your community.





# WA SPICY CONDITIONS

Temperature, vegetation types, moisture levels and weather conditions are some of the important factors in calculating Fire Danger Ratings (FDR).

Leave bushfire risk areas.

Take action now.

Be ready to act.

Plan and prepare.

Remain alert.



Check your local Fire Danger Rating at [emergency.wa.gov.au](http://emergency.wa.gov.au)





Department of Fire and Emergency Services WA

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🌾 WA is the cream of the crop when it comes to farming, but paddock fires pose a huge risk in rural communities once grain crops start to ripen.

Ahead of today's elevated Fire Danger Ratings in the Wheatbelt, two helitaks and two fixed-wing waterbombers were forward deployed to Northam and Cunderdin. The aircraft are accompanied by highly trained aerial firefighting crews that include three pilots, reloader staff, refuellers and DFES career firefighters as air attack supervisors.

As part of our Harvest Aerial Protection Program, we also have aircraft and crews currently based in Geraldton, protecting our northern farmers as they harvest. These planes will later move to southern communities as grain gathering activities increase.

We wish all our grain farmers a safe harvest and hearty yields 🍷





## LANDCARE – Adele @Southerndirt

# Carbon Neutral Grain Pilot Project



DPIRD through the WA Agriculture Climate Resilience Fund partnered with CBH Group (CBH) and regenerative food and agriculture company, Wide Open Agriculture (WOA) to undertake the *Carbon Neutral Grain Pilot* project - researching Western Australian grain production Green House Gas (GHG) emissions. Western Australia's (WA) grains industry faces increasing pressure to reduce its carbon emissions to help meet Australian reduction targets of 43% by 2030.

Full details: <https://www.agric.wa.gov.au/carbon-neutral-grain-pilot-project>

## 2023 AgriFutures Horizon Scholarship

In partnership with industry sponsors, the AgriFutures Horizon Scholarship is an initiative supporting students enrolled in full time study at an Australian university by providing:

- A bursary of \$5000 per year for the final two years of your degree
- Professional development workshops
- Annual industry work placements aligned with the scholar's areas of interest and their sponsor's industry
- Opportunities to network and gain knowledge at a range of industry events.



Full details

<https://agrifutures.com.au/opportunities/horizon-scholarship/#:~:text=by%20the%20applicant,-,How%20To%20Apply,copy%20of%20their%20academic%20transcript.>

### HAVING A FUNCTION IN A SHIRE PARK OR AREA?



Please let us know a few weeks in advance so that we can make sure your chosen spot is pristine on the day

*Not to mention turning off reticulation to make sure you don't have any unexpected surprises ...*

Email: [council@kojonup.wa.gov.au](mailto:council@kojonup.wa.gov.au)

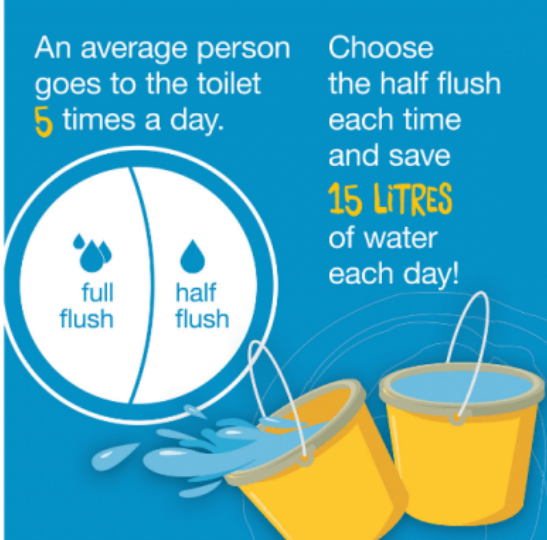
A **5 MINUTE SHOWER** can use around **100 LITRES** of water.

**Drop** your shower by **1 MINUTE** and **SAVE 2 BUCKETS!**



An average person goes to the toilet **5** times a day.

Choose the half flush each time and save **15 LITRES** of water each day!



The average household uses **21-31.5 LITRES** per day to **hand wash** dishes.

Swap to a **dishwasher** which only uses **15 LITRES**



A leaking tap can use up to **25 LITRES** of water a day.

**Fix the leak and save all 25 LITRES!**



## Springhaven:

Good afternoon family and friends of Springhaven, Springhaven Team Members, Shire staff and Council members,

As per the WA Health Chief Health Officer, the state of emergency in WA for COVID19 is declared over.

This means a number of restrictions will be lifted. Below is the current situation at Springhaven Lodge, effective immediately:

- RAT tests will no longer be performed for visitors to Springhaven Lodge
- Staff will continue to RAT test once weekly as a precaution
- Residents will continue to RAT test once weekly as a precaution
- Visitors and staff will continue to wear masks inside the building
- Masks are not required outside
- Visitors are now allowed to eat in communal areas, removing mask to eat and putting mask back on after
- Evidence of vaccination (for both flu and covid) is no longer necessary for visitors to the facility
- Visitors will still have to sign in, on the visitors register, but no questionnaire required
- Enter through the automatic front door (staff to ensure this is turned off in the evening)
- There is no restriction to time or amount of visitors
- Should a resident test positive for COVID, our response will be the same as before and our Outbreak Management Plan will be activated.

COVID is still a very real danger to our vulnerable residents, so visitors are still urged to stay at home if feeling unwell in any way.

Please feel free to share this information with anyone who visits Springhaven.

If anyone has any questions, please do not hesitate to reach out.

*Kind Regards*

*Ciara O'Regan*

Manager of Springhaven / RN

## Great Southern 2050 Cycling Strategy

Help shape the future  
of bike riding in  
the Great Southern!



The Department of Transport and the 11 local governments of the Great Southern region seek your ideas on the Great Southern 2050 Cycling Strategy.

For more information, please visit [www.mysaytransport.wa.gov.au](http://www.mysaytransport.wa.gov.au) and scroll down to the Great Southern 2050 Cycling Strategy tile or just scan this code ...



## Great Southern 2050 Cycling Strategy



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# POOL SEASON IS OPEN FOR 2022

Opening Wednesday 16 November 2022

Pool opening hours:  
Mon, Wed - Sun 12 - 6.00pm  
Closed Tuesdays

Early morning lap swim 6-8am  
Monday, Wednesday and Friday  
starts 21 November





Government of Western Australia  
Department of Transport

# Great Southern 2050 Cycling Strategy

## “ HAVE YOUR SAY Shire of Kojonup

Have your say to help shape the future of bike riding in the Great Southern region.

### About the project

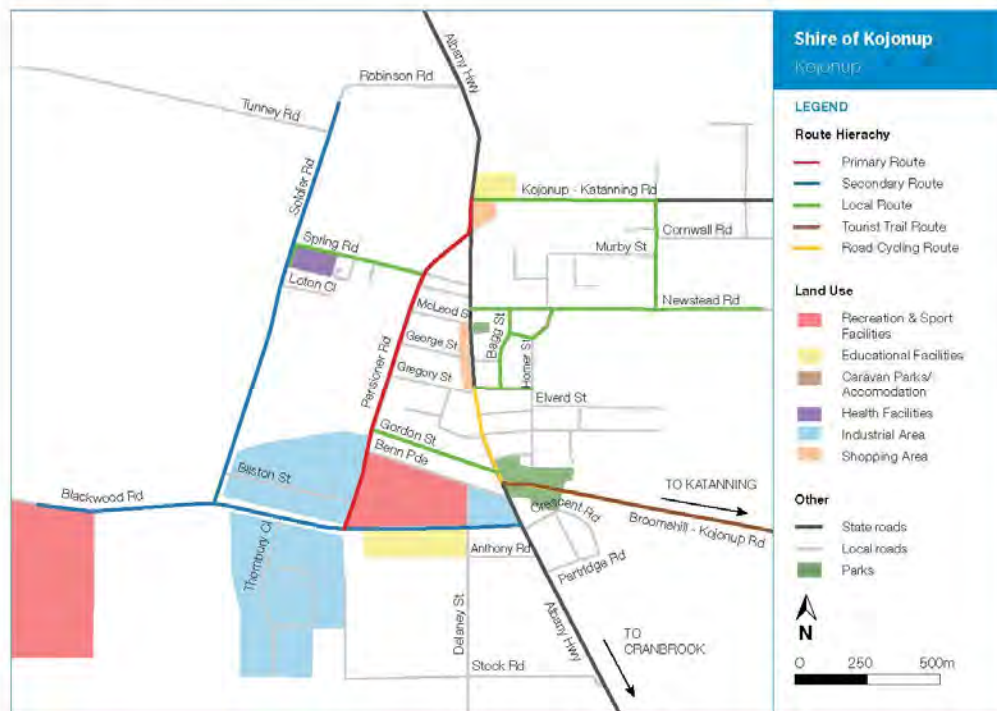
In collaboration with the City of Albany and the shires of Broomehill-Tambellup, Cranbrook, Denmark, Gnowangerup, Jerramungup, Katanning, Kent, Kojonup, Plantagenet and Woodanilling, the Department of Transport is developing the Great Southern 2050 Cycling Strategy.

The Strategy will set out a long-term vision for bike riding across the region, including an aspirational cycling network with proposed infrastructure covering key townsites and providing interregional connections.

When complete, the Strategy will be used to guide funding decisions and prioritise key bike riding projects.

To help us develop the strategy, we want to know:

- what your local bike riding needs are;
- what issues need to be addressed; and
- what opportunities you see to make riding safer, more enjoyable and convenient.



Great Southern 2050 Cycling Strategy; Have your Say Shire of Kojonup

## The Draft Cycling Network

This information sheet includes maps illustrating the draft cycling network for Kojonup, and the regional hinterland surrounding the Shire.

**The draft network has been built to help achieve the following themes:**

- Connecting people to where they live, work, learn and play;
- Encouraging cycling for people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds;
- Improving planning for cycling;
- Developing unique cycle tourism experiences, including inter-regional cycle tourism routes along rail corridors;
- Improving safety for road cyclists; and
- Developing safe cycle routes in town centres

**Some of the key features of the draft network include:**

- Potential rail trail from Kojonup to Katanning and Nyabing;
- Potential cycle trails to Farrer Reserve and Myrtle Benn Reserve;
- Connecting regional towns via rail and road reserves; and
- Safer links to schools, shops and recreational facilities.

## About the Cycling Network Hierarchy

On the following maps you will see routes classified by the Western Australian Cycling Network Hierarchy. The WA Cycling Network Hierarchy identifies routes by their function, depending on the type of activities that take place on the route and not on their built form.

The route hierarchy includes:

- Primary Routes
- Secondary Routes
- Local Routes
- Road Cycling Routes
- Tourist / Transport Trails

Except for Road Cycling Routes, all levels of the hierarchy are designed to cater for bicycle riders of all ages and abilities.

## How you can have your say

- **Online Survey** – Visit [www.mysaytransport.wa.gov.au/great-southern-2050-cycling-strategy](http://www.mysaytransport.wa.gov.au/great-southern-2050-cycling-strategy) to complete a short survey and map your ideas
- **In-person Survey** – Visit the Shire of Kojonup, 93-95 Albany Highway, Kojonup, WA 6395 to view the map and complete the survey in person.
- **Online Community Forum** – If you provide feedback you can opt in to be invited to join us online in the new year (2023) to participate and provide comment on the development of the cycle network.



## More information

To learn more about the *Great Southern 2050 Cycling Strategy*, or any of the 11 regional cycling strategies underway or completed visit:

[www.transport.wa.gov.au/activetransport/long-term-cycle-network.asp](http://www.transport.wa.gov.au/activetransport/long-term-cycle-network.asp)

## Latest News from Kodja Place

By Jill Watkin

### Kojonup Raises Awareness of Violence against Young People



The community of Kojonup honoured the short young life of Cassius Turvey at a gathering held last week in the Jack Cox Courtyard which was organised by Christie and Jamie McVee. Those participating were united in the belief that every child and young person's life is equally as important.

**All young people should feel safe going about their daily lives.** Local Kaneang elders Billy Riley, Cheryl Michael and Craig McVee spoke about what Cassius' death had meant to them and the implications for our society and Barb Hobbes delivered a message from the Uniting Church Council.

Although Cassius life has been cut short at only 15 years old, his mother Mechelle Turvey believes he has left behind an 'amazing' and enduring legacy in uniting people who believe that all **'All Kids Matter'** and plans to use the money raised from the funding page set up in his memory will be used to develop a community initiative to help vulnerable and disadvantaged children.





## Last-Minute Late-Night Shopping Kodja Place Cultural Centre Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 5-7pm

Come with your friends and join us for a leisurely browse of our Christmas goodies at Kodja Place and enjoy a free glass of wine whilst you wander through our amazing selection of interesting and unusual gifts in the re-vitalised gallery gift shop at Kodja Place. We have a fantastic selection from new suppliers and presents for all ages and members of your family and friends at a variety of prices. Check just a few of them out below.

Please support our local artisans and food producers as we now have a great selection of local foodstuffs – why not put up your own hamper – a hamper is always guaranteed to be a success at this time of the year.







## Carols in the Courtyard The True Meaning of Christmas

Come and join the Kodja Place Team in the Jack Cox Courtyard to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas. Carols, musicians and school choirs. Bring along a wrapped present for a child or young person to be gifted to those who perhaps will be having a lean Christmas this year. We look forward to seeing you all.

### Young Ladies of the Future back in ?

Who can name these young ladies from the Kojonup District High School and the year.  
Where are they now and what are they doing?



Email replies to [kojonuphistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:kojonuphistoricalsociety@gmail.com)

# Billy's Tours

The Kodja Place Kojonup

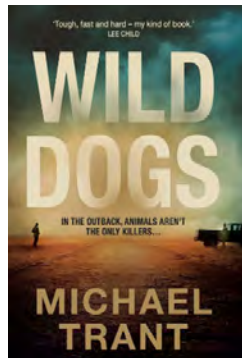


Billy will guide you through The Kodja Place and talk about everything from the Aboriginal Six Seasons, hunting, ceremonial tools, life on the reserve and the Indigenous culture of Kojonup.

Billy Tea and Damper is available for group bookings

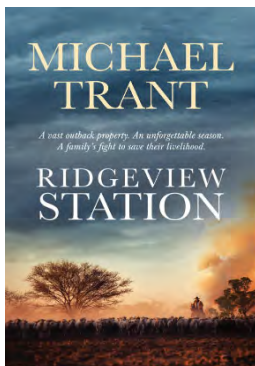
Enquiries and Bookings:  
The Kodja Place & Kojonup Visitor Centre  
143 Albany Highway, Kojonup WA 6395  
P: (08) 9831 0500  
E: [kojonupvisitors@bigpond.com](mailto:kojonupvisitors@bigpond.com)

## Library



It's time to flip into your calendar over to "2023" and save the date for our [Author Event with Michael Trant](#) on the [15 February 2023](#) at [10:30am](#)

The bestselling Western Australian author of [Ridgeview Station](#) and [Wild Dogs](#) will be joining the Kojonup Library to share his new book and enjoy a country morning tea with our readers and yes he has a sense of humour.



*Michael Trant is a WA country boy now residing in Perth after a variety of careers ranging from farmer, marine draftsman, pastoralist and FIFO pot washer.*

*Michael writes with an authentic rural voice, drawing on his experiences to open readers to places and lifestyles foreign to many. He has a passion for farming, writing, and gaming, the order of which vary throughout the year. He still works on farms as a tractor driver, mainly to annoy those teachers who claimed no one would pay him to stare out a window all day.*

You won't want to miss Michael in person!!!

[Play Cafe.....every Wednesday from 9:30am-11:30am at the Kojonup APEX Park.](#)  
Bring your hats and water bottles, Libby & Lorreen bring the toys and activities for the children to enjoy!!



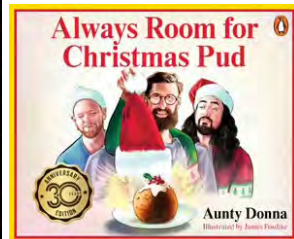
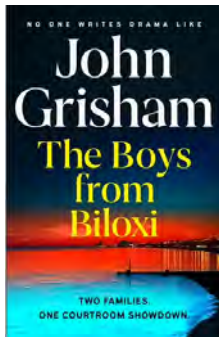
Master Finn counting & our PANDA gathering, many thanks to WACHS, Amity Heath, Wanslea, 'Megacino's' & A Smart Start. We enjoyed a glorious morning of Play and supporting each other as women, mothers, sisters acknowledging that we are the true nurturers of our families (the heart).

Join our Kitting or Crochet Circle on Friday mornings at the library. 10am-12pm, bring your own work or if you just want to learn without expense, we will have a little to share and shared knowledge.

.....morning tea provided 😊



### What's new in books...



**Mini Maker's Club**  
CREATE CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS FOR HOME

DECEMBER THURSDAY'S  
1ST, 8TH, 15TH, 22ND  
@  
LIBRARY 3.30PM -4:30PM

SKILL LEVEL: 6 - 12 YRS

CONTACT LORREEN AT THE LIBRARY ON  
9831 2412 FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.  
LIMITED SPACES.



## MURADUP CHRISTMAS TREE

SATURDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER

5.30PM (SANTA ARRIVES AT 6PM)

MURADUP HALL

DINNER PROVIDED. BYO DRINKS

Register at Kojonup Shoe and Sport - \$2 per child, no later than Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December. Leave your wrapped gift and make sure your child's name is written very clearly on the gift. Max. \$20.

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME. THE MORE THE MERRIER!**

Any questions please contact Taryn Sexton - 0428 545 967

Shoutout to everyone who can still remember their childhood phone number but can't remember the password they created yesterday. You are my people.

CLIVE STREET - KATANNING

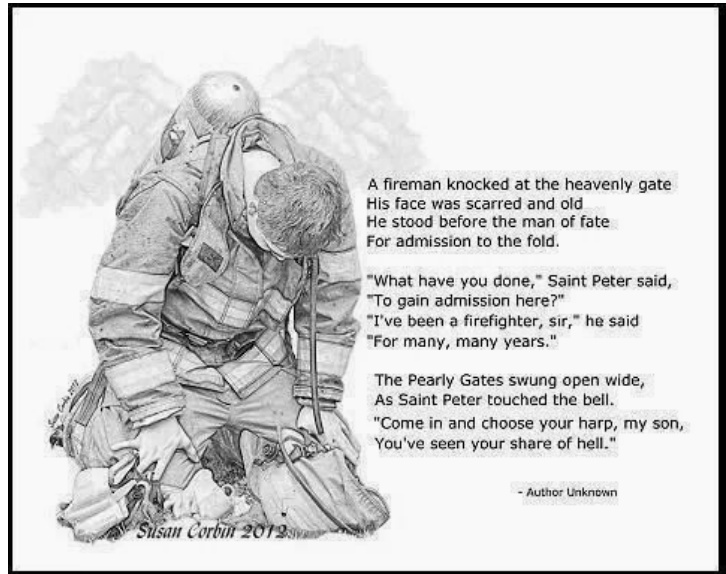
# Twilight Christmas Market

LIVE MUSIC MARKET STALLS SANTA FOOD VANS

THURSDAY, 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2022  
5PM - 8PM

KATANNING Regional Councils Association  
Katanning Hub Community Resource Centre  
Shire of Katanning

## Tributes...



### Robert George (Bob) Francis – Mike 3

The past week we said goodbye to one of our own. From being the SOK mechanic, to full time farmer and dedicated volunteer bushfire fighter.

Bob will be dearly missed, not only in the Muradup community but also by the Muradup Bushfire Brigade. Muradup 2.4 will never be the same again.

#### FRANCIS Robert (Bob):

We have lost a great community member. You looked after the Muradup Hall and surrounds. Also the Muradup Memorial and Muradup Cemetery. You have served your community well and we will miss you, You can rest easy now Bob.

The Muradup Hall Committee and the wider Muradup community.

#### FRANCIS Robert (Bob):

A dedicated member of our Bush fire Brigade. Always ready to answer the fire call. Bob you looked after Muradup 2.4B and dedicated your time to put out any fires within Kojonup Shire. Rest in Peace Mike 3. Job well done. Muradup Bush fire Brigade Members.

**Young Carers Connect**

**12-17 YEARS**  
Wednesday 30 Nov 2022  
AEDT - 5 to 6 pm  
Online group meeting fortnightly

**18-25 YEARS**  
Thursday 8 Dec 2022  
AEDT - 6 to 7 pm  
Online group meeting fortnightly

Logos for Young Carers Network, Relationships Australia, and Carers Australia.

Contact: [youngcarers@racr.org.au](mailto:youngcarers@racr.org.au)

# Regional Youth Training!

yacwa  
.ORG.AU

Are you a young person aged **12-25**?

From the **Great Southern**?

Want to learn how to make **positive change** in your community?

Take our survey to help us discover what training you want to see in your town, to help you be a leader and speak on issues you care about.



Scan the QR code or link below to complete this short survey

<https://forms.office.com/r/e42UA9wqpx>

Go in the draw to win one of two \$50 SportsPower vouchers!



I'VE HEARD ABOUT THIS MY WHOLE LIFE



16 Days in WA

1 in 4 women have experienced physical or sexual violence perpetrated by an intimate partner