



SHIRE OF KOJONUP E-NEWS

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COUNCIL BRIEFS

Harvesting

Hopefully farmers will have a productive harvest as Council recognises agriculture is also a barometer on the economic, social and environmental health and well-being of our shire and the region. Please keep safe whether harvesting, transporting grain/ livestock/ wool etc., to markets in this hectic period

School Leavers

Another school year has almost passed and to those students who will complete Year 10 a new chapter will occur for you in 2019, whether continuing further education, undertaking an apprenticeship or traineeship or attempting to gain employment. We wish you all the very best on whatever path you choose as the choices you are about to make will be the start of a journey that thousands of students throughout Australia will also be making.

To students entering High School a different journey will occur from your Primary School days. Yes! – you may feel like a small fish in a big pond but remember that each journey starts with a step and fellow students are experiencing the same feelings and invariably despite your apprehension you will find support and reassurance!

Always try to push forward despite life's pressures as this determines your strength of character, resilience and desire to achieve. There will be obstacles along the way as life is a book which we (subconsciously or not) make an entry in every day and each entry will be good, bad or indifferent! Resist the temptation to lower your values or morals as the "if only" syndrome is very difficult to reverse once we have acted, especially on impulse and the outcome was not what we envisaged.

Your parents and grandparents may be able to relate to this as society has changed considerably since they were your age and the one constant in life is change. There will never be another Kojonup District High School Year 10 Class of 2018. To award recipients –celebrate your achievements as they are well deserved! To remaining students, families, teachers and support staff, enjoy your holiday break and keep safe!



*Shire President
Ronnie Fleay*

*Chief Executive Officer
Rick Mitchell-Collins*

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES



Kojonup Library

Australian Community Service Grandparent of the Year Award 2018.

Julie Sullivan has been nominated and chosen as the recipient of this award for 2018.

Grandparents help raise and shape the lives of their grandchildren, grandparents fill our lives with wisdom and humour and in some cases grandparents become our role models and the protectors of children. Grandparents are the glue that keep families and communities together.

Julie was nominated as a show of respect for her role of bringing grandparents that care for their grandchildren together in Kojonup. After a conversation with Sarah Pexton (Pre-School Teacher) who mentioned to Julie that another grandmother had recently moved to Kojonup to also care for her grandchildren and was a little overwhelmed moving into a new town and not knowing many people. From this conversation the Grandparents group in Kojonup was formed and friendships blossomed.

The group informally meet every three or so weeks and have done so for over three years. A shared lunch at the homes of those involved or at the local cafes. We've shared concerns, we've laughed, cried together, we've shared knowledge where outside agencies may be able to assist us as we raise grandchildren.

Our group is always supportive without judgement. The group has formed an extremely special bond between us all for which we are truly grateful. We even branch out supporting others, this year we helped with blankets for the homeless in Albany and sewed themed table runners for Springhaven Lodge.

CONGRATULATIONS JULIE!

Julie is pictured below with some of the grandparent group, Julies' daughters Jennifer & Fiona with just a few of Julie's grandchildren who especially made the journey from Perth for this special acknowledgement of Julie's award. Julie's husband Danny was also present for the award.



Many thanks to our Shire President, Ronnie Fleay who presented Julie her award.

Kojonup A Smart Start & Kojonup Lions Annual Pram Walk for Perinatal Week 2018.

It turned out to be a warm day for our 3rd Annual Walk for PANDA Week starting in the courtyard of Kodja Place. But with 19 mums walking, pushing prams or with little ones on scooters or bikes, we walked through the APEX Park, up Honner Street, along Jones Road down the highway, back through the park to recover with a delicious morning tea & cupper for the mums with fresh fruit and water for the children.



While mums engaged in conversations with other mums the children played happily with the playdoh, balls & coloured rice. Jo from Community Health conveyed the importance of self-care for all our parents and importantly how to access help if needed.

All the mums were given a 'Care Package' consisting of chocolate, camomile tea, 'Well Being' information & a roller of Essential Oil in either a 'Sea Breeze' or 'Frayed Nerves' blend for each participant. Many thanks to Carissa Lawrence for sourcing the oils and making them up.....

Many thanks also Karen and staff from the 'Black Cockatoo Cafe', Cassie and Krystel from *Kodja Place* who supported our event. Colleen, our Co-Ordinator Extraordinaire from *A Smart Start*, Jo & Di from our *Community Health*. Amber....Thanks so much for sharing your photos.

Also too, the *Kojonup Lions Club*, thank you also for your generous support of *A Smart Start in Kojonup*, we truly appreciate your sponsorship in supporting the families of our community.



Play Café

Three fun filled days of Play Café are left for this year 21 November, 5 & 12 of December.

Join with Kat & Lorreen as we enjoy all things Christmas with our activities.

Coffee for parents with good conversations, craft, storytime and general play for the kids, while they explore the KDHS Kindy & Pre-Primary area in readiness for their schooling learning journey.

Final PLAY in the PARK for 2018

Join Jamie (YMCA), Jennifer (Albany Regional Librarian) & Lorreen as we present our final morning for 2018 with great play activities for the children, storytime & shared fruit, on the 28 November from 10am at the APEX Park.

SPRINGHAVEN

Last week we did some chair travelling to Thailand. We have a lovely kitchen staff member – Pompam who is from Thailand.



She organised a Thai Day for our residents which included authentic Thai food and Thai Dancers to entertain us all. The dancers looked beautiful in their traditional clothing and even managed to entice staff and residents to join them dancing.



We would like to thank Pompam and her friends who travelled all the way from Albany for the lovely day they arranged for our residents. We are especially grateful for the lovely gifts they bought for all our residents and staff.



If anyone has a special talent, plays a musical instrument or if you have a special pet you would like to bring in for pet therapy with residents – please contact Jacky on 9831 2800.

Sue Northover
Manager Aged Care Services

CITIZENSHIP CEREMONY



On 9 November, Australia and the Shire of Kojonup, proudly welcomed Mr William (Bill) Tomsett at a Citizenship Ceremony conducted by the CEO, Rick Mitchell-Collins. Congratulations Mr Tomsett

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & TOURISM

Gifts and more at the Kodja Place and Kojonup Visitor Centre

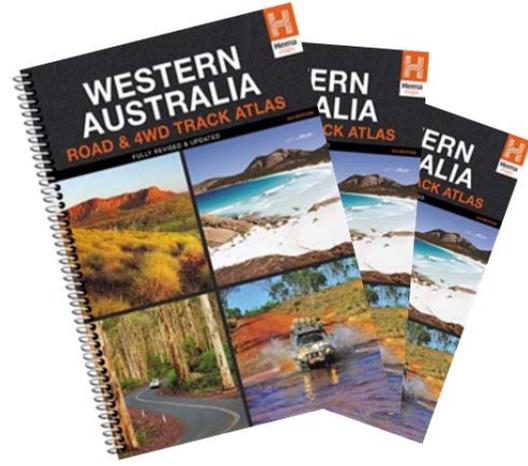
Looking for some stocking fillers for the littlies and the young at heart this Christmas? Did you know that the Kodja Place stocks a large range of miniature Australian animal replicas? There are native birds, marsupials, reptiles and even some creepy crawlies. Starting at \$3.00 each for the small figurines, and up to \$13.00 for the larger animals.



Don't forget we also have the 2019 Landscape Calendars (\$14.95). They make a great Christmas gift for that family member or friend who has everything. Featuring stunning landscapes and animals from around Western Australia.



If you are going off-road this holiday season we have for sale the WA Road and 4WD Atlas from Hema Maps (\$34.95). Also makes a great gift for the camping and outdoors enthusiast!



Wandjoo (Welcome) Albany Meanderer's Caravan Club

Last week the Albany Meanderer's Caravan Club visited Kojonup, staying at the Kojonup Caravan Park. The group of 25 enjoyed morning tea at the Black Cockatoo Café before visiting the Rose Maze and taking part in a tour of Kodja Place with Noongar elder Jack Cox. Even though some of the group had been to Kodja Place and Kojonup before, they were impressed by the display of roses, Jack's entertaining stories and Kojonup's country hospitality.

Here's what some from the group wrote in our Visitor's Book:

FANTASTIC, Maxine and Mark, Albany

We enjoyed your tour Jack, very interesting, Ron and Linda, Albany

Wonderful reminiscing, Brian, Albany

On Saturday, the group joined Barbara Hobbs from the Kojonup Historical Society at Elverd Cottage and the Machinery Shed to explore the new Kojonup Horse and Harness Display.

If you haven't yet taken the opportunity to see this great display, why not make time over the holiday season to visit with family and friends? The Horse and Harness display, Elverd Cottage and the Military Barracks are open by appointment through the Kojonup Historical Society or you can contact The Kodja Place and the Kojonup Visitor Centre staff who will put you in touch with one of the Historical Society members.

Kodja Place Twilight Christmas Markets

Wow, what a great turn out and show of support for Kojonup's Twilight Christmas Markets held Saturday, 24 November! Despite some anxious moments about the weather the day prior, the conditions for the evening couldn't have been more perfect for the 500 strong crowd who turned out to enjoy and explore the fabulous goods and fare on offer by the various stallholders. It was wonderful to see so many of our neighbours from Cranbrook, Katanning, Boyup Brook and even Albany mingling and soaking up the atmosphere along with our local Kojonup families.

It was an amazing evening, the overall numbers and visitors from outside of Kojonup far exceeded what anyone had anticipated, especially for our first twilight market. It was a lovely atmosphere with everyone seeming to enjoy themselves including the stall holders who loved the uniqueness of The Kodja Place courtyard, making comments on how the venue with the rose maze and Kodj Gallery as backdrops made for a beautiful setting.

The success of this event is a credit to the hard work, professionalism and countless hours put in by sisters, Sharon Venables and Tash Wiese from Lamb and Sparrows. It takes an enormous effort to coordinate and market an event like this and the Shire would like to extend a special thanks to them as well as Shire staff and to the Kodja Place volunteers Laurette, Tash and Jessica who assisted on the day with setting up the lights and decoration for the evening.

If you didn't get a chance to visit the Twilight Markets this time round, there is a whisper that it may become an annual event.

Twilight Christmas Markets Photo Album





**AUSTRALIAN
HERITAGE
FESTIVAL**

National Trust Australian Heritage Festival 2019 - Registrations Open

The Australian Heritage Festival will return next year from 18 April to 19 May 2019. The theme for the festival is *Connecting People, Places and the Past*. Registration is now open for events that celebrate heritage and culture around the country. The 2018 festival provided 1253 events and engaged over 441,000 visitors across the nation that included 80,958 people engaged through digital stories about heritage and culture over a 4 week period.

The National Trust of Australia is the national convenor and coordinator of the festival working in partnership and through funding from the Australian government.

For more information on the festival and to register your event, visit the [Australia Heritage Festival website](http://www.australiaheritagefestival.org.au) (for your hyperlink: www.nationaltrust.org.au/ahf/)

Mission Australia Youth Survey Report 2018 National and State Results Now Released

A record number of 28,286 young people Australia-wide, between the ages of 15 to 19 took part in Mission Australia's Youth Survey 2018.

The results show that the number of young people reporting *mental health* as the most important issue in Australia today has risen by 10% in one year. Four in ten (43%) young people identified *mental health* as the top issue facing Australia today – up from 33% in 2017 and **doubling since 2016**.

This is the first time that *mental health* has topped the list of most important national issues in every state and territory, as well as for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people.

The top three personal concerns at the national level this year were *coping with stress* (43%), *school or study problems* (34%) and *mental health* (31%). In previous years, the third most cited item was *body image* (30%), which moved to the fourth spot in 2018. Each of the top four personal concerns have strong links to mental health.

Now in its 17th year, the Mission Australia Youth Survey continues to be the biggest annual survey of its kind in Australia.

- The full report and state by state breakdowns are free to access from their website www.missionaustralia.com

Mission Australia would love to get communities involved in 2019 so that the voices of the young people can continue to be heard to enable better support of their aspirations and concerns.

If you have any questions or would like to register your interest in the Youth Survey 2019, please get in touch with their Research team at youthsurvey@missionaustralia.com.au or via (08) 8218 2851.

Zahra Shirazee

Manager, Community Development & Tourism

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR
TRADING HOURS AT ...



Please note that the following opening hours for The Kodja Place and Kojonup Visitor Centre during the Christmas and New Year period.

Christmas Day, Tuesday, 25 th December	Closed
Boxing Day, Wednesday, 26 th December	10am -4pm
New Year's Eve, Monday 31 st December	10am – 4pm
New Year's Day, Saturday, 1 st January	10am – 4pm

WORKS AND SERVICES**Gardening Jobs to do in December**

We are again submitting our annual report to have our status as a Waterwise Council recognised. The Shire is happy to have Community support and some of our Waterwise ideas as below;

- ✓ Test and repair all your irrigation before the temperature soars.
- ✓ Apply a dose of seaweed emulsion or liquid pro-biotic such as Gogo Juice fortnightly to fortify plants and prepare them for summer.
- ✓ Clean up weeds and fallen leaves, combine to make your own compost to keep gardens health and less water dependent.
- ✓ Mulch all areas of the garden to keep soil cool and moist.

**House Watering Days**

House/Lot	Watering Days
1 & 8	Saturday and Wednesday
2 & 9	Thursday and Sunday
3 & 10	Friday and Monday
4	Saturday and Tuesday
5	Sunday and Wednesday
6	Thursday and Monday
7	Friday and Tuesday

** Remember only water once on your watering days*

** Sprinklers can only be used before 9am or after 6pm on your watering days*

Expression of Interest

The Shire of Kojonup is seeking expressions of interest for the outright purchase, on a "WHERE IS, AS IS" basis, of the following vehicles.

Item # – P34051

TOYOTA PRADO GXL, 2015, 67,173 kms



Item # - P34049

TOYOTA RAV4 2015 , 101,603 kms (as at 18 October 2018)



Item # – P11013

TOYOTA HILUX SR DUAL CAB (KO2) 2014, 83,000kms (as at 6 November)



Item # - P11014

TOYOTA HILUX SR UTE EXTRA CAB WITH TIPPING BODY (KO 118) 2014, 109,641kms (as at 6 November)



Item - # P11015
TOYOTA HILUX SR UTE EXTRA CAB WITH TIPPING BODY
(KO 528) 2014, 61,928kms (as at 6 November)



Note:
For further information or to arrange inspection
contact Mr Craig McVee on 0427 427854
between 8.00am and 4pm Tuesday to Friday.

Expressions of Interest are to be:

- 1) Received in writing by the closing date,
- 2) Include the purchase price offered (including GST), and
- 3) Marked attention to the CEO.

Closing Date: 4.00pm, Wednesday 30 January 2019

These can be:

Mailed to:
Shire of Kojonup
PO Box 163,
KOJONUP WA 6395

Delivered to: Shire Office at 93-95 Albany
Highway, Kojonup.

Emailed: council@kojonup.wa.gov.au, or
Faxed: (08) 9831 1566

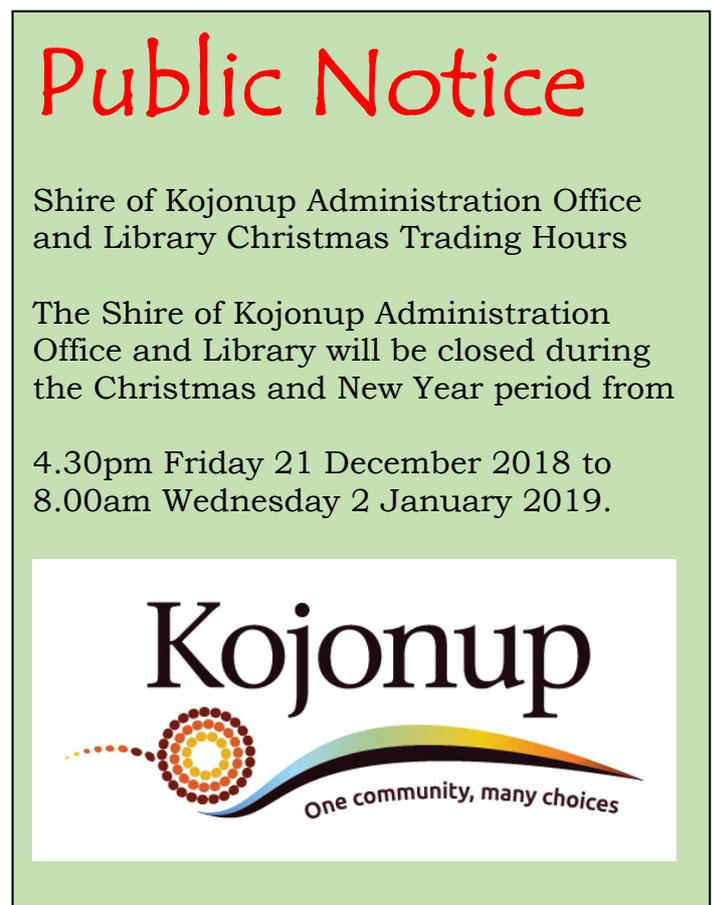
Council reserves the right to not necessarily
accept the highest or any offer.

Craig McVee
Manager Works and Services

LOCAL AND REGIONAL EVENTS AND OTHER INFORMATION



Save the date
Muradup Christmas Tree
will be on
Friday 14 December
at the Muradup Hall
More details to come.



Public Notice

Shire of Kojonup Administration Office
and Library Christmas Trading Hours

The Shire of Kojonup Administration
Office and Library will be closed during
the Christmas and New Year period from

4.30pm Friday 21 December 2018 to
8.00am Wednesday 2 January 2019.



Community Consultation Session

Kojonup



To inform the community of the process undertaken, analysis options considered and for a community Q&A about :

Kojonup Health/Medical Services

Where: Sporting Complex

When: Monday, 3 December 2018

Time: 7.30pm

See you there!

December 2018

What's on in Kojonup

and surrounding areas*

Kodja Place & Kojonup Visitor Centre
Kojonup Community Resource Centre
Kojonup Library

Open 7 Days, 9:00am - 5:00pm
Monday - Friday, 10:00am - 4:00pm
Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm, Saturday 9:30am - 11:30am

Ph: 9831 0500
Ph: 9831 0256
Ph: 9831 0412



Need more information? Or want your event listed?

Please call the Kodja Place or email: [Cassy: vso@kojonup.wa.gov.au](mailto:Cassy.vso@kojonup.wa.gov.au)

Every Sunday:	Every Monday:	Every Tuesday:	Every Wednesday:	Every Thursday:	Every Friday:	Every Saturday:
Grab a copy of the Kojonup News for Church Service times	Bridge Club, Bowling Club 9.30am Homework Help, Library 3:00pm-4:00pm Tae Kwon Do, Town Hall 7:00pm Southern Singers, Uniting Church 7:00pm	Renew Op shop OPEN 10:00am-2:00pm KYC Homework Help, Library 3.15-4:15pm ASK Youth Group, Baptist Church 3:30pm	Play Café, KDHS Kindy Rooms 9.30am-11.30am (not during school holidays)	Play Group & Toy Library, Old School, 9.30am-11.30am (not during school holidays) Renew Op Shop OPEN 10:00am-2:00pm Rotary Meeting, Commercial Hotel 6:30pm	Kojonup Men's Shed OPEN 9:00am to 12:00pm Renew Op Shop OPEN <i>occasionally</i> 10:00am-2:00pm	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	RSL Meeting, RSL Hall, 9:00am No Historical Society Meeting Today		Play Café, KDHS Kindy Rooms 9.30am-11.30am		Storytime, Kojonup Library, 10:30am-11:15am	*Kendenu Town Hall Christmas Fair, Kendenu, 11:00am-6:00pm *Christmas on Clive, Katanning, 3:00pm-7:00pm Kojonup Youth Centre's presents "A Seussified Christmas Carol", 7:30pm
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		Shire of Kojonup Council Meeting, 3:00pm	Play Café, KDHS Kindy Rooms 9.30am-11.30am	*Pop-up Market', Tambellup CRC, 10:00am-4:00pm	Last day of School Term Shire Closed at 3:00pm	School Holidays (WA) *Katanning Farmer's Market 8:00am-12:00pm *Twilight Christmas Markets at Gilberts Wines, Kendenu, 4:00pm-8:00pm
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
			Men's Shed Meeting 1:00pm		Storytime, Kojonup Library, 10:30am-11:15am Shire & Library open until 4:30pm, Will reopen on 2nd January 2019	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		Christmas Day Kodja Place Closed	Boxing Day Kodja Place Opening 10:00am-4:00pm			