

SHIRE OF KOJONUP E-NEWS

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COUNCIL BRIEFS

Outcomes from Council Meeting held 21 May 2019

KOJONUP GOLF CLUB – LEASE OF RESERVE 16076

1. Lease Reserve 16076 to the Kojonup Golf Club Incorporated for the use of the land and premises, for a period of 21 years commencing 1 August 2019 subject to the approval of the Minister for Lands.
2. Acknowledges that part of Reserve 13697 may form part of the lease if the boundary between Reserves 16076 and 13697 is re-aligned to absorb part and/or all of holes 3, 7, 8 and 9 of the golf course into Reserve 16076.

BUSH FIRE MATTERS

1. Receive the Kojonup Bushfire Advisory Committee minutes for the meeting held 10 April 2019; and
2. Appoint to the following positions for the 2019/2020 year as per decision 4/19 of the Kojonup Bushfire Advisory Committee meeting held 10 April 2019:
 - a. Tony Fisher - Chief Bushfire Control Officer and Fire Weather Officer
 - b. Roger House - Deputy Chief Bushfire Control Officer and Deputy Fire Weather Officer
 - c. Ross Fryer-Smith and Myles Reid - Senior Bushfire Control Officers
 - d. The Chief Bushfire Control Officer and the Deputy Chief Bushfire Control Officer be appointed as authorised officers to issue permits to burn for the collection of clover seed in the Shire; and
 - e. The Chief Bushfire Control Officer, Deputy Chief Bushfire Control Officer and the two Senior Bush Fire Control Officer's be authorised to advise the Chief Executive Officer of the Shire of Kojonup on the imposition of Harvest and Vehicle Movement Bans.
3. Adopt the 2019/2020 Fire Break Order.
4. Reaffirm the Fire Break Order requirements with any non-compliance by landowners and/or occupiers incurring an automatic infringement notice in accordance with the Bush Fires (Infringements) Regulations 1978, Section 28(1), and
5. Fully supports Zulu's and Fire Control Officers issuing or not issuing permits with/without additional restrictions/conditions in accordance with the adopted Fire Break Order on a case by case, property by property, fire index and prevailing/forecast weather conditions basis.

LOT 3 SPRING STREET, KOJONUP – PROPOSED LEASE TO THE GEORGE CHURCH COMMUNITY MEDICAL CENTRE INCORPORATED (GCCMC)

This matter lay on the table until the Shire of Kojonup receives the formal Terms and Conditions attached to the Commonwealths Community Health and Hospital Program Financial Agreement allocation of \$750 000 and has had an opportunity to workshop same with the George Church Community Medical Centre Inc.

THIRD PARTY FUNDING AGREEMENT – GREAT SOUTHERN AGED ACCOMMODATION PROJECT

Council endorsed Third Party Funding Agreements with the Shires of Broomehill-Tambellup, Cranbrook, Jerramungup and Katanning.

RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK REVIEW

Adopted a new Risk Management system using a Local Government Insurance Services’ (LGIS) framework based on AS/NZS ISO 31000:2018 and adapted to the Shire of Kojonup’s risk management requirements. This Framework replaces previous “Risk Management Plans”.

The aim of Risk Management is to recognise and manage risks in order to minimise negative consequences while optimising potential opportunities. The Risk Management process involves many facets including identification, defining levels of risk (based on consequence and likelihood), analysis, prioritisation, action/treatment, and recording, monitoring and reporting. A Risk Management Plan/Framework details that process, assigns responsibilities and is fundamental to good governance in local government.

The review process has delivered an updated Risk Management Policy and Framework along with a working document that identifies fifteen (15) risk profiles generic to local governments and also encompasses risks unique to the Shire of Kojonup such as those associated with the Springhaven aged care facility.

BUSINESS CONTINUITY AND DISASTER RECOVERY PLAN – ANNUAL REVIEW

Council endorsed, via the Audit Committee, an updated Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery Plan.

A Business Continuity and Disaster Recovery Plan provides guidance at a time when an organisation may be under considerable duress following a disaster that has affected the ability to provide essential or required services. Such a plan identifies priorities and the resources required to return services in as quick and efficient manner as possible, aiming to minimise negative impact. Due to the upheaval that may be caused by such events, including dealing with the confusion that may accompany them, a well thought out Plan containing current, up to date information is a vital resource.

INDUSTRIAL LAND REQUEST

Council considered a request to release an additional lot within the Kojonup Industrial area. Three development options were recommended for consideration by Council to the proponent. Upon the final design being agreed, Council authorise staff to seek quotes to assist complete the subdivision process and ascertain headworks charges.

VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Council extends its congratulations to all nominees and community members who attended the presentation of certificates on 26 May 2019. All our volunteers as this year’s national theme depicts do indeed ‘make a world of difference’ to Kojonup and Council genuinely appreciate and value your commitment and time.



*Shire President
Ronnie Fleay*

*Chief Executive Officer
Rick Mitchell-Collins*

SPRINGHAVEN NEWS

We had one of our local legends, Jennifer Egerton-Warburton visit us at Springhaven last week. Jennifer joined the residents for morning tea then followed on with an interactive discussion concerning her successful company Lucinda's Everlastings. The residents loved hearing about her humble beginnings and how she got started to the many incredible achievements she has made along the way. We were shown how to plant the everlasting seeds and each resident received a pack of seeds to plant in their own little gardens here at Springhaven.



We have several avid resident gardeners at the facility who absolutely loved hearing what Jennifer had to say and enjoyed asking lots of questions following her talk.

Another successful morning tea was had at Country Kitchen last week. Thank you Peta for the delicious scones that were freshly baked that morning. The residents loved them!

Our much loved resident Georgio Leusciatti celebrated his 90th Birthday last week. We celebrated with a birthday cake and song. Happy Birthday Georgio!



This week we had the amazing Steve and Marion Magini perform for us at Springhaven. Steve, playing the guitar and Marion, playing the accordion performed an amazing concert for our residents who loved hearing the old classics and several joined in singing along. We are so thankful for Steve and Marion playing their beautiful music and look forward to hearing them play for us again in the future.

It is also with great sadness that we farewelled Jean Smith who had been with us for over six years – may she rest in peace. Deepest sympathy to Neica and family. Jean will be greatly missed by the residents and staff at Springhaven Lodge.

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 Alex on 9831 2800.

Sue Northover

Manager Aged Care Services

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM

VOLUNTEER AWARDS

CEO – Rick Mitchell-Collins welcomed nominees, family and friends to the 2019 Awards.

“No matter how big or small, every contribution makes a difference. Especially in a small community like Kojonup, where we don’t have large volumes of people we can call on to assist in providing all the necessary aspects of a fully functioning and vibrant community, many of our volunteers are giving up their valuable time to help others within the community in more than one role.



We have volunteers who help provide meals for the elderly and sick; raising funds for charities, programs or equipment; providing our youth with a proper meal at the start the day; assisting in schools, clubs and keeping arts and Kojonup’s history alive; or simply helping a friend or neighbour or a child with their homework. We have others who also put their own needs aside and even at time risk their own safety, always on call to ensure our community is kept safe and when misfortune happens at times to even save lives. We may be a small community or you may think the assistance you have provided may have been small but to the Shire and the people you have assisted, you have made a world of difference.”

Cr Jill Mathwin officially opened proceedings in the absence of the Shire President who was interstate. Nominees and Award recipients



Community Group of the year

Kojonup Junior Football
Natural Resource Management Committee Volunteers (Winner)
Rose Maze Group (Commendation)

Community Event of the year

Kojonup/Katanning Blue Light Disco
Wandecle Races
Kojonup Theatrical Society – Footrot Flats (Winner)
Great Southern Singers – Hyfield Auction
Seniors Morning Tea – Barbara James
Kojonup P & A Society – Kojonup Show
Twilight Christmas Market – Sharon Venables & Tash Wiese (Commendation)
Long Table Luncheon – Jen Warburton

Young Volunteer of the year

Raelene Parker
Riley McIlree – (Winner)
Shadyn Gardner

Volunteer of the year

Peter Holland
Christine Lewis – (Commendation)
Felicity Hallet
Ian McKenzie
Don & Rhonda Hair – (Winner)
Paul & Tennille Norrish
Jen Warburton

National Medal of Australia to Members of Kojonup's Bush Fire Brigade

A special presentation was made to 3 of the 5 National Medal recipients – Ned, Tim and Bob in recognition of their Bush Fire service to Kojonup.

Digby Stretch (39 years), Robert Sexton (56 years), Timothy Johnston (50 years), Ned Radford (53 years) and Bob Francis (58 years) have collectively contributed over 250 years of Volunteer Bush Fire service.

The National Medal is awarded to individuals in recognition of their long and diligent service in voluntary organisations that risk their lives or safety to protect or assist the community in times of emergency or natural disaster and is Australia's most awarded civilian medal.

First established in 1975, it was one of the first three elements of the Australian honours system. Originally recipients were recognised for 15 years of diligent service and were members of the Australian Defence Force, Australian Police Force, Fire and Ambulance services. However, today



Volunteers
don't get
paid, not
because
they are
worthless
but because
they are
priceless

the National Medal has progressively been expanded to also include: part-time and volunteer service, members of the Australian Protective Service, Correctional and Emergency services, including volunteer search and rescue groups and government organisations that do not enforce laws.

Awarded by the Governor General, the National Medal is administered through the Office of the Prime Minister and Cabinet.

Digby Stretch and Robert Sexton will be invited to the Council Meeting on 11 June 2019 to be presented their awards.

Recognition

Council Recognised Kevin Martin's 25 years of continuous service with the Shire via a certificate presentation at the 21 May 2019, Council Meeting.

Thankyou Kevin for your loyal service.



Bowls Awards Night

Paula Reid was honoured with the nomination of 'Most outstanding Women's Country Bowler', with the Kojonup Bowling Club being nominated the 'Small Country Club of the Year'.

Congratulations to Paula and the Kojonup Bowls Club on the nominations at such a prestigious State event.

Rick Mitchell-Collins
Chief Executive Officer

WHAT OUR VISITORS ARE SAYING

Great Information. Kevin T, Malaysia

Nice and friendly. Colleen T, Malaysia

Great experience for our guests from overseas. Jack always great value. Bob H, Perth

Thank you Jack for the wonderful tour! Heather, Bob and Julianne, Canada

Always a pleasure to browse here. Sue and Zena, Albany

NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

What Do We Want Tourist's to Remember About Kojonup?

A recent spate of illegal firewood collection in one of our precious and most-visited reserves, Myrtle Benn Flora and Fauna Sanctuary, has left an eye sore for tourists ahead of wildflower season.

Wheel marks, sawdust, unused sections of wood and as pictured, a whole tree chopped down and none of it used because it was rotten in the middle, leaves an ugly trail of destruction.



Dead standing and fallen timber provide crucial habitat for numerous species of animals and birds. It is now recognised that the removal of this wood for firewood is contributing to a significant loss of wildlife.

Not only does standing and fallen dead wood provide important habitat for animals and birds, it also plays an essential role in maintaining forest and woodland nutrient cycles. Scientists from CSIRO believe that dead wood is at least as important as living trees, fallen leaves and soil for the maintenance of ecological processes sustaining biodiversity.

Don't leave the bush looking worse than you found it, give something for the community of Kojonup to be proud of. Report illegal wood collection to the Shire of Kojonup, 9831 2400 or council@kojonup.wa.gov.au.

Jane Kowald
NRM/Landcare

REGULATORY SERVICES

The Brigadier Potts Memorial Statue and Bridge had new lighting installed this week adding another dimension to the story of Brigadier Potts.

Paul Retallack
Senior Ranger / Building Maintenance Coordinator



WORKS AND SERVICES



Shire is currently gravel resheeting on Mobrurp South Road

Main Roads will be working on bridge 0485 on the Boyup Brook Kojonup Road (Muradup) between Piesse Street and Dorrington Road.

The work will commence on 26 May and is anticipated to complete on 12 June 2019. It will be single lane traffic operation.

If you have any enquiries please call 138 138 or email enquiries@mainroads.wa.gov.au.

Craig McVee
Manager Works and Services

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Library News

The arrival of winter brings up fun memories from my childhood– family holidays, hours gazing out the classroom window at the rain, and my favourite, visiting the library to exchange our books.

Since then, the way kids (and adults!) access books has changed dramatically. Digital reading makes it possible to borrow titles from your library without having to wait for a visit to your library – or even the comfort of the lounge by the wood fire. Reading and listening from your tablet 24/7.



Everyone seems to be chatting about ‘GOT’ but as Colin isn’t into watching series’, I never made it past Season 2. If you’re like me, the books are available from our library, you have the ability to place a reservation on line by visiting our OPAC kojonup.spydus.com/spydus or pop in as they are part of our local collection. We all know books are so much better than the films.

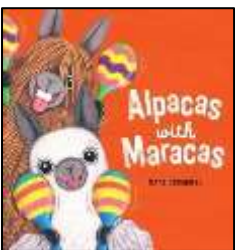
The SLWA book exchange is now on our shelves, and Kerry worked so hard on Wednesday, we have an amazing collection of new releases on our shelves.



Thanks to our donors, the new DVD’s have really made our collection huge!!



Play in the Park



Wednesday 22nd May was our monthly session, Skies were blue, a bit of a nip in the air and the kids had an amazing morning playing in our gorgeous park.

We were fortunate to be a part of *National Simultaneous Storytime 2019* with our CEO, Rick Mitchell-Collins reading the story to the children, a tough audience!

Many thanks to Kat for running the morning and our community for being part of our Early Years Journey.



Book Launch

Tuesday 28th May, the library was honoured to host former local author Ursula Worts, as she launched her new book *'The adventures of Kari'*. Ursula shared a few of her thoughts about her journey as a published author of children's books, and how her family are her greatest supporters. Phil gave his time and skills to help his mum with the illustrations and the grandchildren giving them both the hurry on.....

Our Kojonup Library has a copy of all of Ursula's books ready to be read, thank you for your generous & kind donation, truly appreciated.



We shared a delightful morning tea afterwards and enjoyed the company of whom attended

Lorreen Greeuw
Senior Library Officer

SOMETHING HISTORIC



Old Barracks and Pepper Trees

From 1863 until 1894 the Barracks was used as a school and later became the school teacher's residents. The two shady pepper trees were planted by resident, Mr Young, in 1902.

VACANT POSITIONS



PERSONAL CARE ASSISTANT

If you are caring, enjoy communicating and interacting with people and have a passion to make a difference in an older person's life then this may be the position for you.

What we are looking for:

- Certificate 111 or 1V in Aged Care is desirable, but not a necessity
- A current police clearance is essential.
- An enthusiastic and genuine person with respect for the elderly.
- A reliable team player
- Some-one able to work flexible shifts as rostered.

What we can offer you:

- 5% above Aged Care Award pay rates.
- A friendly supportive multicultural team.
- A small rural homelike environment.
- Ongoing education and training.
- Assistance to complete aged care qualifications.

If you require further information please contact 98312800.

Applications including a covering letter and resume to be addressed to: Sue Northover

Manager of Aged Care Services, Springhaven Lodge, Barrack Place, Kojonup WA 6395 or email macs@kojonup.wa.gov.au.

Applications from suitably qualified candidates will be gratefully received. Applications close end of business Friday 21st June 2019.

Sue Northover
Manager Aged Care Services



REGISTERED NURSE

Springhaven Lodge is a twenty two bed residential care facility owned by the Shire of Kojonup and is located approximately three hours south of Perth, Kojonup vibrant rural community.

What we are looking for:

- At least twelve months Aged Care experience. This experience may be from working as a Personal Carer or as a Registered Nurse in Aged Care.
- A current police clearance is essential
- A natural leader who will support and mentor a team
- RN Division 1
- Excellent clinical and observation skills
- Good communication skills
- The successful applicant will need to be available to work public and school holidays.

What we can offer you:

- Opportunities to expand knowledge and education in aged care
- A permanent part time position
- We are prepared to look at a flexible working roster which could include drive in, drive out for the right candidate.
- Close knit rural community
- A supportive team that values our residents.
- Rate of pay is negotiable and will be discussed at interview

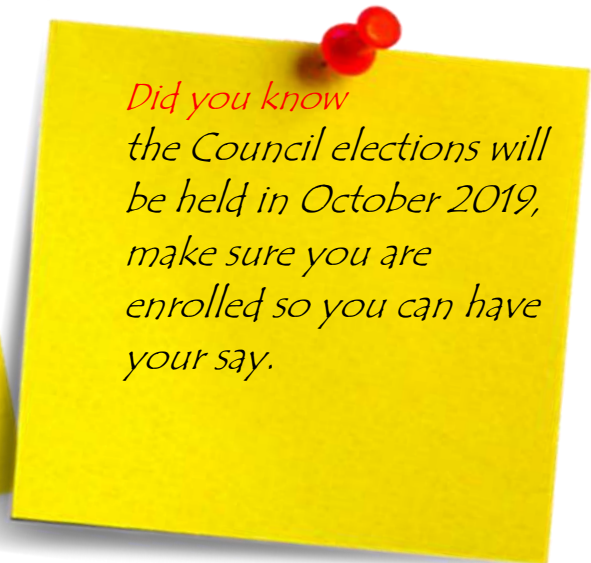
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Sue Northover
Manager Aged Care Services

Did you know?



Owners and Occupiers are advised, that the June ordinary Council meeting date has been changed from 18 June to 11 June 2019.

Please update your calendars and we will see you on
11 June 2019 at 3.00pm

COMMUNITY INFORMATION



**WA Day
Monday 3rd June 2019.**

The Kojonup Historical Society wishes to invite you to a special afternoon to celebrate WA Day.

It will be held at the Old Post Office Spring Street (red brick building) on Monday 3rd June 2019.

The event will commence with a short, Historical Society Meeting held at 2.00pm, followed by an afternoon tea commencing at 2.30 pm (please bring a plate to share if you can).

We ask that you also bring with you an item from your home that you hold as historically significant to you and your family. We will be asking those of you who have a item to briefly share with us what it means to you and its history.

We look forward to seeing you at this event.

**Arthur Collins
President
Kojonup Historical Society**





A workshop to assist in transitioning your business to a paperless farm office administration system.

This workshop will provide you with the key knowledge and tips and tricks to develop and manage your own paperless farm office. It focuses on using technology to increase the productivity and efficiency of the administration and management side of the farm business, the workshop does not cover application or integration of machinery software.

Topics covered:

- Equipment and connections
- Efficient scanning
- Internet & enhancing your data use
- Data storage & security (including cloud storage)
- Back-ups & virus protection
- Efficient email communication and management
- Electronic storage and management of:
 - Finance records
 - Plant & Machinery records
 - HR records
 - Operations, livestock & technical info
- Mapping your paperless system.
- Tips and tricks for improving efficiency in your paperless office

Who should attend: All members of the business who are involved in administrating or managing the farm office.

Workshop duration: 8.45am to 3pm (morning tea and lunch provided).

Register here <https://pingwa.org.au/paperless/>

NIGHTFIELDS

FREE FOOD AND PLENTY OF GIVEAWAYS

KOJONUP NIGHTFIELDS

WHERE: Kojonup Sports Complex
WHEN: Friday afternoons, 3.30pm – 5.30pm
WHAT: Free AFL, Hockey & Netball skills and matches
WHO: Boys and girls aged from 6 – 18, (split into 3 groups)

7 JUNE	14 JUNE	21 JUNE	28 JUNE	5 JULY
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For more information please contact Zahra Shirazee on 0417 987 237



ALCOHOL, DRUG, VIOLENCE & SMOKE FREE

Australian Government Mobile Service Centre



centrelink

medicare

The Australian Government Mobile Service Centre is supporting rural communities by providing convenient access to Australian Government payments and services. This specialised vehicle offers a wide range of face to face and self service assistance for rural families, older Australians, students, job seekers, people with disability, carers, farmers and self-employed people.

Information about Department of Veterans' Affairs programs and support services for veterans and their families will also be available.

You can visit the Mobile Service Centre at:

Kojonup Shire car park, Albany Highway

KOJONUP

Wednesday, 26 June 2019 9 am to 4 pm

Experienced staff travel with the Mobile Service Centre and provide friendly, face-to-face service, information and support. Staff can also help you create a myGov account. myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

For more information, go to
humanservices.gov.au/mobileoffice

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Department of Human Services



SmarTechEdz

“Let technology work for you, not against you”



Kojonup Shire E-news submission

Do you want to learn about what you can do with your smart device?
Do you want to learn how to conquer the technology in the world around you?

The Shire of Kojonup in conjunction with the Kojonup Library are very excited to announce that they will be launching technology classes tailored for all ages and all levels of knowledge and experience.

Some of you may already know Bec Cowie from her previous work at the Kojonup Library and her involvement with Play in the Park. Others may know her through her other community involvement.

Come along for a free technology session and “get to know you” with Bec on Friday the 14th of June at 5:00pm at the Kojonup Library – drinks and nibbles will be provided, and please bring your devices along.

Please let us know if you will be attending via phone 9831 2412 or 0407 980 175 or email smartechedz@gmail.com

All About Bec!

Bec is first and foremost mum to Jackson (10), Emma (6), Belgi (Golden Retriever X Kelpi 8 months old) and Bubbles (new to the family Siamese Fighting Fish)
She is also married to Rob, but please don't hold that against her!
She loves reading, walking, music and helping other people to expand their knowledge and learn new things.

Bec will be utilising “Be Connected” Resources to ensure that all areas can be fully covered, including:

- being safer while online
- talking to or seeing family and friends who live far away
- finding new friends who share interests and hobbies
- connecting with old friends
- keeping up to date with what's happening in communities and around the world
- shopping and selling online, safely and securely.
- Emails, photos, messages and apps to name a few.

If you have any questions about what will be on offer please call Bec on 0407 980 175.

CONTACT:

Rebecca Cowie
0407 980 175

smartechedz@gmail.com

ABN: 90494895973

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Want to know what's happening in Kojonup? Check out this month's Community Calendar compiled by the team at the Kodja Place. Printed versions of the calendar will be available from the Kojonup Library and the Kodja Place.

Want your event listed in the Kojonup Community Calendar? Please contact Kristel on 9831 0500 or via email vso@kojonup.wa.gov.au

June 2019

What's on in Kojonup

and surrounding areas*

Kodja Place & Kojonup Visitor Centre: Open 7 Days, 9:00am - 5:00pm
 Kojonup Community Resource Centre: Monday - Friday, 10:00am - 4:00pm
 Kojonup Library: 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: kristel@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 Southern Singers , Uniting Church 7:00pm	Renew Op shop OPEN 10:00am-2:00pm All Crafts , 10am, Hockey Club ASK Youth Group , Baptist Church 3:30pm	Play Café , KDHS Kindy Rooms 9:30am-11:30am (not during school holidays) Kojonup Men's Shed OPEN 1pm Third Wednesday of every Month	Play Group & Toy Library , Old School, 9:30am-11:30am (not during school holidays) Renew Op Shop OPEN 10:00am-2:00pm	Renew Op Shop OPEN 10:00am-2:00pm Diabetes Clinic - Kojonup Hospital, second Friday of every month	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	WA Day Kojonup Historical Society afternoon tea, 2pm		Weedy Wattle Busy Bee , 8.30am, Old Rubbish Tip		Kojonup Nightfields , 3.30-5.30pm	BINGO , 7pm
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		Ordinary Council Meeting 3:00pm, Council Chambers Paperless Farm Office 8:45am - 3:00pm			Consumer Affairs Info Session Kojonup Nightfields , 3.30-5.30pm SmarTechEdz 5:00pm Kojonup Library	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		Australian Government Mobile Service Centre (Centrelink) Shire Admin Car Park 9:00am - 4:00pm	Kojonup Men's Shed OPEN 1pm		Kojonup Nightfields , 3.30-5.30pm	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
					Kojonup Nightfields , 3.30-5.30pm	
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Compiled by the team at the Shire of Kojonup & Kodja Place for the Kojonup Community. What events do you want to know about? Contact us, we would love to hear from you.