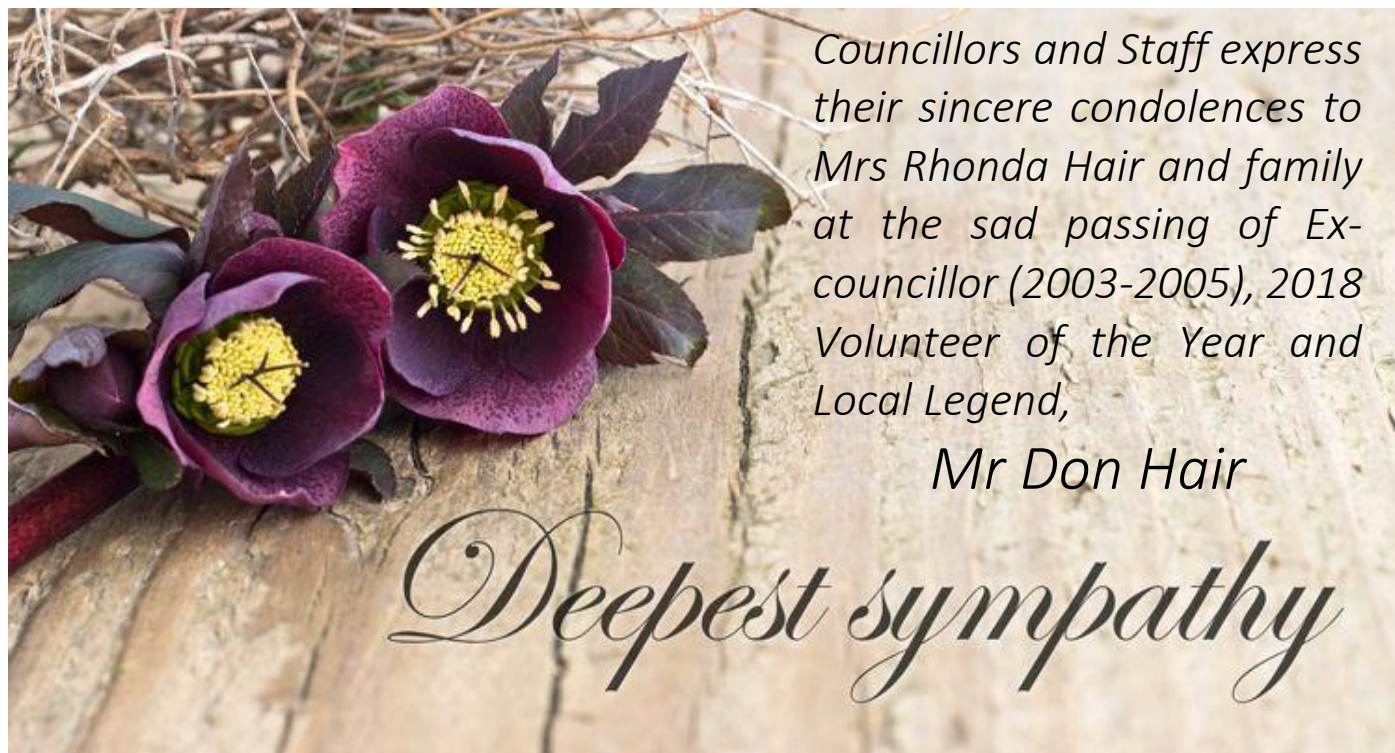


# SHIRE OF KOJONUP E-NEWS

Edition 163 – 2019

## COUNCIL BRIEFS



## Staffing

Zahra Shirazee, Manager Community Development & Tourism has tendered her resignation effective close of business Tuesday, 8 October 2019.

Zahra has made a tremendous contribution to the Shire of Kojonup over the past 4 1/2 years overseeing the transition of the new management model for Community Development & Tourism, Management of the Black Cockatoo Café until a new Lessee appointed, involvement in the Kodja Place Master Plan, creating Arts & Cultural opportunities including support of the Wirrapanda and Stephen Michael Foundations, increasing the profile/networks of Kojonup and the Visitor Centre, not to mention co-ordination of the Volunteer Awards and input into strategic, operational and integrated planning.

Zahra's rapport with Jack Cox, Noongar community and insight about the Noongar culture is highly regarded. Thank you, for your commitment to Kojonup and on behalf of Councillors, Management, Staff and Community, I wish you every success both personally and professionally for the future.

The CEO and Manager Corporate & Community Services will assume Community Development & Tourism roles within their respective portfolios.

Interviews have been conducted and appointments made for the Community Development Officer (0.5FTE) and newly created Sport & Recreation Officer positions (0.5FTE). Elaine Venn and Emily Hills have been appointed to these respective positions. Elaine currently works on a casual basis at The Kodja Place and Emily is heavily involved in local sporting clubs, particularly in her role as President of the Kojonup Junior Football Club.

Also, we are going to make the most of Stacey Hawkes skills and enthusiasm by adding social media/communications role to her PD. Prior to taking on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube and Website duties (in addition to her Customer Service Officer role), Stacey will be helping the Senior Management Team to establish a communications strategy and a social media policy and procedures.

We also welcome new Full Time Registered Nurse – Peter Rurii to the Springhaven Frail Aged Care Facility. Peter joins us from Kununurra and is trying to acclimatise to Kojonup's brisk spring mornings.

Peter will be joined by his wife and new born bub in the coming weeks.

### 3 September 2019 - Special Council Meeting Outcomes

**Request for Tender 03/2019/20 – 3 X Independent Living Units 73a, 73b & 73c (Pl 361) Soldier Road, Kojonup**

**Request for Tender 04/2019/20 – 1 X Unit, 8 (Lot 119) Newton Street, Kojonup**

**Request for Tender 05/2019/20 – Grouped Dwelling, 12 (Lot 38) Elverd Street, Kojonup**

Council Decision accepted:

1. The tender offer from Pindan Projects WA Pty Ltd for a total of \$1,068,324.61 (including GST) for the construction of 3 X Independent Living Units at 73A, 73B & 73C (PL 361) Soldier Road, Kojonup in accordance with Shire of Kojonup Request for Tender 03/2019/20; and;
2. The tender offer from White Building Co Pty Ltd for a total of \$462,186.57 (including GST) for the construction of 1 X Unit at 8 (Lot 119) Newton Street, Kojonup in accordance with Shire of Kojonup Request for Tender 04/2019/20; and;
3. The tender offer from Prandi Builders for a total of \$791,190 (including GST) for the construction of the Grouped Dwelling at 12 (Lot 38) Elverd Street, Kojonup in accordance with Shire of Kojonup Request for Tender 05/2019/20.

#### **CEO Review – 2018/19**

That the CEO Performance Review undertaken by Elected Members on 20 August 2019 endorse the following outcomes and actions: -

1. That Council completes the review process by accepting the findings of the collated Chief Executive Officer Review document as presented and workshopped by Council.
2. That Council acknowledges and appreciates that the CEO does not seek an increase in his remuneration package for the second consecutive year which sets an example to both the Community and the Staff that demonstrates a more prudent view of Council's financial arrangements.
3. That Council use the performance targets and reporting plan, as updated in the 2018/19 CEO Performance Review for the 2019/20 CEO Review.
4. That Council formally records that the CEO is not seeking an extension to his employment contract term which expires 22 July 2021.

5. That Council via a separate agenda item will deal with the disposal of KO 629 (2017 Holden Caprice) to the CEO in accordance with Regulation 30 (3) (a) & (b) of the Local Government (Function and General) Regulations 1996, which reads as follows:

(3) A disposition of property other than land is an exempt disposition if —

(a) Its market value is less than \$20 000; or

(b) The entire consideration received by the local government for the disposition is used to purchase other property, and where the total consideration for the other property is not more, or worth more, than \$75 000.

6. That Council thank the CEO for his efforts over the review reporting period.

#### CEO Review - DISPOSAL OF CEO VEHICLE KO 629 (2017 Holden Caprice)

1. That Council following discussions with the CEO on 20 August 2019 and the receipt of qualified advice listed above, agree that as the process for the disposal of the 2017 Holden Caprice complies with sub regulations 30 (3) (a) & (b) of the Local Government (Function and General) Regulations 1996 and public notification accords with sub sections 3.58 (3) and (4) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, the CEO's request to have first option to purchase the motor vehicle be approved.
2. Council seeks qualified advice to ensure the additional clause in the CEO employment contract reflects same.



Shire President  
*Ronnie Fleay*

Chief Executive Officer  
*Rick Mitchell-Collins*

## 2019 LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS

# Put yourself forward

## We are now taking nominations

Nominations opened Thursday 5 September and will close 4.00pm on Thursday 12 September 2019

To download a Candidate Information Pack, click [here](#)

To complete the Local Government Candidate Induction, click [here](#)



## SPRINGHAVEN

It's been all about our wonderful dad's over the last week at Springhaven! To celebrate Father's Day the residents were treated to a week of activities, entertainment and of course, food.



On Monday our resident fathers, along with their families joined us for High Tea to celebrate Father's Day. With an abundance of cakes, biscuits and sandwiches no one was left hungry. The room was full of laughter and love as our fathers were appreciated by their families.

As a special treat on the day we had Michael from 'Birds of Prey' and his feathered friends join us. Our residents and their families enjoyed meeting some very special birds of prey. We got to get up close to a



variety of owls, falcons and even a Wedge-tailed Eagle. It was a truly amazing experience which all the residents absolutely loved.



To top it all off the residents partook in a fun scrapbooking activity. A Father's Day book has been created that is full of gorgeous pictures of our special Father's Day week. It will be a wonderful keep sake to look back on each year.

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

### FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

#### Western Australia Grants for Women

The Grants for Women Program provides funding support for Western Australian based projects that focus on addressing the unique issues faced by women. Grants of up to \$10,000 are available for local governments and community service organisations to implement projects that focus on addressing the unique issues faced by women. **Deadline closes 31 December.**

For more information please visit [www.dlhc.communities.wa.gov.au](http://www.dlhc.communities.wa.gov.au) under the Grants Funding section or email [grants@communities.wa.gov.au](mailto:grants@communities.wa.gov.au)

#### ABORIGINAL BUSINESS LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

Do you want support to develop and grow your business?



The Aboriginal Business Leadership Program (ABLP) which is delivered by Betterlink Group with support from the Great Southern Development Commission (GSDC) and the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development is designed to assist local businesses to develop and grow through a tailored approach. This fully funded program is open to all Aboriginal people who have an established or emerging business in Albany and surrounding areas. The program will commence from August 2019 with initial consultation, marketing and recruitment of participants.

Based on the participant training needs, the program may include:

- Understand your finances and contract obligations
- Build your leadership skills and networks
- Access training and mentoring support

The program is being delivered by Paul Morgan from Betterlink Group who has experience in designing and facilitating successful ABLP regional business development programs. He will work closely with participants to identify and develop program topics and active learning workshops. Paul may be contacted on (08) 9353 3089 or 0405 702 123.

Participants may also gain Statements of Attainment for units from a nationally accredited Leadership and Management qualification.

For information or to register, please contact Paul Morgan on 0405 702 123 or email [paul.morgan@betterlinkgroup.edu.au](mailto:paul.morgan@betterlinkgroup.edu.au) or visit [www.betterlinkgroup.edu.au](http://www.betterlinkgroup.edu.au)

## Website to Assist Social Enterprises

For Community organisations who may be looking for grant funding, there is a little known website called Social Change Central (SCC) which is essentially a database of a range of grants available throughout Australia, for various projects which promote social change. While the Shire of Kojonup does not endorse this website, interested parties may find the information contained within its database to be a useful reference. [www.socialchangecentral.com](http://www.socialchangecentral.com)

The website is very easy to use, and you can filter by location (i.e. Western Australia), type of funding or by using a keyword. Some of the grants listed on their site include:

### Funding for Leadership Development

A pool of scholarships of up to \$4,000 per person are currently available to support participation in a practical and targeted leadership development course. Executive Ready is a seven month leadership and career accelerator designed to stretch managers and propel them towards executive level performance, behaviours and mindsets. The program challenges participants to see themselves, their responsibilities and their opportunities with fresh eyes. **Deadline closes 13 September.**

### Men as Role Models for Preventing Violence against Women and their Children

Organisations are invited to apply for funding to deliver innovative primary prevention activities that involve men as positive role models to drive changes in the behaviours and attitudes that contribute to violence against women and children. **Deadline: closes 24 September.**

### Community Gardens Grants Program

Community gardening provides an opportunity for people to come together and develop a greater understanding between neighbours and community members. Getting involved can help people to improve community connections, develop new skills and share physical, social and mutual benefits of growing edible produce and enable community members to:

- participate more actively in community life;
- connect with the environment and others in the community;
- develop and implement skills; and
- give back to the community.

Organisations can request up to \$10,000 per project however conditions apply as organisations are encouraged to seek assistance for garden infrastructure and minor capital equipment from other funding sources prior to applying to this program. **Deadline: Closes 3 October 2019**



# COMEDY GOLD!!!



*Photo: L-R: Khaled Khalafalla, Leigh Qurban, Luke Heggie and Gerry O*



Thanks to everyone who braved the weather last week including members of the Katanning community who came across to attend the Comedy Gold Show at the Kojonup Memorial Hall. It was a great night for all with lots of belly-laughter and entertainment. Comedian and MC, Khaled Khalafalla who opened the show set the pace with his hilarious stories that continued throughout the evening with his quick witted interactions with members of the audience including our very own Bruce Warland and Maz from Katanning who helped provide Khaled with plenty of local material to keep the laughter going.

Gerry O's fabulous vocal impersonations including that of John Farnham and Tina Turner, Leigh Qurban's lovable and quirky storytelling and headliner, Luke Heggie's no nonsense one-liners delivered in his dry, deadly pan manner provided the audience with a variety of comedic styles that kept everyone entertained for almost 2 hours.

Before leaving Kojonup to head to their next show, the boys took time out to visit The Kodja Place for a tour with Jack Cox and Manager, Zahra Shirazee. They and were very impressed by what Kojonup had to offer and the hospitality they received throughout their visit.

*Zahra Shirazee*  
Manager Community Development & Tourism

### Here's what they wrote in the visitor's book:

*"What a fantastic place. Thanks to Jack",* **Gerry O**

*"Great spot. Thanks for having us."* **Luke Heggie**

*"Fantastic tour with Jack and Zara! Beautiful Visitors Center."* **Leigh Qurban**

*"Thanks Zara, Jack and everyone at the cultural centre! Fantastic trip!"*  
**Khaled Khalafalla**

## SAVE THE DATES: UPCOMING EVENTS!

- 123 Magic and Emotional Coaching, commencing Tuesday 10 September
- Kojonup Lions Nature Play, Thursday 12 September
- Peter Lyndon-James – Tough Love Seminar, Tuesday 17 September
- Kojonup Historical Society Presents – A Blooms Festival, Saturday 28 September
- Bloomin' Family Fun Day, Sunday, 29 September
- Twilights Christmas Markets, Saturday, 30 November



**Picture this:**

- ◊ A cottage garden in Springtime,
- ◊ Sheds and cottage with displays,
- ◊ A blacksmith at work
- ◊ The Southern Singers' voices
- ◊ Local poets- their ballads/poems
- ◊ A delicious afternoon tea ,
- ◊ A competition for the kids and
- ◊ A naming ceremony for the Horse Power and Harness Display's new horse.

**All for your enjoyment!**

Elverd Cottage - Soldier Road Kojonup  
 Saturday 28 Sept Displays open: 1.30pm - 5.00pm  
 Concert 2.30pm followed by afternoon tea  
 \$5.00/Adult, Children Free.  
 Contact Kojonup Historical Society for details: 98311174

**A "Blooms Festival" Event**



- Market Stalls
- Bouncy Castle
- Farm Animals
- Children Rides
- Face Painting
- Wildflower Display & Herbarium
- The Kodja Place & Rose Maze
- Children Arts & Crafts

**Sunday, September 29 | 10 AM to 4PM**  
**The Kodja Place, Kojonup**



Enquiries: Kojonup Visitors Centre Ph: 9831 0500 [kojonupvisitors@bigpond.com](mailto:kojonupvisitors@bigpond.com)



THE SHIRE OF KOJONUP  
SUPPORTED BY LAMB & SPARROW  
PRESENTS



# Twilight Christmas Markets Countdown...

Mark your calendar today so you don't miss out on a great event! Stall holder enquiries to Tash and Sharon [lambandsparrow@outlook.com](mailto:lambandsparrow@outlook.com)

**SATURDAY, 30 NOVEMBER 2019**  
• 4PM - 8PM  
• **THE KODJA PLACE**  
THE KODJA PLACE IS AN ACCESSIBLE FACILITY.



# NIGHTFIELDS



## KOJONUP NIGHTFIELDS

**FREE FOOD AND PLENTY OF GIVEAWAYS**

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

2 AUGUST	9 AUGUST	16 AUGUST	23 AUGUST
30 AUGUST	6 SEPTEMBER	13 SEPTEMBER	20 SEPTEMBER

For more information please contact Zahra Shirazee on 0417 987 237



**ALCOHOL, DRUG, VIOLENCE & SMOKE FREE**



CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

# Be Connected: SmarTechEdz:



Join **Bec** as she guides us with friendly help and advice, in a sociable group at the library.

## SmarTechEdz

"Let technology work for you,  
not against you"

## Next sessions are:

- |                            |                  |
|----------------------------|------------------|
| Sunday 8 September 2019    | 2.30pm – 4.30pm  |
| Thursday 19 September 2019 | 5.30pm – 7.30pm  |
| Friday 20 September 2019   | 11.00am – 1.00pm |
| Sunday 22 September 2019   | 2.30pm - 4.30pm  |
| <b>School Holidays</b>     |                  |
| Friday 18 October 2019     | 10.00am – 2.00pm |
| <b>Get Online Week</b>     |                  |

*Connecting with family, friends and others. Spaces are limited each session (for optimal learning & support) please contact **Bec** on 0407 980 175, email [smartechedz@gmail.com](mailto:smartechedz@gmail.com) or call Lorreen on 9831 2412 (library)*



**Be Connected**  
Every Australian online.

**Network  
Partner**

CONTACT:  
Rebecca Cowie  
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[smartechedz@gmail.com](mailto:smartechedz@gmail.com)  
ABN 90494895973

# PRACTICAL DRIVING ASSESMENTS

The next practical driving Assessor will be visiting Kojonup on Friday, 20 September from 8:15am. Bookings are essential as there are only a small number of vacancies available.


The next available date will be Friday, 18 October.

Please contact the Shire Administration Office to book a place 98312400 or for more information about your Practical Driving Assessment follow this link:


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**A SMART START**  
Great Southern Families

 Parenting Connection  
Supporting WA parents

## Kojonup 1 2 3 Magic and Emotion Coaching




A free 3 week parenting program that will empower parents to raise happy, confident children!

**Tuesday 10 September**  
**Tuesday 17 September**  
**Tuesday 24 September**  
Kojonup Library - 9.30am - 11.30am

- Help parents increase their child's ability to self-manage and regulate their feelings and reactions and gives parents the skills and confidence to discipline gently but firmly.
- Help avoid common parenting mistakes, such as too much talk and too much emotion.
  - Understand the different types of behaviour and why they occur.
  - Identifies three choices parents have when managing behaviour
- Teaches how to emotion coach by: Recognising children's emotions, listening empathically & tuning in, validating feelings and helping children to problem solve.

Please RSVP as numbers are limited  
Sarah Taylor A Smart Start 98216259 or 0417941799  
Email: [asmartstart\\_gs2@outlook.com](mailto:asmartstart_gs2@outlook.com)

 Kojonup  
One community, many choices

**A SMART START**  
Great Southern Families




## Kojonup Lions Nature Play

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019**  
10am - 12pm  
At Kojonup playgroup - Spring St

**Please bring a change of clothes and some fruit**

 Kojonup  
One community, many choices

 LIONS INTERNATIONAL

 Earth Parenting

A Smart Start & Parenting Connection are running **123 Magic and Emotional Coaching**. This is a **Free** 3 week parenting program that will empowers parents to raise happy, confident children! Tuesday's 10, 17, & 24 September at the Library from 9:30am – 11:30pm. Please RSVP TO Sarah on 98216259 or email: [asmartstart\\_gs2@outlook.com](mailto:asmartstart_gs2@outlook.com)



The Kojonup Library is located in the Kojonup Shire Administration building. The Library's online catalogue provides free access to eBooks, eAudios and you can reserve your next book from our Consortium also.

## We are open:

**Monday Tuesday, Thursday & Fridays 8:30am – 4:30pm**

**Wednesdays 8:30am – 4pm.**

**We also have our 'Free Little Library at the APEX Park for everyone to enjoy also.**

The **Kojonup Library** is **grateful** to the many individuals who **donate** books to help grow and preserve the Kojonup Library collection. We would also like to acknowledge Community Groups and outside Agencies whom support the Library with activities for all to enjoy.

For our Adults...the **Be Connected** sessions with **Bec** Cowie have been so well received by our community. THANKS Bec, for your shared knowledge with our community. More sessions to follow and we are looking forward to the On-Line Week event we are planning for our community, so watch this space.

The Early Years work is important to keep our children growing and enjoying the wonderful lifestyle we have without the kids missing out. A Smart Start, Communities for Children, KYC, Mums & dads, by you engaging with us, makes it all worthwhile.

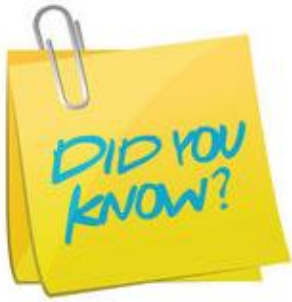
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**A Smart Start families are welcome to join in with the Kojonup Lions Nature Play Event, Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019. 10am-12pm at the Kojonup Play Group.** *Huge thanks to Playgroup for sharing their wonderful venue. You don't have to belong to Playgroup to attend this event.*

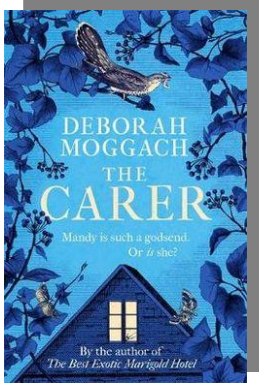
Just a few photos of our kids having fun at Play Cafe & Play in the Park.







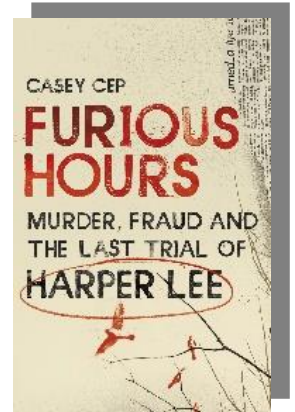
*. . . Run along, home run, run after the dog, run in my stocking, run around, run across, run down, runoff, run to, run up – Run! The word run has over 396 definitions and counting. English is a tricky language and that does not even take into account silent k's.*



James is getting on a bit and needs full-time help. So Phoebe and Robert, his middle-aged offspring, employ Mandy, who seems willing to take him off their hands. But as James regales his family with tales of Mandy's virtues, their shopping trips, and the shared pleasure of their journeys to garden centres, Phoebe and Robert sense something is amiss. Is this really their father, the distant figure who never once turned up for a sports day, now happily chortling over cuckoo clocks and television soaps? Then something happens that throws everything into new relief, and Phoebe and Robert discover that life most definitely does not stop for the elderly. It just moves onto a very different plane - changing all the stories they thought they knew so well.

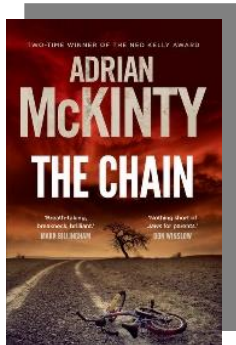
The stunning true story of an Alabama serial killer, and the trial that obsessed the author of *To Kill a Mockingbird* in the years after the publication of her classic novel – a complicated and difficult time in her life that, until now, has been very little examined.

'A triumph on every level. One of the losses to literature is that Harper Lee never found a way to tell a gothic true-crime story she'd spent years researching. Casey Cep has excavated this mesmerizing story and tells it with grace and insight and a fierce fidelity to the truth.'



### **VICTIM. KIDNAPPER. CRIMINAL. YOU WILL BECOME EACH ONE.**

The morning starts like any other. Rachel Klein drops her daughter, Kylie, at the bus stop and heads into her day. But then a phone call changes everything. A woman has Kylie bound and gagged in her back seat, and the only way Rachel will ever see her again is if she pays a ransom - and kidnaps another child. The caller is a mother herself, whose son has also been abducted, and if Rachel doesn't do exactly as she's told, both children will die. Rachel is now part of a terrifying scheme - *The Chain*.



The rules are simple: find the money, find your victim, and then commit a horrible act you'd have thought yourself incapable of just 24 hours ago. Rachel is an ordinary woman, but over the coming days she will be pushed beyond ordinary limits to save her daughter. What the anonymous masterminds behind *The Chain* know is that parents will do anything for their children. But what they don't know is that they may have met their match. Can Rachel be the one person to finally break *The Chain*?

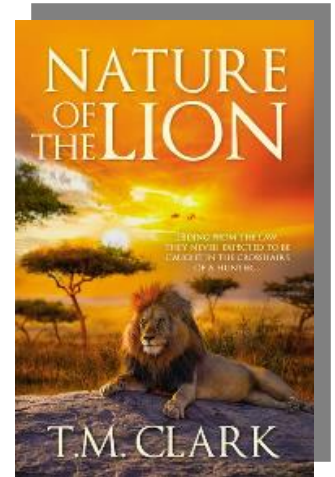
After relocating to South Africa on the heels of scandal five years ago, Chloe and her invalid father, Mike, once wealthy Zimbabwean landowners, now have little. Away at university, Chloe has had to rely on her father's best friend Enoch and his son Xo to watch over Mike.

When a violent confrontation puts Chloe in danger, Enoch steps in to help – with inadvertent fatal results. With increasing pressure from a right-wing group on the police to charge Enoch, this mismatched family have no choice but to flee back to Zimbabwe.

But crossing the border will be dangerous and near impossible with their route taking them amid warring dissident armies and landmines, and their every footstep is stalked by a shadowy ring of hunters – whose trophies are taken from more than animals...

Only with help from Nick, formerly a soldier under Mike's command, now a professional game ranger, will the fugitives have a chance of making it home. But Nick has long struggled to come to terms with his fellow soldiers' choices before their unit was abandoned. Will his past demons put them all at risk?

*Anthony Middleton*  
Manager Corporate & Community Services



## Calling all Community Groups and Committees

Have you updated your contact details with the Shire of Kojonup?

It's a little difficult for us to make contact when we don't have the right details. Please forward the details of your President/Chairperson and any other relevant positions to [council@kojonup.wa.gov.au](mailto:council@kojonup.wa.gov.au) so that we can update our records. Details that we need are:

- ✓ Position title and name of office bearer
- ✓ Postal and email address and
- ✓ Telephone contact details



## NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

### Is saying 'Using the Tip costs too much' an excuse for dumping rubbish?

These are some of the disturbing images taken at Myrtle Benn Flora and Fauna Sanctuary last week as some community members dump their household rubbish in the bush.



Warren Blackwood Waste services Kojonup and surrounding towns and work hard to keep fees low for the use of the Recycle Transfer Station. Disposal of uncontaminated **green waste is free**, while a trailer load of general waste is from \$10-20. Council has budgeted for a hard waste roadside pickup which will be conducted before the Christmas period. Keep an eye out for more information.

### Seven Reasons to Dispose Of Your Rubbish Properly:

#### 1. Soil contamination

Soil contamination is the No. 1 problem caused by improper waste removal and disposal. Take the case of plastic bottles. When they eventually break down, they release DEHA, a carcinogen that affects our reproduction systems, causes liver dysfunction, and weight loss. Soil contamination does not only affect plant growth, it is also unhealthy to humans and animals feeding on those plants.

#### 2. Air contamination

Waste that contains hazardous chemicals, such as bleach and acids, needs to be disposed of properly, and only in approved containers with correct labels.

#### 3. Water contamination

Hazardous wastes in the environment leech into the ground, and ultimately, into ground water. This water is used for many things, from watering gardens to drinking. Toxic liquid chemicals from waste can also seep into water streams and bodies of water.



#### 4. Bad impact on human health

Improper disposal of waste can greatly affect the health of the population living nearby the polluted area. Improperly handled wastes can cause skin irritations, blood infections, respiratory problems, growth problems, and even reproductive issues.

#### 5. Impact on animals and marine life

Animals who consume grasses near contaminated areas are also risk of poisoning due to the toxins that seep into the soil.

#### 6. Disease-carrying pests

Mosquitoes breed in cans and tires that collect water, and can carry diseases such as malaria and dengue. Rats find food and shelter in rubbish, and they can carry diseases such as leptospirosis and salmonellosis. Moreover, moisture production from waste is a breeding ground for mould. It's bacteria that has the ability to spread and grow given the appropriate conditions, such as moisture production from appliances and food scraps.

#### 7. Adversely affect the local economy

Everyone wants to stay and live in a healthy, clean, fresh, and sanitary place. A town with poor waste management will certainly not attract tourists or investors.

## Foxes here we come!



Landowners from across 11 Shires are joining together to reduce fox numbers on their properties.

This collaborative project is funded by the Australian Government through the 'Communities Combating Pest and Weed Impacts during Drought Program – Biosecurity Management of Pests and Weeds'. Shire of Kent NRM officer, Paul Leoni, is leading the project which includes the Shires of Lake Grace, Kent, Jerramungup, Gnowangerup, Plantagenet, Cranbrook, Broomehill-Tambellup, Kojonup, Katanning, Woodanilling and Wagin.

The project proposes to implement three periods of regional fox baiting between ~Jan-2020 to ~Jun-2021 at strategically selected sheep farm properties (and adjacent buffer areas) across a ~11.5 Shire single continuous block in the Great Southern of WA, for the purpose of reducing potential fox predation impacts on the local sheep industry. Local organisations have been designated to each Shire/s to facilitate implementation of fox baiting interventions. This proposal will demonstrate the logistical efficiencies of collaborating a fox baiting program at a regional scale.

Funding requested will support:

- The selection of strategically located sheep farms (and their buffer areas) within each Shire;
- Landholders of selected farms to acquire their 1080 accreditation and 1080 permits.
- Contracting of pest control experts, who will provide and distribute 1080 (and other) fox baits for use at the selected sheep farms; and
- Collection of results of baiting activities and reporting.



Attendees at a 1080 accreditation workshop held in Kojonup on the 21 August 2019.

There are still some spaces left on the program. If you are interested, contact your NRM/Landcare Officer, Jane Kowald on 0428712050 or [landcare@kojonup.wa.gov.au](mailto:landcare@kojonup.wa.gov.au).

## Feral cats now declared pests in WA

An adult bilby in bush land at night (Image courtesy of Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions.

The bilby is one of many Western Australian species at-risk from feral cats. Image courtesy of Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions.

The State Government has strengthened measures to protect native Western Australian wildlife from feral cats by declaring them a pest animal under the Biosecurity and Agriculture Management Act 2007 (BAM Act).

The declaration supports native wildlife management programs, like those conducted by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions, within State reserves and other areas of high conservation.

It also allows local conservation groups and other organisations to receive funding to carry out control and management programs to effectively and humanely manage feral cats.

The Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) administers the BAM Act and prepared the legislative amendments needed for feral cats to be declared pest animals.

Management and control of feral cats is undertaken by the Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions.





Some of the recognised control methods for feral cats include exclusion fencing, baiting, trapping using cage traps, and shooting. All control methods must be humane, and comply with the Animal Welfare Act 2002.

Feral cats are those that are living and reproducing in the wild. They are not socialised and survive on their own in the wild by hunting.

Feral cats are a major threat to WA's unique biodiversity and native fauna. In Western Australian, there are presently 36 mammals, 22 birds and 11 reptile species vulnerable to predation by feral cats.

Australia-wide, the pest cats have played a major role in the extinction of at least 27 mammal species. Predation by feral cats is recognised as a key threatening process under the Commonwealth Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.

At-risk wildlife in Western Australia include the western ground parrot, Gilbert's potoroo, northern quoll, western quoll or chuditch, numbat, quokka, and bilby.

While feral cats are the same species as domestic cats, they are extremely different in how and where they live. Only feral cats will be targeted by programs under the pest animal declaration, not stray or domestic cats, and mainly in reserves and areas that are away from urban areas.

It is important that domestic pet cat owners comply with the Cat Act 2011, which requires all pet cats be sterilised, microchipped, and registered by the time they're six months old, and any requirements and curfews imposed by the local government.

This article has been reproduced in full from the DPIRD AgMemo, August 2019 edition.

*Jane Kowald*  
Natural Resource Management Officer

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## PUBLIC NOTICES AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION

### SPRAYING REMINDER



Chemical spraying of firebreaks on land within a gazetted town-site is to be completed to the Shires Satisfaction by 15 September 2019.

In everyday language, that means you only have 9 more days to make sure you have completed spraying of your firebreaks . . .

For more information about Firebreak orders, visit the Shire of Kojonup website:

<https://www.kojonup.wa.gov.au/.../regulatory-servic.../bushfire/>



**PUBLIC TENDER – 7 of 2019/20  
PURCHASE AND REMOVAL OF  
OLD SCOUT HALL, PENSIONER ROAD, KOJONUP**

Written tenders are invited for the purchase and removal of the building known as the Old Scout Hall (Hall) located on Reserve 40791, Pensioner Road, Kojonup. The Hall is of weatherboard, asbestos and corrugated iron construction, is approximately 12mtrs x 6.4mtrs in area and consists of one main room plus an attached entrance/verandah containing a store room.

For specific building details or inspection of the building, please contact Paul Retallack via email at [rbmc@kojonup.wa.gov.au](mailto:rbmc@kojonup.wa.gov.au). For an information package & tender form please contact Judy Stewart via email at [sao@kojonup.wa.gov.au](mailto:sao@kojonup.wa.gov.au).

Tenders (marked Tender 07 of 2019/20 – Old Scout Hall) close 11:00am, Monday, 7 October 2019, and must be addressed to: The Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Kojonup, 93 Albany Highway, Kojonup.

The Shire reserves the right to not accept the highest or any tender.

Rick Mitchell-Collins  
**Chief Executive Officer**

## Positions Vacant

Working for the Shire of Kojonup is a rewarding and enjoyable experience and we are always looking for amazing, talented, community-focused people to join our team.

Customer Service Officer Kojonup  
Visitors Centre

Horticultural Trainee

Visit our website for more details and submit your application now.

<https://www.kojonup.wa.gov.au/council/employment-vacancies/>

*The Shire of Kojonup is an Equal Opportunity Employer.*

Rick Mitchell-Collins  
**Chief Executive Officer**



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# 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: [Kristel: bcc@kojonup.wa.gov.au](mailto:Kristel.bcc@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	<b>Bridge Club</b> , Bowling Club 9.30am <b>Southern Singers</b> , Uniting Church 7:00pm	<b>Renew Op shop</b> OPEN 10:00am-2:00pm <b>All Crafts</b> , 10am, Hockey Club <b>ASK Youth Group</b> , Baptist Church 3:30pm	<b>Play Café</b> , KDHS Kindy Rooms 9.30am-11.30am (not during school holidays) <b>Kojonup Men's Shed</b> OPEN 1pm Third Wednesday of every Month	<b>Play Group &amp; Toy Library</b> , Old School, 9.30am-11.30am (not during school holidays) <b>Renew Op Shop</b> OPEN 10:00am-2:00pm <b>Gallery Aura</b> Open	<b>Renew Op Shop</b> OPEN 10:00am-2:00pm <b>Diabetes Clinic</b> – Kojonup Hospital, second Friday of every month <b>Gallery Aura</b> Open	<b>Gallery Aura</b> Open
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
Beaufort River Markets, 9am-1pm		123 Magic & Emotional Coaching Commences		Local Government Elections Candidates Nominations Close. <b>Kojonup Lions Nature Play</b> – 10.00am to 12.00pm	Kojonup Nightfields, 3.30-5.30pm <b>Alice in Wonderland Play-Memorial Hall</b> , presented by KDHS Students	Kendenup Markets, Kendenup Town Hall <b>Alice in Wonderland Play-Memorial Hall</b> , presented by KDHS Students
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
		<b>Ordinary Council Meeting Council Chambers</b> <b>Commencing at 3.00pm</b> <b>Peter Lyndon-James Tough Love Seminar 6pm – Sporting Complex</b>			Kojonup Nightfields, 3.30-5.30pm	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
					Last Day of term 3	Kojonup Historical Society – A Blooms Festival Event - 1.30pm – 5.00pm
29	30					
Kojonup Family Fun Day, Kodja Place 10am-4.00pm	Queens Birthday Holiday					