# SHIRE OF KOJONUP E-NEWS

#### **Edition 165 – 20 September 2019**

#### **COUNCIL BRIEFS**

#### **2019 Local Government Election**

At the close of nominations on Thursday, 12 September 2019 Council received five (5) nominations for the four (4) vacant positions whose names appear below in the order that they will appear on the Ballot Paper:

- 1. Ian Pedler
- 2. Cindy Wieringa
- 3. Kevin Gale
- 4. Parminder Singh
- 5. Felicity Webb

An election will be held on Saturday, 19 October 2019 from 8.00am until 6.00pm at the Council Administration Building for those electors who will be present on the day. For those electors unable to cast their vote on this day, early voting can be made at the Council Administration Building from Wednesday, 18 September 2019 until 4.00pm, Friday 18 October 2019.

#### Road Hierarchy Harvest/Transport Routes

Council has been assessing Roadside Pruning costs for the past 5 financial years with the average yearly spend being \$65,000. Council is being approached by farmers to undertake more pruning in order for harvest machinery to be driven to other properties without travelling on Department of Main Road controlled roads especially the Albany Highway. The Manager Works & Services will endeavour to address pruning requests as the budget permits with \$100,000 allocated for the 2019/20 financial year.

Council also discussed RAV road ratings and the need to review road hierarchy transport corridor routes but in order to do so it is essential that transport routes and harvest tonnages be determined for each collection point whether Kojonup, Cranbrook, Albany or other surrounding points to ensure our present road hierarchy assessment is accurate. Property owners and transport operators can assist Council undertake this task by recording harvest and truck movements on Shire of Kojonup roads undertaken during the 2019 Harvest allowing officers to plot data collected against our road network.

The data will assist Council argue its case for increased rural road funding for transport corridors whilst recognising the overall need for substantial road funding allocations for Western Australia's entire road network.

For more information, please follow the links below.

Harvest Mass Management Arrangements 2019-20

https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/UsingRoads/HVS/Pages/harvestmassmanagementscheme.aspx

MainRoads – Agricultural Vehicles

https://www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/UsingRoads/HVS/Pages/agriculturalvehicles.aspx



#### **Disability Access and Inclusion Advisory Committee**

As indicated in the last edition of the Kojonup News, Council seeks expressions of interest for up to three (3) Community Members to participate on the Advisory Committee to advise Council on:

- Technical/working advice relating to the implementation of the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP), including seeking access to funding opportunities;
- Community and agency feedback relating to the implementation of the DAIP;
- The review and reporting of the DAIP;
- Issues relating to disability access and inclusion in the Shire; and
- Methods to raise awareness and community input about matters relating to disability access and inclusion in the Shire.

Membership of the DAIC will be set at nine (9) as follows:

- Community members the community will be represented by up to three community members with relevant interest and experience;
- Community organisations up to four Carers/Service providers who work with people covered by the DAIP and will be represented by one representative of each;
- Elected members the Council will be represented by at least one Councillor, and a proxy delegate;
- Chief Executive Officer or delegate will act as Chair;
- Council staff Council staff will attend as observers/administration support only including one staff member from Community Services and one from Works and Services.

Meetings of the Advisory Committee will ordinarily take place on a six monthly basis in April and October. Community Member Expressions of Interest are to be lodged with the Manager Corporate & Community Services via post at PO Box 163, Kojonup, 6395 or email to <a href="mailto:council@kojonup.wa.gov.au">council@kojonup.wa.gov.au</a> on or before 4.00pm, Thursday 31 October 2019.

#### **Kojonup Historical Society**

Congratulations is extended to the Kojonup Historical Society on conducting a very successful Bloom Festival event at Elverd Cottage, with over seventy community members attending including our terrific Southern Singers.



Shire President Ronnie Fleay

Chief Executive Officer

Rick Mitchell-Collins

#### **SPRINGHAVEN**



Arrrriba!! Our residents have all been enjoying things Mexico as we celebrated Mexican Independence Day. The residents had a blast listening to some traditional Mexican music, dressing up for some goofy pictures, and even had a hilarious game of 'Pin the Tail on the Donkey'. The residents were treated to a fun, hands on meal making their own Taco's!



With the AFL Grand Final soon approaching we had the Year 9 Class from Kojonup District High School visit and participate in a Footy Quiz. Everyone enjoyed a huge morning tea of pizza, sandwiches, party pies and chips. The high school students bought in homemade cookies to share along with some blankets that were made by a group of students. It was a lovely morning for everyone and we thank Mr Kirwen and Mrs Fleay for bringing the students to visit Springhaven. The residents have been enjoying their new warm blankets since the visit.



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** 



#### **WORKS AND SERVICES**

Did you know that different types of sprinklers have different watering rates? Check the best setting for your sprinkler system <a href="https://www.watercorporation.com.au/save-water/in-the-garden/sprinklers-and-irrigation">https://www.watercorporation.com.au/save-water/in-the-garden/sprinklers-and-irrigation</a>

#### Waterwise Garden Update and Sprinkler Run Days

- 1. As spring has arrived feed your plants now to keep them healthy and strong, as they will be requiring nutrients coming out of dormancy and into the growing and flowering season.
- 2. Now is an excellent time to apply a wetter to your garden and lawns to help the water penetrate and be absorbed into the soil.
- 3. It is time to mulch your gardens to keep the weeds down and also retain the ground moisture from the rain.

house numbers	WATERING DAYS		
1 and 8	Wednesday and Saturday		
2 and 9	Thursday and Monday		
3 and 0	Friday and Monday		
4	Saturday and Tuesday		
5	Wednesday and Sunday		
6	Thursday and Monday		
7	Friday and Tuesday		



The Shire of Kojonup is an Endorsed Waterwise Council and here are some water savings tips for our community to consider.

#### Bathroom - shower with a bucket

Whilst you wait for the water to heat up for your shower, catch the cold water in a bucket and use this water for the garden or pot plants. You could be catching as much as 10 litres every minute.

#### Take shorter showers

Almost 1/4 of household water is used in the shower. Cutting your shower time by just 2 minutes can result in a water saving of up to 30%. Try using a shower timer or your favourite 4 minute song to time your showers.

#### Turn the tap off when brushing your teeth

Leaving the tap running when brushing your teeth wastes up to 10L per minute. Our surveys show 8 out of 10 people have changed their habit and are now turning the tap off. Are you helping to make a difference?

#### Garden/Outside

- Use a broom or blower to clean outside
- Hosing paving is a thing of the past, it's a waste of valuable water and isn't permitted under WA's
  permanent water efficiency measures. It's better to use a broom or blower to clean outside your
  home instead
- Add Soil Wetter to your gardens
- Spring is the perfect time prior to mulching, to add liquid or granule soil wetter products into your pot plants, garden and lawn areas. The water will be more easily absorbed and soak into the soil where the plants roots can access this.
- Add waterwise mulch to protect your garden, good quality mulch reduces evaporation by keeping
  the moisture around plant roots. Protect your garden by applying 5-10 cm of a hard, chunky mulch
  and help achieve water savings of up to 20%. It is also a great way to stop the weeds!
  Avoid mulch that is soft and non-waterwise as it can eventually create an impenetrable layer to
  water.

Craig McVee

**Manager Works and Services** 



#### COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM

On Wednesday 18 September, The Kodja Place and Kojonup Visitor Centre had a visit from 24 Denmark Probus group members who enjoyed Billy Tea and Damper with a guided tour and Thursday 26 September, 53 tourists from Bunbury and surrounds visited Kojonup and enjoyed lunch at The Kodja Place and a guided Tour with Elder Jack Cox

Here are just a few of their comments about their visit.

- 'Loved Jack's Storytelling' G & V Ball
- 'Very interesting to learn about the Aboriginal culture' Deb D
- 'Jack did a great job, Billy Tea, Damper and Tour' K Johnson
  - 'Great asset to visit, Thanks Jack' R Robson
- 'Amazing place to visit and the tour with Jack was Fantastic' J Bates
  - 'Great Display and Lunch was great' V Willisen

On Sunday 29 September, the Bloomin' Family Fun Day was held at The Kodja Place. There were a selection of stalls for everyone. The children enjoyed feeding the animals from Old MacDonald's Travelling Farm, jumping on the Bouncy Castle, riding on the space ship and getting their face painted.









Kristel Thompson **A/Visitor Services Officer** 





#### CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY SERVICES





# Get online Get connected

Friday 18th October 2019 10am—2pm Kojonup Library

Getting online gives you access to a whole new exciting, but sometimes scary, world.

Come along to our free event, join us for a cuppa and a snack, and learn some new tricks and see how you can bring the online world into your day to day life.

Learn how to get in touch with loved ones, friends & family afar using video chatting

RSVP: Bec 0407 980 175 or Lorreen 9831 2412





Network Partner



Venus, Mercury, Jupiter and Saturn will light up the skies throughout October.

The Moon will add to the spectacle and Venus returns as the 'Evening Star', looking beautiful and shining brilliantly. Tell us if you spot Venus!

# Practical Driving Assessments



The next practical driving Assessor will be visiting Kojonup on Friday, 18 October from 8:15am. Bookings are essential as there are only a small number of vacancies available.

Please contact the Shire Administration Office to book a place 98312400.

For more information about your Practical Driving Assessment follow this link:

https://www.transport.wa.gov.au/mediaFiles/licensing/LBU DL B PDA.pdf



## Overtaking

Overtaking can be dangerous. When overtaking, make sure you have a clear view of oncoming traffic and use your indicator to signal your intentions to other drivers.





#### Overtaking on the left

Permitted when:

- driving on a multi-lane road;
- directed by an authorised person (e.g. police officer);
- the vehicle(s) in the right lane is stationary and it is safe to do so;
- a vehicle is indicating that it is turning right or making a U-turn.

#### Overtaking on the right

This is permitted when you're both travelling in the same direction and you are not crossing a continuous white line.

Overtaking a vehicle on the right is NOT permitted:

- at a railway, pedestrian or children's crossing;
- at an intersection;
- where there is a 'no overtaking' sign;
- where there are single or double continuous centre lines;
- where you do not have a clear view of approaching traffic.

Motorists should only overtake a cyclist when there is a clear view of the road ahead and if there's enough space for you to pass. You may legally cross continuous white lines to safely pass a cyclist. Remember to indicate.

#### Remember:

When travelling on roads with a speed limit up to 60km/h, allow 1 metre between your vehicle and the cyclist to pass safely;

When travelling on roads with a speed limit over 60km/h, allow 1.5 metres to pass a cyclist.



#### **Penalties**

- Failing to overtake at a safe distance = 4 demerit points and \$400 fine.
- Overtaking at a railway/pedestrian/children's crossing = 4 demerit points and \$400 fine.
- > Overtaking on continuous white line = 3 demerit points and \$200 fine.
- It is illegal to exceed the speed limit when overtaking = penalty varies.
- Failing to overtake a cyclist allowing a passing distance of 1 metre (up to 60km/h) 1.5 metres (over 60km/h) = 4 demerit points and \$400 fine.





Cardno is working with the WA Road Safety Commission on a 2 year study to research and identify trends in the level of awareness of, and compliance with, the new Minimum Passing Distances Regulation which aims to enhance cycle safety. If you are a resident of Western Australia, your views are welcomed, whether you are a cyclist, a driver, or both on the 3 minute survey below. If you have participated in the previous survey, you are encouraged to complete this survey once more to help Cardno to identify any trends in your experiences of passing interactions over time.

The Survey link is:

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/04MPDsurvey

Anthony Middleton

Manager Corporate & Community Services

#### **FIRE MANAGEMENT**

### RESTRICTED BURNING PEROD HAS COMMENCED

The restricted burning period commenced on: 1 October 2019 Contact your Fire Control Officers (FCO's) and Zulu's for permits.

Each year thousands of fires destroy or damage houses, sheds and garages, commercial and industrial buildings, vehicles and vast hectares of bushland throughout Western Australia (WA).

Bushfires in WA account for the highest number of fires attended to by career and volunteer firefighters.

Bush fire offences related to infringements in Section 22 of the *Bush Fires Act 1954* have increased from \$250.00 to \$1,000



#### **Bush Fires Act 1954**

- 2A Section 22B(2) Offences relating to fires in the open air during total fire ban 1 000
- 2B Section 22C(5) Failure to observe and carry out the conditions of an exemption from section 22B 1 000
- (2) A person must not
  - (a) light, maintain or use a fire in the open air; or
  - (b) carry out an activity in the open air that causes, or is likely to cause, a fire.

Penalty: a fine of \$25 000 or imprisonment for 12 months, or both.

(5) A person to whom an exemption is granted under this section must observe and carry out any conditions specified in the exemption.

Penalty: a fine of \$25 000 or imprisonment for 12 months, or both.



# Preparing for emergencies

Emergencies can strike at anytime, anywhere and without warning. Take the time to protect yourself, the people you love and the things you value most.

Every year Red Cross runs an annual campaign to help all Australians prepare for disasters and emergencies of any kind. This year's message is, that for many, it's what happens after an emergency that becomes the real disaster.

Please share the free tools within your network and help Australians get prepared.

- 1. Emergency RediPlan
- 2. Get Prepared app
- 3. Survival kit checklist



Please also like and follow the WA Red Cross Emergency Services Facebook page Australian Red Cross - Emergency Services Western Australia to see and share stories during the week. **Download for free and get prepared** 

# IN A BUSHFIRE EVERY FIVE MINUTES COUNTS **ESPECIALLY YOUR NEXT FIVE MINUTES**

Bushfires are unpredictable and happen every year. The single biggest killer is indecision.

Don't wait for a text message or a knock on the door from the emergency services.

Download and read the PDF below to make sure you know the bushfire warning systems and where to find other important information.

<u>Https://www.dfes.wa.gov.au/firechat/documents/downloads/bushfire-warning-systems-dfes-how-and-when-to-use-them.pdf</u>

**Rob Cowie** 

**Emergency Officer** 

#### **SNAKE SEASON IS HERE**



All snake venom is made up of huge proteins (like egg white). When bitten, a snake injects some venom into the meat of your limb (NOT into your blood).



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This venom cannot be absorbed into the blood stream from the bite site. It travels in a fluid transport system in your body called the lymphatic system (not the blood stream). Now this fluid (lymph) is moved differently to blood.

Your heart pumps blood around, so even when you are lying dead still, your blood still circulates around the body. Lymph fluid is different. It moves around with physical muscle movement like bending your arm, bending knees, wriggling fingers and toes, walking/exercise etc.

Now here is the thing. Lymph fluid becomes blood after these lymph vessels converge to form one of two large vessels (lymphatic trunks) which are connected to veins at the base of the neck.

Back to the snake bite site.

When bitten, the venom has been injected into this lymph fluid (which makes up the bulk of the water in your tissues).

The only way that the venom can get into your blood stream is to be moved from the bite site in the lymphatic vessels. The only way to do this is to physically move the limbs that were bitten.

Stay still!!! Venom can't move if the victim doesn't move - Stay still!!

Remember people are not bitten into their blood stream.

Get people to move you or run around for you.

For more information follow the link below or contact Poisons Information on 13 11 26 - 24 hours per day

https://www.scgh.health.wa.gov.au/Our-Services/Service-directory/~/media/6674063A8BF94460A7EE9B5B417338EC.ashx

Paul Retallack

Senior Ranger / Building Maintenance Coordinator



#### **PUBLIC TENDERS**

KEY WORKER HOUSING – DESIGN & CONSTRUCT RFT 08/2019/20 – 26 KATANNING ROAD, KOJONUP RFT 09/2019/20 – 28 KATANNING ROAD, KOJONUP

Tenders from experienced and registered builders are invited for the design and construction of two four bedroom, two bathroom key worker houses in Kojonup. There is an opportunity for both projects to be run concurrently or tenders can be considered for each site individually.

To arrange an inspection of the site(s) or to obtain tender documents please contact Michelle Dennis on 9831 2424 or email: <a href="https://health@kojonup.wa.gov.au">health@kojonup.wa.gov.au</a>

Tenders close 11:00am 29 October 2019

Rick Mitchell-Collins

Chief Executive Officer

Shire of Kojonup

#### PUBLIC NOTICES AND COMMUNITY INFORMATION





## PathWest Collection Point



PathWest is pleased to announce the opening of a Pathology Collection point at the Kojonup Hospital. This service will commence on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2019. Appointments are required and can be made on 98216334 between the hours of 8.30am and 4.30pm weekdays. The Kojonup collection point will be open at the following times;

Monday: 8:45am to 10:45am Tuesday: 8:45am to 10:45am Wednesday: 8:45am to 10:45am

Please note this service is not suitable for young children or specialised pathology collections.

TESTING FOR TODAY, TEACHING FOR TOMORROW

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#### 16th Battalions' Foundation



# Brigadier Arnold W Potts Oration 2019

#### KOJONUP Saturday 26 October 2019

Memorial Service in Apex Park at 11.30am Lunch in Memorial Hall at 12.30pm

With

Oration to be presented by

Dr Peter Brune PhD., B.Ed., Dip Teach

Author and Historian

At 2pm

Tickets \$55

Available from Kodja Place

and Kojonup Visitors Centre

Ph: 9831 0500

Mary Ph: 0409 085 987

Email: mary.qoldthorpe@yahoo.com.au



# Caring for a friend or relative can be complicated.

## Get one-on-one support from a professional counsellor over the phone.

The **New** Carer Gateway phone counselling service is a free service for carers. Each weekday from 8am to 6pm, professional counsellors are waiting to talk through the concerns you have and how you feel about your carer role.

To use the service call **1800 422 737** (select option 1) or visit **www.carergateway.gov.au** (select phone counselling)





**Counselling Service** 

1800 422 737 8am to 6pm weekdays



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#### **POSITIONS VACANT**

#### 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.

#### **CASUAL COOK, KITCHEN HAND & CLEANER**

If you have a love of cooking, enjoy cleaning and have a genuine interest in older people this may be the position for you.

#### What we are looking for:

- 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.
- Good time management skills
- Being able to cook home cooked quality meals
- Able to follow the Food Safety Standards

#### 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.
- The potential of permanent employment.

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 <a href="mailto:acfi@kojonup.wa.gov.au">acfi@kojonup.wa.gov.au</a>.

Applications from suitably qualified candidates will be gratefully received





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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

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 Gallery Aura Open	Renew Op Shop OPEN  10:00am–2:00pm  Diabetes Clinic – Kojonup  Hospital, second Friday of every month  Gallery Aura Open	Gallery Aura Open
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Beaufort River Markets, 9am- 1pm			Orrvale Poll Dorset Stud, Kojonup Show Grounds, inspection from 10am, commencing 1pm			<b>Kendenup Markets,</b> Kendenup Town Hall,9am-1pm
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
				Merinotech Annual Open day, Woodenup Road, 9.30am- 3pm		Kojonup Show Council Election, Council Administration Building, 8am- 6pm
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
The Colour Run – Perth, Claremont Show Grounds Perth's Annual Wedding Expo 10am -3pm		Council Meeting Council Chambers Commencing at 3.00pm		Mamma Mia by The Ten Sopranos, Narrogin Town Hall 7pm – 10am		SDYF Ball, 6pm Police Golf Day Brigadier Arnold Potts Oration, Katanning Show
27	28	29	30	31		
				Halloween		