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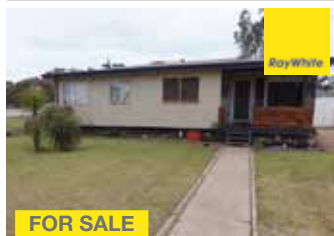
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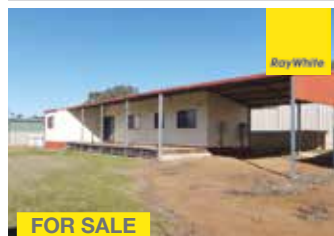
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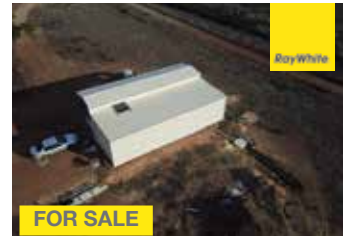
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Dance program




ABOVE: The Tiny Mob.

RIGHT: Ravensthorpe with Talitha.

BELOW RIGHT: Hopey stomp.



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■ RAVENSTHORPE REGIONAL ARTS COUNCIL

THE Ravensthorpe Regional Arts Council dance program will continue across the region during the first school semester of 2019. Stretching across five regional towns; Hopetoun, Ravensthorpe, Munglinup, Lake King and Jerramungup the RRAC Dance program provides opportunity for over 300 school children, adults and toddlers to participate in contemporary dance movement classes.

2019 will be the third year of the RRAC Dance program. Three professional dance artists from Perth, Melbourne and Brisbane have taught in the program to date, shaping the classes as they get to know our communities. While some contemporary dancers create characters, theatrical events or stories, others perform entirely new creations as they improvise in their own unique style.

Through this Ravensthorpe



JERRAMUNGUP.

Regional Arts Council project, local people participating in dance mentorships are working alongside the engaged professionals to attain skills that can be used in their own communities for many years to come. It is hoped that the project-model of the RRAC Dance program will have the ability to be used across many different art forms to bring opportunity to remote regions in a shared and

sustainable way.

Information on the Term 1 Dance classes can be found on the RRAC Dance Facebook page (like for updates and booking links as they are posted). Alternatively email or phone Kirsty Duffy rracordinator@westnet.com.au

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Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year from the RRAC Dance Team.

The Regional Arts Partnership Program is supported by the State Government of Western Australia and Country Arts WA.



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Ravensthorpe Regional Arts Council



■ RAVENSTHORPE REGIONAL ARTS COUNCIL

2018 saw another diverse and creative mixed bag of events and projects.

The year of performance began with "Dating Naked" which tickled the fancy of over 18's at Wavecrest Bar & Bistrot. We witnessed the hilarity of "Fat Girls in Bike Shorts" in Hopetoun and celebrated an enormous amount of commu-

nity spirit with "A Boy Named Cash" in Ravensthorpe.

Gustav Hellberg returned to Hopetoun in 2018 to complete his work on the 'Spaced 3' project, forging lifelong friendships and catapulting the Ravensthorpe Regional Arts Council onto an international stage.

RRAC's film itinerary included a movie showing of Gustav's work, and two indie-film style movie nights.

This year RRAC proudly



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—Something for Everyone

reached its 30th year as an incorporated body, partied like it was 1999 at the celebration and welcomed three new deserving life members—Fay O'Brien, Jenny Chambers and Ainsley Foulds. It was a sparkling night to remember.

2018 was the second year of the RRAC Dance project which ran two 8-week residencies across 5 regional towns.

A very big highlight this year was the community eco-art project "Art for Waste Awareness".

RRAC has worked to secure five grants in the last 12 months to benefit the community by increasing cohesion through culture and the arts.

This year Lotterywest played a big part in providing increased access to performance art in the region. Again in 2019, RRAC will provide a bus service thanks to Lotterywest, promoting greater involvement in regional performing arts events by removing accessibility barriers.

The 2019 program has something for everyone. Beginning in January you can expect comedy, drama, circus, shadow puppetry, giant puppetry, classical music, film and MORE.

'Like' the Ravensthorpe Re-



gional Arts Council Facebook page, subscribe to the 'Rave About Arts Blog' and stay tuned for the release of the full annual artistic program.

RRAC would like to take this opportunity to wish the community a very safe and happy Christmas and holiday period. Thank you to all of our partners, participants and audience members. We look forward to a huge 2019 calendar of events!



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HOPETOUN *Police Station News*

Firearms:

We are currently engaged in a statewide operation to enforce the regulations pertaining to firearms, particularly those license holders considered vulnerable such as primary producers and remote property owners. Throughout the Great Southern Region firearms are being stolen from rural properties in targeted burglaries. Subsequently these firearms are disappearing into the hands of those that would do us harm.

As primary first responders, Police face an increased danger of encountering offenders in possession of stolen firearms, the same can be said for the community at large, hence the reason for the current operation. We will be in contact with registered firearms license holders and conducting physical inspections of firearms, cabinets and storage facilities to ensure strict compliance with regulations and safety best practice. We will assist you with compliance wherever possible first, however charges may be preferred where warranted.

Complacency is your worst enemy, thinking that no-one would come out to a very remote rural property is wrong, in fact the isolated farm sheds, properties and vehicles are the most vulnerable. There have been incidences where firearms have been left unattended in an unlocked farm shed, not properly locked in a secure firearms cabinet and subsequently stolen. It's the remoteness and low possibility of detection that attracts offenders to these targets.

WA Police website provides a wealth of information on firearms and other matters – www.police.wa.gov.au then click on 'Online Services' and follow the links to firearms information, including an external firearms license status web form.

Many of you will travel away over the next several weeks after harvest. You may wish to get in contact with us and arrange a suitable time for an inspection before you leave. We ask that you get on the front foot and double check your firearms, cabinets, storage facilities and licenses as a priority in the lead up to our inspections—it's in everyone's best interest.

Road Safety – Road Policing:

Aren't they the same thing? In many ways they are. We target those offences that are the major contributing factors in road fatalities such as Speed, Alcohol and Drugs, Mobile Phones, Seat-

belts, Fatigue, Inattention, Unroadworthy Vehicles and anything that poses a threat to road users. Road Policing encompasses those offences and also targets suspicious vehicle movements where conveyance of illicit substances, firearms, stolen property and other illegal activities such as stock theft may be involved.

We have seen a few incidents recently of burnouts, donuts on the groyne and property damage caused by unauthorised (No Valid Drivers License) drivers and those persons who are so blatantly stupid, ignorant and with callous disregard for anyone's safety. Vehicles have been seized and more will follow—we make no apologies for a zero tolerance to unsafe road user behaviour. We thank those community members who have come forward with photos and videos of these idiot drivers which enables us to get them off the road. The more we work together the safer we all are.

A point to consider here – 'We don't dob in our mates' – if that's your ethos then YOU are a part of the problem, potentially putting many other innocent people's lives at risk!

For now, stay safe.

—Dave Murphy
Officer In Charge Hopetoun Police Station



RAVENSTHORPE *Police Station News*

Crime:

As part of the state-wide firearm cabinet inspections on vulnerable license holders in Regional WA, regrettably we inspected a home in Ravensthorpe to locate firearms mounted on a wall, one firearm missing, and no cabinet whatsoever. The license holder was charged, and we are seeking to cancel this person's licence and dispose of the firearms.

Court:

A result from the Kalgoorlie Court on November 30th that is relevant to Ravensthorpe is the conviction of David Takotoroa HIRA, formally of Ravensthorpe, for an As-

sault Occasioning Bodily Harm offence that occurred against a female in Ravensthorpe in June. He was given a six-month prison sentence, suspended for nine months. Violence against women is a cowardly act, and police will hold perpetrators to account and support victims.

Road Policing:

At the time of writing this article, we are continuing our alcohol and drug driver campaign. We have been conducting random drug and breath tests on drivers, and targeted patrols. The purpose is to help prevent road trauma in the lead-up to the Christmas break.

On December 5th, we apprehended a Ravensthorpe local for driving under the influence of meth and alcohol. This selfish behaviour puts the lives of the majority of innocent road users at risk.

Drugs:

Quite simply, please tell us who is selling meth in our communities so we can deal with them. Call us, or ring or email Crime Stoppers 1800333000 crime.stoppers@police.wa.gov.au anonymously.

—Sergeant Jamie Paterson
Officer in Charge, Ravensthorpe Police Station

Volunteer remembered

ON Saturday November 24th, members of Hopetoun Marine Rescue and Hopetoun Men in Sheds joined Mrs Kerry Fricker and her family on the Hopetoun foreshore to dedicate a seat to Kerry's husband, Bruce, who passed away on December 30th, 2016. Hopetoun Men in Sheds kindly made the seat.

Bruce and his brother Johnny cleared a virgin block on Tamarine Rd, and Bruce farmed it with his brother for a while. Bruce and Kerry moved to Mandurah, later returning to Hopetoun. During this time he was a very active member of the Hopetoun Volunteer Marine Rescue. Bruce also enjoyed fishing at his favourite spot, which he called "Never Fails"

When Bruce's health started to fail, they moved back to Narembeen, coming back to Hopetoun when they could.

On Boxing Day 2017, the Marine rescue vessel, "Maryann" took Bruce's family out to his favourite fishing spot to scatter his ashes. The family donated some money to Hopetoun VMR for this. The committee decided to place a seat on the foreshore overlooking his favourite fishing spot.



THE Fricker family.

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Crazy Granny's turns one!

YOU are all invited to help us belatedly celebrate our 1st Birthday and Christmas on Thursday December 20th. This will be our last "late night shopping" opening for the year and will be open until 8pm.

Please do pop in any time during the day or evening to say hello and have some nibbles and a tippie. It is a belated birthday as Kerry and I, with Lola, were away on a patchwork and quilting trip we had planned in mid 2017 – before the shop!!

It was called a "Fall Colour Quilting Cruise". Starting in Montreal, Canada and ending in Miami, USA with a group of 30 Aussie ladies and a patchwork tutor. More of that later.

We saw many patchwork and quilting fabric shops and did buy some material, but also noted many different ideas that could be used in our shop. Some ideas for different products and other ideas for presentation. Over the next few months we hope to implement some of them and also, add to the range of products we have to offer. All the made items for sale in our shop will still be made by us on the premises but we hope to add a range of Australiana fabric to the Aboriginal one we currently carry.

Back to our trip.

We flew via Melbourne and LA, USA to Montreal, Canada, where we joined the other ladies (and 1 husband), most of whom were from the Eastern States. We spent 2 nights in Montreal and did some sight seeing before boarding the MS Veendam for the cruise down the St Lawrence River and out into the gulf. On the way we visited Quebec. The old centre was fascinating and it would have been lovely to spend more time exploring.

Charlottetown, on Prince Edward Island was our next port of call. Our first excursion was to the Anne of Green Gables museum. Lovely setting and an interesting house. This was followed by our first quilting shop! The following day we arrived in Sydney, Canada with more sightseeing and another quilt shop. Lovely big shop with all sorts of stuff. Some beautiful fabrics at 50% off. Bought some! We were all given a gift bag with all sorts of odds and ends. Lovely gesture. Our next port was Halifax, Nova Scotia. A bus tour then a walk to see the graves of casualties of the Titanic. Followed by another walk through the Victorian style gardens with commentary on what defined a Victorian garden. Interesting. Our last day in Canada ended with a visit to another quilting shop. Lovely.

Bar Harbor in Maine was our introduction to the USA. Several ships in so we had to catch a tender to go ashore. Interesting area with lots of islands. Bus tour through the Acadia National Park where the trees were changing colour to their autumn foliage. Many different colours. Also views of the Atlantic Ocean from various vantage points. Very pretty drive. Back into town where we were dropped at a little patchwork shop. Had a browse here before walking back into town and down to the harbour. Passed some interesting looking shops. Stopped and look through one filled with sun catchers. Amazing. Had to wait for a while to get a tender back to the ship. Sun going down as we left the harbour. Some lovely photos.

Boston was our next port of call and we found it disappointing. Weather was terrible and there were a lot of road works in the city area which made bus travel difficult. We went down the same streets several times. In the afternoon we travelled to a town called Lowell to visit a quilt museum. This was very disappointing as they advertise a large collection of antique quilts which we were very keen to see. There was one average size room dressed as a bedroom with 2 or 3 quilts spread out and a few more folded in drawers. Probably 10 quilts in all. The remainder of the display space was taken up with 2 other exhibitions of modern art quilts. Many of which were spectacular but not what we had come to see.

The next 2 days were spent at sea. In the mornings we worked on a hand piecing project with the others in our group and generally lazed around!

Our second last port of call was Port Canaveral. First stop being a quilting shop!! Some glorious fabrics and lots of ideas. On to visit a Queen Anne wooden frame house which is now a museum. Had time to spare so popped into another fabric shop. Some of our group had a chance to go to the space centre at Cape Canaveral. There was a rocket launch about midnight which was visible from the ship.

In Port Lauderdale, the following day we disembarked from the Veendam. First stop again, a quilting shop. This would have to be the biggest quilting fabric shop I have ever seen. Had over 16,000 bolts of fabric plus all the other stuff. Spent an hour or so here then on to Miami. Picked up a local guide who showed us the Art Deco influences and also through midtown to see the murals. They were impressive. And finally, to our hotel on Miami Beach.

We spent the next 2 days in Miami. The first day we went to Vizcaya, which is an ornate Italian Renaissance style villa surrounded by formal gardens on 3 sides and water on the fourth. Very ornate. The second day we had a trip out to the Everglades National Park and a ride on an air boat. Good fun. On the way back to the hotel from one of the outings we went to Walmart and bought extra suitcases!! About half of the tour group did this.

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Thank you Men in Sheds

LITTLE Barrens Early Learning Centre would like to say a huge thank you to Men in Sheds for donating a desk for Little Barrens children to use and the parents to admire. The children have loved writing their letters to Santa using it.

The desk was donated to Men in Sheds by Loyde Archer and lovingly restored by Bill Clark.

Pictured is Tyler Galwey, Mia Van Schayk, Hendrix Van Schayk and Macy Parker.

—Little Barrens



Crazy Granny's turns one!

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Both afternoons were free time. The first afternoon I wandered along the board walk that was between our hotel and the beach. Lovely idea. It seemed to go a long way in each direction. Seats every so often and shade. Delightful.

Finally, the long trip home. From the time we left the hotel in Miami until we landed in Perth we had been travelling for 38 hours. Flew from Miami to Houston to Sydney and so to Perth. Drove home the next day.

—J Harp

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ISSUE NO.	DEADLINE	ISSUE DATE
1	February 7, 2019	February 14, 2019
2	February 21, 2019	February 29, 2019
3	March 7, 2019	March 14, 2019
4	March 21, 2019	March 28, 2018
5	April 4, 2019	April 11, 2019
6	April 18, 2019	April 25, 2019
7	May 2, 2019	May 9, 2019
8	May 16, 2019	May 23, 2019
9	May 30, 2019	June 6, 2019
10	June 13, 2019	June 20, 2019
11	June 27, 2019	July 4, 2019
12	July 11, 2019	July 18, 2019
13	July 25, 2019	August 1, 2019
14	August 8, 2019	August 15, 2019
15	August 22, 2019.....	August 29, 2019
16	September 5, 2019	September 12, 2019
17	September 19, 2019	September 26, 2019
18	October 3, 2019	October 10, 2019
19	October 17, 2019	October 24, 2019
20	October 31, 2019	November 7, 2019
21	November 14, 2019	November 21, 2019
22	November 28, 2019	December 5, 2019
23	December 12, 2019	December 19, 2019

The Spirit is not only surviving, but thriving!

Think UV not heat this summer

IT'S not just the heat of the sun you need to be mindful of when outdoors. It's easy to remember to cover up when it's nice and hot outside, but when it comes to skin cancer, the real culprit is UV radiation.

And the sneaky thing about UV is that you can't see it, and you can't actually feel it either. By the time you realise what has happened, the damage is done.

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UV levels vary throughout the day, month and season, and also change according to where you are in the country (north or south). And it's certainly not just summer that you need to look out.



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and the sides of your face as well as the front. Caps and visors don't do the job!

For more information visit MyUV.com.au, and download the free SunSmart app while you're there.

WAFarmers pleased farmers have final say

WAFarmers welcomes the announcement from the State Government that will allow traditional owners, freehold land owners and lease holders to decide whether hydraulic fracturing can take place on their land.

WAFarmers President Tony York said WAFarmers has continually supported the right for farmers to have the final say on what occurs on their property.

"In the WAFarmers submission to the Independent Scientific Inquiry into Hydraulic Fracturing, we suggested the decision for fracking to occur on freehold and leased land be left to individual farmers to negotiate the terms of access," Mr York said.

"WAFarmers will always support our members and the wider industry's right to farm and to have the ultimate decision whether exploration occurs on their property.

"Farmers are strong advocates for the environment and water resources; it is in producer's best interest to care for their land. WAFarmers will continue to advocate for further mechanisms to control how environmental and water resources can be protected and ultimately giving the land holder the right of veto.

"WAFarmers are pleased to see the Government has adopted all 44 of the recommendations from the Scientific Review and has done well to find a balance between protecting the state's environmental assets and growing the state's economy.

"WAFarmers will be encouraging the State Government to formally adopt the Land Access Agreement which was developed by WAFarmers with Australia Petroleum Production and Exploration Association, vegetablesWA and the Pastoralists and Graziers Association of WA and make it an enforceable document.

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Interesting facts about Christmas

CHRISTMAS celebrations occur all over the world, although the day on which it is celebrated varies, as well as the decorations, food and customs. Many of the origins of Christmas and its “factual” past can be contradictory, so you may find some surprises in our list of interesting facts about Christmas. Check to see how many facts in our list you already knew and then test your family and friends.

Historical Christmas Facts:

- 1066 – King William I of England was crowned on Christmas Day.
- 1377 – During a Christmas feast hosted by King Richard the II of England in 1377, three hundred sheep and twenty-eight oxen were consumed.
- 1640 – Scotland abolished the observance of Christmas (until 1958 when it became a legal holiday).
- Franklin Pierce (1853-1857) is believed to have been the first President to put a Christmas tree in the White House.
- Christmas trees were banned by President Teddy Roosevelt in the White House in 1901 because the President was concerned about the environmental effects, but his sons decorated a small tree cut on the White House grounds and hid it in a closet until Christmas morning.
- 1915 – Hallmark introduced their first Christmas cards.
- Boston, Massachusetts receives a tree from Nova Scotia, Canada because of the support given to the city of Halifax in 1917 when they experienced an explosion and fire disaster.
- The people of London receive a tree for Trafalgar Square from the people of Oslo, Norway every year to thank them for their assistance during World War II.
- During World War II, the Bicycle playing card company made decks of cards and gave them to the prisoners of war in Germany with hidden escape routes revealed when the cards were soaked in water as Christmas presents.
- 1962 – the United States issued the first Christmas postage stamp.

Christmas Tree Facts:

It is believed Germany began the tradition of the Christmas tree. Additionally, tinsel, which was once made of actual silver, is traced to 1610 in Germany.

Christmas trees are grown in all 50 states including Hawaii and Alaska, but California, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Michigan, North Carolina, Washington, and Wisconsin are

the top Christmas tree producing states in the U.S.

Christmas trees have been sold in the United States since 1850.

Every year, Europeans decorate about 50 million live Christmas trees and the United States about 35 million.

It takes on average 6-8 years for a Christmas tree to be fully grown, but it can take as long as fifteen years.

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil has the largest floating Christmas tree in the world; it is 278 feet tall.

The tallest living Christmas tree in America is the 161-foot tree in Coeur d’Alene, Idaho. The star placed at the top is ten feet tall!

Christmas Food and Drink Facts:

A “grog” is any drink made with rum; hence the name for the egg, cream, nutmeg, and rum drink “eggnog” which originated in 1607 in Jamestown, Virginia.

Each year, approximately ten million Christmas turkeys are eaten in the U.K. and 22 million in the United States.

Today, wassail is hot apple cider with honey and spices, but the drink came from the Middle Ages, when it was originally made with wine, ale, or hard cider topped with stale bread or beaten eggs. Neighbors would visit on Christmas Eve and drink to each other’s health (ves heill meant “in good health” in Old Norse).

One can eat more than 7,000 calories at Christmas when you add up the turkey, dressing, mashed and sweet potatoes, other sides, pie, rolls, and drinks.

Ever wonder about the string on a box of animal crackers? Introduced around Christmas in 1902, the string was intended to be used to hang the cracker boxes on your Christmas tree.

A “sugar plum” featured in Christmas poems and songs was a type of candy with dried fruit, usually a plum, and spices rolled into a ball and coated with chocolate or hard sugar candy.

Fruitcakes last a long time intentionally. They were originally baked at the end of harvest and some of the cake was saved to be eaten at the beginning of the harvest the following year as people thought that would bring a good crop. It is the sugar and alcohol combination that helps them last so long.

Christmas Facts About Santa and His Reindeer:

Our image of Santa Claus has some interesting origins. Early pictures of St. Nico-

las show him with a stern expression. Santa Claus originally appeared in a newspaper ad. Washington Irving is credited with creating Santa’s flying sleigh in 1819 and cartoonist Thomas Nast began illustrating our current image of Santa in Harper’s Weekly in 1863.

Historically, St. Nicholas lived in the province of Lycia in the 4th century A.D. The Dutch name for St. Nicholas was Sinterklaas, phonetically changed to “Santa Claus” in the English-speaking world. Other names for this holiday figure include Le Befana in Italy, Dueshka Moroz (“Father Frost”) in Russia, Kris Kringle in Germany, and Pere Noel in French.

Rudolph the Reindeer was created by the U.S. department store Montgomery Ward to get children to buy Christmas coloring books, however, his nose was not red as they did not want him to appear as a chronic alcoholic.

Clement Moore’s poem “Twas the Night Before Christmas” introduced Santa’s eight reindeer named Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, and Cupid, plus Duner and Blixem (German words for thunder and lightning which later evolved into Donner and Blitzen). Although most of the names sound male, they were probably female, as male reindeer shed antlers in winter.

Leaving food for Santa originated with Norse children, who left food out for Odin’s eight-legged horse Sleipnir. Dutch children left food in their wooden shoes for St. Nicholas’ horse, although historically there is no mention of St. Nick having a horse. Now, American children leave cookies and milk for Santa. Other children around the world leave hay, carrots, and water for Santa’s reindeer.

Facts About Christmas Songs, Books, and Movies:

“Jingle Bells,” originally called “One Horse Open Sleigh,” was composed in Massachusetts by James Pierpont as a Thanksgiving song and was the first song sung on December 15, 1965 by astronauts Tom Stafford and Wally Schirra while they were in space.

All of the items in the song “The Twelve Days of Christmas” total 354 gifts.

Brenda Lee was only thirteen years old when she recorded “Rockin’ Around the Christmas Tree” in 1958.

Charles Dickens’s A Christmas Carol was written in six weeks. On the internet, IMDB lists 202 various A Christmas Carol

Interesting facts about Christmas

film adaptations, including films with non-traditional stories.

In Dublin in 1742 the Christmas oratorio, *The Messiah*, by George Frederick Handel was first performed.

Paul McCartney's "A Wonderful Christmas Time" is in the animated "Rudolph the Red-nosed Reindeer."

Stanley Weintraub wrote about a famous Christmas truce in 1914 during World War I when the Germans and British exchanged gifts and played football in his book *Silent Night: The Story of the World War I Christmas Truce*.

The song "We Wish You a Merry Christmas" originally was sung by servants to demand alcoholic drinks from their masters. "We won't go until we get some, so bring some out here."

Bing Crosby's "White Christmas" is the best-selling Christmas song with more than more than 50 million copies sold around the world.

Religious Christmas Facts:

Many people abbreviate Christmas "Xmas," which is actually based upon X being the first letter of Jesus Christ's name in Greek.

First recorded in 1038, old English provided the word Christmas from *Cristes mæsse*, which means "Christ Mass."

A Christmas wreath with holly represents the blood Jesus shed (the red berries) and the crown of thorns.

The Bible indicates a plurality of wise men, but it is tradition that says there were three, probably as a result of three gifts being given – gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

The three traditional colors used for most Christmas decorations have religious significance. Red is for the blood of Jesus Christ, green symbolizes His resurrection, and gold His status as the King of kings.

Christmas is not a Biblical holy day as it is not mentioned

in the Bible. In fact, many of the symbols and customs we associate with Christmas began with winter solstice rituals and pagan festivals.

The account of Jesus birth, life, death, and resurrection – what is often referred to as "The Christmas Story" appears in the New Testament Gospels of Matthew and Mark.

The Latin word *natalis*, which means "day of birth," is the origin of the word *Noel*.

Fun Facts About Christmas:

About \$1,000 is spent on Christmas gifts each year by the average American family.

In 1836 Alabama was the first U.S. state to set Christmas as a legal holiday and in 1907 Oklahoma was the last.

Children who write letters to Santa Claus in the United States have their letters delivered to Santa Claus, Indiana.

It is believed that Sir Henry Cole of London, England sold the first Christmas cards in 1843. Only one thousand cards were sold.

Over three billion Christmas cards are sold in the U.K. and the U.S. each year.

Many people think Black Friday is the busiest shopping day of the year in the United States. However, the busiest shopping days of the year are the Friday and Saturday before Christmas.

Queen Victoria's husband, Prince Albert, was German and



STELLA and Santa.

is credited with establishing the popularity of the Christmas tree in England in the mid-nineteenth century.

The Rubik Cube, the largest selling Christmas toy in 1980, sold for \$1.99, but now sells for nearly \$10.

The origin of stockings being hung on Christmas came from the Dutch custom of leaving shoes full of food for St. Nicolas' donkey which would then be filled with small gifts by St. Nicholas.

The United States Post Of-

fice anticipated delivering more than 15 billion pieces of holiday mail, including more than 850 million packages.

The Christkindlesmarkt in Nuremberg, Germany, first held in 1570, is one of Europe's oldest Christmas markets and claims to be the largest in Europe. It sells *gluhwein* (spiced, mulled wine), sweets, sausages, and Christmas decorations and ornaments.

Twenty-eight sets of LEGOS are sold every second during the Christmas season.

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Interesting facts about Christmas

During the Christmas season each year more than 1.76 billion candy canes are made.

Retailers anticipated people in the U.S. would spend a total of \$465 billion which would create 4.6 million jobs if the money was spent entirely on U.S. made products.

While shopping during the Christmas season, shoppers use their Visa cards more than six thousand times every minute.

If you are really into recycling, you can eat your Christmas tree. The needles provide vitamin C. You can also eat pine nuts, if your tree comes with pinecones! Some Christmas trees become food for zoo animals.

Santa's elves can be traced back to the "nature folk" of pagan religions.

Mistletoe was an ancient symbol of virility, so someone stood under it if they were available to the opposite sex.

Ukrainian Christmas tree decorations often include an artificial spider and web because they believe a spider web found on Christmas

morning brings good luck.

Letters to Santa Claus from the millions of kids all over the world go to a Canadian Post Office if the zip code is HOH OHO ("Ho, Ho, Ho").

People used to tell scary ghost stories on Christmas Eve a century ago.

In the 1800s, artificial Christmas trees were made from dyed goose feathers or the stuff hula skirts were made from – green raffia.

The Addis Brush Company made pine-like "branches" using the machines created to make toilet brushes. Used for artificial trees, they could hold heavy decorations and were not flammable.

Newspaper publishers hate publishing phone numbers as the potential for a mistake is high. In 1955, Sears tried to put the number of one of their stores where children could call Santa Claus and tell him what they wanted for Christmas in the newspaper. However, the number printed was for the NORAD (North

American Aerospace Defense Command) hotline. Thus, "Santa Tracker" began. NORAD still provides flight updates on the internet, TV news, and a special iPhone app each Christmas.

December 25 to January 5, referred to as "Christmastide" or "Twelve Holy Days," is the derivation of the song "The Twelve Days of Christmas."

Denny's restaurants in the United States originally stayed open all day and night, so their buildings were built without locks. In 1988, they decided to close on Christmas Day, but they could not lock the doors!

The Internet lists nearly fifty funny Christmas songs, including "Chipmunks Roasting on an Open Fire," "Christmas Don't Be Late" (the Chipmunk Song), and "Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer."

Nearly six million dollars are spent during the holiday season on ugly Christmas sweaters.

Need to keep the kids busy?





THINK TANK

HOW GOOD IS YOUR CHRISTMAS KNOWLEDGE?

1. After leaving Bethlehem, to which country did Joseph, Mary, and Jesus travel?
2. Christmas is celebrated on the 25th of December. Who is the patron saint remembered on the 26th of December?
3. Every elf has this ornament on the tip of their shoes. Which ornament are we talking about?
4. Everyone is familiar with the mistletoe tradition. What is the color of the berries of the plant?
5. How does Santa Claus go back up the chimney to continue his journey of delivering gifts?
6. How many points does a snowflake traditionally have?
7. Name the eight original Reindeer.
8. One of the most famous Cola companies in the world used to have advertisements featuring a happy, smiling Santa Claus. Name the company.
9. Red and green are the two colors most associated with Christmas. Which are the two other colors, according to Christmas holiday trivia, that are also extremely popular in this season?
10. Traditionally, kids leave out snacks for Santa Claus. What are these snacks?
11. Traditions of Christmas around the world will tell you that Santa Claus is known by many names. What is the French name for Santa Claus?
12. Two of the reindeers are named after weather phenomenon. Name the reindeer.
13. What are the gifts that the Three Wise Men gave baby Jesus, according to Christmas history?
14. What is the name of Ebenezer Scrooge's partner, from the play, A Christmas Carol?
15. What two phrases will you almost always find on Christmas gift tags?
16. When does the Russian Orthodox Church celebrate Christmas?
17. Which country can be credited with the creation of the Christmas beverage, eggnog?
18. Which country does St. Nicholas originally belong to?
19. Which country gifts the Christmas tree that is placed at the Trafalgar Square in London, according to Christmas tradition?
20. Which is the most popular ornament used to place at the top of the Christmas tree?
21. Which was the first state in the United States to recognize Christmas as an official holiday?
22. Which was the last state in the United States that declared Christmas a legal holiday?
23. Who was the star of the Christmas movie Jingle All the Way?
24. Who tries to stop Christmas from coming by stealing all things of Christmas from "the Who's"?
25. Who was the star of the movie titled White Christmas?
26. What is the first name of Scrooge, the principal character of the novel A Christmas Carol?
27. Who was the author of A Christmas Carol?
28. How many ghosts are there in A Christmas Carol?
29. What was the name of the animated Christmas movie featuring Tom Hanks?
30. Which milk based beverage is available around Christmas holidays and comes in both alcoholic and non-alcoholic versions?
31. Stollen is the traditional fruit cake of which country?
32. What name is given to small sausages wrapped in bacon, a staple at a British Christmas dinner?
33. The red and white costume of Father Christmas was allegedly first introduced by which drinks manufacturer?
34. In which direction should you stir mincemeat for good luck—clockwise or anti-clockwise?
35. What would you stick into an onion when following a traditional bread sauce recipe?
36. A swede is a cross between which two vegetables?
37. What is a female turkey called?
38. What is the name of the skin that hangs from a turkey's neck?
39. Which spirit is traditionally added to butter and served with Christmas pudding?
40. True or false: Before turkey, the traditional English Christmas dinner included a pig's head smothered in mustard.
41. Visions of which sweet foodstuff danced in children's heads as they slept according to Clement Clarke Moore's poem 'Twas the Night before Christmas?"
42. In Oaxaca City, Mexico, Noche de rábanos is celebrated every December 23rd. Which food gives this festival its name?
43. Approximately how many turkeys were purchased at Christmas in 2013 in the UK—1 million, 10 million or 20 million?
44. What is a 'Bûche de Noel", commonly eaten in France at Christmas?
45. What would you be drinking if you had 'Gluhwein'?
46. Which type of sweet bread loaf, which originated in Milan, is traditionally eaten at Christmas in Italy and many other European countries?
47. Which Christmas food is it considered good luck to eat one of on each of the 12 days of Christmas?
48. As the clock chimes midnight to ring in the New Year, a Spanish tradition involves eating twelve of what—one for each chime?
49. Which type of tree was the partridge sitting in according to a well-known Christmas song?
50. What are two other names for Santa Claus?

Answers: 1. Egypt; 2. Stephen; 3. Bells; 4. White; 5. He places his finger on the side of his nose, gives a smile and a nod.; 6. Six; 7. Blitzten, Comet, Cupid, Dasher, Prancer, Vixen, Dancer, and Donner; 8. Coca Cola; 9. Gold and Silver; 10. Cookies and milk; 11. Pere Noel; 12. Donner, which means thunder in German, and Blitzten, which means lightning; 13. Gold, Myrrh, and Frankincense; 14. Jacob Marley; 15. To and From; 16. January 7th; 17. England; 18. Turkey; 19. Norway; 20. Angel; 21. Alabama; 22. Oklahoma; 23. Arnold Schwarzenegger; 24. The Grinch; 25. Bing Crosby; 26. Ebenezer; 27. Charles Dickens; 28. Four; 29. The Polar Express; 30. Eggnog; 31. Germany; 32. Pigs in blankets; 33. Coca-Cola; 34. Clockwise; 35. Cloves; 36. A cabbage and a turnip; 37. A Hen; 38. Wattle; 39. Brandy; 40. True; 41. Sugar-plums; 42. Radish; Noche de Rábanos is night of the Radishes when Mexican craftsmen create carvings from root vegetables; 43. 10 million; 44. Yule log (cake/chocolate log or similar acceptable); 45. Mulled wine; 46. Panettone (a type of sweet bread); 47. Mince Pies; 48. Grapes; 49. Pears; 50. Saint Nick and Kris Kringle



Farming MARKET UPDATE

28th November 2018

Katanning Trade Sale Market Report



Total Yarding: 20,629

Elders Yarding: 7,174

C/kg based on Top Price Bare Shorn	
Lamb	\$6.50
Mutton	\$4.30
Boner Mutton	\$4.40
Wethers	\$90 - \$110
Air Freight	\$6.60

Market Tone

Heavy Mutton	Barely Equal
Trade Mutton	Equal
Boner Mutton	\$2 - \$3 Up
Wethers Export	Equal
Wethers Store	Equal
XB Lambs Heavy *O/S	Equal
XB Trade Lambs *O/S	\$2 - \$3 Up
XB Light Trade *O/S	\$2 - \$3 Up
XB Store Lambs *O/S	\$6 - \$8 Down
Merino W/Lamb Trade	Equal
Merino W/Lamb Store	Equal
Merino E/Lamb Trade	Equal
Merino E/Lamb Store	Equal
Ewe Hoggets	Equal
Rams Export	Equal
Rams Killing	Equal
Suckers Heavy	N/Q
Suckers Medium	N/Q
Suckers Light	N/Q

Mutton

	(Bare Shorn)	
Over Fat	N/Q	
Heavy Trade	\$100 - \$120	25kg
Prime Trade	\$90 - \$100	21-25kg
Prime Boning	\$85 - \$95	18-21kg
Lightweight	\$40 - \$85	16-18kg
Boners	N/Q	Under 16kg

Wethers

Trade	\$90 - \$100
Store	\$50 - \$90

Wethers Hoggets

Trade	\$90 - \$110
Store	\$50 - \$90

XB Lambs O/S

Heavy	\$140 - \$161.5	22kg +
Medium	\$110 - \$140	18-22kg
Light Trade	\$80 - \$115	15-18kg
Stores	\$30 - \$80	Under 15kg
Suckers Heavy	N/Q	22kg
Suckers Medium	N/Q	18-22kg
Suckers Light	N/Q	15-18kg
Suckers Store	N/Q	Under 15kg

Ram Lambs

Export	N/Q
Store	\$30 - \$70

Ram Hoggets

Export	N/Q
Store	\$30 - \$70

Ewe Hoggets (Wht Tag)

Trade	\$70 - \$110
Store	\$40 - \$70

Merino Ewe Lambs (Onge Tag)

Export	\$70 - \$100
Store	\$30 - \$70

Merino Wether Lambs (Onge Tag)

Export	\$70 - \$100
Store	\$30 - \$70

Rams

Export	N/Q
Store	\$30 - \$70
Killing	\$10 - \$30

Market Comments:

Numbers were down by approximately 5,000 head.

*O/S = Old Season



Farming MARKET UPDATE

5th December 2018

Katanning Trade Sale Market Report



Total Yarding: 28,371

Elders Yarding: 8,715

C/kg based on Top Price Bare Shorn	
Lamb	\$6.60
Mutton	\$4.50
Boner Mutton	\$4.60
Wethers	\$90 - \$110
Air Freight	\$6.70

Market Tone

Heavy Mutton	\$2 - \$4 Up
Trade Mutton	\$2 - \$4 Up
Boner Mutton	\$2 - \$4 Up
Wethers Export	\$2 - \$4 Up
Wethers Store	\$2 - \$4 Up
XB Lambs Heavy *O/S	Fully Firm
XB Trade Lambs *O/S	Fully Firm
XB Light Trade *O/S	\$2 - \$4 Up
XB Store Lambs *O/S	\$2 - \$4 Up
Merino W/Lamb Trade	Equal
Merino W/Lamb Store	Equal
Merino E/Lamb Trade	Equal
Merino E/Lamb Store	Equal
Ewe Hoggets	\$2 - \$4 Up
Rams Export	Equal
Rams Killing	Equal
Suckers Heavy	N/Q
Suckers Medium	N/Q
Suckers Light	N/Q

Mutton

	(Bare Shorn)	
Over Fat	N/Q	
Heavy Trade	\$110 - \$128	25kg
Prime Trade	\$95 - \$110	21-25kg
Prime Boning	\$85 - \$95	18-21kg
Lightweight	\$55 - \$85	16-18kg
Boners	N/Q	Under 16kg

Wethers

Trade	\$90 - \$110
Store	\$50 - \$90

Wethers Hoggets

Trade	\$90 - \$110
Store	\$50 - \$90

XB Lambs O/S

Heavy	\$140 - \$158	22kg +
Medium	\$120 - \$140	18-22kg
Light Trade	\$85 - \$120	15-18kg
Stores	\$40 - \$85	Under 15kg
Suckers Heavy	N/Q	22kg
Suckers Medium	N/Q	18-22kg
Suckers Light	N/Q	15-18kg
Suckers Store	N/Q	Under 15kg

Ram Lambs

Export	N/Q
Store	\$30 - \$80

Ram Hoggets

Export	N/Q
Store	\$30 - \$80

Ewe Hoggets (Wht Tag)

Trade	\$70 - \$120
Store	\$30 - \$70

Merino Ewe Lambs (Onge Tag)

Export	\$70 - \$100
Store	\$30 - \$70

Merino Wether Lambs (Onge Tag)

Export	\$70 - \$100
Store	\$30 - \$70

Rams

Export	N/Q
Store	\$30 - \$80
Killing	N/Q

Market Comments:

Numbers up by 8000 head, market strong on all types of sheep.

*O/S = Old Season

SPORT



Davo's Knockout Singles popular

■ HOPETOUN BOWLS

ON the weekend of November 24-25th Davo's Knockout Singles were played with 27 players on Saturday and 23 on Sunday.

The players were divided into threes with two playing and one marking, eight ends, the winner of the three then moved into the next block of winners playing Saturday pm and Sunday am. The overall winner was Bub McGlenn followed by Alec Woods, Ron Davis, Des Barr, Denise Edwards and Darryl Quinn with other bowlers also getting a prize for winning a game.

Social bowls were played in the afternoon it ended with a fish and chip tea provided by Davo with salads provided by members—a great weekend thanks to Ron and Lorraine.

Ladies Bowls on the 28th with 9 Ladies playing pairs and Triples. Winners of the Scratchies were Trix Boyd, Eva Flanagan

and Jeanette Sounis.

Mixed Scroungers with 13 playing, the winner of the chook was Mary Kornaus.

Players have been travelling with a team of Ladies playing at Middleton Beach Albany and two teams of men played in the Professionals Day at Esperance. The team of John and Lance Goddard, Rod Edwards and Des Barr winning the day with three wins.

The ILRR was played at Mt Barker with our team of SECLBL Pairs team of Ladies running second.

Out of this round robin 12 players are selected to go on to play in the Inter Zone Round Robin to be played at Beverley with two of our players being chosen—Coral Grant and Margaret Hawkins, congratulations girls.

Sunday December 2nd with Social bowls played with 12 players playing Pairs.

Wednesday December 5th Ladies Bowls with 11 Ladies playing pairs and Triples.

Mixed Scroungers with 22 players the

winners of the chooks were John Goddard and Rusty Lee.

On behalf of the Committee I wish all our members a happy and safe Christmas and New Year—Happy Bowling.

—Pam Cousins, Ladies President

Forthcoming Events:

- Every Wednesday Ladies Bowls 8.45am; Mixed Scroungers 1pm
- Friday's Roll up at 4 pm
- December 15/16 Men's and Ladies Triples Championships
- December 16th Christmas Party
- December 23rd Social Bowls
- December 30th Mixed Triples K Coventry and D Panizza WFI day
- January 6th and 13th Social Bowls
- January 11/13th Men's ILRR Esperance
- January 19th Ravensthorpe OD Transport Day
- January 20th Port Hotel Day
- January 24-25th Ladies Classic
- January 26th Cancer Day with Hopey Tyre Services
- February 3rd Men's IZRR and Condingup Open
- February 5th Ladies Pennants Hopetoun v Esperance Blue

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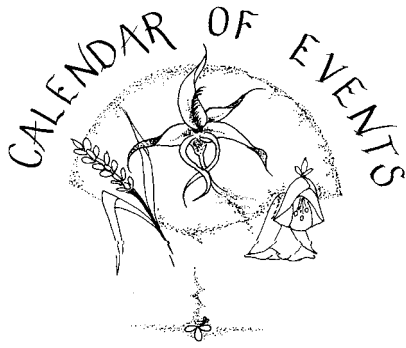


FREE NGALA WORKSHOPS via Video Conference at HOPETOUN CRC

<p>SLEEP 0-6 MONTHS Thursday 13th December 2pm</p> <p>Discussing the art and science of sleep for babies 0 - 6 months</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awake times • Tired signs • Sleep associations • Practical ideas and strategies 	<p>BABY, TODDLER & PRE-SCHOOLER QUESTION & ANSWER WORKSHOP Tuesday 18th December 2pm</p> <p>Send us your parenting questions or ask them in person in this open Question and Answer workshop</p>
<p>SLEEP 6 MONTHS - 1 YEAR Thursday 20th December 2pm</p> <p>Discussing the art and science of sleep for babies 6 months - 1 year</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Awake times • Tired signs • Sleep associations • Practical ideas and strategies 	<p>SOLIDS & MEALTIMES Thursday 3rd January 2pm</p> <p>Discussing moving onto solids and managing mealtimes for children aged 6 - 18 months</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When and how to start solids • Mealtimes • Allergies • Fussy eating



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UPCOMING EVENTS

December

- 13 Last day of School
- 13 Free Ngala Workshop—Sleep 0-6 months, 2-3pm, Hopetoun CRC
- 15 HPA Christmas Lights Competition entries close
- 16 HPA Christmas Lights Competition judging
- 18 HPA Christmas Lights Competition presentation, 10am Hopetoun Community Centre
- 18 Free Ngala Workshop—Baby, Toddler & Pre-schooler question & answer workshop, 2-3pm, Hopetoun CRC
- 18 Special Thai Christmas Cooking Class, 6-9pm, Hopetoun CRC
- 20 Free Ngala Workshop—Sleep 6 months - 1 year, 2-3pm, Hopetoun CRC
- 25 Christmas Day
- 26 Boxing Day

January

- 1 New Year's Day
- 3 Free Nigala Workshop—Solids & Mealtimes, Hopetoun CRC
- 4 Club Merlot
- 8 Southerners General Meeting, 7pm, Hopetoun Sports Pavilion
- 11 Windspray Arts Exhibition Opening, 6-8pm, Hopetoun Community Centre
- 12 HPA Summer Festival Day, McCulloch Park, Hopetoun
- 14 Snake Handling Course, 9am-5pm, Hopetoun CRC
- 25 Australia Day

February

- 1 Club Merlot
- 7 Community Spirit Deadline
- 12 Southerners General Meeting, 7pm, Hopetoun Sports Pavilion
- 15 Just the Girls, 7-11.30pm, Ravensthorpe Community Centre
- 23 Hopetoun Colour Run

For contributions to the Calendar of Events
email the details to contributions@cospirit.net

REGULAR EVENTS

HOPETOON

BOOTS COOTING Fridays 1.30 til 3.30 at Mary Ann Haven, Veal Street Hopetoun please Phone Rosa 0428 383 034 or Trix 9838 3378.

BOWLS Wednesday Ladies 9-30 am ,Mixed Scroungers 1pm, Thursday 9-30 am Coaching with Coral. Friday 4pm Roll up and fun. Sunday 1pm Social Bowls. Everybody welcome.

CRAFT Mondays from 1pm at Mary Ann Haven, all welcome.

CRC, Library and Visitor Centre Open Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm. Saturdays 10am to 1pm (Visitor Centre only). Committee Meetings bi-monthly, ask at CRC.

CWA 2nd Monday 1.30pm at Centre

CWA SHOP Saturdays 8.30 to 11.30. Library, secondhand goods, fresh vegetables, fruit, eggs, cakes and pies, honey, jams, and relishes, Asian food.

FIRE BRIGADE TRAINING Last Sunday of every month at Emergency Services Building, Veal St.

GOLF Saturday Ladies and Men's Golf 18 holes - Winter season names in by 11.30 Tee Off 12 noon, - Summer Season names in by 12 noon Tee Off 12.30. Thursday Scroungers Ladies and Men's Golf 9 or 12 holes depending on the weather, names in by 1.15 Tee Off 1.30. Visitors and Learners are always welcome.

HACC HEALTH SERVICE Day Centre Program, Tuesdays, alternating weekly between Hopetoun and Ravensthorpe. Contact HACC for details.

HOPETOON LOCAL MARKETS first Sunday of each month except June, July and August when the markets go into recess for the winter. Ray White Real Estate outside area at 9am to 1pm. January markets will also be the first Sunday of the month. Please contact Robyn Cockram 0429925569 or cockram36@gmail.com for more details

HOPETOON PROGRESS ASSOCIATION Tuesday - Friday 9am till 2pm. . Phone/fax 9838 3363. Monthly meeting last Tuesday of the month 7.30.

MACHINING GROUP Thursdays phone Wilma 9838 3098 or Mary 9838 3243.

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MEN'S STAY ON YOUR FEET Tuesday and Thursday, 9-10am at Men's Shed, Tamar St.

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POOL COMPETITION Wednesday 7pm Wavecrest Bar and Bistro.

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