

Shire of Victoria Plains

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 2018



Seeding Season in the Vic Plains

Shire News

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Vic Plains...

SHIRE RECEPTION

CALL 9628 7004

From the CEO's desk...

Farms are looking good with widespread rain over the past week providing a valuable boost to farmers across most of the Wheatbelt. There are very important issues that Council is addressing to improve quality of life for all members of our community. Financial sustainability is a key issue, having a small population we have a relatively small capacity to raise rates in comparison with the amount of money needed to keep our communities functioning.

Budget Workshop

The workshop is where Council can focus our financial resources into wish lists, roads that will make the greatest difference to our community. We anticipate that we will be in a position to have a review budget workshop by 30 July. The budget will be formally adopted at the Council Meeting on the 13th August 2018.

Road Inspection

On Thursday 5 July Councilors and Staff conducted a road inspection of the road network throughout the Shire. This will assist with the programming of works as part of the 2018/19 Budget deliberations that commence in June.

Dog Registrations

The Shire has had a number of dogs roaming around and ending up in the pound, this can be a costly exercise if they are not registered. Dog Registrations are due for renewal by the 1st November. Please ensure that your beloved family pets or hard working farm dogs are registered with the Shire. Dogs are required to be registered with the local authority, and it certainly makes it easier to return lost dogs if they happen to go missing, run away or simply escape.

If you are on Facebook

The Shire has only one Facebook page, the purpose for this is to get information out to the community and increase our exposure to all within the Shire and beyond. The page will also be used in the event of an emergency or severe fire to keep people informed on what is going on. 'LIKE' the Shire's facebook page and that will also keep you up to date with what is happening in and around Victoria Plains. If you have any other ideas of how we could communicate better with our community, let us know we would love to hear your ideas.

This page is the only official Face Book page of the Shire of Victoria Plains. Any other page which implies official standing with the Shire of Victoria Plains is unauthorised, and is not associated with the Shire.

NEWS FROM THE CHAMBERS

Recreation Facilities Update

The Shire's Insurer inspected the Calingiri gym recently, following this a few compliance improvements were noted. To meet these compliance requirements, changes to the gym floor layout, and equipment upgrades have been proposed pending the relevant approval processes. Components of the Gym upgrade are starting to come together. We appreciate the gym user's patience whilst these works are being undertaken.

Community Engagement

It's amazing to see how proactive Council is in terms of our work with wonderful community organisations to raise awareness about issues that can affect the whole community. From our commitment and our work with community safety, health and well-being plans, just to name a few, we cannot make a difference by ourselves however with amazing partnerships with community members and groups we can.

I really want to encourage everyone in our community to continue to engage with us and be a part of the future direction of our organisation and the wider area. We live in an amazing part of the world with fantastic opportunities for development and growth. With positivity, joint goals and mutual respect we can make the Shire of Victoria Plains even greater.

Glenda Teede

Chief Executive Officer



~ CHANGE OF MEETING DATE ~

COUNCIL MEETING – AUGUST 2018

In accordance with the Local Government Act 1995 Acts. 5.25(1)(g) and Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996 r. 12(2) it is hereby advised for public information that the meeting scheduled for Wednesday 15 August 2018 will be moved forward 2 days and will be held on Monday 13 August 2018 commencing at 2.00pm. This meeting will be held at the Council Chambers, Calingiri

Glenda Teede

Chief Executive Officer

Shire of Victoria Plains

Cavell Street CALINGIRI WA 6569

PAYMENT INFORMATION

The Shire Office would like to make all Community Residents aware there is a fee on all future Credit Card Payments



(Not Debit Cards) at the rate of 1.47% on all future Transactions.

Shire of Victoria Plains

Ordinary Council Meeting

Will be held @ the Council Chambers on Monday

13th August 2018
Commencing @ 2pm



Ranger Services

From the Ranger Responsible Cat ownership

To be a responsible cat owner you should ensure your cat is;

- ☐ Micro chipped
- ☐ Sterilized
- ☐ Registered with your local Council.

For all Ranger services in the Shire of Victoria Plains—Please call

Shayne Willcocks

9628 7232 or

A/H 0428 149 174



Calingiri Tip Hours

Wed 9.00am—11.30am

Sat 12.30pm—4.00pm

Sun 9.00am—3.00pm

Bolgart Tip Hours

Wed 12.30pm—4.00pm

Sat 9.00am—11.30am

Sun 9.00am—11.30am

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VP'S LIBRARIES

Bolgart - Calingiri - Mogumber
Inquiries:
csolibrary@victoriaplains.wa.gov.au

BOLGART Opening Days/Times
Monday & Wednesday 10am - 12pm
Friday 3pm - 5pm

CALINGIRI Opening Days/Times
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday—9am - 12pm
Wednesday 2pm—4pm
Fridays - Closed

MOGUMBER Opening Days/Times
Monday 8:30am - 10:30am
Friday 9am - 11am

HAVE YOUR SAY.

VP's SHIRE DISABILITY ACCESS INCLUSION PLAN

Please fill in the form below to let us know any feedback you have, suggestions, ideas on improving our disability access within the Shire.

DISABILITY INCLUSION FEEDBACK FORM

SUGGESTIONS/IDEAS:

IMPROVEMENTS REQUIRED:

URGENT ISSUES:

NAME, EMAIL & PHONE# (OPTIONAL):

Drop this form off to the EHO/CDO @ the Shire Office in Calingiri or POST to PO box 21 CALINGIRI WA 6569



Community Development *with Carmody Glass*

The month of July has been a busy month in Community Development for the Shire, with a grant application being submitted to obtain funds for a 'digital literacy engagement' for people over 50 years old. This grant is through the **Good Things Foundation** and the program has so many resources available that our Shire should be able to deliver it as a 'Be Connected' partner with ease. The grant is called the '**Be Connected Activation**' **grant**, we will require 15 people over the age of 50 to sign up to the program and participate in some **tech savvy workshops** to improve their digital literacy. Feedback from local residents we've received in the past 12 months many of our middle aged to senior residents find it difficult at times to understand how to use new devices and computer programs so we decided this was a great opportunity to combat this problem that many of our locals are having. We welcome more than 15 people to participate so please sign up for this if we are successful to undertake the project. The workshops will be FREE.

The **Well-Being Matters project** is underway. We welcome anyone of any age and ability to attend the **Tai Chi and Line Dancing** we have on at present. The classes are held on Tuesdays and Thursdays in Yerecoin and Bolgart. It's purpose is all about increasing the general well-being of people living and working in our Shire. Children are welcome to participate in these classes.

If you have any young children from the age of 2—6 years that may not participate or be a bit disruptive for the classes please let our CDO Carmody Glass know before the day of the classes and she will stay around to offer a crèche for FREE so these children can be cared for (she has experience and a WWC check to do this) so you can focus on the exercises and dancing and not have to worry about missing out. **If anyone wants to volunteer to help with a crèche please let the Shire know as this would be very much appreciated and the Shire is willing to pay for WWC checks.**

The aim of this project is to have the Seniors that attend interacting more with other age groups as normally there is limited opportunity for this. This project focuses on bringing the Seniors together with our future adults 'children' that go to the local schools. All ages are welcome and will be a great social and physical activity for everyone.

Also, there is **FREE FOOD & DRINKS** at the Tai Chi and Line Dancing for all to enjoy. So come along and have a cuppa, juice, biscuits and people are welcome to join in by just watching and socialising if they are not sure about it or just want to attend as a social activity.

The **Kids Gym** is up and running again in Calingiri, we have set up the play equipment in the hall and have a heap of activities, stereo, games for all children to play with. **We're seeking volunteers for this** and now have waivers/insurance forms to be signed before you use this facility. Use of the kids gym area is only a **gold coin donation** which all money donated will go back into improving or replacing the kids gym equipment and any generous larger donations will go towards the Shire organising some school holiday events or activities for local children.

The **Suicide Prevention Campaign** is also underway, if you would like to attend please let us know at the Shire. The program dates are as follows;

Tuesday 11th September – Rural Minds Workshop @ Bolgart Farm.

This will be a workshop about **mental health awareness and a social 'Billy Tea & Damper'** round a fire morning/afternoon tea theme to encourage farmer's to come along and be open about mental health. Farmer's have the highest rate of suicide in regional areas.

2 week Break

Wednesday 26th & Thursday 27th September - ASIST training @ Bolgart Sports Club/Hall

Tuesday 9th & Wednesday 10th October – ASIST training @ Calingiri Sports Club/Hall

Other grants available to our community are as follows, if you would like us to apply for these on your behalf or with you please let us know ASAP as some do have closing dates.

- **Women's grant** (awareness of economic independence & leadership),
- **Garden grant** (to fund a local community garden project)
- **Community Engagement Arts Grant or Youth Grant** (art workshops for all ages/abilities)

All inquiries for Community Development & Grants contact our CDO

Carmody Glass

Ph. 0466 423 584 OR 08 9628 7004

Email: cdo@victoriaplains.wa.gov.au



**Community
Development**



TAI CHI

6 weeks @ YERECOIN HALL
Every Tuesday 3:25pm - 5pm

31 July
7 August
14 August
21 August
28 August
4 September

LINE DANCING

6 weeks @ YERECOIN HALL
Every Thursday 3:25pm - 5pm

2 August
9 August
16 August
23 August
30 August
6 September

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TAI CHI



**VP'S
WELL-BEING
MATTERS
PROJECT**



LINE DANCING

ALL AGES WELCOME

COST PER CLASS: \$7 OR \$5 (seniors only)
SIGN UP by email: cdo@victoriaplains.wa.gov.au
OR call by calling Shire office PH. 9628 7004



PAY UPFRONT @ Shire office before attending class



Want to Build up your towns Community Spirit?

To create an inclusive environment in which community members are involved in the development and shaping of services delivered to them requires strong leadership and dedication by people that live in our Shire. If this occurs in each town we will enable a more robust approach to engagement and participation of community activities. Would you like a community that prospers? Is sustainable?

If the answer is yes! let our Community Development & Grants Officer (CDO) 'Carmody' know your ideas, your needs for the community and she will work with you and your community to make these things happen. Being a local government we have access to grant information and the skills to assist with applications including planning out your project, program or event you wish to hold. Don't put that burning desire off to do something great! We are here for you all and will work with you or your group to apply for funding or come up with ways to do things without grants.

Our Community Development & Grants Officer details are:

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TO DO?



Are you curious about CWA?

- ❖ Looking for a way to connect to your community?
- ❖ Open to new opportunities for self-development?
- ❖ Have some time available to help others?
- ❖ Like meeting people from all walks of life?

Koorunga CWA invites interested women to join them for their branch meeting & lunch Thursday September 6th at New Norcia.



Koorunga CWA branch was originally formed for women living in the Mogumber, Wannamal, Gillingarra, Yerecoin and New Norcia district. In recent years, this has grown to include members from Gingin and Bindoon. Meetings are held each month at various locations in this area, plus we travel to other events and functions. CWA offers a vast range of activities and events for women of all age at a local level, state-wide, nationally and internationally! Members can be involved as much or as little as suits their lifestyle and other commitments.

Koorunga CWA is a vibrant group that offers friendship, fun, personal growth and supports local community needs. Come along and find out about the variety of activities and events of Koorunga CWA branch. We're not just tea & scones!

Meeting at 10.00am, Thursday September 6, 2018 in the Dining Room of New Norcia Hotel
Lunch at 12.30pm with guest speaker. A light lunch will cost \$15.00 per person.

For more information and to RSVP, please contact:

Angela 0419 043 960, angela@anspachag.com.au

Karen 0429 965 160, kvanbeek@bigpond.com



Roland Leach **poetry** PRIZE 2018

**Calling
all
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**The Roland
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is open to Year 3 to
Year 12 students in
Western Australia.

**Submissions are
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at 1pm on Friday 31
August 2018.

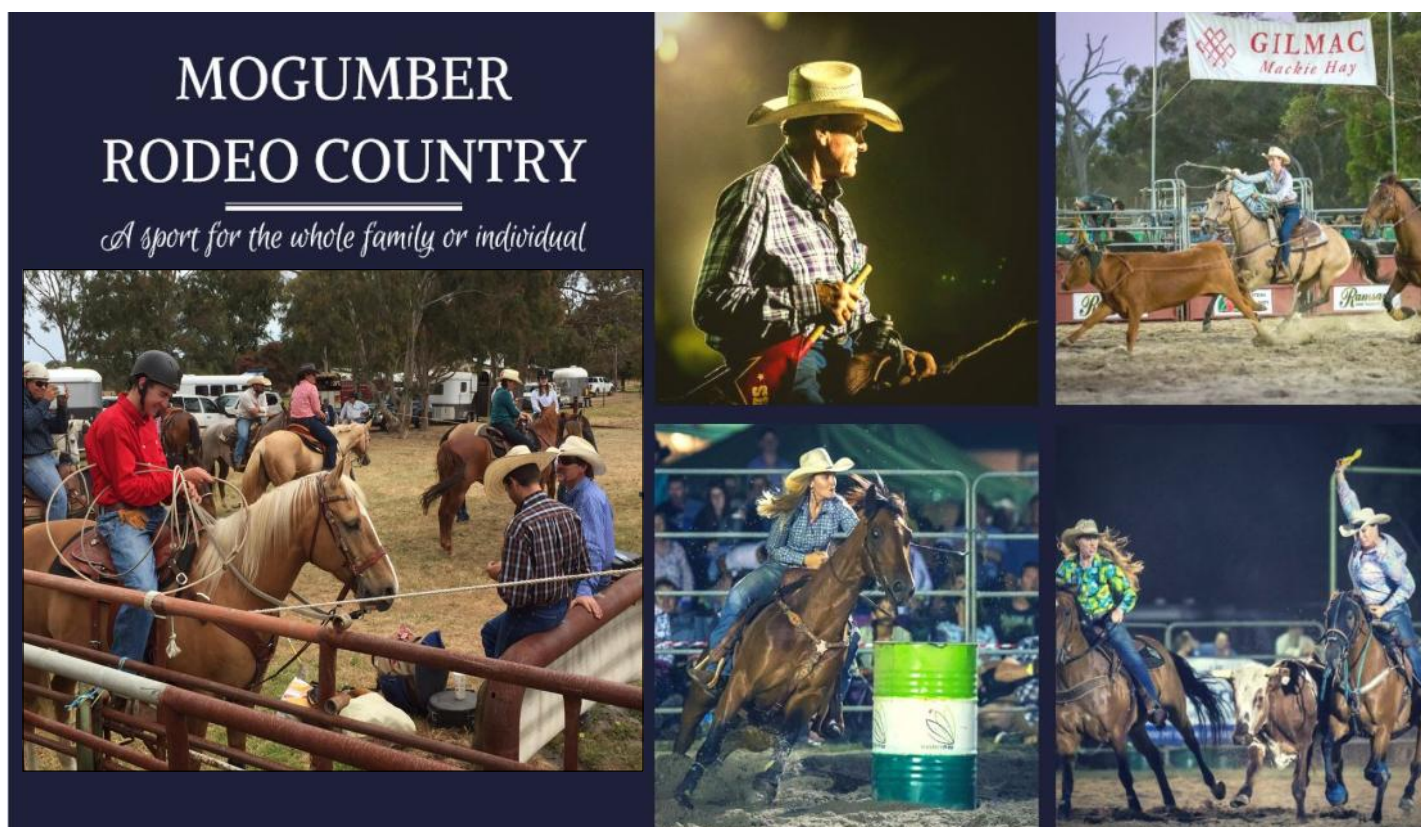
For more information and entry details,
email library@nedlands.wa.gov.au or visit
nedlands.wa.gov.au/roland-leach-poetry-prize



City of Nedlands

Nedlands Library Service

Looking for something to do locally on weekends? Try Rodeo sports!



SAVE MOORA COLLEGE Rural Students Matter

What can you do to help?

- * Help us to keep fighting by donating if possible: GO FUND ME – SAVE MOORA COLLEGE
- * Join us at the next RALLY
- * Put up banners that say SAVE MOORA COLLEGE in red. Be creative but safe and legal
Take placards and flyers to events.
- * Use social media:
Facebook **save moora college group**
Twitter **@savemoorarc**
Instagram **@savemooracollege**
Use hashtags **#SaveMooraCollege** **#pillowsforMoora** **#homeawayfromhome**
- * Call talkback radio 6PR P: 92211882 ABC P: 1300 222 720

THANKYOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT !!!

www.savemooracollege.com.au

Rural Minds Workshop

Tuesday 11th September 2pm



@ Cr. Neville Clarke's Farm @ Bolgart

Follow the direction signs from Calingiri or Bolgart
or request the address from Shire Office when registering for this FREE event.
Come and enjoy a billy tea and damper by the campfire and let's bring about
awareness of mental health issues in the Wheatbelt.

Invite a **local Farmer!** to this **FREE EVENT**



Bolgart News

BOLGART GOLF

The weekend of the 7 & 8 July, the Bolgart Men's golf hosted their 4BBB & Ludemann events. Saturday saw a field of 27 pairs play in beautiful weather on a course that was presented to its best thanks to dedicated members. This day was sponsored by Rural Property Professionals - Kevin, Merle & Darren Manuel. The winners were Clayton Smith & Don Jones from Calingiri. On Sunday 37 players enjoyed 27 holes of Par. The winner was Ron Dadd from Goomalling +8, runner-up was Phil Syred +2 and 3rd was Geoff Ludemann +2. Kindly sponsored by the Ludemann Family and McIntosh and Son. After presentations, a lovely meal was enjoyed by all. Alan & Kathy Tree from Trees Cafe hosted a French Night on Saturday 14 July. A sold out crowd enjoyed a selection of French delicacies. The next special event will be an Italian Night on Saturday 25 August. Thank you to Kathy & Alan for these wonderful nights.



Petrina King, winner of Rural Bronze.

Jenni Knowles, Deb Campbell & Pam Meston travelled to Katanning for the Rural Bronze event on the weekend 20/21/22 July. The Canadian Foursomes was played on Friday and Jenni Knowles and Deb Campbell were runners-up on a countback with 35 points. Pam Meston and Laura Ladner. Rockingham placed 7th with 32 points. On the Saturday and Sunday, a Stableford competition was played in tough weather conditions. The Rural Bronze event was won by Petrina King from Goomalling Golf Club. Pam Meston & Deb Campbell won the Teams event. Pam Meston was also included in the Country team that defeated the City team. Well done girls.

BOLGART HALL COMES TO LIFE THIS WINTER



For the next 6 weeks there will be Tai Chi on every Tuesday' 6pm—7:30pm and Line Dancing on Thursday from 6pm—7:30pm for the next 6 weeks. All ages and abilities are welcome, there is FREE food and drinks to nibble on or cuppa to get warm. What a great turn out on the 1st Tai Chi night with a dozen locals having a go. Well done!!!

It only costs \$7 for adults & children (\$5 seniors). Give us a call if you want to bring children from 2yrs—6 years and our CDO will offer a crèche so you can focus and enjoy the fun classes.

**TO BOOK & PAY UPFRONT FOR TAI CHI & LINE DANCING
CALL THE SHIRE OFFICE ON 9628 7004**

GILLINGARRA NEWS

Upcoming John Curtin Weekend : Friday 31st August, Saturday September 1st & Sunday September 2nd.

Come along and join in.

The Gillingarra Community formed a partnership with John Curtin University in 2007 to provide international and local students, the opportunity to travel into regional WA, interact with our local farming community and provide a much needed volunteer workforce for our John Curtin Weekend (JCW).

Students gain a sense of country life and JCW also provides an opportunity for our locals to work together with the students on environmental and community programs.

Over the years we have hosted between 15 and 20 students each year with an equal amount of community volunteers.

Please Contact Lana on 0427 364 167.



Gillingarra Sport & Recreation Club

President: Jenny Kelly

Deputy President: Rebecca Kelly

Executive Officer: Lana Kelly

Treasurer : Janine Varley

Housing Committee Contact Person: Rebecca Kelly

Gillingarra Sport and Rec Club Email : eogsrc@gmail.com



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August 2018

Father's Day Raffle

Don't Miss Out!!

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The Best Father's Day Raffle Ever!

Prizes to the Total of \$18,000

\$50 per Ticket – Only 400 Tickets

Drawn 1st September

1st Prize: Trailer Packed with Assorted Workshop Supplies
Valued At \$10,000

2nd Prize: Electric Welder, 6 Piece Hitachi Combo Kit, Impact Driver, Welding Helmet and Discs
Valued At \$5,800

3rd Prize: 187 Piece Tool Kit, 5 Draw Roller Cabinet & Drop Box
Valued At \$2,200

Proceeds from the raffle will assist our wonderful ambulance volunteers to continue providing a valuable service to the community including purchasing new training equipment and improved communications in the ambulances.

Tickets available from Calingiri Traders, Yerecoin Traders, New Norcia Roadhouse and Hotel or any of our volunteers – John Young, Jane Graham, Sarah Mason, Gavin Halligan, Emma Kelly, Nicole McInnes, Ben Ballantyne, Tracy Sievwright, Shayne Willcocks, Naomi Auhl, Steven Woods, Glenda Teede and Petrina King.

President: John Young
Vice President: Sarah Mason
Committee: Gavin Halligan, Jane Graham, Nicole McInnes, Emma Kelly, Glenda Teede
Secretary/Treasurer: Petrina King 96287084/0408910580
plk1967@bigpond.com
P O Box 57
CALINGIRI W A 6569



Victoria Plains

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PER TICKET
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Tickets Available From:

All St John Victoria Plains Volunteers

Calingiri Traders Yerecoin Traders New Norcia Roadhouse

Raffle will be drawn on Saturday 1st September

Permit No LS211737218 Contact Petrina King 0408910580





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Mr Mrs Miss Ms Other

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Given Names: _____

Date of Birth: _____

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Postcode: _____

Phone: _____

COVER REQUIRED: Single or Family (Complete below for family members)

Surname: _____

Given Names: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Please send your cheque/money order to:

St John Ambulance Victoria Plains

P O Box 57, Caringiri, WA 6569 or

Direct Deposit to BSB: 633000 ACC: 148206196 and post your completed application or email to plk1967@bigpond.com with deposit details.

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(ii) **NO AUTHORITY NECESSARY**

NO AUTHORITY NECESSARY: People who need medical/surgical /convalescent stretcher transport.

ELECTIVE: People needing the care or skills of an ambulance officer in transit and for whom no other form of transport is medically appropriate.

AUTHORITY NECESSARY - BY A DOCTOR

OR HOSPITAL

2. The AMBULANCE BENEFIT FUND is designed to safeguard the family unit and the individual. Family Membership covers your spouse and all **dependent children until they turn 18**.

3. Membership is not transferable or refundable.

4. This service reserves the right to claim fees under 3rd party Insurance, Workers' Compensation or any other Statutory Authority.

5. Renewal notices are posted out approx. 1 month prior to expiry date. The responsibility rests with the Member to ensure that address details are correct and the contribution is paid by the due date.

6. This service reserves the right to cancel membership, or refuse yearly renewal of membership if the subscriber is found to be abusing the fund by misuse or unauthorised transport.

7. The subscription coverage is restricted to ambulance transport provided by St John Ambulance in Western Australia and ambulance services in other States who have a reciprocal arrangement in place with St John Ambulance in Western Australia.

8. Qualifying period 7 days from receipt of application.

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Solomons Brook Pork

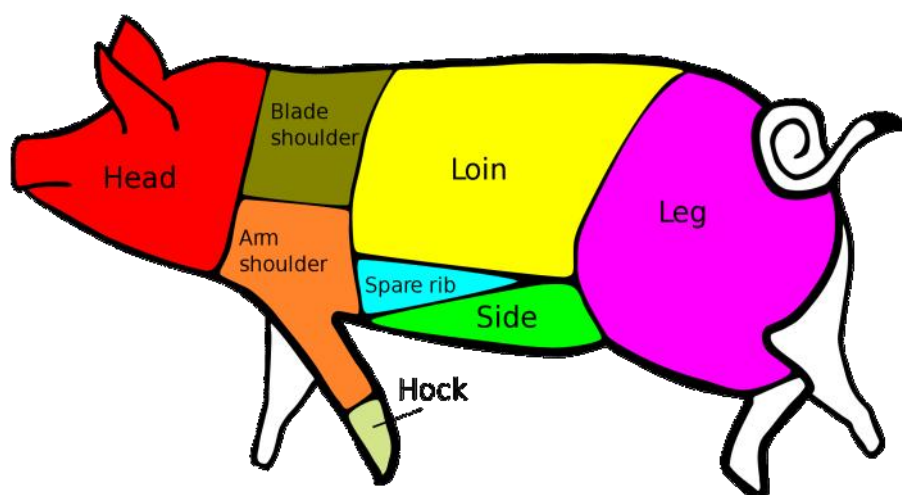
Butchered Pork Sides (approx. 15 kg) home delivered.

Paddock to Plate; these are home grown pigs processed at Linley Valley and the sides prepared by a local butcher.

Butchered sides \$8/kg.

Order before July 16th,
delivery on July 26th.

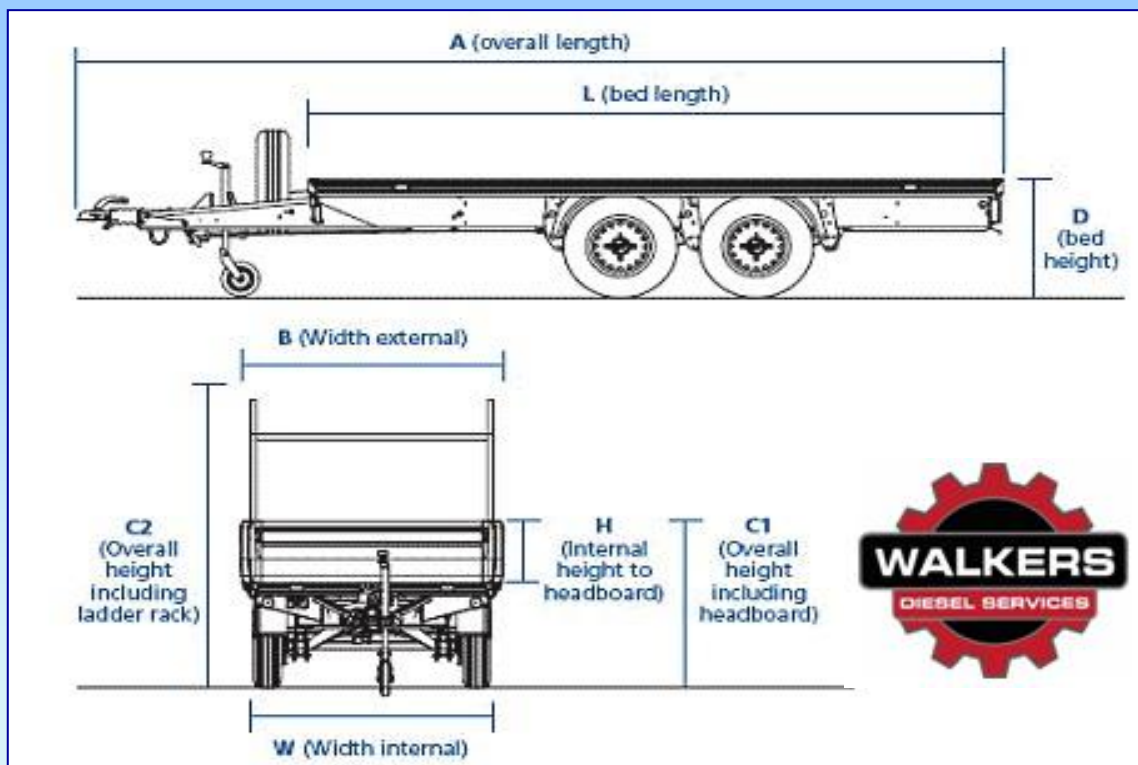
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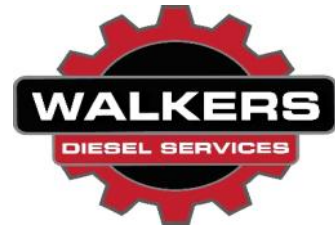
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Welcome to my monthly news update from the Electorate of Moore!

The McGowan Labor Government can no longer justify its savage cuts to regional education and Community Resource Centres with news that WA is to benefit from a **\$4.7 billion GST windfall** over eight years following a Federal Government proposal. A portion of these funds must be quarantined for regional WA - to save Moora College, the Community Resource Centre network and reinstate the Royalties for Regions program to its original purpose of driving development in the regions. RfR was not set up to pay for orange school bus services, education assistants, TAFE education, water and sewerage in the regions.

The Education Minister had explained the December 2017 decision to savage **regional education** on the grounds that 'the State budget was in ruins'. Remarkably Labor then went on to announce countless projects in the Perth Metro area and Labor Members have subsequently admitted that the closure of Moora College had nothing to do with budget repair. Access to education is a fundamental right and Labor's discriminatory and callous decision to close Moora College and slash funding to CRCs by 40 percent is totally uncalled for in light of the windfall GST funds.

I welcome the \$2.5 million **aged accommodation** funding for six new independent living units in Dongara. The Nationals delivered unprecedented investment into aged care while in Government and the new Dongara facilities will complement aged housing funding allocated in the last term of government in Northampton, Mullewa, Morawa and Mingenew. I am relieved that the projects in the Shire of Victoria Plains are still under consideration but frustrated that the other projects in Dalwallinu, Toodyay and Moora, although approved by the former government have subsequently been withdrawn by the Labor Government.

Upgrades to the **Moora Hospital** worth \$5.3 million were officially opened last week. These works were funded by Royalties for Regions and were part of a huge capital works program across regional WA initiated by the last government. The refurbishment at Moora Hospital included five new consultation rooms, a parent room, a new triage assessment area in the emergency department, an expanded aged care lounge, upgrades to electrical, mechanical and hydraulics services and a new nurse call system.

Aged care and disability support services changed from July 1 2018, as the Federal Government took on this role. Home and Community Care (**HACC**) will be known as the Commonwealth Home Support Program (**CHSP**). If you have any trouble accessing an aged care package, CHSP or the NDIS please don't hesitate to contact my office.



Shane Love MLA Member for Moore
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Community Calendar



Monthly Council Meeting

August 13th: Commencing @ 2 pm

Victoria Plains Art Society

Thursdays 9.30am

Gillingarra—John Curtin Weekend

July 31st - 2nd August

Wyening Mission Farm Garden Morning Tea

Saturday 15th September 10.00am

NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS DUE BY MIDDAY ON

LAST FRIDAY OF EACH MONTH

Phone: 9628 7004

Fax: 9628 7008

Email:

csoadmin@victoriaplains.wa.gov.au

SHIRE OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY TO FRIDAY
GENERAL BUSINESS

8.30am—4.30pm

FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

8.30am-4.00pm

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TRANSPORT LICENSING

9.00am-4.00pm