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## Hello from the Shire President

As we move into February, I hope everyone has now settled back into routine after the festive season and new year activities.

The start of a new year always brings a renewed sense of purpose across our communities, and it was wonderful to see that spirit reflected in our Australia Day celebrations.

I extend my heartfelt congratulations to Mary Anne Harvey and the Yerecoin Progress Association on being recognised in this year's Australia Day Citizenship Awards—both are so deserving of this honour and exemplify the dedication and community pride that make Victoria Plains such a special place to call home.

I also sincerely thank the Yerecoin Tennis Club for hosting the event and creating such a welcoming atmosphere for all who attended. While I was very disappointed not to be there in person to join in the celebrations, due to an unplanned stay in hospital for a few days, I was certainly there in spirit and am incredibly proud of everyone involved in making the day such a success.

## Congratulations to Mrs Kathleen (Kathy) Lovelock OAM

The Shire of Victoria Plains proudly congratulates Mrs Kathleen "Kathy" Lovelock of Swan View on being awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia (OAM) in the General Division for her outstanding service to the beef cattle industry.

Kathy's contribution to the agricultural sector spans more than four decades and reflects a lifetime of dedication, leadership and advocacy. A long-standing member of the United Beef Breeders Association since 1975, she has served as President (1992–1995 and 2015–2021) and as a former Beef Promotion Officer. Her commitment to the stud beef cattle industry in Western Australia was recognised in 1998 when she was named Most Worthwhile Contributor within the industry.

Her service extends across numerous key organisations. Kathy has represented Western Australia on the Cattle Council of Australia's Health, Welfare and Biosecurity Committee, contributed to the Pastoralists and Graziers Association of Western Australia, and held multiple leadership roles with the Western Australian Branch of the Australian Brahman Breeders Association, including President, Treasurer and Secretary. She was honoured as a National Life Member in 2012 and received the Advancement of the Brahman Breed Award in 1996.

Kathy has also given extraordinary service to the Royal Agricultural Society of Western Australia, contributing more than 30 years to cattle judging and parading competitions, 25 years on the Cattle Committee, and 34 years managing the Cattle Judging Arena. Her dedication was recognised with Volunteer of the Year in 2006 and the Dedicated Service to the Cattle Committee Award in 2001.

This national honour is a fitting recognition of Kathy's tireless work, leadership and commitment to Western Australia's agricultural community.

Kathy is also well known to our local community as the wife of recently retired Shire of Victoria Plains Councillor David Lovelock. We extend our warmest congratulations to Kathy and the Lovelock family on this well-deserved achievement.



## Hello from the CEO

The Shire has commenced 2026, continuing on from the range of work that we undertook in 2025. As a result, I would like to take the opportunity to update the community on how the year has started and the priorities we are progressing on your behalf.

The start of a new year is always an important time to reset our focus, confirm our direction, and get on with delivering the work that matters most to our towns and communities. I am pleased to say that 2026 has commenced at pace, with Council and staff already well underway across a number of key areas.

A strong focus for the early part of the year has been turning planning into delivery. Several projects that were progressed through advocacy, funding approvals and design over recent years are now moving firmly into implementation. This includes continued progress on housing and land development in Calingiri (Edmonds Street Development), where work is underway to support new residential lots and key-worker housing—an important step in strengthening our local workforce and community sustainability.

In hand with the above, we have now received the funding to develop Stage 1 of the Visitor Precinct at the European Space Agency ground station at Yarawindah (also referred to as New Norcia by ESA). All being well, there will be a community open day prior to Anzac Day.

We have also kicked off the year by continuing our advocacy at State and Commonwealth levels, particularly in relation to housing, infrastructure, emergency management (including on the back of the Mogumber Fire regarding fit for terrain fire fighting appliances and the benefits of low earth orbit satellite communications) and the energy transition. We are also improving our local water resource redundancy and these key projects will commence soon. These issues remain critical for regional communities like ours, and Council along with staff and I are working to ensure the Shire of Victoria Plains continues to have a strong and respected voice in these discussions.

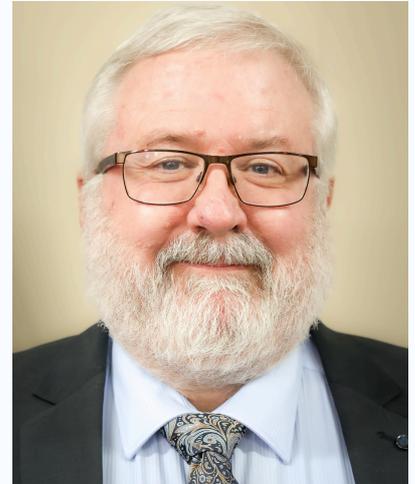
Operationally, the organisation has returned with a clear focus on core services and asset management—maintaining roads, managing waste facilities, supporting community facilities, and ensuring we continue with our preparedness regarding seasonal risks, including fire and severe weather events. These are the fundamentals that underpin liveability and safety across the Shire, and they remain a priority.

Internally, 2026 has also begun with a focus on good governance, financial sustainability and continuous improvement. We are aligning our work plans closely with the Shire's strategic direction, ensuring that resources are targeted where they deliver the greatest community benefit, and continuing to strengthen how we plan, report and deliver.

This month sees the commencement of the next major review of the Strategic Community Plan. So, a survey will be coming your way and the opportunity to also to participate in a community workshop to help us develop the direction for the next four or more years.

None of this work happens without the commitment of a dedicated team. I would like to acknowledge the efforts of Shire staff, volunteers, Councillors and community members who contribute their time, expertise and energy to making Victoria Plains a strong and resilient place.

I look forward to keeping the community informed as the year progresses and as we continue to deliver on the priorities that matter to you.





## Hello Residents and Ratepayers

Welcome to 2026!

I returned to work after a good holiday over the Christmas and new year period on the 5<sup>th</sup> Jan 26 hoping to ease back into it but by the end of that first week the tempo had well and truly returned. My team functioned outstandingly well during my absence as I expected, I didn't get any phone calls and some had to work on the 31 Dec 25 which demonstrates their commitment to the organisation.

As its still cricket season – it was great to see the Perth Scorchers win another BBL T20 Grand Final – much to the disgust of a member of my household who can't be named (but is a female, I'm married to and lives with me) and is a Sydney 6ers die hard was not happy with the outcome!

### Administration

Libraries – Council approved a business case for a much needed refurbishment of all the libraries in the shire and the Community Development Officer is progressing this well. We haven't officially advertised this yet as we wait for the refurbishment to take shape, but the Calingiri library has essentially moved from the Shire Office to the Old Road Board Building and residents will hopefully see a slightly different atmosphere but keeping the services required. It will be a work in progress as we try to make it more fit for purpose for the current and future users.

ATM – As previously advised in Dec 25, the ATM at the Shire Office will be removed sometime between the 19–20 February as decided by the owner of the machine. Whilst this is a disappointing outcome for residents, it is a commercial decision that the shire has no control over.

Artificial Intelligence (Ai) – the shire will start to explore Ai over the next few months to ensure we keep pace with technology but also utilise this tool to improve efficiencies in the organisation. The common comment I receive is that 'we will be replaced by robots' – this is not the case (though I did go to a robot waiter service restaurant on my holiday) and whilst there will be a place for them, Ai is just another tool, much like we have transitioned from the abacus (some of the staff used back in the day!) to the calculator, to excel. Similarly, I would suggest a lot of farming techniques are far from what they use to be – GPS in Tractors, Drones for spraying to name a couple. I am excited to explore what the capability can do.

### Finance

I have been waiting patiently to report on the progress of the Capital Items in the budget. Previous reports can appear to be slow due the time lag in reporting as we must finalise them first and this only occurs on or around the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month for the preceding month. So, whilst you may see the work being undertaken, it only crystallises when we get the invoice in and then finish the financial reports. For Dec 25, the capital projects status is overleaf.

Calingiri Playground Equipment – the install of the new equipment is planned for 23–25 Feb as funded by Local Roads and Community Infrastructure and then the surrounds completed in Mar 26, subject to successful funding from Lotterywest. If this funding is not successful, the shire will fund the work to completion.

Edmonds St Subdivision – residents and ratepayers will see some physical progress on the project. As this is a major development for the shire you are likely to see reporting from several officers depending on their involvement. For myself it's the Project Management aspects where I need to bring everything together from reporting on funding, keeping the CEO and Council informed on progress to liaising with the Manager Works and Services for scheduling, cost and risk.

Activity	(\$)	Status
Mogumber Toilets	13,697	Completed
Depot Renovations	25,455	In Progress
Depot Carpark	17,294	Completed
Table Top Truck	112,971	Completed
Depot Utility	33,419	Completed
Digital Speed Signs	21,446	In Progress
Toodyay - Bindi Bindi Rd Nth (RRSP)	200,191	In Progress
Wongan Hills Waddington Road (RRSP)	661,465	In Progress
Yerecoin Sth East Rd	783,412	Completed
Bolgart East Rd Seal - renewal	77,797	Completed
Poincare St - Seal renewal	48,437	Completed
Cavell St and Haig Intersection	12,427	Completed
Calingiri Youth Park	11,000	Completed
Previously Reported		
Calingiri Pavilion Boiler	27,309	Completed
Calingiri Sportsground Lighting	22,835	C/F 24-25 now completed (total cost \$85,804)
Bolgart Skatepark	5,850	Completed
Hydraulic Claw	20,800	Completed
60" Mower	17,842	Completed
Excavator	137,400	Completed
Footpath Program	16,900	Completed

Long Term Financial Plan (LTFP) and Budget 26-27 – I will be progressing the LTFP in support of the new Council Plan (formerly Strategic Community Plan). The LTFP provides a strategic overview of the Shire's financial position over a 10-year planning horizon. It aligns operating and capital revenue and expenditure with the Strategic Council Plan, Corporate Business Plan outcomes and supports informed decision-making to ensure long-term financial sustainability.

Thereafter the new budget 26-27 will start to take shape – I can't believe how quickly the FY is moving, seems like the current budget was just completed, must be a sign of getting old!

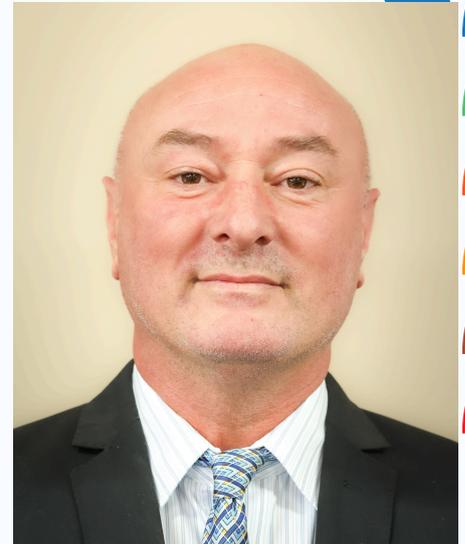
## Edmonds Street Subdivision Works Commence

Exciting changes are underway in the Shire of Victoria Plains, with the commencement of works on the new Edmond Street Subdivision in Calingiri. This long-anticipated project marks a significant milestone in the Shire's ongoing efforts to enhance local housing options and encourage community growth.

Site preparation has now begun, with initial earthworks taking place over the coming months. The subdivision will deliver 10 new residential lots designed to meet the growing demand for housing within the district, providing modern living opportunities while maintaining the rural charm that makes Victoria Plains such a special place to call home.

The project will include upgrades to local infrastructure, including road access, drainage, and essential utilities such as water, sewer, power, and telecommunications. These improvements will not only support the new lots but also benefit surrounding properties and contribute to the long-term sustainability of the area.

Construction is expected to progress steadily through the year, with blocks being retained and fenced. Community members are encouraged to stay updated through the Shire's website and social media channels as the project continues to take shape.





Welcome back to a happy New Year and hope you have all had a rest or holiday and taken advantage of some down time.

We ended 2025 with fires in Mogumber. We hope everyone is recovering well. There is help out there, please take advantage of it. A massive Thank You to all the volunteers who were fighting the fires, prepping food, running logistics and showing support. It is incredible what the community can do when we work together. A few shout outs to the Mogumber Hub, Erin McPherson, the Nixon family, and Gavin Halligan for going above and beyond.

On a brighter note, The Christmas Light Competition was fantastic with almost every town having a display. The winner was the Gillingarra Sport and Rec group for their display at the old school. Although I believe the reindeer has seen its last Christmas on the roof. Nicole McInnes was a close runner up in Calingiri. Great to see so many people get into the spirit of the season. With the school year ending I had the privilege to be able to present some award from the Shire.

Bolgart Primary – Attendance Awards  
Calingiri Primary – Citizenship awards.

Following on from some feedback we got from a local resident we have booked a First Aid Course for Piawaning Hall on the 9th of March 2026. In partnership with Victoria Plains Ambulance Sub Centre, we are able to bring this together and price match to Metro at \$180 per person for a one-day course. Please follow the QR code on the advertisement and book your spot. All proceeds from the course will go back to the Victoria Plains sub centre. If you have any issues finding the course online, please contact me and I can talk you through the process.

This coming Month is packed with Bolgart's Corporate Bowls, Annual General Meeting, Community workshops for the strategic plan and much more. If you would like to be part of planning for the future of the shire please come along to the workshop with Darren Mollenoyux from 150 Square on the 26th of February at the Calingiri Emergency Services Building.

The wonderful Nora Linke at the Mogumber Library has now gone on Parental leave. Until we find a new staff member I will be at the Mogumber Library on Fridays from 9:30am to 1:30pm. The Calingiri Library has also moved to the ORB and is open 9am-4pm Tuesdays. I look forward to seeing you there.

As always if you have ideas or issues, please give me a call, drop me an email [bridget.ralph@victoriaplains.wa.gov.au](mailto:bridget.ralph@victoriaplains.wa.gov.au) or stop in at one of the libraries.



## Emergency Management

The second half of December was a challenging time for our communities with a large bushfire impacting the Mogumber and Gillingarra areas, along with widespread power and telecommunications outages across the Shire.

We would like to sincerely thank our Bushfire Brigade volunteers, farm responders, community members and supporting crews who came from near and far to assist during the incident. The fire burnt a total of 7,500 Ha within the Gingin, Dandaragan, and Victoria Plains Shires.

It was also an extremely busy period for Western Power, with several large bushfires across the State damaging infrastructure; prolonging the time it took to turn power back on. We thank Western Power for their continued efforts to restore power and get communities back online as quickly as possible.

We understand the frustration caused by ongoing power and telecommunications outages. The Shire's Emergency Management Team and Executive continue to advocate strongly on behalf of our communities while also reviewing internal processes to improve resilience to future events.

If you or anyone you know is affected by the recent fires, please reach out to the Shire, and we can put you in touch with support services.

## Communications: Anywhere, Anytime

The Shire has now completed the rollout of Starlink satellite communication units across all Bush Fire Brigade appliances – a capability that proved invaluable during the 2025 Mogumber fire.

This project represents a \$20,000 investment in the 2025–26 budget and provides critical communications that are not currently funded under the DFES Local Government Grant Scheme.

Following a successful trial in the Emergency Management Team vehicles, Starlink has already shown its value by maintaining connectivity and enabling real-time information sharing when traditional networks are unavailable.

All five Bush Fire Brigades are now equipped – Mogumber/Gillingarra, New Norcia, Yerecoin/Piawaning, Calingiri, and Bolgart. This allows for smooth information flow both in and out of the fire ground and gives all in attendance added safety with communications in some of the Shire's toughest terrain.





PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2005

**LOCAL PLANNING SCHEME AMENDMENT AVAILABLE FOR INSPECTION**

**SHIRE OF VICTORIA PLAINS LOCAL PLANNING SCHEME NO.5  
AMENDMENT NO.4**

Notice is hereby given that the Victoria Plains Shire Council has resolved, pursuant to Section 75 of the *Planning and Development Act 2005*, to amend the above Local Planning Scheme by:

1. Change the residential density coding applicable to the 7,250m<sup>2</sup> portion of Lot 42 (No. 52) Edmonds Street, Calingiri, currently zoned 'Residential' from R12.5 to R20 and update the scheme map accordingly;
2. Rezone the 8,476m<sup>2</sup> balance portion of Lot 42 (No. 52) Edmonds Street, Calingiri from 'Residential' to 'Special Use' with the designated purpose 'Caravan Park and Tourist and Visitor Accommodation' by amending the scheme map accordingly and updating the Special use zones table in clause 21 as below

No.	Description of Land	Special use	Conditions
2	Lot 42 on Plan 158777 being No.52 Edmonds Street, Calingiri.	Caravan Park and Tourist and Visitor Accommodation	Requires Development and Visitor Approval.

3. In clause 17 – Zoning Table, deleting the following use classes:

- a. Bed and Breakfast;
- b. Motel; and
- c. Tourist development

4. In clause 17 – Zoning Table, inserting in alphabetical order the following use classes:

Use Classes	Residential	Commercial	Service Industry	Industry	Townsite	Rural Residential	Rural
Hosted short-term rental accommodation	P	P	X	X	P	P	P
Tourist and visitor accommodation	X	D	X	X	D	X	A
Unhosted short-term rental accommodation	A	D	X	X	D	D	D

5. In clause 28 – Development Table, delete the following use class:

- a. Motel

6. In clause 52 – Terms Used, deleting the following definitions:

- a. Cabin;
- b. Chalet; and
- c. Short-term accommodation.

7. In clause 52 – Terms Used, inserting in alphabetical order the following definitions:

Land use	Definition
<b>cabin</b>	means a building that — (a) is an individual unit other than a chalet; and (b) forms part of — (i) tourist and visitor accommodation; or (ii) a caravan park; and (c) if the unit forms part of a caravan park — is used to provide accommodation for persons, on a commercial basis, with no individual person accommodated for a period or periods exceeding a total of 3 months in any 12-month period.
<b>chalet</b>	means a building that — (a) is a self-contained unit that includes cooking facilities, bathroom facilities and separate living and sleeping areas; and (b) forms part of — (i) tourist and visitor accommodation; or (ii) a caravan park; and if the unit forms part of a caravan park — is used to provide accommodation for persons, (c) on a commercial basis, with no individual person accommodated for a period or periods exceeding a total of 3 months in any 12-month period.

8. In clause 38 – Land Use Terms Used, deleting the following definitions:

- a. bed and breakfast;
- b. motel; and
- c. tourist development.

9. In clause 38 – Land Use Terms Used, inserting in alphabetical order the following definitions:

Land use	Definition
<b>caravan park</b>	means premises that are a caravan park as defined in the <i>Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Act 1995</i> section 5(1).
<b>tourist and visitor accommodation</b>	(a) means a building, or a group of buildings forming a complex, that — (i) is wholly managed by a single person or body; and (ii) is used to provide accommodation for guests, on a commercial basis, with no individual guest accommodated for a period or periods exceeding a total of 3 months in any 12-month period; and (iii) may include on-site services and facilities for use by guests; and (iv) in the case of a single building — contains more than 1 separate accommodation unit or is capable of accommodating more than 12 people per night; and

	<p>(b) includes a building, or complex of buildings, meeting the criteria in paragraph (a) that is used for self-contained serviced apartments that are regularly serviced or cleaned during the period of a guest's stay by the owner or manager of the apartment or an agent of the owner or manager; but</p> <p>(c) does not include any of the following —</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) an aged care facility as defined in the <i>Land Tax Assessment Act 2002</i> section 38A(1);</li> <li>(ii) a caravan park;</li> <li>(iii) hosted short-term rental accommodation;</li> <li>(iv) a lodging-house as defined in the <i>Health (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1911</i> section 3(1);</li> <li>(v) a park home park;</li> <li>(vi) a retirement village as defined in the <i>Retirement Villages Act 1992</i> section 3(1);</li> <li>(vii) a road house;</li> <li>(viii) workforce accommodation.</li> </ul>
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10. Modify the amendment to address any administrative errors/correct item numbering as a result of these modifications.

A document setting out and explaining the scheme amendment proposal is available for inspection at the Shire Administration Centre, 28 Cavell Street, Calingiri and the Public Notices section of Shire's website ([Public Notices » Shire of Victoria Plains](#)).

Comments on the proposal are now invited and can be emailed to [reception@victoriaplains.wa.gov.au](mailto:reception@victoriaplains.wa.gov.au) or posted to the Shire's Chief Executive Officer at PO Box 21, CALINGIRI WA 6569. All submissions must include the following information:

- Your name, address and contact telephone number;
- How your interests are affected whether as a private citizen, on behalf of a company or other organisation, or as an owner or occupier of property;
- Address of property affected (if applicable); and
- Whether your submission supports or objects to the proposal including any reasons supporting your comments.

Comments may be submitted to the local government on or before **Friday 3 April 2026**. All submissions received may be made public at a Council meeting and included in a Council Agenda unless a submission specifically requests otherwise.

**SEAN FLETCHER**  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

Calingiri Netball Club

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## Victoria Plains Australia Day

The Australia Day event hosted by the Yerecoin Tennis Club was attended by over 100 people.

Thank you to the amazing volunteers from Yerecoin that did a fantastic job of cooking and hosting. Ruth Young, Kim and Garry Manning and all your volunteers, well done. It was very much appreciated.

Thank you to Victoria Plains Deputy President Suzanne Woods that stepped in to run the day.

Thank you to Murray Jackamarra for welcoming us to country and for your shared stories. Murray and his team came over from Moora and supplied beautiful dampers, traditional Jams and relishes and cooked kangaroo for everyone to taste. The traditional food and smoking ceremony really brought a wonderful atmosphere of inclusion. Please read Murrays Speech in the following pages.

Congratulations to our Citizen of the year award Mary Anne Harvey from Mogumber, and Active Citizenship – Group or event winner Yerecoin Progress for the Yerecoin Centenary Celebrations in 2025. Congratulations to Sue Waters of Yerecoin who was also nominated for the Citizen of the year award.

Thank you to Hetty and Mark who came and played and sang for us and MonsterBall who again brought up the inflatables and dunk tank.

Look us up on Facebook or Instagram to see more photos from the day.



## Welcome to country by Murray Jackamarra



### Introduction

Kaya all, my name is Murray Jackamarra, I am a Yued Nyoongar, I was born in noongar country and spent most of my childhood living on Yued Nyoongar boodja, My family have lived on Yued Boodja for thousands of years and continue to do so, growing up I was taught by my parents and elders in Moora about our knowledge of different places and names of country, how to hunt and how to fish, the knowledge that have been passed on from generation to generation.

### What Aus day means for me as an Yued person?

Australia day brings mixed emotions for me like many first nations peoples across Australia, growing up I celebrated Australia day, happy to meet up with family have a BBQ, at that time I didn't know Jan 26th marks the arrival of the first fleet, I didn't know about the profound effects that this day had on indigenous people, I think it was when I started my own family that I really started to think about how I wanted them to celebrate Australia day, and I believe connecting to country together, educating our children together and for them to make the change Together, is the key for all to move forward together. To make this beautiful country something we can all be proud of together.

### The significance of welcome to country

I would like to read to you all a dairy entry from Bishop Salvardo a Benedictine monk who served at the New Norcia Mission between 1846 and 1867, where Salvardo had observed a welcome to country here on yued country,

*"On the morning of the second day, we came across a large number of natives who were complete strangers, except for one of my companions who was born in the vicinity and helped me greatly in fixing the direction of the road. This man came forward and explained to his fellow tribe's men who we were and why we are we going through these parts, there upon the oldest of the natives came to meet us, first embracing the oldest in our group, then all the rest, one after another, with his arms around each of them for more than eight minutes on end.*

*They followed suit, with the upmost profound silence reigning throughout the entire ceremony. The embracing was over there was a mutual exchange of weapons and products of the hunt, then in a solemn tone the oldest of the strangers addressed our oldest member.*

*Nichia n-agna cala, iei nunda cala: n-agna Nichia nanap; nunda uoto, mila cala, nanup iei n-alla babin cumbar*

*(here is my fire , now it is yours , too, I stay here you come and then you go away and come again and you stay now we are great friends )*

I was sitting on the wagon watching all this exchange of compliment and was surprised to see demonstration of courtesy that suggested civilized man rather that the savage. (Salvado memoirs p66)"

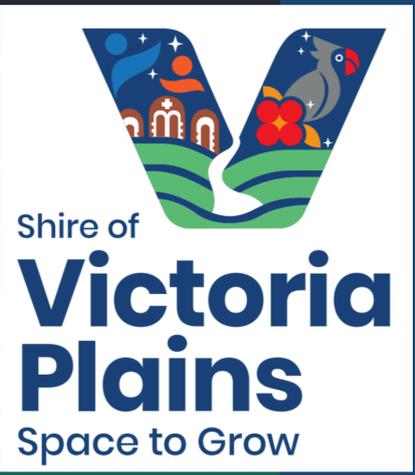
With this ceremony competed Salvado and his group were allowed safe passage and hunt and gather what they needed for their journey through country and on their return back to the mission. This may have been one of the first ever documented welcome to country on yued boodja. Yued people today continue to share stories, practise culture and traditions, and passing them onto the next generation.

### **The welcome to country**

Nidja nguna kala Yued Nyoongar Boodja, yeyi noondo kala Yued Nyoongar boodja koorl -iny yeyi naaalla babin

"Here is my country Yued people's country, now it is yours to travel too now we are friends".

Thank you.



**MOGUMBER  
LIBRARY  
OPEN  
FRIDAY  
9AM-11AM**

**UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**



Shire of

**Victoria  
Plains**

Space to Grow

## Community Strategic Plan Workshop

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February  
Calingiri Emergency Building  
6pm

**Come and have your say on  
the direction of the Shire.**

**Guest Speaker  
Darren Mollenoyux  
from 150 Square**





**St John**

# Upcoming first aid course

## HLTAID011 - Provide First Aid

**Course type:** Accredited | **Duration:** 1 day in class + Online learning

**Price:** \$180.00

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**Where:** Piawaning Hall, Piawaning WA 6572



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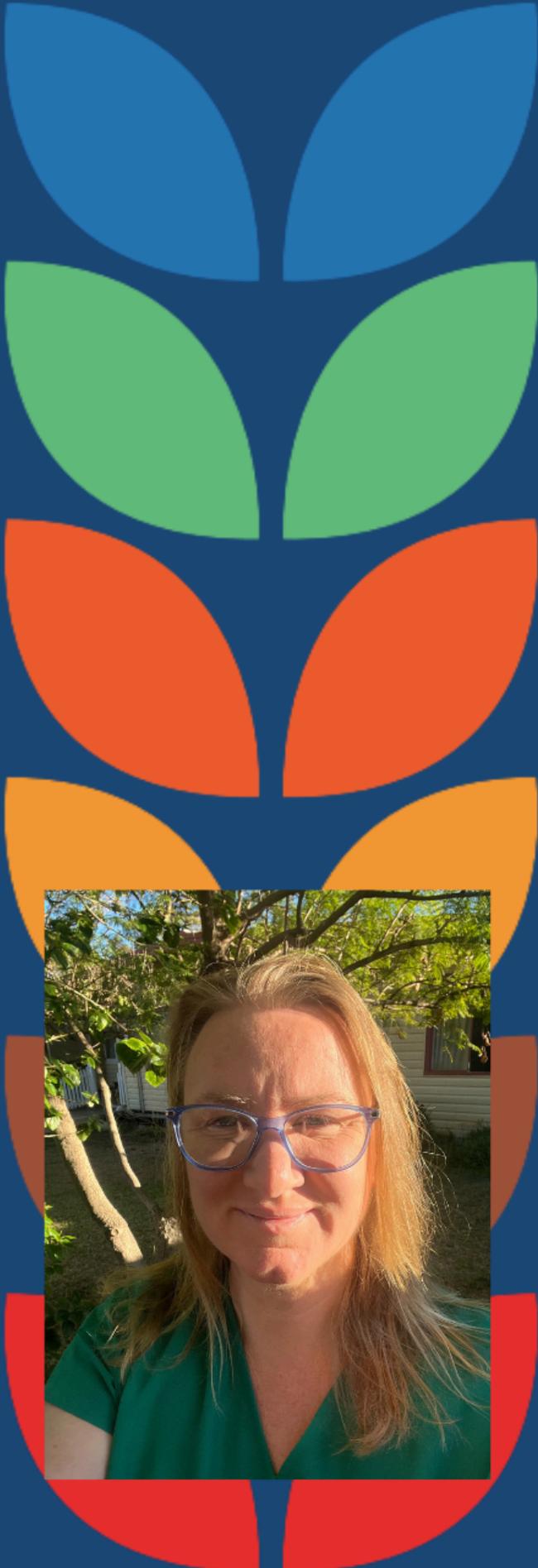
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Space to Grow

The Calingiri Library has been moved permanently to the ORB. Open 9am-4pm every Tuesday.

Bridget the Community Development Officer will be there to answer any questions you may have about the shire, technology, or just help you to find a book. We do have new books, audio books and DVD's coming in every month or sign up for the free borrowing services online.



# TOODYAY TRIATHLON

8 March 2026



Visit [toodyaytriathlonclub.com/events](https://toodyaytriathlonclub.com/events) or  
scan the QR code to register and for more information



## Course Distances

Fun (7yrs+) Swim 100m/Bike 2km/Run 1km

Short (10yrs+) Swim 200m/Bike 6km/Run 2km

Sprint (13yrs+) Swim 400m/Bike 12km/Run 4km

Venue: Toodyay Aquatic Centre, Burt Parkway  
(behind Toodyay District High School)

Time: Arrive 6.30am for race start at 7.30am

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## Media Release

28 January 2026

# Powering through the summer heat

It's been a busy start to the summer months with Western Power network controllers and crews working hard to keep homes and businesses powered in extreme weather conditions over the holiday period.

We worked quickly to repair damage to the network from recent summer weather events and multiple bushfires along with several car vs pole incidents and other equipment related outages.

Over the past few weeks, we've repaired and replaced over 40 transmission poles, more than 200 distribution poles and our teams travelled over 220,000km patrolling network infrastructure to ensure safety before restoration.

Executive Manager of Asset Operations Zane Christmas said every effort was taken to safely restore power as soon as practical in sometimes challenging conditions.

"We work all year-round to upgrade and prepare the network for summer conditions and bushfires which has meant it has coped well with increased demand over the festive period," he said.

"We resource accordingly to ensure we're equipped to respond to weather events as quickly and safely as possible and communicate timely and essential information to the community," he said.

"For example, on Christmas morning, a bushfire in Dalyellup damaged network infrastructure disrupting power to around 2,000 customers. Our crews worked quickly to develop a temporary solution to restore power with permanent repairs completed later that week.

"On New Year's eve crews worked to repair multiple damaged assets in Spearwood after a car accident damaged a transmission pole. Our network operations team backfed power to around 2,460 customers and as significant and complex repairs were required, crews installed a backup generator to restore the remaining 140 customers that evening before completing more lengthy repairs.

"A recent bushfire in Dandaragan and Yathroo damaged infrastructure impacting power supply to 33 homes and businesses and crews worked in challenging conditions to repair nine poles and restore power.

"We thank the community for their patience and understanding while we work to get their power back on during any outage."

As the summer months continue we would like to remind people that if you see a fallen power line, please stay eight metres away and Make The Safe Call to Western Power on the emergency 24/7 number 13 13 51 so that emergency response crews can attend the hazard to make the area safe.

Stay up to date by visiting our outage page at [www.westernpower.com.au/faults-outages](http://www.westernpower.com.au/faults-outages).



# How To Sort Your WASTE

## Recycling Bin



## General Waste Bin



- ✓ Keep it loose, don't bag your recyclables
- ✓ Wash/rinse all jars, bottles and containers

[recycleright.wa.gov.au/a-z](http://recycleright.wa.gov.au/a-z)



These items cannot be placed in any of your wheelie bins.  
Please contact your local council for further information.



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English

# NOTICE: PLANNED CORELLA CULL 21<sup>ST</sup> AND 22<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY 2026



Please be aware that on the weekend of the 21st and 22nd of February 2026, there will be a simultaneous corella cull across the Avon Midland Peri-Urban Partnership (AMP-UP) Shires of Victoria Plains, Goomalling, Toodyay, Northam and York.

The AMP-UP Shires acknowledge that some people may find culling distressing, however it is a last resort to protect the surrounding environment from damage by the corellas.

## Community Notice:

### ATM Removal

We wish to inform the community that removal of the ATM located at the Shire of Victoria Plains office will commence from the 19th February 2026 as indicated by the contractor.

This decision has been made by the vendor and is beyond our control.

We understand that this may cause inconvenience and encourage everyone to plan accordingly.

Thank you for your understanding.



# Upcoming Events in the Shire



Shire of  
**Victoria Plains**  
Space to Grow

FEB

**14**

9 AM

*Bolgart Men's Pennant Bows v Northam*

FEB

**15**

8 AM

*Bolgart Catholic Mass*

FEB

**15**

8 AM

*Bolgart Anglican Church Service*

FEB

**17**

9 AM

*Bolgart Ladies Pennant Bows V Goomalling B*

FEB

**18**

6 PM

*Bolgart Corporate Bows*

FEB

**19**

8:50 AM

*Bolgart Primary Assembly*

FEB

**19**

6 PM

*Wannamal Social Tennis & Dinner*

FEB

**19**

9:30 AM

*Calingiri Craft Group*

FEB

**21**

6 PM

*New Norcia Abbots Table Dinner*

FEB

**21**

9 AM

*Bolgart Men's Pennant Bows V Dowerin*

FEB

**22**

8 AM

*Bolgart Catholic Mass*

FEB

**24**

9 AM

*Bolgart Ladies Penant Bows V Beverly*

FEB

**25**

2 PM

*Ordinary Council Meeting*

FEB

**26**

9:30 AM

*Calingiri Craft Group Calingiri Hall*

FEB

**26**

6 PM

*Wannamal Social Tennis & Dinner*

FEB

**26**

6 PM

*Community Workshop*

MAR

1

8 AM

*Bolgart Catholic Service*

MAR

5

9:30 AM

*Calingiri Craft Group  
Calingiri Hall*

MAR

5

6 PM

*Wannamal Social  
Tennis and Dinner*

MAR

6

9 AM

*School Swimming  
Carnival*

MAR

8

8 AM

*Bolgart Catholic Service*

MAR

9

9:30 AM

*First Aid C course  
Piawaning Hall*

MAR

12

8:50 AM

*Bolgart Primary School  
Assembly*

MAR

12

6 PM

*Wannamal Social  
Tennis and Dinner*

MAR  
12

9:30 AM

*Calingiri Craft Group  
Calingiri Hall*

MAR

15

8 AM

*Bolgart Catholic Mass*

MAR

15

8 AM

*Bolgart Anglican  
Service*

MAR

19

1:30 PM

*Bolgart Ladies Bowls  
Closing Day*

MAR  
19

9:30 AM

*Calingiri Craft Group  
Calingiri Hall*

MAR

19

6 PM

*Wannamal Social  
Tennis and Dinners*

MAR

21

9 AM

*New Norcia Retreat  
Prayer*

MAR

21-22

9 AM

*Bolgart Mens Singles  
Championship*

MAR

22

8 AM

*Bolgart Catholic Service*

MAR

25

1:30 PM

*Yerecoin Primary School  
Assembly*

MAR

25

2 PM

*Ordinary Council  
Meeting*

MAR

26

9:30 AM

*Calingiri Craft Group  
Calingiri Hall*

MAR

26

6 PM

*Wannamal Social  
Tennis and Dinner*

MAR

28

1:30 PM

*Bolgart Bowls Mixed  
Pairs Championship  
G&D McGill*

MAR

29

8 AM

*Bolgart Catholic Service*

MAR

31

7 PM

*Bolgart Bowls AGM*



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