

# LAKE'S LINK NEWS

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## Life Membership for Mark Pinney

Kael Gray



**Life members of the Lake Grace Cricket Club Steve Hunt, Andrew Walker, Mark Pinney, Mick Mason, Don Fleay, Rod Walker, Greg Pinney and Shane Reynolds. Absent: Arthur Slarke, Andrew Coad**

A huge congratulations has to go to Mark Pinney on being awarded Life Membership of the Lake Grace Cricket Club.

Mark first started his cricket career for LGCC in 1987-88, playing a couple of games in that premiership year when he was home from school.

Over time, he amassed 150 games for the club, this could have been closer to 200 if it was not for work commitments. During this time, he hit 3,539 runs at a very impressive average of 29.99, including 16 50's and three centuries from 136 innings. He hit 300 runs in a season on four occasions.

His highest score of 149 not out would come against Hyden, the highest score ever against Hyden. This is also the club's highest score by a No 5 batsman (against any team).

He took the batting aggregate with 661 runs in 2000-01 and the batting average on three occasions, with averages of 44, 55 and 48. He hit 25 sixes in a season in 2000-01. This is the 8<sup>th</sup> most in a season, but the second most by an individual. The top 7 seasons for the most sixes hit is held by Rod Walker.

His bowling was not great. He took a total of 14 wickets, and nobody can work out how! He was perhaps our most gifted wicket keeper, taking 114 catches and claiming 10 stumpings. Some of those catches were as good as you would ever see.

He captained the team in 1991-92. He was President on four occasions, starting 98/99, 99/00, 2001/02, then over a decade later in 2013/14. Mark also played in the 2012/13 premiership against Kukerin.

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# LAKES LINK NEWS

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**Next Deadline**  
**Thursday 1st April**

**Next Edition**  
**Thursday 8th April**

## CRC Opening Hours

9:00am - 5pm

Closed from midday to 1pm for lunch when short staffed.



To the **very** dedicated team who volunteered their time to this edition of the Lakes Link News.

Lee Duckworth    Dick Phillips  
Gwen Oliver        Annie Slarke

Thank you also to our many contributors of articles.

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# Editorial

- Well that fortnight went in a flash, thank you to everyone who has been getting their material in, it's a win-win for everyone. You get to tell people what you're doing or selling and we get to have more content in the paper.
- Just a reminder that the CRC won't be open between midday and 1pm for the foreseeable future. A huge thank you to Danielle who is our girl Thursday - certainly takes the pressure off. Well off me anyway...not sure how Danielle's fitting in with all of her other commitments.
- In light of that the job at the CRC is still open for applications (see page 12).
- We still have some training and information sessions coming up;
  - Auschem Accreditation - two day workshop - 29th & 30th March - Cost \$352.40.
  - Auschem Refresher - one day workshop - Wednesday 31st March - cancelled due to lack of numbers.
  - Tenancy Information Session - 23rd April 11am - midday. One-on-one half hour sessions from 1:30pm-3:30pm. FREE.
  - Understanding Grief & Loss - Wednesday 28th April. 9am - 1pm. FREE
- Crochet will possibly start on the 7th May.
- For 2021 we are going to have a dawn service for ANZAC Day (Sunday 25th April) - we are looking for a group or organisation willing to do the breakfast - give me a call if your group is interested.
- On the 14th April we are holding our Road Safety Awareness workshop for 16-18 year olds and will include guest speakers talking about road safety, insurance, finance, what to do in an accident and also a segment on basic car maintenance. We have 12 places available, parents are welcome to attend also - providing they don't embarrass their children!
- Thank you to everyone who has been so supportive of recent and upcoming training - if you're interested in truck driving or forklift accreditation then please give us a call as we're looking at starting a new list.
- If you're needing original documents sighted and signed please ring the CRC in advance to ensure that there is an accredited staff member available to do this.
- Driver Reviver - we are still looking to fill a couple of shifts - if you can help out that would be great. Midday to 2pm and 2pm to 4pm on Friday 2nd April and 2pm to 4pm on Monday 5th April.

*Suzanne Reeves*

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## Catholic Church

### Holy Week and Easter Schedule

#### Sunday 28th March - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Kukerin - 8:00am      Lake Grace 10:00am

#### Thursday 1st April - Thursday of the Lord's Supper

Lake Grace 8:00pm - Holy Mass with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

#### Friday 2nd April - Good Friday

9:00am - Stations of the Cross at Naisbitts farm, 1705 Jarring South Rd, Lake Grace. All denominations and the entire community are invited. There will be coffee and tea afterwards. Contact Ed Naisbitt 0427 651 182

Lake Grace 3:00pm - Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

#### Saturday 3rd April - Sacrament of Confession

Lake Grace 10:00am

Appointments for different time may be made 0740 439 768

Lake Grace 7:00pm - Easter Vigil

#### Sunday 4th April - Easter Sunday Mass

Ravensthorpe 9:00am      Hopetoun 11:00am

## About Town

- Best wishes to Tom O'Neill for a rapid recovery from his recent accident. Our thoughts go out to Tom and his family
- It's been a busy weekend for Lake Grace over the weekend hosting grand finals in both bowls and tennis. Congratulations to Kukerin for coming out victors in the men's bowls (against Kondinin) and commiserations to the Newdegate ladies who were defeated by Kondinin in what was apparently a very close game. In the tennis it is commiserations to the Kukerin who were defeated by Dudinin by 4 sets. Now it's onto the winter edition of sport!

## Anniversaries



25th March	Lynnette & Allan Zweck
26th March	Annette & Ben Argent
3rd April	Danielle & Jason Robertson
4th April	Lois & Lawrie Dickins
5th April	Symone & Jeff McKenzie
7th April	Renae & Brett Willcocks Tracy & Rex Walker

## Happy Birthday

25th March	Theresa Naisbitt
26th March	Grant Marshall
27th March	Mark Newton Cameron Bushby Peter Stoffberg
28th March	Sarah Clarke
29th March	Ed Duckworth Michael O'Neill Joshua Cameron Blake Palmer
31st March	Michelle Slarke Kim Slarke Kelly Callope Greg Meston (80) Di Desmond Janine Watson Denise Sabourne Madison Chircop
2nd April	Luke Trawinski Trish Cameron
3rd April	Steve Pelham
4th April	Lois Dickins Ella Ward
5th April	Chris Trevenen (Jnr) Kristian Chatfield
7th April	Taj Carruthers



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**Note: - Bookings are not essential but would be appreciated.**

**Please call 6801 7090 or 0448 472 556 to reserve your table.**

# About Town

ABC Radio were in Lake Grace last week seeing what was happening in our little town while transmitting their WA Regional Drive segment.

Producer Sam Carmody (left) and radio commentator Andrew Collins (right) set themselves up on the verandah of the Visitor Centre.

Throughout the day they met the locals, spent some time at the school, setup some pre-recorded interviews before going live mid afternoon for 2.5 hrs all about Lake Grace.

Water security, Nat Fyfe's haircut, truck driving, art, hospital garden, fuel sales, shearing, tourism and creative insight from Fiona Palmer and Hayden McGlenn were on the agenda for discussion.



Best wishes to Blake Palmer who is off to Karratha to race in the speedway state title for junior sedans.

This isn't 15 year old Blake's first titles, having competed in this same event in Narrogin last year.

There are 50 cars nominated to there's a plethora of families heading north.

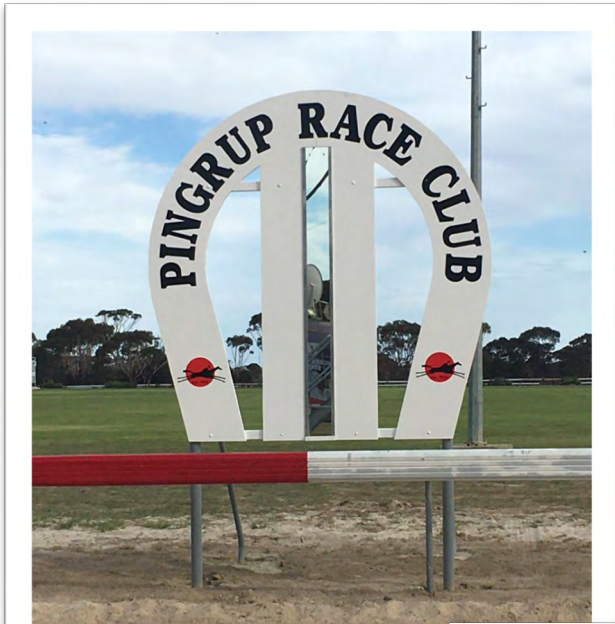
Ironically Blake will be turning 16 at the end of this month and will be looking to get his L's on his way north.

Four year old 'Jumpsey' Naisbitt was keen for a bit of social interaction last week and was heading into town (or perhaps she was making her way home from a late night) and provided a selfie moment for Ben and Amanda from Dawsons.

After a few photos, a phone call and some social networking the old fashioned way the lovable but independent Jumpsey was picked up by Dad and returned home with a flea in her ear.



# About Town



If you went to the Pingrup Races over the weekend then you should have caught a glimpse of the new addition to the finish post.

Members of the Lake Grace Men's Shed had been frantically working in the couple of weeks prior to get it finished.

A huge effort from the fellows to get it finished and installed at the finish post.

Photo: Vanessa Townsend

The WAGs were out in force at the Lake Grace Cricket Club windup.

From left to right: Karissa Pelham, Chloe Trevenen, Max Leo, Claire Gray, Jessi Stone, Nadine Markham, Letisha McGlinn, Shenae Prater and Yasmine Smith. Absent Sinead Enright.



At the recent Lake Grace Cricket Club windup the 'Team of the Decade' (2010s) was announced. The team is selected by the Club's Life Members

Back: Jamie Eggers, Lindsay McGlinn, Garry Leo, Mitch O'Neill, Matt Trevenen and Kael Gray.

Front: Kane Pinney, Damon Pelham and Rob Enright

Absent: Shaye Bowron, Stephen Korosec, Brayden Reynolds.

# Nellie Lay

24-06-1934 to 18-02-2021

Nellie was born Nellie Muriel Mason in the Lake Grace Hospital on the 24th June 1934, the second daughter of Wally and Ruby Mason. Her elder sister Jean had been born in 1932, and her brothers came along after her – (Kevin) Mick in 1935 and (Laurie) Sam in 1938. Wally gave them all nicknames, and Nellie's was "Nellie Bly".

The family lived on a farm 24 miles north of Lake Grace. They would go to Doornock siding with Ruby's sisters in the horse and sulky to take the milk and cream to go on the train to Perth, and to pick up fruit and vegies and whatever there was for the farm. When they went to shop or visit friends in Lake Grace it would be by horse and cart. Nellie told stories of that time, such as the kids pinching cow's milk to make mud pies, and when bringing the cows in for milking, holding the cow's tails and getting dragged along the sandy creek! The kids went with their Dad to make charcoal, putting mallee roots in a big pit, covering it with iron and sand, and then burning it slowly. They then bagged up the charcoal and sold it.

In 1941 at the age of seven, Nellie boarded in town to go to school. She boarded with Mr and Mrs Knott, and their son Stan, who she remembered as lovely, kind people. Many years later Stan told Nellie that he remembered her as a little girl who was always happy and always sweeping! Nellie carried that habit of sweeping through her life, apparently her sons used to complain when they were teenagers and had a big night out, that early next morning all they could hear outside their windows was swish, swish, swish. She must've worn out a heck of a lot of brooms over the years!

In 1942 the whole family moved into Lake Grace so that the kids could go to school (there were no school buses then). They brought a few cows into town with them and the kids would have to go and find them wherever they were grazing. They would be tied up to a big tree in the back yard to be milked. They sold milk and cream around town.

During her later years at school, Nellie would do baby sitting and house work after school. She left school at 14 and worked for Mrs Colquhaun doing housework. After that she worked for George Lannin in the Greengrocer shop. On Tuesdays she rode around town taking orders for fruit and vegies, then went back to the shop and put the orders together for George to deliver. When she was about 18 she worked for Barge Watkins at the shop where Rosie's Café is now. The shop sold everything from paper and magazines to lace, crockery and gifts.

Nellie enjoyed playing hockey and tennis. Footballers and hockey players travelled in the back of Reg Bethams' covered in truck, to play in Kukerin, Moulyinning and Dumbleyung. Nellie played hockey while still at school – she and her sister Jean would get dressed in their hockey clothes in the hope that someone wouldn't turn up, and they often got a game



that way. She went to Country Week hockey two or three times, which she really enjoyed. Nellie also taught Sunday School on Sunday mornings with Jean and a couple of other girls.

Nellie fell in love with John Lay when she was 18. They were engaged on 15th March 1952 while in Perth for Flo and David Robinson's wedding. They were married in the Methodist Church in Narrogin on the 1st May 1954 and had their reception in a second story room above Parry's in Narrogin.

Their first child Maurice John was born in 1956, Ronald Wayne arrived in 1958, then Bevan Charles came along in 1966. They lived in a two room precut house for a start, which they added on to over time. Life on the farm was busy. Nellie helped out with tractor driving - the usual ripping up, working back, seeding and cleaning dams. She did plenty of mallee root picking, and sheep work. She loaded the truck at seeding time till midnight as John didn't get in till late. When she was first married they cut hay and Nellie helped to stook it and cart it in to put in the hay stack. Another job was to sew the bags of wheat and oats they kept for seed. Shearing was an extra busy time, cooking enough to feed everyone and

## Nellie Lay *(cont.)*

helping to bring sheep in and put them out. She also milked a cow morning and night.

At times early on she would drive the truck in to town to pick up things for the farm. Nellie drove the ute into town when she went to get her driver's license. The policeman, Mr Fletcher filled in the paperwork and off she went – no driver's test then! In the early days they used the farm ute to go shopping as they didn't have a vehicle of their own. Being a farm ute it was always messy as it was used for feeding out hay to the cows and grain to the sheep and everything else, so it had to be cleaned before going to town.

On Sundays the family sometimes played tennis at the Little Red School or down at Ray and Blanche Connolly's with some of the neighbors. They sometimes went to the pictures on Saturday night in the hall. When there were dances on Saturday nights, Nellie and John loved to dance while the boys would sleep on the floor at the back of the hall, or when they got a bit older, in the car.

At home on the farm Nellie would buy a hundred day-old chickens at a time and raise them till they were six weeks old, when she would sell off the hens and dress the roosters for sale. She sold eggs, milked the cow, made butter, separated the milk for cream and sold some cream. The money she made bought clothes and many things they wouldn't have had otherwise. Nellie made most of the boys clothes out of clothes other people didn't want anymore. The sheets had patch upon patch, but she could make undies out of the sides that were still good!

As the boys got older and worked on the farm Nellie was always cooking, and often delivering meals to them in the paddocks at night. She remembered that it could be tricky getting back out of the paddock at night - it wasn't so hard when it wasn't ripped up – you just kept going till you ran out of ploughed ground. Sometimes she wasn't quite sure where her boys were as there were so many lights it was hard to tell if the lights were in their paddocks or someone else's.

Nellie did a mountain of cooking in her lifetime – she was legendary for her cakes, biscuits and slices, and delicious family meals. When making biscuits when her boys were younger, she said the ones she was putting on trays to go in the oven would keep disappearing off the tray. It took time to get the tray full to put in the oven. When her Grandkids came along she knew what biscuits each Grandie liked best and made those especially for them.

Nellie and John moved into Lake Grace in late 2000. John still went to work at the farm everyday until about 2007 when Alzheimer's meant he had to give up farming. Nellie cared for him at home till 2009. After John passed away in 2012, Nellie lived alone until September 2019. She enjoyed living in town, looking after her house and working in her garden, constantly planting, pruning, designing a new part or sweeping and raking! She enjoyed having visitors for a cuppa and a chat, and loved it when family and her grandies called

in. Her family and her home were everything to her.

### Some Of Our Memories Of Nellie

- She was a girly girl. She loved pretty things – flowery things, lacy things and colorful things. She sewed her own curtains and cushions in florals and lace, and decorated her home with pretty things.
- Maurice remembers that Nellie sold his 1954 BSA Motorbike while he was overseas to someone who came around, for \$150, as she reckoned he hardly ever used it!
- Over the many years on the farm, she often had people staying for extended lengths of time. These included Tara as a baby, who became the daughter she never had – they always shared a special bond.
- She was a homebody – she loved her home and her own company. All her life she kept an immaculate house and in the last couple of years would be very annoyed at the dust under the bed, windows not sparkling etc
- Her quick wit when bantering with her family was very entertaining – the retorts she came out with could curl your hair!
- Her absolutely legendary cooking. You could turn up any time and she'd have some of her biscuits, cake or slice to give you. Her stews and soups were the best. She always called food "tucker." Her daughters-in-law knew they'd had a win when the boys gave the verdict of "Nearly as good as Nellie's" for something they'd cooked.
- Nothing was ever really worn out until Mum/Nanna couldn't mend it anymore. Her patience when patching and re-patching work clothes was incredible. There was also many a time when a teddy needed repair work, and Nanna could sew a new eye or a new tail, no worries at all.
- She could've been a pin-up girl for "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle." Although she grew up through the war and depression, we never heard her complain about today's generation being wasteful. It was simply second nature to Nell to make the most of absolutely everything.
- Nellie had a real sweet tooth. Both for cakes, slice, biscuits etc, but also for dessert. No matter how full she was, she always had some room for sweets.
- She was very generous.
- Her quick sense of humor which stayed with her almost to the end – even the hospital staff loved her for the laughs she gave them.
- When she arrived at Maurie and Jodie's for a stay, the first thing she did was sweep inside the house. The second thing she did was sweep outside the house. And she then did both every day she stayed. They used to joke with her about putting a broom in her grave!



## Nellie Lay (cont.)

- She was kind to everyone – except pests in the garden - when it came to snails, slugs and ants she was a cold hearted killer.
- Maurie remembers when he and Ron were small, being tied with rope onto the tractor seat while Nellie drove the tractor. He remembers her amazing capacity for work and how much she did around the farm especially when he was very young.
- We are not sure if it was from choice or necessity, but years ago Nellie seemed to use a lot of Mission-Brown paint. We heard a story once about a young couple who were halfway through painting their Mission-Brown skirting boards a nice clean, crisp White when they left for their honeymoon. Nellie very kindly decided to finish the job for them while they were away. Unfortunately, Nellie painted over the white they had done, to return it all to Mission Brown! Apparently they didn't have the heart to tell her or change it and so it stayed mission brown!
- She was always a lady. When she came into town on Fridays (her shopping day), she always dressed immaculately, with hair, makeup, jewelry and handbag.
- When Clancy, Maisey and Charlie were younger, Nellie came to every one of their birthday parties, and enjoyed helping, watching the kids have fun and sharing in the party food. And she wouldn't go home until the last of the dishes were done.
- She was never interested in travelling – she always said she'd be too bored on holidays. She always said "I'm just happy to potter around in my garden."
- The things she sewed for us with such a lot of love – embroidered cushions, quilts, baby clothes. Her needlework is beautiful and she invested countless hours in these heirlooms over the years.
- She still made us birthday cakes, even when we were adults.
- In the last couple of years she loved her bed. When she stayed with Maurie and Jodie they would try to encourage her to stay up and awake, but they'd turn their backs and she'd be back in bed like a flash.
- She loved her talcum powder. While she was in hospital one day she forgot what it was for, and asked Lisa "Where do I put this?" To which Lisa replied "Wherever you want to put it." So Nellie proceeded to squirt it all over the front of Lisa's uniform!
- When they were younger her grandkids loved going to Nanna's and playing in the awesome cubby in her garden, which even had a fireman's pole.
- Her daughters-in-law really won the Mother-In-Law jackpot. She thought the sun shone out of her sons, but she loved Jodie, Bambi and Vynka just as much, and was so grateful for everything the girls did for her over the years.
- When Vynka first met Bevan and she went out to the farm with him, she could not believe that Nellie kept meat in the cupboard! Bevan would go to the cupboard and pull out a cooked roast on an enamel plate inside a pillowcase, and carve off some meat to eat. Vynka was amazed no one ever got food poisoning. Vynka would also say to him "Don't eat all of your Mum's food," to which Bevan would reply "She loves cooking for us." Which it turned out was true.
- Bevan remembers that Nellie even used to rake the leaves up in the bush around the farm house, as the bush was too untidy for her liking.
- As she was so tiny, the grandkids were always comparing their height with Nanna to see if they had grown taller than her yet.
- Living in town, Nellie was very lucky to have such wonderful neighbors on every side. We are very grateful to Joan & John, Margaret, Dot, Kim & Steve and Sandra, for all the friendship and support they gave Nellie, especially in her last couple of years at home.

Nellie will never be forgotten for so many reasons. Her needs and wants were simple, she loved her family deeply, allowed us to live our lives as we chose, and helped us whenever she could. We were blessed to have her, and we will always love her.

### WANTED



#### Your unwanted reading glasses for recycling.

Lions are doing another collection of out-of-date spectacles.

Please drop off at the Lake Grace Community Pharmacy where Shashi & Sandhya will take old specs off your hands. Glasses will be sent to **Lions Save Sight** under the **Recycle-for- Sight** program, to benefit the needy around the world. Please note: The glasses case is not required.

*Thank you.*



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Facilities not air conditioned

# Lake Grace Weather

Date	Min	Max	Rain
10/03	21.0	29.4	
11/03	20.0	32.4	3.2
12/03	16.1	22.0	1.8
13/03	10.0	22.1	
14/03	9.8	23.2	
15/03	12.5	26.9	
16/03	16.3	31.1	
17/03	15.0	34.7	
18/03	14.2	35.7	
19/03	14.5	34.6	
20/03	15.1	34.3	
21/03	16.3	34.7	
22/03	18.0	28.9	
23/03	11.6	21.4	

## South of Kalbarri and Kalgoorlie Watering Days

Last digit of your lot or house number	Your 2 scheme watering days are:
1	Wednesday and Saturday
2	Thursday and Sunday
3	Friday and Monday
4	Saturday and Tuesday
5	Sunday and Wednesday
6	Monday and Thursday
7	Tuesday and Friday
8	Wednesday and Saturday
9	Thursday and Sunday
0	Friday and Monday

**You may water only once each day either before 9am or after 6pm.**

“People that know they are important, think about others. People that think they are important, think about themselves.”

*Hans F Hansen*

# STEVE & KIM

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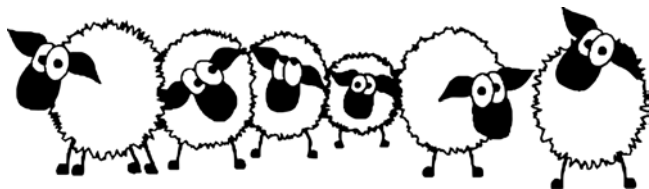
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- **Liberty Roadhouse**  
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Open 7 days 6:00am - 8:00pm
- **IGA - Lake Grace Plaza**  
Stubbs St (centre of town) - publicly accessible AED  
Open 7 days 6am-7:45am 8:30am-5:30pm
- **St John Ambulance sub centre**  
Stubbs St (accessible 24 hours a day)  
Contact 000 in case of emergency
- **Sporting Pavilion**  
publicly accessible AED when pavilion is in use
- **Lake Grace Police Station**  
Stubbs St (accessible 24 hours a day)  
Contact 000 in case of emergency
- **Lake Grace Men's Shed**  
Bennett St.  
Open 8:30am to midday every Tuesday  
Contact 000 in case of emergency
- **Lake Grace Swimming Pool**  
Bishop St  
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- **Lake Grace Sportsman's Club**  
Stubbs St  
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# Lake Grace District High School News

On Monday 15<sup>th</sup> March, the school got a visit by **ABC Radio Great Southern**. Their trip to Lake Grace formed part of a promotional tour of the Wheatbelt and provided LGDHS primary students a rare opportunity to go on air.

Sixteen students from Year 4/5 and 5/6 classes were interviewed about what they liked about their town and their school, the State election, and even Nat Fyfe's new hair cut!



Another visitor to the school last week was YouthCare Area Chaplain, **Heather Van Oyen**, who supports our School Chaplaincy Program. Heather met with Principal Scott Tapper and School Chaplain Anita de Bruin as part of her regional visit. Here is what Heather said about her trip to Lake Grace:

*It was a pleasure to visit Scott and Anita in Lake Grace and hear how the Chaplaincy Service has been a valuable contribution to the well-being and support of the school community.*

*A highlight of travelling the Goldfields – Esperance – Lake Grace Region, has been hearing the many creative ways chaplains engage within their school communities, for example Anita shared her craft projects with reflections of gratitude and joy being one, a thriving Breakfast Club, and creative well-being strategies.*

*It is wonderful to have you on board the team Anita. Wishing you and LGDHS all the very best for 2021!*

**Heather Van Oyen**

*Photo right (L-R): Heather Van Oyen, Scott Tapper and Anita de Bruin*



And if you see a new face in town, it will most likely be **Mr Ian Ross**. Ian is a Flying Squad relief teacher who will be working at LGDHS until the end of term 2, teaching both high school HASS and English. This is his first Flying Squad appointment after spending 2020 at Kalgoorlie Boulder Community High School.

“The students here have been exceptionally friendly and well mannered, and have made me feel very welcome,” said Ian.

Ian is a keen cyclist and has enjoyed exploring the town on his racing bike. He is also a keen football fan. “I’m looking forward to the footy starting and barrack for Hawthorn.”

We won’t hold that against him!

Welcome to Lake Grace Mr Ross.

# Position Available

## *Community Resource Assistant*

The Lake Grace Community Resource Centre are seeking applications for the position of Community Resource Assistant.

Possibility of up to 25 hours per week - working hours can be flexible.



The Lake Grace CRC is a dynamic community run organisation with a variety of initiatives coming under their umbrella. Customer service and assisting with the production of the community newspaper will be a major part of this position.

The successful applicant will have the opportunity to gain or enhance their current skills in business related competencies such as:

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- Problem solving IT issues
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- Organisation of workshops and training
- Quality customer service
- Editing, compiling and production of the community newspaper
- Grant writing
- Producing agendas, minutes and financial reports

Proficient computer and literacy skills would be desirable but not essential - all training would be provided on the job.

Please email your application for the position to CRC Chairperson, Yvette Downey on [sydowney@bigpond.com](mailto:sydowney@bigpond.com)

**Applications close Friday 26th March.**

# Main Street Movie Night

Vicki O'Neill-Gray. Photo Cheryl Chappell.

On Saturday evening the Shire of Lake Grace and the Visitors Centre hosted a free family movie night for the town. It was a beautiful balmy night which drew a record crowd of 134 people and *The Croods 2* was a hit for families.

Mrs. G's Food van and popcorn supplied by the All Abilities Playground Community Group made sure that everyone went away contented.

A huge thank you to the community for supporting this and to the organizers for making it possible.



## Road Safety Awareness

*Basic Car Maintenance & Safety*

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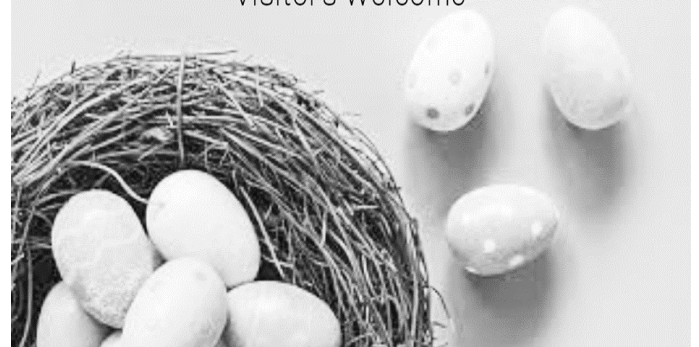
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Tuesday 30th March  
9.30am-11.30am

Visitors Welcome



# Getting to Know

Suzanne Reeves

**Name:** *Easter Bunny*

**Occupation:** *Courier*

**What's your favourite hobby:** *Digging holes, it's a nice break from the delivery game.*

**If you woke up tomorrow as a human, who would you choose to be?** *Definitely not Michael McGregor, he was a bit grumpy.*

**Do you like going on holidays?** *Not really, I have to travel so much with my job I like to stay home the rest of the year.*

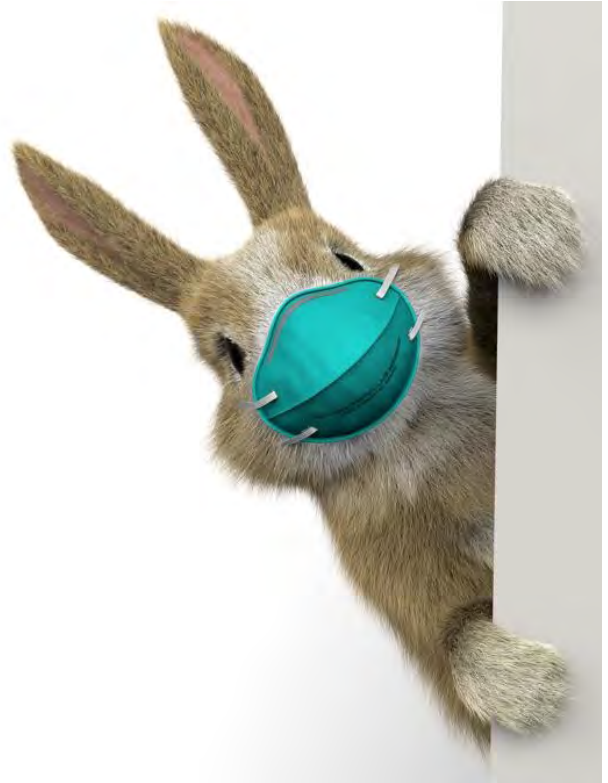
**Who would portray you in a movie?** *Bugs though I think he's gone into hiding due to the PC crowd getting a bit worked up about what's going on between him and Elmer Fudd.*

**What are you afraid of?** *Guns..definitely guns, not a big fan of cats either.*

**What is your favourite food?** *Grass, though it's been in short supply over the last couple of years. Very grateful that I live in Lake Grace and there's couple of ovals to chow down on. Heard on the radio that John O'Neill's got a good veg patch - may have to check that out.*

**What's your best asset?** *I'm incredibly good looking.*

**What's your favourite song?** *Rabbit Heart (Raise it Up) by Florence and the Machine.*



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# Celebrating End of Pool Season

*Jen Bannerman. Photos Cheryl Chappell.*

You couldn't have asked for a better day to hold the 2020/21 Family Fun Day at the pool.

The doors opened at noon on Sunday, patrons found the pool set up with the inflatables purchased for Australia Day. The 'log', the 'rocker' and the 'Octoring' were ready and waiting with the ever-popular caterpillar that goes by the name George and Hubby Bubby. The waterslide was set up on the grassed area for the toddlers.

The locals were the first to arrive with a few families excited about the BBQ. The pool managers fiancé was given the task master duty of cooking the snags. As the smell drifted across the pool people started lining up for the free sausage sizzle. A few kind-hearted parents jumped in to help and butter the rolls while the manager watched the water and welcomed more patrons.

The first wave saw 50 sausage sizzles devoured and enjoyed by young and old. Once the food settled, back to the fun in the sun.

The rocker was a massive hit always having a line-up of people waiting to rock the next person off. Parents and their kids versing each other and the laughter that ensued.

The water slide had a workout on the lawn with lots of parents enjoying seeing their toddlers slide down squealing with delight. It was well used and the lawn very well-watered for the day.

Watching people try to stay on the 'log' is like watching a rodeo event - trying to keep on an oiled hog. Kids were sliding, tipping and rolling off, much to the amusement of others.

The second wave of people arrived mid-afternoon. The BBQ was fired up once again and another 25 sausages were given to people. Many thanks to the Shire for supplying the food and to Andrew for cooking two BBQ's.

It seemed the sounds of joy carried over to the tennis courts as hot and tired people came to cool off and have fun before returning to their home towns.

At any given point of the day, there was no quiet period. Parents and lifeguard were kept on their toes watching and ensuring safety among all. By the end of day 126 patrons walked through the door and left with smiles and exhausted kids that hopefully slept well.

The pool will remain open until Wednesday 31 March. From the managers, we wish you a great Easter and winter season. Until next summer just keep swimming, even if only in your dreams.



**Above: Anton Kuchling rock'n it with son Chase and Levi Argent**



**Above: At the end of day Jen the Lifeguard had a minute to spare.**



**Above: The Octo-ring brought on some challenges.**



**Above: Connor Chesson is testing out his kicking skills.**

# Have CWA Lost Their Way?

Suzanne Reeves

Almost 100 years ago a group of Western Australian women with great foresight and vision came together in a small town called Baandee to form the first branch of the Country Women's Association of Western Australia, the name it has today. Over this long time span it has touched many families and every aspect of many West Australians in some way large or small during their life

From the beginning the CWA has been a strong, caring, force for communities, working tirelessly to improve health, education, communication, road safety and any other need in our state.

It was not long before this band of women saw needs state wide, and are often the first responders to fire, flood and disaster or health issues in areas.

Broadening their aims these women worked to include the whole state, building aged care facilities and holiday homes. An opportunity for regional families to enjoy affordable holidays at any time of the year on the coast, open to all people not only CWA. There are still these affordable lodges and units dotted throughout the state, but be quick as they are

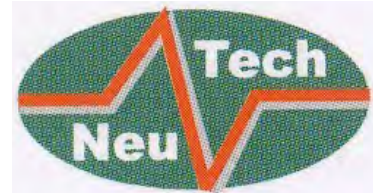
well booked all year.

Actually you may have to be quick because in a move that is very unpopular with its members the CWA of WA has elected to sell off it's economical holiday homes under the illusion that they are no longer needed. Sadly this is not true and CWA of WA should be quite aware that there are many families who don't have the capacity to be able to afford a beachside holiday.

Busselton was sold off in 2019 with no consultation with CWA members; the Albany Seaside Flats have now come under the microscope. These flats are in a prime location on Middleton Beach and are booked solid



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## Have CWA Lost Their Way? *(cont.)*

throughout the year. Not only used for holidays they are also used by people undergoing medical treatment at the Albany Hospital.

When did CWA forget it's motto 'Service to the country, through country women, for country women by country women'? As a member of CWA of WA I would expect the board to make decisions on my behalf, however I would expect those decisions to align with the values of CWA and the needs of the community at large.

The Albany Seaside Flats (ASSF) Committee are devastated at being told that the flats cannot be used beyond 31st July of this year. Based in Albany the committee have worked tirelessly to progress with upgrades and maintenance only to have roadblocks consistently thrown in their way.

CWA of WA have stated that the decision has been made and voted upon and that it would be unconstitutional to reverse it. Does anyone remember the gung-ho approach that the WA Labor government were taking toward facilities in the regions a couple of years ago; the closing of Moora hostel, funding threats to the CRCs? CWA members were amongst those who marched upon Parliament forcing the backflip of the government's decision. Not only was there a backflip but a renovation programme was put into place for the Moora Hostel - this was opened only recently. Perhaps

CWA of WA need to swallow some of their own medicine and learn how to backflip.

Lake Grace branch have pledged their support to the ASSF committee in saving these flats for families to use in the future.

What we would like from you is your stories - did you utilise the CWA Flats in Albany? If so we would love to hear from you; contact either myself or Natalie Gambuti on 0429 793 973.

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Personnel: Sgt. Travis Taylor, SC Fiona Main. PC Scott Oatridge

## STATION NEWS

The fortnightly Kalgoorlie rotations are coming to an end. Scott has gone up for the last time, and once he is back, we can all get back to normal, having us as a three-officer station.

Travis had a bit of fun gloating about his latest catch in Kalgoorlie. On Saturday, whilst working in Kalgoorlie, Travis was asked to jump on a plane to Eucla, where he was to collect a convicted paedophile, which was widely reported on the state news. This convicted paedophile is now back behind bars after skipping reporting bail.



As to why he was let out in the community, I cannot comment, but the good news is, Travis was there to save the day and get him back behind bars where he belongs.

I think Travis enjoyed the trip, taking plenty of scenic flight photographs, and I'm sure he may have been tempted to open the door at some point and give the offender a little kick. But he remained professional, and delivered him to Perth to face court.



## CRIME

Crime? What crime? We have had no reported crime on our district over the past couple of weeks.

However, after chatting with a few people in town, apparently, the police must walk around with our eyes closed. I have been informed that there is a bit of a drug issue in town, and if I get up at the right time and open my eyes, I will see it.

We can't be everywhere at all times, and believe it or

not, people will be very unlikely to continue with their behaviour if they see a local police officer walking by.

The town is everyone's responsibility. If there's drug dealing, taking or whatever going on that's not legal, come and let us know and we will deal with it. Life isn't a game where we have to work it out for ourselves as its our job. Our job is to deal with the information presented to us, if we don't have the information, we can't deal with the crime.

We are more than happy to take anonymous information, however just to tell us Joe Bloggs is a drug dealer, won't cut it, we'll take it on board, but ultimately you need to let us know as much information as you have. Some considerations to tell us are where Joe Bloggs keeps it, where he deals from, does he deal from the house or car, or some other location, maybe he meets people in a park or at a specific location? What does he deal in, cannabis, meth?, where does he get it from, where does he store it in the house or car so that we know where to look if we get a warrant, does he get a delivery or deal in drugs at a specific time? Basically tell us as much as you can, and we will get the warrant and find the drug dealers, and kindly ask them to leave town.

The source of the information can be kept anonymous, and you can give us a call here at the police station on 98902000, or contact crime stoppers (takes a few days to filter through to us) on 1800 333 000 or go online



Any information about any offences, either drugs, traffic or crime will be taken seriously and dealt with as best we can.

# POLICE NEWS *(cont.)*

## TRAFFIC NEWS

**SPEED TESTING:** On our last input, we advised that we would be carrying out speed testing. Unfortunately, that didn't work out to plan.

We will aim to do this at some time in the future, and will let you know when this will happen.

Instead of speed testing, we had to attend out to Ravensthorpe, first thing, to assist them with a crash, which very sadly turned out to be a fatality. It was a long day, and very heart wrenching seeing two young children left behind having lost their father in the crash. The details of the crash have yet to be established.

Just as we were about to head back to Lake Grace, we got another call to attend in Hyden to another crash.

We are very grateful to The Lake King Tavern who very kindly made us some food as a priority, so that we could continue with our journey and eat some lunch on the way to Hyden.

On arriving at Hyden, we had a double whammy of a day, the second crash was ANOTHER fatality.

Sometimes our job is just so draining. It definitely has its up days, but on a day like we had on this day, it brings us back to reality.

The cause of both of these crashes has yet to be established, however speed is often a factor in causing crashes on our roads, and on one day last week, we issued ten speeding infringements in one day. If we worked on commission, we'd have a few more dollars in our pockets, that's for sure.

That's it from us this fortnight.

Lake Grace Police

## Driver Reviver



*We're Looking for Volunteers*

**Friday 2nd April**

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**Monday 5th April**

2pm - 4pm

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# Great Pacific Garbage Patch

*National Geographic*

The Great Pacific Garbage Patch (GPGP) is a collection of marine debris in the North Pacific Ocean. Also known as the Pacific trash vortex, the garbage patch is actually two distinct collections of debris bounded by the massive North Pacific Subtropical Gyre.

The GPGP sits near the surface of the ocean. Dense debris can sink centimetres or even several metres beneath the surface, making the vortex's area nearly impossible to measure. The surface area of the patch is approximately 1.6 million square kilometres.

Most debris in the GPGP is plastic. Plastic is not biodegradable, meaning it does not disintegrate—it simply breaks into tinier and tinier pieces, known as microplastics. Mixed in with microplastics are larger pieces of refuse from land activities in North America and Asia. Some plastics are dumped from oceangoing vessels.

Marine debris can prevent algae and plankton, the photosynthetic producers in the marine food web, from receiving enough sunlight to create nutrients. When these tiny organisms are threatened, the entire food web is put at risk—first-order consumers that eat the plankton, such as jellies; second-order consumers that eat the jellies, such as turtles; and apex predators such as sharks.

The marine debris of the GPGP can devastate marine life in the North Pacific Subtropical Gyre. The stomach contents of many dead marine birds include plastic marine debris fed to the chick by its parents. Turtles can easily be entangled in discarded fishing nets or mistake the gelatinous texture of plastic for a jelly, their favorite food.

Perhaps one of the starkest impacts on marine life is the phenomenon of "ghost fishing." Most large debris in

the GPGP is made up of inexpensive fishing nets. Ghost fishing happens when these discarded nets continue to "catch" marine life—suffocating marine mammals.

Garbage patches are found in the calm, stable centers of many of the world's ocean gyres. Even smaller bodies of water, such as the Mediterranean and North Seas, are developing their own garbage patches along heavily trafficked shipping lanes.

The best way to reduce debris in the Great Pacific Garbage Patch is to reduce, recycle, reuse—and clean up local beaches.

Many of our holiday destinations on the south coast hold regular clean up days. The International Coastal Cleanup Day is on September 18th, but don't wait until then to do your bit.

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# Community Newsletter

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## From the CEO

Students from Lake Grace District High School Jessica Chircop and Stephanie Gunnell participated in a week of work experience at the Shire office and Evelyn Oatridge spent her week at the Lake Grace Visitor Centre.

It is an opportunity to experience a working environment while introducing them to the processes and procedures within a workplace. They will continue to come to the office and visitor centre every Tuesday next school term.

### **Movies in Lake Grace and Lake King**

Saturday saw 123 turn out to see Croads 2 in Lake Grace. Great to see so many people supporting a community event. A little quieter in Lake King on the Sunday no doubt those who went enjoyed the movie.

### **Lake Grace Pool**

The family fun day in Lake Grace was a busy day for the Manager, thank you to Jen who had 125 people over the day through the door to celebrate the end of the pool season by getting out all the pool toys on Sunday 21 March, only a few days to go before the end of season to have your last swim.

### **Easter**

Have a safe Easter break the Shire office will close 4pm Thursday 1 April and reopen Tuesday 6 April 2021.

### **Department of Water and Environmental Regulation**

Rural Water Planning have provided information regarding recent funding in progress and recently completed.

### **National On-Farm Emergency Water Infrastructure Rebate Scheme -**

#### **High uptake of scheme**

Total number of applications received since the Scheme opened	- 1447
Total number of applications approved and paid since the Scheme opened	- 936
Number of applications received and in the queue before 2 October 2020	- 447
Number of applications received and in the queue from 3 October 2020 to 20 January 2021 when scheme closed/no more applications accepted.	- 64
Total funds disbursed \$5.120 Million.	

The Western Australian Government has reached an agreement with the Federal Government to provide funding to farmers who applied under the National On-Farm Emergency Water Infrastructure Rebate Scheme. Due to significant demand the scheme was oversubscribed, and the previous funding was fully allocated. The additional funding provided through this agreement will see a further 511 farmers with applications already submitted receive a rebate for water infrastructure installed on their farm.

The Department of Water and Environmental Regulation is working with the Federal Government on the formal funding agreement, and when in place, the department will contact the affected farmers directly to provide further information on the assessment and payment of grants.

*Continued over ..*

## Coming Events

*DIY Grassheads*  
Monday 29th March 2021  
2:45 - 4pm  
Lake Grace  
Regional ArtSpace

*Wire Zoo*  
Friday 9th April 2021  
10 - 11am  
Lake Grace  
Regional ArtSpace

*Monster Critters*  
Monday 12th April 2021  
10 - 11:30am  
Lake Grace  
Regional ArtSpace

*Yuk Circus Lake Grace*  
Monday 24 May  
Lake Grace Shire Hall

### **Ordinary Council Meeting**

An Ordinary Council Meeting will be held on

**Wednesday 28 April 2021**  
from 3:30pm at the Council Chambers, Administration Building. The Agenda will be available on

[www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au](http://www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au)

### *Everyone Welcome*

A minimum of 15 minutes is set aside for public question time, giving members of the public an opportunity to ask questions relating to Shire activities.

Continued

**Community Water Supply program 2020/21 Round -In Progress**

<b>The Shire of Merredin</b>	\$75,120	Improve their extensive stormwater reuse network to provide water for irrigation of public open spaces. The non-potable piping system will be extended to the town cemetery site and a new 362 kilolitre capacity storage tank will be installed. Extending the non-potable supply network will replace scheme water to irrigate the gardens. Annual scheme cost savings will result in approximately \$8000.
<b>The Shire of Mukinbudin</b>	\$100,000	Lay 15 kilometres of pipe from the 200,000 kilolitre capacity Barbalin Dam to the town of Mukinbudin. The dam, fed by a large rock catchment has been recently handed over from Water Corporation and will reliably provide an additional 90,000 kilolitres to irrigate the sporting facilities and public open spaces.
<b>The Shire of Wyalkatchem</b>	\$100,000	This project component aims to address poor drainage issues associated with the 693,603 square metre eastern catchment that flows to the town's non-portable community dam that is in poor condition with ineffective channel gradients. Works will include channel reconstruction and realignment to optimise runoff into the dam.
<b>The Shire of Wyalkatchem</b>	\$79,759	This project component aims to also address poor catchment drainage issues including flooding in sections of the 112,840 square metre Flint Road and Gamble Street catchment channels to the town's non-potable community dam. The catchment channels will be upgraded and realigned to optimise runoff into the town dam.
<b>The Shire of Chapman Valley</b>	\$100,000	Upgrade the 30 year old pump and pipe infrastructure from the Rockwell bore to improve supply of non-potable water to the Yuna townsite. Twelve kilometres of new pipework will be installed from the bore to Yuna and fitted with a new submersible pump system. Additional solar panels will be installed to increase the capacity of the network to deliver more water to Yuna. A new 132 kilolitre capacity tank will be installed at the sporting facilities.
<b>The Shire of Toodyay</b>	\$79,818	This project builds on the Shire's previous works undertaken to enhance storage and access to emergency firefighting water across the Shire. The project will focus on four fire brigade sites and boost the stormwater harvesting systems. Storage capacity will be enhanced at each site where combined storage capacity will increase by 775 kilolitres. The additional water storage and pump system upgrades will secure an emergency non-potable source for firefighting and reduce the reliance on the Shire's limited scheme water supplies.
<b>The Shire of Jerramungup</b>	\$87,174	Project will boost the non-potable emergency water supplies in the Boxwood Hill area of the Shire which in recent years has experienced well below average rainfall. a new 15,000 kilolitre capacity dam on the old rock quarry site at Boxwood Hill. The supply will provide an important non-potable water supply to supplement the existing irrigation dam that is becoming increasingly unreliable due to salt seepage The source will also boost the emergency water supply network in the Gairdner area that has experienced water deficiencies and provide a back-up emergency livestock drinking water.
<b>The Shire of Plantagenet</b>	\$94,031	Project will further boost their non-potable supplies in Mount Barker to irrigate the expansive Sounness Park Recreation Precinct and Frost Park Oval. A new 35,000 kilolitre capacity dam will be constructed at the turf club training track. The dam will be linked to the existing 30,000 kilolitre capacity dam through a new pump and pipe system.
<b>The Shire of Gnowangerup</b>	\$100,000	Project will build a 12,000 kilolitre capacity dam at the Gnowangerup airstrip. There is an existing 10,000 kilolitre dam that captures water off the runway and surrounding reserve however this is inaccessible and regularly overflows. Connection between the two dams will increase total capacity to 22,000 kilolitres. A solar pump system will be installed to transfer water between dams and a generator will serve as a backup power system. Two 250 kilolitre capacity tanks will be installed and an road created for farmers and the fire brigade to access the tanks.
<b>The Shire of Lake Grace</b>	\$100,000	Project will upgrade two Agricultural Area dams north of Newdegate town. Recently handed over to the Shire from the Water Corporation, the Lake Biddy dams will be desilted, the dam batters and inlets will be upgraded and stabilised with rock pitching. Half of the large 44 hectare catchment will be upgraded to optimise runoff to both dams and the system will be equipped with a 250 Kilolitre capacity tank and solar pump system.
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$926,656</b>	

*Alan George*  
Chief Executive Officer

## Community Infrastructure Service

With Easter knocking on our door things have been busy in the infrastructure team with drainage upgrades on Mallee Hill Road in full swing (job currently running ahead of schedule), gravel re sheeting on North Burngup Road and Bidy Camm road has commenced, Lake Bidy dam project is on the home stretch with the last of the catchment being completed as we speak and solar pump is booked in to be installed in the next few days. Fogging for both Newdegate and Lake Grace is scheduled to be completed at various stages over the next 2 weeks weather permitting.

This fortnight our works crew have completed the below roadworks & maintenance;

### Roadworks

The Lake Grace Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- North Burngup Rd
- Bairstow Rd
- Mallee Hill Rd
- Fourteen Mile Rd

The Newdegate Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Aylmore Rd
- Edwards Rd
- Witham Rd
- Bidy Camm Rd

The Lake King and Varley Maintenance Grader has carried out grading on:

- Old Newdegate Rd
- Hatters Hill Rd

### Parks & Gardens

The Parks and Gardens Crew have carried out the following work:

#### Lake Grace

- Mowing Football & Hockey ovals
- RSL & Visitors Centre mowing & weeding
- Tidying major leaf debris around town
- Cemetery maintenance
- Town Hall garden/ lawn maintenance
- Lake Grace swimming pool lawn
- Weeding around Lake King public toilets & "Goods Shed"

#### Newdegate

- Fogging Mozzies
- Garden maintenance to skate park
- Clean BBQ's at pioneer park
- Pump silt dam water into sports dam
- Mow football & hockey ovals

### Buildings

The Building Maintenance Crew have carried out the following work:

- Maintenance to Old Doctors Surgery
- Lake King Pavilion toilet
- Replacement of signs around Lake King & Lake King refuse site
- Remove corroded plastic roofing from Lake Grace pool roof
- Maintenance to Dunn Rock Tennis building
- Refurbishment of Lake Grace town signs
- Erect fence around Ezy-dump & pump station (Lake Grace jumping pillow)
- Newdegate Pavilion playground maintenance

All shire owned public buildings, land and shire residential buildings have been independently valued by an external valuing consultant over the last week

*Craig Elefsen*  
Manager Infrastructure Services

Have a safe and Happy Easter



from Shire Councillors and staff

## Every Town, Every Memorial

Places of Pride, the National Register of War Memorials, is an Australian War Memorial initiative to record the location and photos of every war memorial across the country.

Search to find your place of pride:

<https://placesofpride.awm.gov.au/>

Places of Pride is the national register of war memorials. Search your location to find a war memorial in your area.



## Community Information

### Office Open Hours

Monday - Tuesday - Wednesday - Friday  
8.30am - 4.30pm

Thursday 8.30am - 4.00pm

Staff can be contacted by phone between 8am - 5pm

### Transport and Licensing

All licensing payments are to be made in person at the Shire of Lake Grace Administration office, 1 Bishop Street, Lake Grace.

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 8.30am - 4.15pm  
Thursday and Friday 8.30am - 4.00pm

As an agency, we process the majority of transactions including: renewals, transfers, number plate orders, boat registration renewals and new licence applications. With every transaction we perform, we try to offer the best service possible.

We do ask all licensing customers to be considerate, even though we are aware of people being 'locals' it does not exempt us from following the rules set by the Department of Transport.

### Driving Assessor

The Practical Driving Assessor (PDA) will be at the Shire of Lake Grace Office on:

**Friday - April 2021 - not available**

**Friday - 7 May 2021 - to be confirmed**

Bookings are essential for all Practical Driver's Licence Assessments and we advise booking in advance as there is often a waiting list.

All bookings to be made at the Shire office on 9890 2500 until further notice.

Lake Grace has one assessment day each month held on the first Friday of the month.

For more information go to: [www.transport.wa.gov.au](http://www.transport.wa.gov.au).

### Libraries

**Lake Grace Public Library** School Place Absolon St  
Monday - Friday 9am - 5pm  
Closed for lunch 12.30 - 1pm

**Newdegate Public Library** Collier St  
Monday - Thursday 8.30am - 4.30pm  
Closed for lunch 12noon - 1pm  
Friday 9am - 2pm

**Lake King Library** Newdegate/Ravensthorpe Rd  
Tuesday and Thursday 8.30am - 3.30pm

### Town Planner

Planning Officer, David Johnston and Building Surveyor, Gary Bruhn can be contacted through the Shire Office on 9890 2500 or email [shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au](mailto:shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au).

### Environmental Health

The Shire's Environmental Health Officer, Brendon Gerrard. Can be contacted via the Shire on 9890 2500 or email [shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au](mailto:shire@lakegrace.wa.gov.au).

### Tip Times

#### Lake Grace

Monday & Wednesday 9am - 2pm  
Saturday & Sunday 9am - 4pm

#### Newdegate

Wednesday 9am - 1pm  
Saturday 9am - 1pm

#### Lake King and Varley

Open every day

### Recycling Services

Household Waste Collection is a weekly service and collected each Tuesday for Lake Grace, Newdegate, Lake King & Varley.

**Recycling** is a fortnightly service and alternates between Lake Grace and Newdegate. See below for the upcoming recycling collection dates.

Lake Grace	Newdegate
Tuesday 30 March	Tuesday 6 April
Tuesday 13 April	Tuesday 20 April

**Please Note:** There is no kerbside recycling collection service in Lake King or Varley.

The recycling bins are collected by Warren Blackwood Waste and transported to a recycling facility. If items which are not recyclable are found the content can't be recycled and the load will be directed to the landfill.

If an item is covered in food, it is not recyclable. Food is one of the worst contaminators in the recycling process. By using the yellow top recycling bin correctly you are contributing, in a combined community effort, to reduce the amount of rubbish that is directed to landfill facilities each year.

For more information on Waste Management visit the Shire's website [www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au](http://www.lakegrace.wa.gov.au).



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## Community Emergency Service News



### COVID-19 Vaccinations for Emergency Services Volunteers

The WA Department of Health (WA) has advised fire and emergency services volunteers, including Bush Fire Brigades, can register online to receive their COVID-19 vaccination from Monday 8 March 2021. DFES has been advised the AstraZeneca vaccine is being offered through this rollout. Further information about the vaccines can be found on the Healthy WA website.

Volunteers will be required to register online and provide their personal details and select a date and time to be vaccinated.

Once the volunteer has registered to receive their vaccine, they will be sent a Pre Vaccination Factsheet from WA Health with instructions about attending the clinic and information about what happens after they have received their first vaccination.

They will need to bring the following to their appointment:

- Personal ID that shows their date of birth (i.e. driver's license or passport);
- Medicare card; and
- Proof of their role in the fire and emergency services.

The following will be accepted as proof of their role in fire and emergency services:

- Uniform or;
- Volunteer ID Card

If the volunteer does not have a Volunteer ID card, they can print or show their profile from within the Volunteer Hub.

To register, visit: <https://vaccinatewa.health.wa.gov.au/s/login/SelfRegister>

*Suzan Lees*

Community Emergency Services Manager



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# Bits & Pieces

*Kevin Seaman*

Being in the privileged position of being able to put pen to paper and deliver some words of wisdom to others while writing the column of Bits and Pieces. Over the years I have had given to me many written jokes, short stories and items which I must confess hit the emotional spot.

Sorting through the files of them I thought why should I keep them to myself. Why not share them with you the reader over the coming editions. I am not sure who the original writer was but the message it delivers is true, oh so true. So please read on.

## *How to Dance in the Rain*

It was a busy morning, about 8:30 when an elderly gentleman in his 80's arrived to have stitches removed from his thumb. He said he was in a hurry as he had an appointment at 9:00am.

I took his vital signs and had him take a seat, knowing it would be over an hour before someone would be able to see him. I saw him looking at his watch and decided, since I was not busy with another patient, I would evaluate his wound. On exam, it was well healed, so I talked to one of the doctors, go the needed supplies to remove his sutures and redress his wound.

While taking care of his wound, I asked him if he had another doctor's appointment this morning, as he was in such a hurry.

The gentleman told me no, that he needed to go to the nursing home to eat breakfast with his wife. I inquired as to her health.

He told me that she had been there for a while and that she was a victim of Alzheimer's disease.

As we talked, I asked if she would be upset if he was a bit late.

He replied that she no longer knew who he was, that she had not recognized him in five years now.

I was surprised and asked him, "and you still go every morning, even though she doesn't know who you are?"

He smiled as he patted my hand and said, "She doesn't know me, but I still know who she is."

I had to hold back tears as he left, I had goose bumps on my arm, and thought "that is the kind of love I want in my life."

True love is neither physical, nor romantic. True love is an acceptance of all that is, has been, will be and will not be. With all the jokes and fun that are in emails, sometimes there is one that comes along that has an

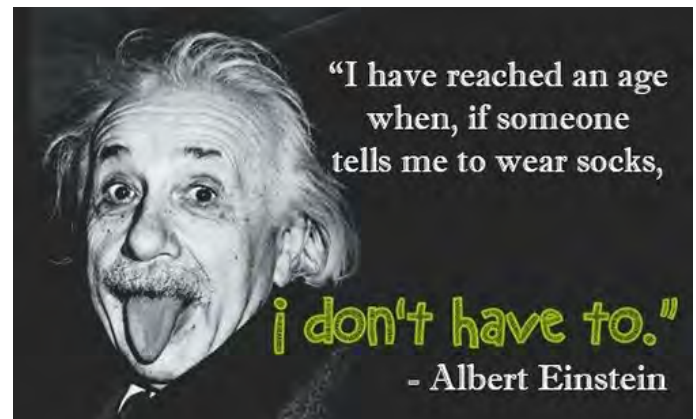
important message.

This one I thought I could share with you.

The happiest people don't necessarily have the best of everything, they just make the best of everything they have.

I hope you share this with someone you care about. I just did.

Life isn't about how to survive the storm, but how to dance in the rain.

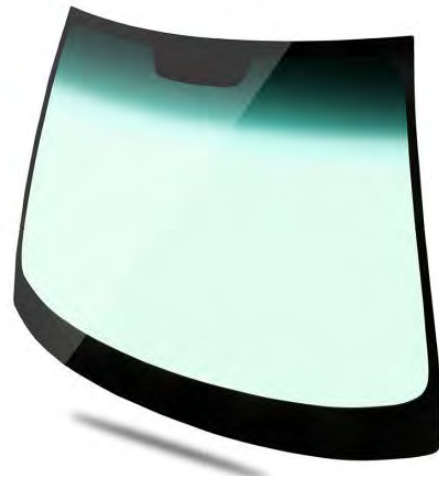


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# Opportunities and Information

## Free Webinars on Elder Abuse

The Older People's Rights Service (OPRS) at Northern Suburbs Community Legal Centre is providing free webinars in the **Wheatbelt and Goldfields-Esperance** regions for community professionals working with older people at risk of or experiencing elder abuse and needing legal assistance. Kalico Consulting is assisting with organising the webinars.

The webinars will be of value to health workers, advocates, social and welfare workers, community care coordinators, paralegals and professionals that engage with older people.

Webinars in other regions will follow during the year. In July OPRS will be running a webinar specifically for lawyers.

Webinar 1 Understanding and responding to elder abuse: Tuesday 20 April, 9.30am-11.00am

Webinar 2 Elder abuse and the law: Tuesday 1 June, 9.30-11.00am

### Registrations close: Tuesday 6 April

**Register here:** <https://events.humanitix.com/free-webinars-on-elder-abuse-wheatbelt-and-goldfields-esperance>

## Online Mental Health First Aid Course

*For adults living in regional grain growing communities*

The Blended Online Mental Health First Aid Course for adults living in regional grain growing communities across WA teaches participants how to assist a friend, family member, or other members of the community who may be developing a mental health problem or experiencing a mental health crisis.

Tailored for the online learning environment, this course involves 5 to 7 hours self-paced pre-course work and 2 X 2.5-hour online training:

### SESSION DATES & TIMES

Stage 1 – Complete eLearning (5 to 7 hours self-paced)

Stage 2 – 3 August 2021, 9:30am to 12.00pm via ZOOM online

Stage 3 – 17 August 2021, 9:30am to 12:00pm via ZOOM online

On completion of the course, attendees can sit a short online assessment and become an Accredited Mental Health First Aider for three years.

This **free** training for regional grain growing communities across WA is proudly supported by CBH Group and MIFWA with thanks to the CBH Regional Mental Wellness Program.

### To register:

You must live in a regional grain growing area across WA to attend this course.

For more information, contact Janine at [janine.ripper@mifwa.org.au](mailto:janine.ripper@mifwa.org.au) or call 08 9237 8900.

Note: All components must be completed to qualify as an accredited Mental Health First Aider for three years.

To secure your place on this training please visit <https://>

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## National COVID-19 vaccine rollout

The commencement of Phase 1b of the National COVID-19 vaccine roll out is due to commence from the week of 22 March 2021 in selected locations.

Members of the community can check their eligibility, or that of a loved one, online via the Eligibility Checker available at <https://covid-vaccine.healthdirect.gov.au/eligibility>

If eligible, they will be able to view vaccination clinics and book an appointment online or via phone.

There is currently a low risk of contracting COVID-19 in Western Australia and indeed in Australia, so it's important to take the time to check eligibility in this round before making an appointment or calling a doctor.

The Australian Government Department of Health website contains further information and resources to support the rollout including a downloadable fact sheet listing the General Practices, Aboriginal Controlled Community Health Services, and GP-led respiratory clinics as well as official communication guidance which will be updated as the roll out progresses. If the online method is not the preferred option, the National Coronavirus and COVID-19 Vaccination Helpline is available on 1800 020 080. Details of State based clinics (Co-ordinated by WA Country Health Service) are in the last stages of finalisation and aim to 'fill service gaps' where vaccination is not locally available.

Some, but not all general practices have opted in to deliver COVID-19 vaccines for the next stage of the vaccine rollout, Phase 1b.

Phase 1b is for the over 70's, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders over 55, adults with a specified medical condition, healthcare workers and critical high-risk workers.

We've already seen a high demand for the COVID-19 vaccine, not just from people who are eligible for Phase 1b but in general.

There are things that can be done while people wait for their vaccination appointment. They can make sure Medicare details are correct, continue to practise good hygiene, physical distancing and adhere to local restrictions and understand how to isolate if needed. If feeling unwell, don't go to work or to activities in big groups and get tested.

People are asked to please be patient - the vaccination rollout will go slowly at first with more vaccination sites coming online over the next few weeks.

All eligible Australians will have the opportunity to have the vaccination in the coming months.

**The vaccine will be available at the Lake Grace Medical Centre in the near future - please give them a ring for more information - 9865 1208.**

# New Releases at the Lake Grace Library

Suzanne Reeves

Lake Grace Library has just received a couple of dozen new titles for their shelves, all funded by the Shire of Lake Grace as part of their Community Grants programme.

Most of the books are new release and cover a range of genres including crime and suspense, drama, fantasy and non-fiction titles such as the ever popular 'Barefoot Investor' - although this book comes under non fiction, the way Scott Pape writes it could also have the tag of being humour.

If you think you know how to build with Lego, think again as there is now two seriously in depth books on building with Lego.

Shuggie Bain, winner of the 2020 Booker Prize, is Douglas Stuart's debut novel that lays bare the ruthlessness of poverty in 1980's Glasgow, a city that has been decimated by Thatcher-era politics.

These books are now all available for loan.

Half of the \$1,000 budget for adult books has been spent but if you have some ideas for further additions to the library shelves then drop in and have a chat with Lois. She would love your input!



**Library Officer Lois Dickins with some of the new titles.**

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# Easter Myths and Their Origins

<https://www.rd.com/list/symbols-of-easter/>

## Easter Myth: The Easter Bunny

The Easter bunny is often considered a part of Easter because of the notable ability of bunnies to proliferate. However, there are roots back to the actual name of Easter. A goddess of fertility, Eostre (who may have been one of the inspirations for the name Easter), is said to have been accompanied by a hare, although many sources debate this connection. The tradition of the bunny was brought to the U.S. by German settlers to Pennsylvania.

## Easter Myth: The Name “Easter”

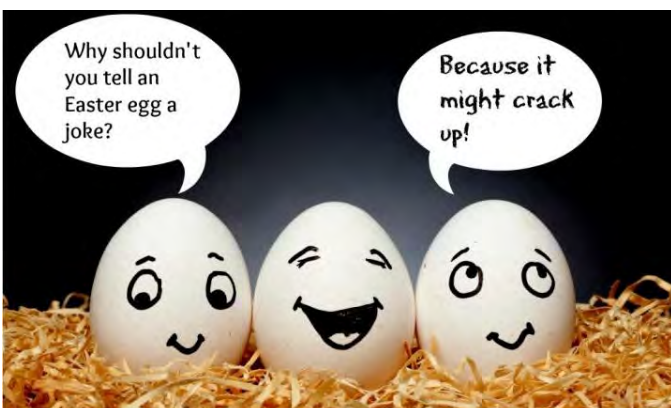
Some Easter traditions connect this name with Ishtar, the Babylonian and Assyrian goddess of love and fertility, or Eostre, an Anglo-Saxon goddess of spring. Doubtless, the Christian holiday was modelled after pagan celebrations of spring and fertility. However, its traditions also closely mimic Passover, and the last supper is believed by some to be a Passover Seder. European names still use this root for what they call Easter; in Spanish it is Pasqua, the French call it Paques, and the Italian name is Pasqua.

## Easter Myth: It’s important, but not as important as Christmas

In terms of preparation, marketing, and pop culture, it’s undeniable that Christmas is a way bigger deal than Easter. This might lead you to think that Christmas is far and away the most important Christian holiday. But despite Christmas’s overwhelming domination of the holiday market, Easter is actually far more important in terms of its spiritual meaning. While the birth of Christ is obviously very important, it’s his eventual resurrection on Easter Sunday that provides the basis of the Christian faith.

## Easter Tradition: Breads

Hot cross buns and other breads marked with an X to symbolize the cross are a tradition on many Easter tables. Different sweet breads are also used all over the world. Try these: Choreg (Armenia), Paska (Ukraine), Babka (Poland), Tsoureki (Greece). Also, try a traditional Italian Easter Bread (shown above) with eggs baked right in. These are conspicuously risen breads, which may also show a desire for Easter traditions to be different from Passover, which includes unleavened breads.



## Easter Tradition: Eggs

The star of Easter—painted, dyed, gilded in silver and gold, blown empty and hung on trees—is the egg. Legends abound about this symbol of life. Around the world, they are brought to church, given as gifts and hidden for the benefit of children.

## Easter Tradition: When It Falls

Easter is a movable feast, meaning it changes depending on a few things. The council of Nicea 325 determined that it would occur after the full moon following the vernal equinox on the next occurring Sunday, unless this happened to interfere with Passover, in which case it should be the Sunday after that. Got it?! It can occur anytime between March 22 and April 25.

## Easter Tradition: Baskets

One of the most popular Easter traditions, the Easter basket was originally more of an Easter nest. Like the bunny itself, the gifts he brings come from a German tradition as well. The Easter baskets were inspired by the concepts of fertility and springtime, just like many other Easter traditions. Children would make “nests,” filled with grass, in hopes that Peter Cottontail would fill the nest with eggs. The nests gradually evolved into baskets.

## Burger Nights

*Every Wednesday and Thursday  
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*5:30pm - 7:30pm*

- \* *Hamburger & chips*
- \* *Steak Burger & chips*
- \* *Chicken Burger & chips*
- \* *Fish Burger and chips*
- \* *Vegetarian Burger & chips*



*Quiz night has been postponed due to lack of interest*

# Puzzles and Stuff

Some words from the 11th March edition of Boggle

- Appraised
- Disappear
- Appraise
- Apprised
- Paradise
- Appears
- Aspired
- Despair
- Diapers
- Dippers
- Parades
- Praised
- Prepaid
- Sappier
- Spiraea
- Aiders
- Appear
- Aspire
- Dapper
- Diaper
- Dipper
- Drapes
- Padres
- Paired
- Papers
- Parade
- Paries
- Parsed
- Pipers
- Praise
- Prides
- Prised
- Raised
- Rapped
- Rasped
- Repaid
- Ripped
- Sapped
- Sapper
- Sarape
- Sipped
- Sipper
- Spader
- Spared
- Spider
- Spread
- Aides
- Areas
- Arsed
- Aside
- Dares
- Dries

Answers for the 11/03/21 edition of Sudoku

5	7	6	1	3	4	2	9	8	5	6	3	1	8	4	9	7	2
4	9	1	6	2	8	3	7	5	8	2	9	7	5	6	3	4	1
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3	4	9	5	7	6	8	2	1	7	9	5	6	4	8	2	1	3

T	A	E
R	R	B
V	E	E

*This week's Boggle (Every word must include the middle letter)*

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# Happy Easter



# Community Garden Update

*Danielle Robertson*

While we are still waiting on confirmation about our big grant application from the Department of Communities which was delayed due to the recent election, we are still working behind the scenes with a bit of fundraising to get some money in the coffers.

We have raised almost \$200 through the Containers for Change scheme and another \$300 through a seniors luncheon in early March. This will enable our water bills to be paid once we are up and running.

We have also sourced sponsorship through Dawson's Funerals in Narrogin who are willing to sponsor us on an annual basis, which is wonderful and we are very appreciative of their support.

Now the weather has cooled a bit we have the Grow Free Cart going out on Thursdays and Fridays at the Visitor Centre again. If you have excess produce please consider sharing it through the cart. Big thank you to Jo Morgan for her help in looking after the cart.

***Our Containers for Change scheme ID is C10351926***

## ***Jobs around your garden for April***

Give lawns and non dormant plants a fertilizer boost to help get them through winter.

Rake up falling leaves and add to compost or use as a mulch layer in garden beds.

Plant out your spring flowering bulbs such as freesias, anemones, daffodils and crocus. Hyacinth and tulip bulbs may need chilling in your crisper drawer prior to planting.

Take hardwood cuttings of your woody shrubs.

Pot up some winter colour with pansies, primula and polyanthus.

Break up your clumping perennials, keeping the outermost bits for replanting or gifting.

Let some of your plants set seed. Roses especially benefit from leaving a few hips to set.

Mulch your frost sensitive plants.



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- Manufacture wiring harnesses
- Install 4x4 accessories eg. LED lights, power sockets, winches
- Any other electrical repairs to automotive systems.

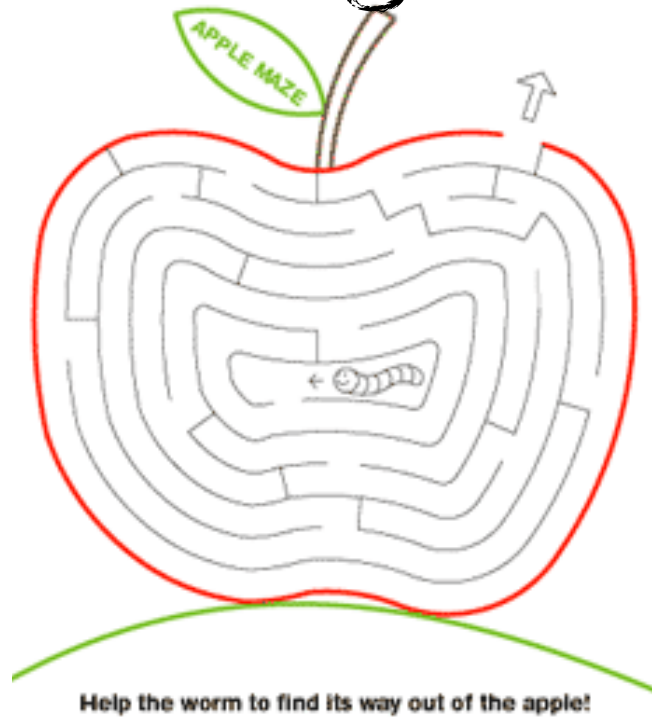
**For any questions or queries please ring Aaron Carruthers on 0429 905 452**

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# Kids Puzzle Page

4	5		1		3
			5	1	4
		2			5
1			2		
2	3	4			
5		1		4	2



## Easter Word Hunt

Directions: Look for the ten words in the list hidden in the puzzle. The words can be forwards or backwards.



T D W M H H T  
 E Y D N A C E  
 N E C H I C K  
 N Q T N U H S  
 O L I L Y G A  
 B U N N Y G B  
 P A R A D E F



- basket
- chick
- hunt
- bonnet
- dye
- lily
- bunny
- egg
- parade
- candy





## Book Review - *The Law of Innocence*, Michael Connelly

Suzanne Reeves

Michael Connelly's latest instalment of the Lincoln Lawyer, Mickey Haller, this time however he's got himself into a situation where he needs the services of a good lawyer.

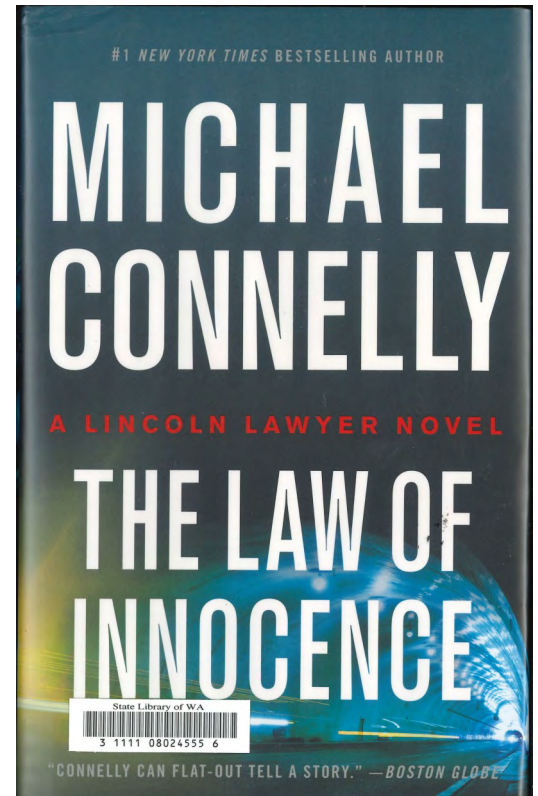
On the night he celebrates a big win, defense attorney Micky Haller is pulled over by police, who find the body of a former client in the trunk of his Lincoln. Haller is immediately charged with murder, and he can't post the exorbitant \$5 million bail slapped on him by a vindictive judge.

Mickey elects to represent himself and is forced to mount his defense from his jail cell in the Twin Towers Correctional Facility in downtown Los Angeles. All the while he needs to look over his shoulder - as an officer of the court he is an instant target, and he makes few friends when he reveals a corruption plot within the jail.

But the bigger plot is the one against him. Haller knows he's been framed, whether by a new enemy or an old one. As his trusted team, including his half brother, Harry Bosch, investigates, Haller must use all his skills in the courtroom to counter the damning evidence against him.

Even if he can obtain a not-guilty verdict, Mickey understands that it won't be enough. In order to be truly exonerated, he must find out who really committed the murder and why. That is the law of innocence.

A guaranteed good read that is available at the Lake Grace Library.



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# Proposed Federal Electoral Divisions for WA Released

## Media Release

The Redistribution Committee for Western Australia today published its report proposing names and boundaries for the state's federal electoral divisions.

The Chair of the Committee and Electoral Commissioner, Tom Rogers, said the WA redistribution was required to enable a decrease from 16 to 15 federal electoral divisions.

"Under the proposal some significant changes would occur, with the boundaries of WA divisions being amended to accommodate the decrease," Mr Rogers said.

"Fifteen of the existing 16 division names would be retained.

"The Division of Stirling would be abolished and the basis for naming the Division of Canning would be expanded to acknowledge Sadie Miriam Canning – in recognition of her work to improve Indigenous and rural healthcare in Western Australia."

### Proposed boundaries

Mr Rogers said the Committee had been faced with a situation where a WA division had to be abolished and, as a consequence, 11 of the existing 16 divisions were outside the permissible numerical requirements.

The proposal would see:

- the adjustment of the regional Divisions of Durack and O'Connor, both of which need to gain electors
- the transfer of electors in 15 Wheatbelt shires from Durack to O'Connor, and the transfer of six Wheatbelt shires from the existing Division of Pearce to the Divisions of Durack and O'Connor, resulting in all WA Wheatbelt shires being included in two divisions (not three as currently)
- the abolition of the Division of Stirling and transfer of electors to the surrounding Divisions of Cowan, Curtin, Moore and Perth
- the uniting of the northern Perth suburbs of Girrawheen, Koondoola, Balga and Mirrabooka in the proposed Division of Cowan.

### Sadie Miriam Canning

Sadie Canning was Western Australia's, and possibly Australia's, first Indigenous nurse and matron. As Indigenous women were barred from nurse training in WA, at the age of 19 she travelled to Melbourne to undertake training before returning to work in her home state. Following appointment to the position of Sister at the Leonora District Hospital in 1956, Sadie Canning



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## Proposed Federal Electoral Divisions for WA Released (*cont.*)

was subsequently promoted to the position of Matron in 1958. By the end of her first year as Matron, full integration of patients had been achieved.

In her retirement, Sadie Canning served as a member of the Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation and the WA State Reconciliation Committee, and on the board of the Australian Children's Trust. She was also a patron of the Congress of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Nurses and a consultant to the Aboriginal Affairs Department in WA.

### Objections

The consultative nature of the redistribution process continues, with individuals and organisations now able to lodge objections to the Committee's proposed divisions.

Written objections must be lodged no later than 6pm (AWST) on Friday 16 April 2021. The best way to lodge an objection is online. Objections can also be submitted via:

- Email – [FedRedistribution-WA@aec.gov.au](mailto:FedRedistribution-WA@aec.gov.au)
- Post – Australian Electoral Commission (Att: WA Redistribution Secretariat), Locked Bag 4007, Canberra ACT 2601
- Fax – 02 6293 7658.

All objections received by the deadline will be available for public inspection on the AEC website and at Level 13, 200 St Georges Terrace, Perth, from Monday 19 April 2021.

Comments on the objections will then be accepted until 6pm (AWST) on Friday 30 April 2021. All comments on objections received by the deadline will also be made available for public inspection from Monday 3 May 2021.



## Lake Grace

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Consumer laws in WA give us the authority to receive and investigate complaints against traders, before taking the appropriate action – such as an attempt at conciliation, a public naming or even potentially a prosecution in court.

It's important to remember that defamation laws extend online, meaning that anyone using social media should be careful about what they post. A split-second decision to write or share information online could become a costly move if legal action is pursued by the aggrieved party.

Our work relies on the WA community communicating with us so we can ensure traders are doing the right thing. During a recent investigation of one business, it was discovered more than 100 consumers had complained on a social media group, however only a relatively small number of complaints had been lodged with Consumer Protection.

By lodging a complaint you can help us to better target

non-compliant traders through trader engagement and proactive campaigns to prevent ongoing non-compliance. If you have been unable to resolve an issue with a trader, lodging a formal complaint will allow us to attempt to conciliate the matter for you.

This means we will talk to the trader on your behalf to find an outcome that is acceptable to all parties. This is a free service and conciliation is often the most efficient and effective way to handle complaints.

Should a mutual agreement not be possible, then other options may be presented, such as recommending an application be made to the Magistrate's Court, the State Administrative Tribunal, or seeking independent legal advice. Enforcement action may be considered by Consumer Protection where non-compliance is identified.

More information about your rights and how to make a complaint, including an online complaint form, is available on our website at [www.consumerprotection.wa.gov.au](http://www.consumerprotection.wa.gov.au). You can also email your query to [consumer@dmirs.wa.gov.au](mailto:consumer@dmirs.wa.gov.au).



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# Lake Grace Tennis Club - Fast Fours

*Danielle Robertson*

Our annual Fast Fours Ladies Day was held on Wednesday 17th March and as it turned out we had exactly the right amount of entries for a fun filled day of tennis.

Congratulations to the winners of the day Tameka Roukens and Karissa Pelham who narrowly defeated runners up Suzie Perrin and Lynley Keley.

Hardest Triers for the day were Deb Carruthers and Tahlia Willock who even came in personalised shirts and our award for most enthusiastic and entertaining team went to Mel Eynon and Aimee Hall.

Thank you to our sponsors McKenzie Rural Contracting,

Emerald Grain and Rosies Café & Bakery, your support is very much appreciated.

Thank you to all the Lake Grace girls who chipped in and helped make the day a success and special mention to Lauren and Jemma who kept everything running smoothly and did all the running around. I really appreciate your help.

***Right: Hardest Triers Deb Carruthers and Tahlia Willock.***

***Below left: winners Tameka Roukens and Karissa Pelham.***

***Below right: runners up Suzie Perrin and Lynley Keley.***



# Age Experience Wins Runty Cup

Kael Gray



**The victorious Over 30s team.**

**Back row: Jamie Eggers, Lindsay McGlinn, Beau Walker, Reid Stubberfield, Shane Markham, Cameron Walker, Craig Shaw, Rod Walker, Gavin Stein, Don Fleay, Andrew Walker, Garry Leo.**

**Front row: Karl Fleay, Rob Enright, Kael Gray, Ashton Gray, Damon Pelham, Mark Pinney**

After 3 years in the wilderness Saturday 13th March saw the return of the Runty Cup, the annual cricket match pitting the under 30s against the over 30s.

The captains were Kane Pinney for the Unders and Rob Enright for the Overs. The toss was not won by the Unders Captain but they were sent into bat never the less.

Old stalwart, Lindsay McGlinn, opened the bowling to his son Bailey and got him first ball. A fire storm of 6s hit by Matt Trevenen soon followed but it was the wily old man Mark Pinney that brought Matt's innings to a close.

Kane Pinney and Dylan Brooks took advantage of some very old men that hadn't bowled for a very long time, however they were forced to retire on 25. The tail end did hang around and the Unders were bowled out for a

measly 157 after 17 overs.

After a few cheeky refreshments it was time for the Overs to have a bat. Reid Stubby and Karl Fleay opened the batting and got off to a great start sending the ball to all parts of the ground. Karl Fleay was playing like a man on a mission, playing ramp shots, reverse sweeps, inside out cover drives and switch hits making 47 before getting caught on the boundary.

Garry Leo and Lindsay McGlinn wound the clock back putting the Unders to the sword. Rob Enright chimed in with a quick 18 and the game was as good as won. The Overs passed the score in the in the 20th over and once again the Old boys reign supreme!!

It was a great day had by players and spectators alike.

## Understanding Grief and Loss

A free workshop

Wednesday 28th April

9am - 1pm

*This workshop will assist participants in supporting family, friends, community and themselves through unexpected grief and loss as a result of trauma or a life changing event.*



Contact the Lake Grace CRC on  
9865 1470 or lakegracecrc@westnet.com.au to reserve your place.



# Lake Grace Cricket Club Notes

*Kael Gray*

After a day of fun and games it was time to wrap the season up so we all headed out to Walker's Hill for a delicious meal and a few drinks to cap off the season.

## **Award winners:**

Batting Aggregate: Kane Pinney 264

Batting average: Damon Pelham 52

Bowling aggregate: Kael Gray 13

Bowling average: Dylan Brooks 10.78

Fielders award: Jack Trevenen

Captains award: Dylan Brooks

Clubman award: Kane Pinney

Contributors award: Rob Enright

Wes Mason award: Kane Pinney

Plug a duck award: Kane Pinney, Kael Gray, Shane Markham and Aidan Liddelow - 2 ducks each

Lamington award: Kane Pinney and Mitch O'Neill, 17 hit of each of their overs.

A big thankyou to all the wives and girlfriends who supported us throughout the year. Sacrificing their Saturday's so we can go off and play cricket, we really appreciate it and understand how hard it can be.

Thankyou to Tania, Jarred and the staff at Walker's Hill for hosting the windup, the venue and food were spectacular.

Last of all thank you to the Sponsors who supported us throughout the year. Without you we would cease to exist, we are truly thankful!

**Below: Scooping many of the awards was local cricketer, Kane Pinney.**

**Photos of 'Team of the Decade' and 'WAGS' on page 6.**



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**Cancer Support Coordinator**

Barbara Brennan from Cancer Council WA is the Cancer Support Coordinator for the Wheatbelt Region. Call Barbara on 9621 1810 for information, support and assistance.

**First Aid Kits**

Are now available for purchase at CCL Hardware Lake Grace.

**CWA Bookings**

CWA rooms are available for hire. There is a COVID Safety Plan in place that hirers will need to adhere to. Anyone using the rooms must fill in the log book. If you wish to book the CWA Hall then please contact the Lake Grace CRC on 9865 1470.

**Community Bus Bookings**

Are to be done through the Lake Grace CRC. Ring 9865 1470 or email [lakegracecrc@westnet.com.au](mailto:lakegracecrc@westnet.com.au) The community bus is owned and managed by the community, is available to any individual, group or organization to hire and costs \$1 per kilometre to use. All proceeds go toward the management and running of the bus and toward bus upgrades.

**Southern Agcare**

This is a free and confidential Family and Individual Counselling Service. Please contact Southern AgCare main office for an appointment. Phone (08) 9827 1552 or [admin@southernagcare.org.au](mailto:admin@southernagcare.org.au) referral forms can also be found on our webpage [www.southernagcare.org.au](http://www.southernagcare.org.au)

**Lake Grace-Kukerin Hockey Club**

Training has commenced  
Wednesdays from 6pm  
See our Facebook page for details on location

**Senior Citizens Lunch**

Thursday 1st April @ CWA rooms  
Hosted by the P & C  
12:15pm sit down for a 12:30pm serve  
\$15 per head  
RSVP to Deb Carruthers 0438 895 101

**Lake Grace Op Shop**

46 Bennett Street (Old Church)  
Tuesday 1:00 - 4:00pm  
Friday 9:30am - 1:00pm

**Men's Shed Battery Drive**

The Lake Grace Community Men's Shed is continuing with their battery drive. This is an ongoing revenue raising project which will contribute to the running of the Shed.  
Batteries can be left at Phil Clarke's shed or you can contact Phil on 0427 651 155 or Allan Duckworth on 0427 651 567 if you require them to be picked up.  
Thank you for your ongoing support.

**Dr Linda Haines**

Is available in Lake Grace on  
Monday 19th and Tuesday 20th April.  
Monday 31st May and Tuesday 1st June.  
Ring 9865 1208 for an appointment.

**Seniors Group AGM**

Thursday 8th April  
1pm at the Village Hall  
Any queries to Rosemary Bywaters  
on 0429 040 915

**Lake Grace Development Association**

Annual General Meeting  
Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2021 - 7.30pm  
Men's Shed Admin Building

**Lake Grace Shire Councillors**

Councillor	Telephone
Cr Len Armstrong – Shire President	0429 843 785
Cr Ross Chappell – Deputy Shire President	0428 654 058
Cr Debrah Clarke	0428 654 041
Cr Roz Lloyd	0428 711 534
Cr Allan Marshall	0427 943 291
Cr Peter Stoffberg	0447 281 181
Cr Ben Hyde	0428 752 042
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## Community Clubs and Associations

Club / Association	Secretary / Contact	Contact Number	Contact Email
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CWA	Suzanne Reeves	0427 651 310	lakegracecwa@gmail.com
Development Assoc	Paula Carruthers	0499 616 070	ghpmcarr@bigpond.com
Early Learning Centre (Daycare)	Vicki Reynolds	08 9865 2568	lakegraceelc@gmail.com
LIFT Lakes Information and Farming Technology	Lauren Duckworth	0488 559 860	laurenalex@westnet.com.au
Lions	Arthur Slarke	0429 651 015	arthurslarke@bigpond.com
Men's Shed	Wally Perry	0448 795 070	allwood93@yahoo.com.au
Playgroup	Sarah Clarke	0438 634 152	lakegraceplaygroup@mail.com
Sportsman's Club	Claire Pelham	08 9865 1239	lgsportsmansclub@bigpond.com
Toy Library	Lauren Duckworth	0488 559 860	laurenalex@westnet.com.au
<b>Winter Sports</b>			
Lake Grace- Pingrup Football Club	Chris Poot	0427 190 827	chris.poot@cbh.com.au
Lake Grace-Pingrup Netball Club	Chloe Birstow		lgpnc@outlook.com
Lake Grace-Pingrup Hockey Club	Donna Skerris	0429 197 806	donnaaltham@gmail.com
Lake Grace-Kukerin Hockey Club	Aimee Hall	0407 740 561	lgkhockeyclub@outlook.com.au
Lake Grace Golf Club	Chad Stanton	0459 110 805	sc.stanton@bigpond.com

## Crisis Care Numbers

<b>Doctor's Surgery</b> -9865 1208	<b>Hospital</b> - 9890 2222	<b>Ambulance/Fire/Police</b> - 000	<b>Electricity Faults</b> - 13 13 51
<b>Rural Link</b> - 1800 552 002	<b>Main Roads</b> - 138 138	<b>Directory Assistance</b> - 1223	<b>Water Faults</b> - 13 13 75
<b>55 Central Men's Refuge</b> 9272 1333	<b>Family Helpline</b> 1800 643 000 / 9223 1100	<b>Ngala</b> 9368 9368 www.ngala.com.au	<b>Lifeline Australia</b> - 13 11 14 www.lifeline.org.au
	<b>Kids Helpline</b> 1800 551 800 www.kidshelp.com.au	<b>Crisis Care WA</b> - 9223 1111 / 1800 199 008 www.community.wa.gov.au	<b>Citizens Advice Bureau</b> 9221 5711 www.cab.wa.com.au
<b>Wheatbelt Mental Health Service</b> Northam - (08) 9621 0999 Narrogin - (08) 9881 0700	<b>Seniors Information Services</b> 9321 2133 www.cotawa.asn.au	<b>Youth Legal Service</b> 9202 1688 / 1800 199 006 www.youthlegalservice.inc.com.au	<b>Family Court of WA</b> 9224 8222 / 1800 199 228 www.familycourt.wa.gov.au
<b>Beyond Blue</b> - 1300 22 4636 www.beyondblue.org.au	<b>Suicide Call Back Line</b> - 1300 659 467 www.suicidecallbackservice.org.au	<b>Mental Health Emergency Response Line</b> - 1300 555 788	<b>Poisons Information</b> 13 11 26
<b>Alcohol and Drug Information Service</b> 1800 198 024 https://www.mhc.wa.gov.au/	<b>Parent Drug Information Service</b> - 1800 653 203	<b>Holyoake</b> Northam - (08) 9621 1055 Merredin - (08) 9041 3807 Narrogin - (08) 9881 1999 Freecall - 1800 447 172	<b>Relationships Australia Fair Programme</b> 9336 2144 https://relationships.wa.org.au 1300 364 277

## Justices of the Peace

Colin Connolly	0427 858 066
Ron Dewson	0428 651 213
Amanda Milton	0429 654 011
Geoff Sabourne	0429 651 171

## Church Times

Catholic Church	Anglican Church
Sunday 28th March - Kukerin 8am, Lake Grace 10am Please see page 3 for Easter services	Sunday 28th March - 9am Sunday 4th April - Sunday 11th - morning prayer
For inquiries and request for home visitation, please contact Fr Abraham Uchenna Chukwu on 9865 1248.	Enquiries: St Johns Albany 9841 5015 Wally Perry 0448 795 070

# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## March / April

Fri 26 Fish and Chips @ Sportsman's Club  
Interschool Swimming Carnival

Sat 27 Rubbish tip open (9am-4pm)  
Craft Group - (afternoon) @ CWA Hall  
Steak Teas @ Sportsman's Club

Sun 28 Rubbish tip open (9am-4pm)  
Sunday Roast @ Rosies  
Palm Sunday

Mon 29 Rubbish tip open (9am-2pm)  
Auschem Accreditation  
DIY Grassheads @ Artspace

Tue 30 Rubbish Collection  
Recycling Collection  
SOYF Exercises 10am @ Shire Hall  
Men's Shed (morning)  
Playgroup 9:30am - Easter Egg Hunt  
Op Shop - 1pm-4pm  
Preseason Football Training - 6pm  
Auschem Accreditation

Wed 31 Rubbish tip open (9am - 2pm)  
LGK Hockey training - Kukerin 6pm  
LG-P Hockey Training - 6pm  
Burger Night @ Sportsman's Club

Thur 1 Men's Shed (morning)  
Preseason Football Training - 6pm  
LGDHS last day term 1  
Deadline for Lakes Link News  
Driver Reviver  
Seniors Lunch  
Fish & Chips @ Sportsman's Club

Fri 2 Good Friday  
Stations of the Cross  
Driver Reviver

Sat 3 Rubbish tip open (9am-4pm)  
Steak Teas @ Sportsman's Club

Sun 4 Rubbish tip open (9am-4pm)  
Sunday Roast @ Rosies

Mon 5 Rubbish tip open (9am - 2pm)  
Driver Reviver

Tue 6 Men's Shed (morning)

Tue 6 SOYF Exercises 10am @ Shire Hall  
Playgroup 9:30am  
Op Shop - 1pm-4pm  
Preseason Football Training - 6pm

Wed 7 Rubbish tip open (9am - 2pm)  
Toy Library 9:00-9:45am  
Containers for Change Pickup  
LG-P Hockey Training - 6pm  
Burger Night @ Sportsman's Club

Thur 8 Men's Shed (morning)  
Lions Club Meeting  
Preseason Football Training - 6pm  
Seniors Group AGM  
Burger Night @ Sportsman's Club

### Coming Events

9th April - Wire Zoo @ Artspace  
12th April - LG Development Association AGM  
12th April - Monster Critters @ Artspace  
13th April - CWA Meeting @ 5pm  
14th April - Car Safety & Maintenance 16-18 year olds  
15th April - LG/P Football Jumper presentation  
17th April - First Fixture of Winter Sports  
19th April - Dr Linda Haines in Lake Grace  
20th April - Dr Linda Haines in Lake Grace  
21st & 22nd April - Forklift Workshop  
23rd April - Tenancy Information Session  
25th April - ANZAC Day - Dawn Service  
28th April - Understanding Grief & Loss  
28th April - Shire Council Meeting  
7th May - Driving Assessor in Lake Grace - TBC  
7th May - Crochet Group restarting  
24th May - Yuck Circus  
31st May - Dr Linda Haines in Lake Grace  
1st June - Dr Linda Haines in Lake Grace

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### Sudoku

- The Sudoku grid of rows and columns is divided into individual 3x3 boxes.
- The aim of the game is to fill each row, column and 3x3 box with the numbers 1 to 9.
- You can't repeat numbers in a row, column or 3x3 box and you can't change the numbers already in squares.

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