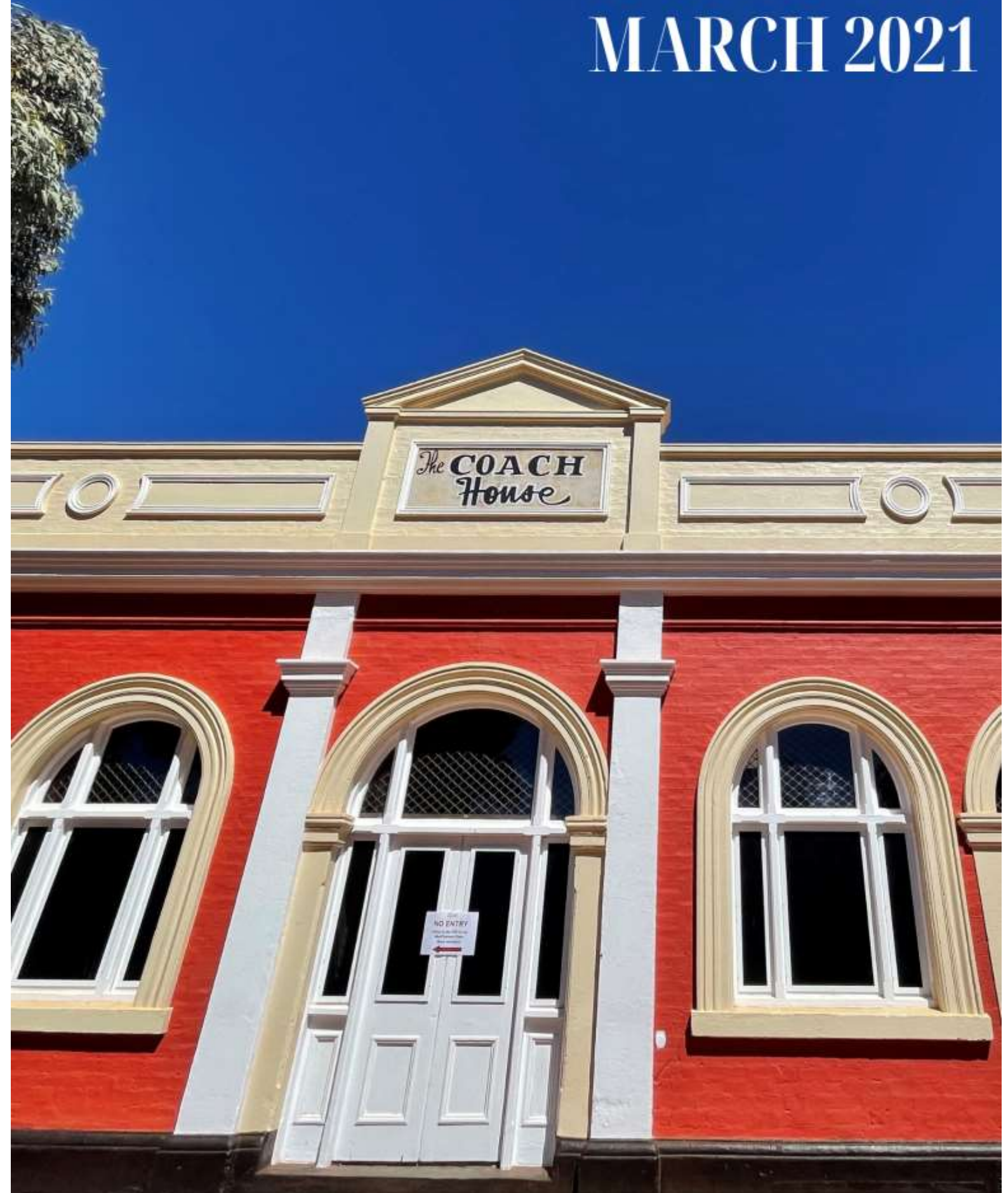


# STURT PEA

MARCH 2021



## Emergency Numbers

After hours GP Helpline

1800 022 222

Community Health

(08) 9031 1311

Crisis Care (free call)

1800 625 800

Department of Child Protection

(08) 9088 2900

### **Doctor's Surgery**

(08) 9031 1093

### **One Tree Women's Crisis Centre**

(08) 9031 1899

## Police, Ambulance, Fire & Rescue

000 or 112 (mobile)

Health Direct

13 23 51

Hospital

(08) 9088 2600

Horizon Power

13 23 51

Police

(08) 9088 2777

Poisons Information

13 11 26

Royal Flying Doctor Service  
(emergencies only)

1800 625 800

Water Corporation

13 13 75

## Accommodation

Boomers Village

(08) 9031 1135

Desert Inn Hotel

(08) 9031 1188

Laverton Caravan Park

(08) 9031 1072

Laverton Chalet/Motel

(08) 9031 1130

Oasis Serviced Apartments

0488 613 830

## Building Services & Construction

Steve Ripps Carpentry

0400913258

## Café/Fast Food/Pub

Desert Deli

0498 215 116

Great Beyond Visitor Centre

(08) 9031 1361

Desert Inn

(08) 9031 1188

## Children's Services

Story & Rhyme Time

(08) 9031 1800

Youth Centre - Contact Shire of  
Laverton

(08) 9031 1202

## Earth Works

C&A Taylor Grading

0427 819 564

Desert Sands Cartage Contractors

(08) 9031 1326

## Education

Cosmo Newberry School

(08) 9037 5943

Laverton Kindergarten

(08) 9031 1020

Laverton School

(08) 9031 1020

Mt Margaret School

(08) 9037 5959

Mulga Queen School

(08) 9031 3300

## Electrical and Refrigeration

AS Refrigeration

(08) 9031 1221

Powerchill

(08) 9031 1172

PWT Electricians

0438 444 962

Auto Electrical Repairs & Air  
Conditioning

0408 092 332

Multiple Trades & Maintenance

9378 3395

## Funeral Directors

Leonora Funerals

0408 951 186

## Freight

Laverton Freight Yard

0488 717 628

## Justices of the Peace

Mrs Shaneane Marjorie Weldon

0458745391

Mr Robert Martin Wedge

0417 951 153

## Public Transport

Gold Rush Tours

1800 620 440

## Mining/Exploration

Goldfields Australia-Granny Smith  
Mine

(08) 9088 2105

Sunrise Dam Gold Mine

(08) 9080 3765

Murrin Murrin Mine Site

(08) 9212 8400

Windarra Mine Site

(08) 9031 1611

Lynas Corporation Mt Weld

(08) 9031 1645

Gruyere Project, Yamarna

(08) 9037-5963

Dacian Gold, Mt Morgans Gold Operation  
(08) 6323 9100

## Pest Control

Mobile Pest and Weed Control  
(08) 9093 2809

## Post Office

Laverton Post Office  
(08) 9031 1101

## Recreation Clubs

Laverton Gym—Contact Shire of Laverton  
(08) 9031 1202

Laverton Race Club  
0417 951 153

Laverton Sports Club Inc.  
(08) 9031 1220

Laverton Sporting Shooters Association  
0418 935 518

## Religion

The Church of The Resurrection -  
**Fr Robert O'Bryan**  
0457980852

LA Outback Church  
0497 642 260

## Service Station/Mechanic

Laverton Motors  
(08) 9031 1210

Laverton Auto Electrics -Mechanical  
Repairs and Tyre Services-fully licensed  
repairer.  
0408 092 332

## Shire of Laverton

Reception  
(08) 9031 1202

Great Beyond Visitor Centre  
(08) 9031 1361

Laverton Community Resource Centre/  
Library  
(08) 9031 1800

## Shire Councillors

President Cr. Patrick Hill  
0419 925 371

Deputy President Cr. Shaneane  
Weldon  
0458 745 391

Cr. Gary Buckmaster  
0427 476 474

Cr. Jack Carmody  
0488 581 729

Cr. Robin Prentice  
0409 311 442

Cr. Rex Ryles  
0418 935 518

Cr. Rex Weldon  
0427 348 516

## Shopping

Laverton Supermarket  
(08) 9031 1675

## Tourist/Recreation

Laverton Outback Gallery  
(08) 9031 1395

Great Beyond Visitor Centre  
(08) 9031 1361

## Pastoral Properties

Banjawarn Station  
(08) 9037 5977

Bandya Station  
(08) 9031 3727

Delita Station  
(08) 9037 5954

Erlistoun Station  
(08) 9031 3954

Lake Wells Station  
(08) 9037 5962

Laverton Downs Station  
(08) 9037 5998

Minara Station  
(08) 9037 5966

Mt Weld Station  
0438 188 769

Prenti Downs Station  
(08) 9981 2111

0488 581 729

White Cliffs Station  
(08) 9037 5950

Wonganoo Station  
(08) 9037 5942

Yamarna Station  
(08) 9037 5963

## Local Politicians

Kyle McGinn MLC— Member for  
mining and pastoral  
*Electorate Office (08) 9022 7003*

**Kyran O'Donnell MLA**—Member for  
Kalgoorlie  
(08) 9021 6766

Hon Robin Scott MLC—Member for  
mining & Pastoral region  
(08) 9093 1455

If you wish to add  
your number to this  
list, or you do not  
wish to be listed,  
please contact the  
Laverton  
Community Resource  
Centre.

(08) 9031 1800

Laverton@ crc.net.au



# Laverton Community Resource Centre News- March 2021

**Laverton Community Resource Centre has relocated to the Old Coach House!  
Entrance via MacPherson Place.**

Hello Readers, welcome to the March edition of the Sturt Pea Magazine and as this is our first print for 2021, Happy new Year to you all as well!

The Laverton Community Resource Centre Team have been busy throughout January and February relocating to our new space at the Old Coach House in Laver Place, entry is via MacPherson Place. We are finalising the set up of our new space, we are hoping all services will be fully operational over the coming weeks, thankyou for your patience throughout this process.

The CRC Team are looking forward to the upcoming first Seniors Morning Tea for 2021 on Thursday 25 March. The morning teas will now be held at the Shire Town Hall, we look forward to seeing everyone and of course a game or two of BINGO!

Our Early Literacy Better Beginnings weekly program will recommence after the Easter School Holiday period on Wednesday 21 April. The weekly program will now be held at the Playgroup space in the Shire Hall.

On Saturday 27 April there will be a Community Market Day held at the Shire Town Hall. If you would like to have a stall, applications can be collected from the CRC and Great Beyond Visitor Centre, all applications need to be submitted to the CRC by COB Friday 19 March.

Enjoy the Read,  
Johanna McGuire



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Laverton, WA, 6440  
[laverton@crc.net.au](mailto:laverton@crc.net.au)  
(08) 9031 1800

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Alternatively the monthly magazine can be viewed online through the Shire of Laverton website, [www.laverton.wa.gov.au](http://www.laverton.wa.gov.au).

# EASTER COMMUNITY MARKET DAY

SATURDAY 27 MARCH 2021

LAVERTON TOWN HALL

9:00AM- 12:00PM

STALL APPLICATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE LAVERTON CRC OR  
THE GREAT BEYOND VISITOR CENTRE

APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY COB FRIDAY 19 MARCH 2021.

Contact: [crcassist@laverton.wa.gov.au](mailto:crcassist@laverton.wa.gov.au)

Ph: 9031 1800





## 2020 LAVERTON CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION

On the evening of Thursday 6 December 2020, the Laverton Community came together to celebrate the annual 2020 Christmas Lights Competition for the 6th consecutive year.

While the sun was setting, members of the Community gathered on the grass of the Augusta Street rotunda and enjoyed a delicious BBQ cooked by our lovely Lynas and Goldfields Volunteers. While the children were enjoying their burgers, they saw a familiar face headed their way holding two big stockings! Much to their delight, Santa had made a special visit to hand out sweets to all! Thank you Anglogold for sponsoring the gifts.

With the setting of the sun the community buses were loaded and the convoy commenced around the townsite with the judges vehicle leading the procession.

The 2020 judging panel was made up of, Brad Melvey representing our sponsor Anglogold Ashanti, Robin Prentice representing the Shire of Laverton and Michael McGuire representing the Laverton community.

There were 8 entrants, 5 businesses and 3 residential. Thank you to all for supporting this event.

The winners of the 2020 Christmas Lights Competitions were:

Champion of Champions: Laverton Sports Club

Peoples Choice: The Ovans Family

Best residential: Gary & Laurinda Buckmaster

Best business: Laverton Roadhouse

A notable mention to the Cannons Family for their effort despite being affected by the weather, and also a special mention to Siah and Hannah for their efforts.

Laverton Community Resource Centre would like to acknowledge and thank the following sponsors, organisers, supporters and volunteers:

Laverton Police  
Shire of Laverton  
Great Beyond Visitors Centre  
Shire of Laverton Youth Services  
Anglogold Ashanti  
Lynas  
Henry Pawlaczyk  
Goldfields  
St John Ambulance





# Seniors Christmas Morning Tea

On the morning of 10 of December, the Community Resource Centre had the pleasure of holding the Seniors morning tea Christmas break-up. The Morning started with a chat, some delicious morning tea, coffee and Christmas bingo. Afterwards we played a Christmas dice game which ended with everyone taking home a special Christmas present, thanks to Anglogold for the sponsorship. The Staff at the Laverton Community Resource Centre would like to thank everyone for their continued support throughout the year and we are so excited to see you again in 2021.







## Better Beginnings Story & Rhyme Time Christmas Break-up 2020



On Wednesday 9 December 2020, the Laverton Community Resource Centre hosted the Better Beginnings Story and Rhyme Time Christmas party.



The morning commenced with craft, each child making and decorating their very own Christmas Crown. Following this the children enjoyed rhymes, stories, pass-the-parcel, a visit from Santa and a light lunch.



The staff at the Community Resource Centre would like to thank all of our wonderful parents, caregivers and children that attend and support our program each Wednesday. Thank you to Anglogold for sponsoring gifts for the children





# National Simultaneous Storytime

Join us on an intergalactic  
space journey!

**Wednesday 19th May 2021**

**10:00am**

**Playgroup - Shire Hall**

Did you know this year the National  
Simultaneous Storytime is being read  
from Space!





## Better Beginnings Story & Rhyme Time

**Did You Know?**  
Our brains develop most rapidly during the first few years of life.

**Did You Know?**  
Learning to read starts from BIRTH. You can help your baby learn important literacy skills by talking, singing, playing and reading to your baby.

### Better Beginnings Story & Rhyme Time

will recommence

Wednesday 21 April

10:00am

Playgroup- Shire Hall

The CRC Team are excited to see you all again!

**Did You Know?**  
Literacy is the ability to read, write, speak and listen. Literacy helps us communicate well with the people around us everyday.

**Did You Know?**  
Attending programs like Story & Rhyme Time with your child can improve your child's chances of success in life.



## Seniors morning tea

### SENIORS MORNING TEA



THURSDAY 25 MARCH 2021

10:00AM

LAVERTON SHIRE TOWN HALL

**BINGO, TRIVIA, TEA AND COFFEE - HEAD ALONG TO OUR SENIORS MORNING TEA FOR A WHOLE LOT OF FUN!**





Photo by: Laurinda Hill

## LUCKY NUMBER 90,000

In October, local Patrick Jnr was our lucky number 90,000 shot of coffee, meaning he won a free coffee on us.

The numbers are building up, so head down to The Great Beyond pop up store for you chance to win a free coffee!



## CLEAN UP LAVERTON DAY

*Help us clean up Laverton*

**Saturday 20th March 2021 from  
9:00am - 11:00am.**

Meet at the Great Beyond pop up store.  
Followed by lunch and a swim at the  
Laverton pool.



## COVID SAFE

Please remember to check in using your Safe WA app or by providing your first name, last name and contact number to our lovely staff.

Just a reminder that wearing a mask is still mandatory at all airports. If you need one before departing Laverton, please stop by and grab one from the Great beyond pop up store.



## TRAVEL UPDATES

Keep up to date with current COVID19 travel requirements by visiting the following website;

<https://www.wa.gov.au/government/covid-19-coronavirus>

## OUTBACK WAY

Thinking of travelling the Outback Way?

Have you got your permits?

*If not, visit:*

<https://forms.clc.org.au/OnlinePermits/selissue/applicantdetails.aspx?0=Transit>

<https://permits.ngaanyatjarra.org.au/form/lands-permit>



### Opening Hours

**Monday - Friday**

9:00am - 4:30pm

**Saturday - Sunday**

9:00am - 1:00pm

**P:** 9031 1361

**E:** [greatbeyond@laverton.wa.gov.au](mailto:greatbeyond@laverton.wa.gov.au)

**Facebook:** TheGreatBeyondLaverton

5 Augusta Street, Laverton WA 6440



# STEP UP TO CLEAN UP

## Clean Up

# LAVERTON

## Day

Saturday 20th March 2021

9am - 11am

Meet at the Great Beyond,  
Followed by lunch and a swim at the Laverton Pool.



SHIRE OF  
**LAVERTON**  
*Discover the Outback Spirit*



**SAVE THE DATE**  
THE SHIRE OF LAVERTON PRESENTS  
**LAVERFEST  
2021**  
Three Days of Activities & Fun!

Cultural Food Markets - Family Fun Day -  
Gala Ball - Sporting Events -  
Live Entertainment - And so much more.

**September 24-27, 2021 | Laverston**



Garage sale



**GARAGE  
SALE**

Saturday 6th of March  
9am-12pm

Various house hold items

3 Mikado Way Laverston

# CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF GERALDTON

## Church of the Resurrection, Laverton

Craiggie Street Laverton  
Bordering the town oval

### Mass times for 2021

As there is no resident Priest, Mass is only held on the fourth Sunday every second Month

The propose dates for the rest of the year are as follows

**February Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm**

**April: Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm\***

\*(Bishop Michael Morrissey will visit this month)

**June: Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm**

**August: Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> 6.00pm**

**October: Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> 6.00pm**

**December: Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm**

**Note: Due to road and weather conditions there may be times when the priest may not get through, visitors are encouraged to ring 0457980852**

**The Parishes of Laverton, Leonora and Leinster are currently under supply from Mullewa.**

**Contact details: Fr Robert O'Bryan**

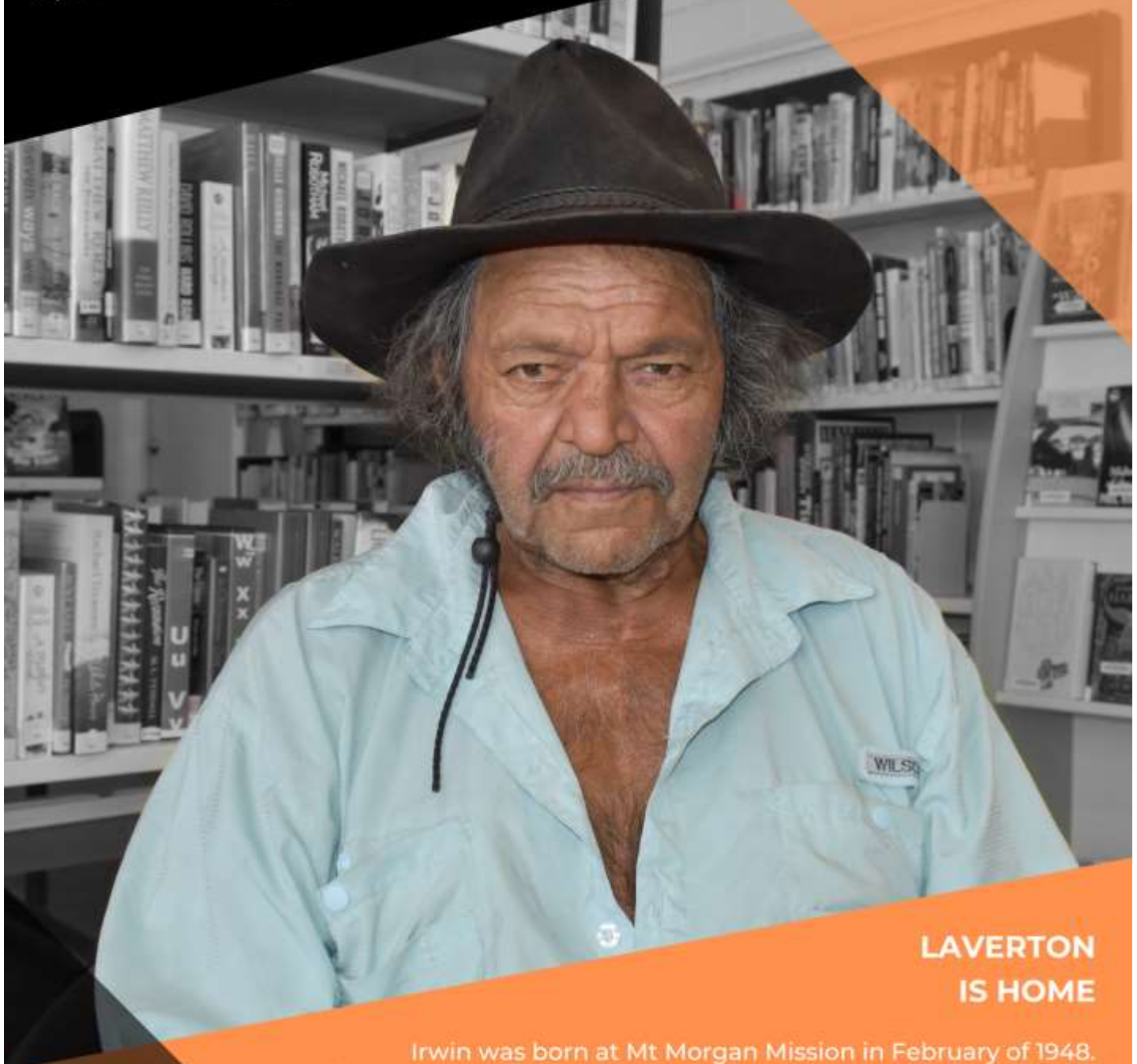
**Phone; (08) 99611181**

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**Email; [olmcchurch@westnet.com.au](mailto:olmcchurch@westnet.com.au)**

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# Irwin Sullivan



## LAVERTON IS HOME

Irwin was born at Mt Morgan Mission in February of 1948. He was moved to Laverton at a very young age and has spent his entire life in the area, growing up in a house on the Mt Weld road.

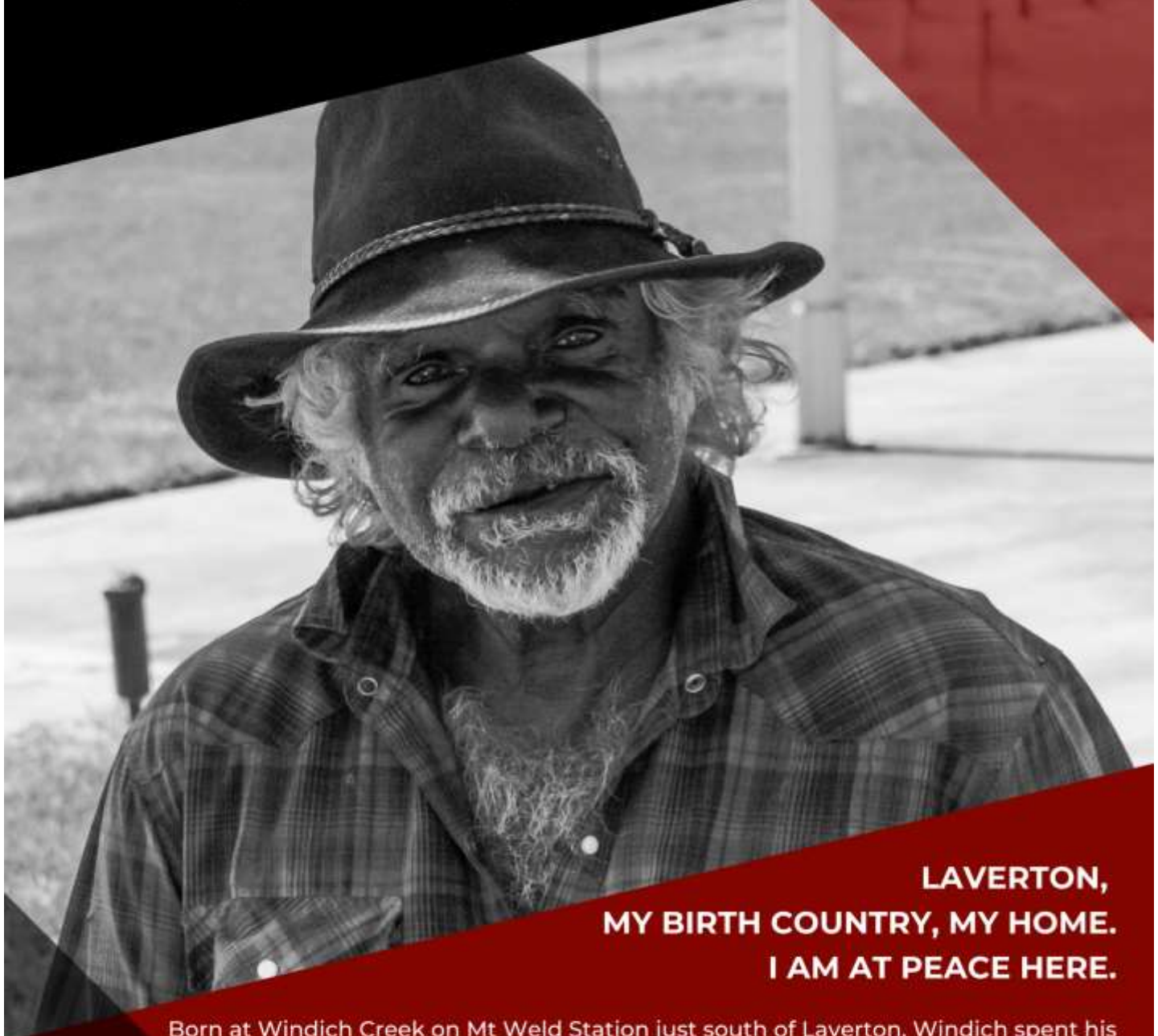
He had a wholesome upbringing with his family, sharing many memories with his siblings Robert (dec.), Alfred, Mervyn, Gary (dec.) and Celia (dec.).

Irwin loves Laverton, which he fondly refers to as 'Home'. He has worked at numerous Stations surrounding Laverton including Mt Weld and Bandy. His favourite memories include mustering horses and fencing in the red dust.

Irwin longs for the children of Laverton to get a better education by attending school more.



# Windich Edwards



**LAVERTON,  
MY BIRTH COUNTRY, MY HOME.  
I AM AT PEACE HERE.**

Born at Windich Creek on Mt Weld Station just south of Laverton, Windich spent his early years living in Warburton before moving back to the Laverton area when he was around 10 years old. His mother, Katie Davis and father, Tommy Edwards named him after the place he was born, perhaps this is why he feels most at peace here – his home.

Windich remembers the days when his family members would walk or ride camels for days, travelling more than 500 kilometres from Warburton to Laverton just to visit.

His favourite memory of Laverton was when he was a child and went to school with the daughter of Sergeant Hopkins, at this time the school was next door to the Great Beyond. Sergeant Hopkins was a 'Rough Diamond', he treated the kids well but when Windich would get in trouble Sergeant Hopkins would give him a 'kick up the backside' to set him straight. When the Sergeant passed away, his ashes were spread by helicopter around Laverton. Windich would like to see a memory wall in Laverton, where people from the area can share their stories and recollections, such as this one.



## COVID-19 Contact register

### Do your part in keeping WA safe

To help keep WA safe, it will be mandatory for some businesses and venues to record your contact details each time you visit.



**Cinema**

Fri PM 7:00



**Cafe**

Sat AM 9:15



**Hairdresser**

Sat PM 2:00



### Download SafeWA and check-in

SafeWA is the WA Government's check-in app that provides a secure and convenient way for you to register your attendance at businesses and venues.



- Contact details are safe and secure
- Easy to set-up
- Quick on the go
- Free

Download the app





# COVID-19 Contact register

## SafeWA guide for individuals

SafeWA is the WA Government's free and convenient app to safely and securely register your attendance at various businesses and venues.



Using the SafeWA app is easy


- 1 Download
- 2 Create an account
- 3 Check in



- 1 Download



- 2 Create an account

- Tap on the individual icon 
- Enter your information
- Create a password
- Enter the security PIN sent via SMS to verify your account

- 3 Check in

- Open the SafeWA app
- Scan the venue or business's QR code to check in

You can also add others who are with you and do not have the app.



If you require support call 13COVID (13 26843)

## Shed the chains of addiction in the New Year

Every January 1, people all over the world make New Year's resolutions. If you are smoker, why not make a resolution to quit smoking? Smoking is still number one cause of preventable death and disease in Australia. Quitting smoking can cut your risk of diseases and save more than \$16,000 in a year, that's double benefit. Why not buy a nice car or treat your family with a holiday trip from this saving.

The negative effects of smoking are always overlooked due to the fact that they are not immediately visible compared to alcohol and drug users. Tobacco smoke contains more than 7000 chemicals, including tar, nicotine, carbon monoxide, hydrogen cyanide, metals, radioactive compounds and pesticides. At least 70 chemicals are known to cause cancer. Smoking can cause 16 types of cancer, heart diseases, lung diseases, eye diseases, problems in pregnancy, premature wrinkles and low fertility.

Quitting smoking can be challenging. Most people make multiple quit attempts. That's because nicotine is a very addictive drug. But don't give up trying just because you haven't succeeded in the past. Research has shown that smokers on average make 12-14 quit attempts before quitting for good. Think about your past attempts to quit—what worked and what didn't. If one method didn't work, don't hesitate to try another method. You can learn something new every time you try to quit. This time might be a good time for you to quit.

- **Identify your reasons to quit** – Most common reasons are to improve health and avoid diseases; protect family; save money; and regain confidence and control.
- **Understand your smoking** – Nicotine withdrawal, habits and routines, stress, social situations and the amount of alcohol you've had, each contribute to the urge to smoke. Together they make quitting a challenge. Understanding your smoking helps to anticipate cravings and plan for your quit attempt.
- **Choose the best way to quit** – Doctor, nurse or pharmacist can provide information, encouragement and tips on creating your personalised quitting plan. They can assist you with choosing the best medicines to quit. Contact the Tobacco Action Mob at Bega for resources and support. You can also call Quitline on 137848 and use 'My Quit Buddy' smartphone app.
- **Get ready** – Set a quit date; stay away from smokers; change your routine; practice quitting; take medication regularly as advised; and try eating healthy.

Get up everyday determined not to smoke. Reward yourself from the money saved by not smoking. Come up with a list of small gifts that you can give yourself. Make this the year you quit smoking for good. Shed the chains of addiction and take back your life. You are worth it..

See your GP and health practitioner for more information. Contact the Tobacco Action Team at Bega for resources and support. Call Quitline 137848 for a free professional and confidential counselling service. You can also download 'My Quit Buddy' smartphone app for further support and encouragement.

You can now join our Facebook page [@BegaTIS](#) for information, resources and competitions.

Sachin Khera

Regional Tobacco Coordinator

Bega Garnbirringu Health Services

16-18 MacDonald Street, Kalgoorlie WA 6430

Phone: 9022 5500

Email: [NoSmokes@bega.org.au](mailto:NoSmokes@bega.org.au)

Web: [www.bega.org.au](http://www.bega.org.au)



Bega  
Garnbirringu  
HEALTH SERVICE



PUYU WANTIKATINHI  
LEAVE THE SMOKES ALONE



**PAKAANU**  
ABORIGINAL CORPORATION

### What's been happening?

As our corporation is slowly picking up again this year, we are sad to see our CEO – Marty Seelander and Chairperson – Shaneane Weldon leave us. A huge thank you to both of them for all the hard work and effort they have put into Pakaanu over the years. On another note we are happy to welcome and announce our new Chairperson, Ms Lyndall Green.

#### Board committee:

LYNDALL GREEN – CHAIRPERSON

JANICE SCOTT- VICE CHAIRPERSON

SHARI O'DONOGHUE – SECRETARY/DIRECTOR

LAUREN SEELANDER – DIRECTOR

CHRISTINE BOASE – INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

CATH HALBERT – INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

EMMA ROE – ADMIN OFFICER/DIRECTOR

ROBERT BRITTAIN – Business Support (Many Rivers)

*We are always looking for more members so if you haven't already become a member please feel free to come into our office and grab an application.*

**Recycling** – Pakaanu are desperately looking for helpers on recycling day. We would like to thank AngloGold for supplying our helpers with \$50 vouchers for either Laverton Supplies or the BP Roadhouse as small appreciation gifts, which are given on the day. Please contact me a day or two before, if you are interested in helping. Please call me about Bulk processing.

#### **SATURDAY's 9AM – 11AM**

**Playgroup** – parents or guardians with children 0-4 yrs old are welcomed to come down to the school every Thursday to join in at Playgroup.

#### **THURSDAY's 10AM – 12PM**

#### **OFFICE HOURS**

#### **MONDAY-WEDNESDAY-FRIDAY**

#### **9AM-1PM**

Emma is our new admin officer for Pakaanu. Please don't hesitate to come in and see her if you have any queries, she will be more than happy to assist you.

*Our office is located in the LCCA training room next to Wirrpanda.*

Contact – [Pakaanu@outlook.com](mailto:Pakaanu@outlook.com) or 0458 945 813 For Wongatha Village Housing Maintenance (1300 137 677) - Power (Horizon) 1800 447 707



**Michelle Donaldson**

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**m:** 0439 363 263

**a:** PO Box 417,  
Kalgoorlie WA 6430

**GNRBA IS UNDERTAKING GROUND BAITING OPERATIONS WITH 1080 WILD DOG BAITS**

Please be advised that the Goldfields Nullarbor Rangeland Biosecurity Association will shortly be undertaking its March/ April 2021 Wild Dog Control – (1080 ground baiting), in the Northern Goldfields ,Goldfields and Nullarbor Regions.

The baiting is undertaken to reduce the impact of wild dogs on livestock on pastoral leases.

Please note the following:

- It is planned that 1080 baits will be laid in the period between Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021 and Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 2021. These baits will remain active for a longer period. Please remain aware.
- The baits will be the dried meat form, which contain 1080 Sodium fluoroacetate, which is a naturally occurring toxin found in some Western Australian flora species. As such, most native fauna species have evolved tolerance to it. **DOMESTIC DOGS AND CATS have ZERO TOLERANCE**
- Whilst these baits are laid in areas with appropriate exclusion zones/buffers (e.g. no baits within 500m of townsite boundaries or residential dwellings, or within 250m of public roads and tracks), and target specifically, wild dogs and feral cats, they may pose a risk to domestic dogs and cats, if these animals are taken into the baited areas.
- Accordingly, please warn all visitors who may bring domestic animals into the area and post signage as attached to this email, and this letter in a prominent place for the general public to observe.

If you have any concerns associated with this baiting operation, please contact:

Goldfields Nullarbor Rangeland Biosecurity Association on:

Amanda Day                      0487 108 255                      [admin@gnrba.com.au](mailto:admin@gnrba.com.au)

Michelle Donaldson CEO        0439 363 263                      [ceo@gnrba.com.au](mailto:ceo@gnrba.com.au)





## **POISON BAIT**

**Have Been Laid in this Area**

**for the**

**CONTROL of WILD DOGS**

The Goldfields Nullarbor Rangelands Biosecurity Association (GNRBA) has laid sodium monofluoroacetate (1080) poison baits from the South Australian border to Norseman and up through the Northern Goldfields to reduce attacks by wild dogs on pastoral livestock.

Poison baits will be encountered adjacent to roads and tracks on vacant crown land and pastoral leases.

It is advised pets be restrained on a leash when leaving your vehicle and not allowed to wander more than 50 metres from the road side

# **1080 BAITING IN THIS AREA IS A RISK TO DOMESTIC PETS**

Please be advised that baiting programs using 1080 poison are carried out across Western Australia, including this area, and are aimed at controlling wild dogs, feral cats, feral pigs, foxes and rabbits. The poison baits remain toxic for many months. You need to exercise caution. Domestic pets should be kept close and under control at all times. Owners may consider the use of leads and muzzles for their domestic pets.

## **DO NOT RELY ON WARNING SIGNS**

**WARNING SIGNS ARE PLACED WHERE APPLICABLE,  
HOWEVER THEY MAY BE DAMAGED, REMOVED,  
VANDALISED OR DESTROYED**

1080 baiting is part of an integrated pest management program protecting livestock from death and injury; reducing the impact on pastoral and agricultural production; and helping to preserve the unique flora and fauna of WA.

Baits are not intentionally laid in public areas such as road reserves, parking bays, rest stops or roadhouses however can be inadvertently moved into these areas by animals and birds.

**1080 is an S7 Poison**



## Search and Rescue on the Gun Barrel Highway



For something completely different this month, we thought we would give you a little snippet of a task that is somewhat away from the norm of policing, but for officers working in remote locations, something that you need to be prepared for.

On Wednesday 3 February 2021, Western Australia Police Force received a report regarding two overdue travellers missing within the Northern Goldfields and Ngaanyatjarra Lands. Police inquiries revealed that the two travellers could possibly be somewhere on the Gun Barrel Highway between Warburton and Wiluna.

Warburton Police and workers from Carnegie Station attempted to enter the Gun Barrel Highway however were prevented as recent severe weather conditions flooded the road.

On Thursday 4 February 2021, the AMSA (Australian Maritime Safety Authority) Challenger Jet successfully located the two pair on the Gun Barrel Highway. It was clear that their vehicle became bogged approximately 160km east of Carnegie Station. The AMSA Challenger Jet deployed supply drops to the travellers which contained satellite phones enabling them to contact police.



Laver ton Police in conjunction with Warburton and Blackstone Police planned a search and rescue operation. As the Northern Goldfields and Ngaanyatjarra Lands received a substantial quantity of rain in the preceding days, David Carnegie Road (the most direct route to the stranded travellers) was completely flooded and impassable.

On Friday 5 February 2021, Laver ton Police deployed and met with Blackstone Police on the Heather Highway just outside of Warburton. Laver ton and Blackstone Police commenced their journey down the obstacle that was the Gun Barrel Highway.

The road had been torn apart by the weather and was now a decayed river bank, with parts still heavily flooded and parts with major damage. Police conquered a significant part of the route at an average speed of 20km until night fall.

As night fell, police set up camp below the stars, waking at the break of dawn to commenced day two of searching for the travellers.

The second day revealed more severe terrain and a landscape that was continuously changing. At around 2pm, police located the pair, rescuing them and recovering their bogged vehicle.

As the flood had still consumed the area around Carnegie Station, police in company with the travellers, commenced their route back towards the Great Central Road. As night approached, police and the travellers set up camp for another night under the stars.



The following morning, police escorted the travellers back to the main highway. It was a job well done by all and a true example of teamwork.

Laver ton Police would like to remind anyone planning on traveling in the outback, to take due care and appropriate safety measures. Remember to advise someone of your travel plans, review the weather forecast, take adequate recovery gear and adequate food and water and consider a personal location beacon if you are going to remote areas.

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# ANMF COVID-19 RESOURCE

## How do the COVID-19 vaccines work?

**\*ALERT\*** Evidence regarding COVID-19 is continually evolving. This resource will be updated regularly to reflect new emerging evidence but may not always include the very latest evidence in real-time.

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### Key points

- ~ Any vaccine used in Australia must be approved by the Therapeutic Goods Administration (TGA).
- ~ The Pfizer/BioNtech mRNA vaccine and the Oxford/AstraZeneca viral vector vaccines have provisional TGA approval in Australia.
- ~ The Novavax protein subunit vaccine is under consideration for approval in Australia.
- ~ These COVID-19 vaccines have been found to be effective for reducing the severity of COVID-19 infections (Pfizer/BioNtech 90%, Oxford/AstraZeneca 70%, Novavax 95.6%).
- ~ The vaccines do not 'cure' COVID-19 or completely prevent infection.
- ~ Research continues to investigate how effective the vaccines are for reducing the severity of illness caused by SARS-CoV-2 variants (e.g. United Kingdom and South African variants).
- ~ The vaccines cannot cause COVID-19 infection or change human DNA.
- ~ Vaccination symptoms are local or systemic reactions to foreign particles, not a 'mild' form of COVID-19.
- ~ The evidence is unclear regarding whether COVID-19 vaccines reduce transmission.
- ~ Vaccines train the immune system to more quickly recognise and effectively respond to COVID-19 infection.
- ~ The Pfizer/BioNtech vaccine contains viral mRNA for specific spike proteins not complete or viable viruses.
- ~ A person who is vaccinated may still be infected by COVID-19 before or after vaccination and may still transmit the virus to others.
- ~ Vaccinated people must still follow official guidance and recommendations regarding infection prevention and control (i.e. hand hygiene, respiratory etiquette, physical distance).

### Introduction

The Australian Government has detailed a [national rollout strategy for the delivery of COVID-19 vaccines](#). In the Phase 1a, vaccines will be available to quarantine and border workers, priority sub-groups of frontline health workers, and aged care and disability care staff and residents.<sup>1</sup>

Any COVID-19 vaccine approved for use in Australia may be effective in reducing the severity of illness but may not completely protect against infection or prevent a person from transmitting the virus to others. All [current official recommendations](#) regarding infection prevention and control should continue to be observed regardless of vaccine status.

### Agreements, registration, and approval

Many vaccines for COVID-19 are currently under development at varying stages.<sup>2</sup> Australia currently has [agreements in place with four COVID-19 vaccine developers](#) (Table 1).<sup>3</sup>

Table 1: Australian Government COVID-19 Vaccine agreements

Developer	Vaccine Type	Development/ Approval Status	Agreement	Reported Effectiveness*
<i>Pfizer/BioNtech</i>	mRNA-based vaccine	Provisionally approved for people aged 16 and older	10 million doses Option to purchase additional doses where supply is available.	90 percent <sup>4</sup>
<i>Oxford/AstraZeneca</i>	Viral vector vaccine	Provisionally approved for people aged 18 and older	53.8 million doses 3.8 million doses to be delivered in early 2021, 50 million will then be manufactured onshore in monthly batches.	70 percent <sup>5</sup>
<i>Novavax</i>	Protein vaccine	Phase 3 clinical trials	51 million doses	95.6 percent <sup>6</sup>
<i>COVAX Facility</i>	The COVAX facility is a global collaboration allowing access to a variety of vaccines for participating countries. There are currently 9 different vaccines in varying stages of development under consideration, including the Moderna vaccine, an mRNA-based vaccine currently in use internationally. <sup>7</sup>		25 million doses	94.5 percent (Moderna) <sup>8</sup>

\*Reports of vaccine effectiveness vary across publications and may change rapidly as new evidence emerges.

Only vaccines that are approved as safe and effective by the [Australian Therapeutic Goods Administration \(TGA\)](#) and granted provisional registration will be available in Australia. Safety and effectiveness is determined through analysis of ongoing clinical trials, international collaboration, and advice from the [Advisory Committee on Vaccines \(ACV\)](#). The TGA will continue to monitor the safety, quality, and efficacy of all vaccines before and following provisional approval.<sup>9,10</sup>

### How COVID-19 vaccines work

Each COVID-19 vaccine falls into one of several categories of how the vaccine is developed and causes an immune response.<sup>11</sup>

#### Viral infection and the immune response

COVID-19 is caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus. Viruses, including SARS-CoV-2, cannot self-replicate and need a host cell to reproduce and cause infection. SARS-CoV-2 viruses are coated in 'spike proteins' that bind to 'ACE2 receptor proteins' which are located on the surface of many cells within the human body (see Figure 1). When the spike protein and receptor proteins bind, the virus can enter the cell and replicate resulting in infection.<sup>12,13</sup>

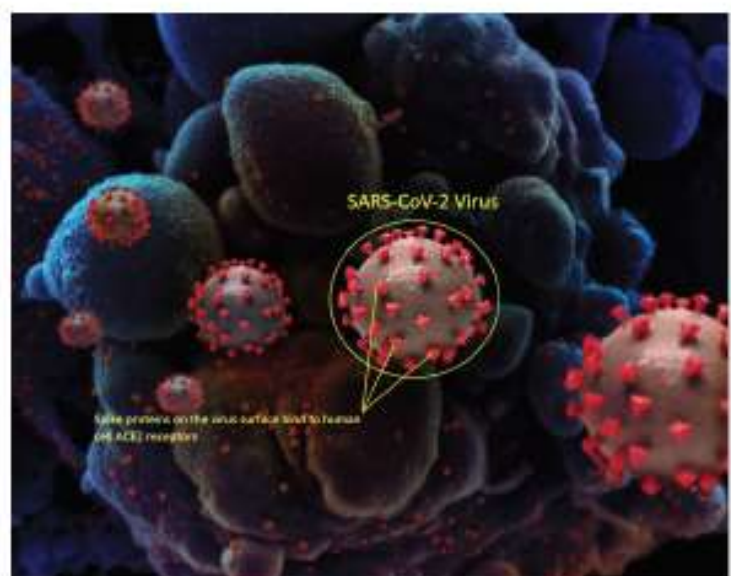


Figure 1: Unscaled depiction of the SARS-CoV-2 virus. The virus cells (circled) use the spike protein to attach to the surface of the body's cells (blue, in background). The spike protein is shaped somewhat like a crown (corona) and gives the virus its name.

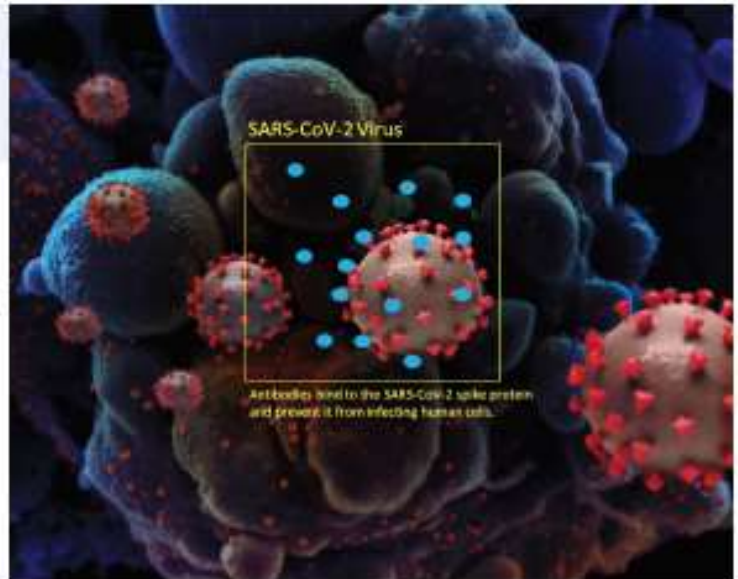
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To reduce or prevent infection, the body's immune system must recognise the virus. To do this 'B-cells' produce antibodies that bind to SARS-CoV-2 spike proteins (see Figure 2). This then prevents the virus from binding to other human cells. Simultaneously, 'T-cells' identify and destroy infected cells and prevent further infection. Destroyed cells are consumed by macrophages and purged from the body.<sup>14</sup>

Figure 2: Unscaled depiction of the SARS-CoV-2 virus with human antibodies (blue) produced by the bodies B-Cells attaching to the virus' spike protein preventing the virus from attaching to and infecting human cells.\*

The effectiveness of a person's immune response to SARS-CoV-2 depends on the ability of their body to quickly recognise and respond to viral spike proteins and infected cells. Once the immune system is able to do this, the B- and T-cells remain within the body and continue to provide protection against future infection for some time.<sup>14</sup>

While some vaccines for other illnesses use a weakened or harmless version of the virus,<sup>15</sup> COVID-19 vaccines isolate and use the SARS-CoV-2 spike protein to generate an immune response.<sup>16</sup> When the body recognises the spike protein in the vaccine, B- and T-cells react, programming themselves for recognition of the full virus. These cells are then present to inhibit future infection and reproduction of the SARS-CoV-2 virus if or when it is encountered by the body.<sup>14</sup>



## ***SARS-CoV-2 reproduction***

The SARS-CoV-2 virus includes 29 proteins which have been identified with high-confidence as responsible for 332 protein-human interactions across multiple biological processes. Each protein is required for the virus to function properly and infect human host cells.<sup>17</sup>

During normal viral reproduction each of these proteins is translated from the virus's genetic code (ribonucleic acid - RNA). Messenger ribonucleic acid (or mRNA) are subsets of genetic code that carry instructions for the reproduction of individual proteins.<sup>12</sup>

The COVID-19 vaccines incorporate either only the limited sequence of RNA or mRNA that codes for a single harmless spike protein - not all of the virus's genetic information. This means that the vaccines cannot cause COVID-19 infection or make someone infectious.

## ***mRNA Vaccines (e.g. Pfizer/BioNtech and Moderna vaccines)***

Vaccines using mRNA vaccine technology have been in development for other viruses (e.g. Zika), but before now have not been used in practice.<sup>15,18</sup>

The Pfizer/BioNtech vaccine and Moderna vaccine are mRNA vaccines given in two doses (Pfizer/BioNtech 21 days apart,<sup>19</sup> Moderna 28 days apart).<sup>20</sup> The vaccines contain the mRNA of a harmless SARS-CoV-2 spike protein responsible for binding the virus to human cells.<sup>21</sup> When administered, the body's cells translate the mRNA and produce spike proteins. These spike proteins are identified by the body's immune system which then begins developing antibodies to the SARS-CoV-2 virus.<sup>16</sup>

The Pfizer/BioNtech vaccine is the only mRNA vaccine currently approved by the TGA in Australia. Because the mRNA in the Pfizer/BioNtech vaccine degrades easily, it requires very cold transport and storage temperatures (-70°C±10°C for up to 10 days unopened).<sup>19</sup> The vaccine can be stored for up to five days at 2-8°C, but cannot be refrozen.<sup>19</sup> The Moderna vaccine is transported frozen at between -25°C and -15°C,<sup>22</sup> and appears to be able to be stored at 2-8°C for up to 30 days and may be kept for up to eight hours at room temperature in a syringe.<sup>20</sup>

\* Image adapted from images published by the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID). Novel Coronavirus SARS-CoV-2. NIAID. Available from: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/niaid/60022374313/in/album-72157712914621487/>

<sup>15</sup> A live attenuated vaccine is a complete but genetically weakened version of a virus. 'Inactivated' vaccines are similar in that they contain whole viruses, however these are rendered 'dead' prior to administration.

### ***Viral vector vaccine (e.g. Oxford/AstraZeneca vaccine)***

The Oxford/AstraZeneca viral vector vaccine is administered in two doses with a 4 to 12 weeks interval (12 weeks is recommended where possible).<sup>23,24</sup> Viral vector vaccines use harmless viral non-SARS-CoV-2 cells to introduce the genetic sequence that codes for the SARS-CoV-2 spike protein into the body (as opposed to only the mRNA). In the case of the Oxford/AstraZeneca vaccine this is a harmless chimpanzee adenovirus.<sup>5,25</sup>

Once introduced, the body's cells begin production of the harmless SARS-CoV-2 spike protein without causing COVID-19 or viral vector replication.<sup>26</sup> The presence of this spike protein trains an immune response to the SARS-CoV-2 virus. Other viral vector vaccines include those for Ebola, Hepatitis B, Human Papilloma Virus, and Whooping Cough.<sup>25</sup>

The Oxford/AstraZeneca vaccine can tolerate temperatures of 2-8°C for at least six months.<sup>24,27</sup>

### ***Protein vaccine (e.g. Novavax vaccine)***

If approved by the TGA the Novavax protein vaccine (SARS-CoV-2 recombinant spike protein vaccine) will likely be administered in two doses 21 days apart and may be stored, transported, and handled at 2-8°C.<sup>28</sup> These vaccines are developed by engineering a harmless insect baculovirus to contain genetic information for the SARS-CoV-2 spike protein.<sup>29</sup> Cultured insect cells are infected with the baculovirus which then produce SARS-CoV-2 spike proteins.<sup>30</sup> The spike protein units are isolated and combined with an adjuvant which enhances antibody production.<sup>31,32</sup> When administered, an immune response to the SARS-CoV-2 virus is triggered.

### ***Genetic mutations***

As commonly occurs with other viruses (e.g. influenza), new variants of the SARS-CoV-2 virus have arisen through natural genetic mutation.<sup>33</sup> Variants that have altered spike proteins unlike those of the original virus may be less susceptible to current vaccines.<sup>34</sup> This is because the antibodies produced by the body based on the original SARS-CoV-2 variant may not bind as effectively to differently shaped spike proteins on the surface of new variants.<sup>35</sup> Research continues into establishing how well existing vaccines work to develop an effective immune response and reduce the severity of illness caused by variants.<sup>33</sup> The vaccine development process can be readily modified to accommodate new virus strains in the same manner as for influenza.<sup>36,37</sup>

## ***Reactions to vaccines***

Because COVID-19 vaccines do not introduce fully functional viruses, reactions to the vaccine are not a "mild form" of COVID-19. Reactions (reactogenicity) are the immune system's response to the introduction of a foreign body (i.e. the isolated SARS-CoV-2 spike proteins or viral vector cells). It is not possible for the vaccine to infect a person with COVID-19 or cause changes to human DNA.<sup>22</sup> Severe anaphylactic reactions to the Pfizer/BioNtech Oxford/AstraZeneca vaccines appear to be uncommon.<sup>38,39</sup>

Reactogenicity can include local injection site pain, redness, swelling, and other more systemic symptoms such as fever, muscle soreness, fatigue, or headache.<sup>40</sup> For both the Pfizer/BioNtech and AstraZeneca vaccines approved in Australia, most reactions are mild (i.e. do not interfere with daily activities) and only last a day or two. Moderate to severe reactions (i.e. headache, fever/chills, fatigue) are very uncommon and usually also resolve in two to three days.<sup>25,41</sup>

## ***Vaccines and transmission***

Although evidence shows that existing COVID-19 vaccines can reduce the severity of COVID-19 infection, the impact of the vaccines on infectiousness/transmission of SARS-CoV-2 between people is still unclear.<sup>42</sup> The collection of data regarding the vaccines, particularly in the face of variant strains, is ongoing, and in some cases yet to be released.<sup>21,25,32</sup>

Because it has not been specifically studied extensively, it is largely unknown how the vaccines may impact transmissibility of the virus.<sup>42</sup> Further, because the vaccines do not offer 100 percent protection from the virus, a person may still be infected just prior to or after vaccination and still pass on the infection to others even when asymptomatic or with only mild symptoms.<sup>43</sup>

While infection from contaminated surfaces appears to be rare,<sup>44</sup> vaccination also does not prevent individuals from physically transferring the virus from contaminated surfaces. It is therefore important that even vaccinated people adhere to [current official recommendations](#) regarding infection prevention and control to prevent the possible spread of SARS-CoV-2.<sup>45</sup>

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## Fact Sheet



### Bicycle Safety

Each year over 450 children on average present to the Perth Children's Hospital Emergency Department as a result of a bicycle injury. The majority of these injuries occur on public roads. Most cycling injuries do not involve another vehicle, but occur when children fall off their bike after crashing into an object.

#### Riding Bicycles

It is important that children are taught the road rules for safe cycling practices. Parents and carers should be a role model and encourage these safe practices:

- Obey the rules of the road and know what each traffic sign means.
- Current WA legislation states that everyone must wear an approved cycling helmet that meets Australian Standards (AS2063:2008 – Bicycle helmets) and fits the child's head correctly.



- For young cyclists, a footpath or shared path is the best place to cycle, unless a *no bicycles* sign is on display. When using footpaths, look out for cars entering or exiting driveways.
- Children under the age of ten should cycle with responsible adults. Most children in that age group do not have the skills to cycle safely without supervision.
- Avoid riding on busy streets and riding at night.
- Use the bell before passing others.
- Always make a shoulder check before signaling and turning. If there is traffic, stop by the side of the road and wait for a gap before turning.

- Wear brightly coloured clothing to increase the visibility of the cyclist to other road users.
- Cyclists should always give way to pedestrians.
- Help children understand when it is safe to cross the road. Teach them to *stop* before entering the road, *look* in all directions, *listen* and *think* about when it is safe to cross the road.
- Teach children to walk their bikes when crossing the street, crosswalk or railway crossings.
- Avoid listening to loud music when cycling. It is important that the rider can hear what is going on around them.

There are a number of providers available who can teach kids how to ride. For example Cycling Australia has a national junior riding programme designed for kids. For more information visit

<http://www.letsride.com.au/>

#### Bicycle Safety Checklist

##### 1. Bicycle Size

Check the bicycle is the right size for your child. When sitting on the bicycle, the toes should touch the ground on both sides.

##### 2. Safety Devices

Ensure the child's bicycle is equipped with safety devices such as lights, reflectors, a bell or horn and an effective brake. Also regularly check that these are in good condition.

##### 3. Tyres

Check the condition of the tyres, looking out for bald spots, bulges and cuts. The tyre should not "squash" when firmly squeezed.

##### 4. Chains

Chains should be frequently oiled and should not be too loose.

##### 5. Pedals

Pedals must spin freely.





## Fact Sheet



### Choosing a Helmet

- Involve the rider in buying the helmet. Make sure they are happy with the appearance.
- Try it on for comfort and fit. Head size in centimetres and helmet size in centimetres may be different shapes so not every helmet will fit snugly.
- Test the fit. Adjust the straps and do it up. It should sit straight on the head. Place your palm under the front of the helmet and push up and back. The helmet should not move.
- Don't buy a helmet that is too big so the child can grow into it. It will be too big to protect the child now.
- Child helmets are vital for children up to age five or six. After that, their head is almost adult size and they should be able to wear adult helmets.



- The helmet should feel comfortable and have good airflow. Make sure the helmet has an Australian Standards sticker, these helmets have been tested and approved (AS2063).

### Second-hand Bicycles and Helmets

- If choosing to use a second hand bicycle make sure it is in good condition and meets all of the safety requirements.
- Second-hand helmets may not be a bargain. It can be difficult to see damage to the foam lining. A damaged helmet will not protect the rider. With second-hand helmets you may also be limited in choice for comfort and fit.

### Cycling in Rural Areas

- Many people think the country is a safer place for children to ride their bikes, but country kids are just as likely to lose control of their bikes.
- Country riders also have to deal with a range of road conditions such as gravel, potholes, slippery surfaces etc. Traffic is also permitted to travel at greater speeds in some country areas.

### Child Carrier Seats and Trailers

Parents and carers may choose to use a child carrier seat on the bicycle or tow a trailer to transport children. This is legal to do so given the following safety precautions are taken:

- The rider must be at least 16 years of age.
- An approved and securely fastened helmet must be used by children in child carrier seats and children sitting in a trailer being towed by a bicycle.
- Children must be under 10 years old to sit in the trailer being towed by a bicycle.

### References:

- SDERA <http://www.sdera.wa.edu.au/>

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# CDP NEWSLETTER



JAN/FEB 2021

## Happy New Year! A great start to 2021 across the Yaaliku Region!

The Foundation were honoured to attend the recent Laverton Sports Club, Cutting of the Ribbon (Court Upgrade) on the 20<sup>th</sup> January along with Clubs WA, the WA Department of Local Government Sports and Cultural Industries, Sponsors AngloGold Ashanti, Lynas Rare Earths, Minara Resources and Murrin Operations. An incredible multi-facility sports upgrade with community coming together to achieve this. Congrats to Laverton Wirrpanda Foundation Activity Supervisor Alan Taeipa and local CDP Participants for their contribution. Fantastic to also see the Mining V's Community Game Off in action!

NIAA has acknowledged the Foundation with a very special story and interview from our Laverton office featured via the Australian Government – **Indigenous.gov.au website (NIAA) this December 2020.** A proud moment for the Foundation and a well done to all staff and participants for their dedication and commitment to community.

Last but not least, we welcome new CDP staff Dale Kickett to our growing team! Dale will transition from the Foundation Bunuru Program having dedicated to this program over the past ten years. Dale met briefly with the CDP Yaaliku team last month visiting successful Containers for Change Program (Shire of Leonora Partnership) with the CDP crew!

See you all in our next edition...

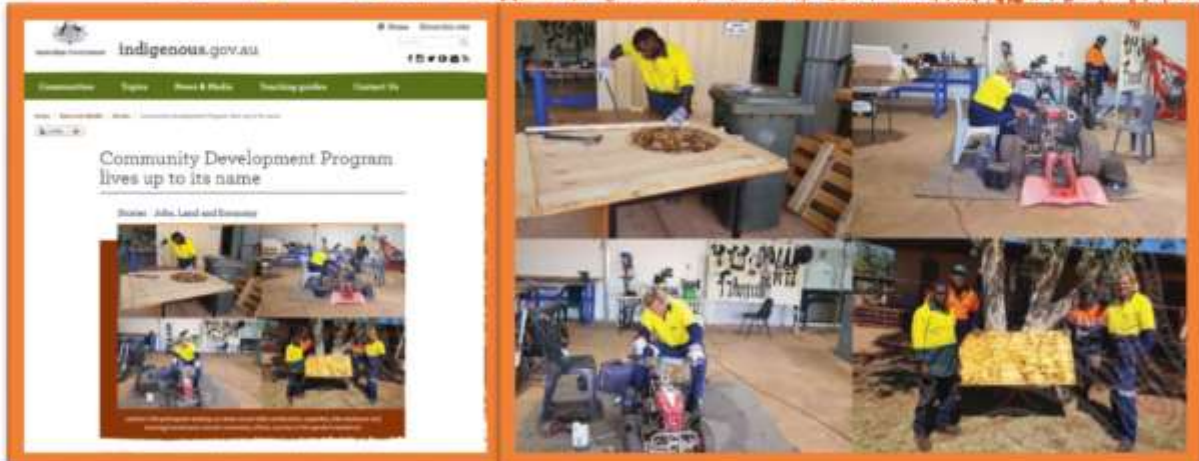


**Ochre Ribbon Week (12-19<sup>th</sup> February 2021)** raises awareness of the impacts of domestic and family violence in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities. **Ochre Ribbon Week** is an Indigenous-led campaign acknowledged by the National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA) and the Wirrpanda Foundation.





## CDP GOOD NEWS STORY - INDIGENOUS.GOV.AU



The community of Laverton sits in the Goldfields-Esperance region of Western Australia. Its population of approximately 340 people is enjoying the benefits of the Australian Government's Community Development Program (CDP).

Wirrpanda Foundation is the CDP Provider and Alan Taeipa is the Activity Supervisor in Laverton.

'We can really see the CDP working well with a positive effect on community such as table construction. This week we delivered a table to an Elder in community,' Alan said. 'She was so pleased with her new table. It allows her to adjust it to accommodate her needs (up/down) and also move outdoors if needed.'

'Another effect we are seeing of late is the interest in having bikes repaired. The community is seeing our great work and the bikes are now coming through.'

Christopher is another community member to benefit from the activities, but in his case, as one of the CDP participants.

'Being part of the CDP projects has had a positive effect on me as I'm part of a bigger team all working on our skills,' Christopher said. 'I like being part of everyday projects such as bike mechanics and carpentry, from creating to repairing, that give back to my community.' Having previously worked at jobs requiring carpentry and mechanical skills he said it was great to use his skills on the CDP projects and teach others where he could.

Alan Taeipa said that what the team does every day improves relationships with the general community and organisations. 'We have been busy cleaning our community (removal of rubbish, repairing windows on houses), transporting community members and linking in with the local Shire to assist where we can,' Alan said. The team is also building planter boxes, refurbishing old pallets, gardening, constructing a trailer, making bags, sewing and painting. 'The added benefits are that we are helping participants gain the necessary skills to get a job,' Alan said.

'We are also assisting participants to gain their drivers licenses to help them on their pathways.' Christopher said that he has learned that he can be a great role model to other participants and community and as the future unfolds, he is taking it one day at a time. 'I could become a Trainer in Cert IV Training and Assessing. I like teaching others and showing others, mentoring the young fellas to get working.' More information can be found via: <https://www.indigenous.gov.au/>

***The Wirrpanda Foundation acknowledge the traditional owners of this land, their ancestors and elders and we are committed to reconciliation among all Australians.***





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## Principal's Message

Yuwa and nyurrapa karnpinka or hello, how are you?

It's such a privilege to be the principal of Laver ton School, and although we are only just beginning the term, the enthusiasm, dedication and commitment to improving education from all our staff is evident. We are well positioned to continue school improvements from 2020.

Laver ton is a great school and we aim to be a culturally responsive, warm and welcoming school for all our students and families. We have high expectations for every student and this starts with every student wearing school uniform every day. We expect students to act and behave responsibly and have developed a new behaviour matrix so we have consistent expectations of what positive behaviours for learning look like. Please have a look at our matrix and give us feedback, as we are always looking for ways to improve.

### Families Involved in Education

Thanks to families and community members who attended our Friday football and tribal wars event and joined us for our Open Afternoon meet and greet the staff. We really want you involved as much as we can in the education of every child, and value the time you spend with us. Whole school assemblies are every second Thursday and everyone is welcome to come to the assembly and then afternoon tea made by the class hosting the assembly. You will receive a special invitation if it is your child's class hosting the assembly, or your child is receiving a merit certificate.

### School Council and P&C

Are you interested in having a say in how our school runs?  
Would you like to join the P&C and fundraise for the school?

Laver ton School has a strong School Council and P&C and we need new members. Most people join both as we have our meetings together. If you are thinking of being involved, then come into the school and have a yarn with us about what we do and pick up an expression of interest form. Our first meeting is on Tuesday 2 March at 6pm in the school's Welcome Room.

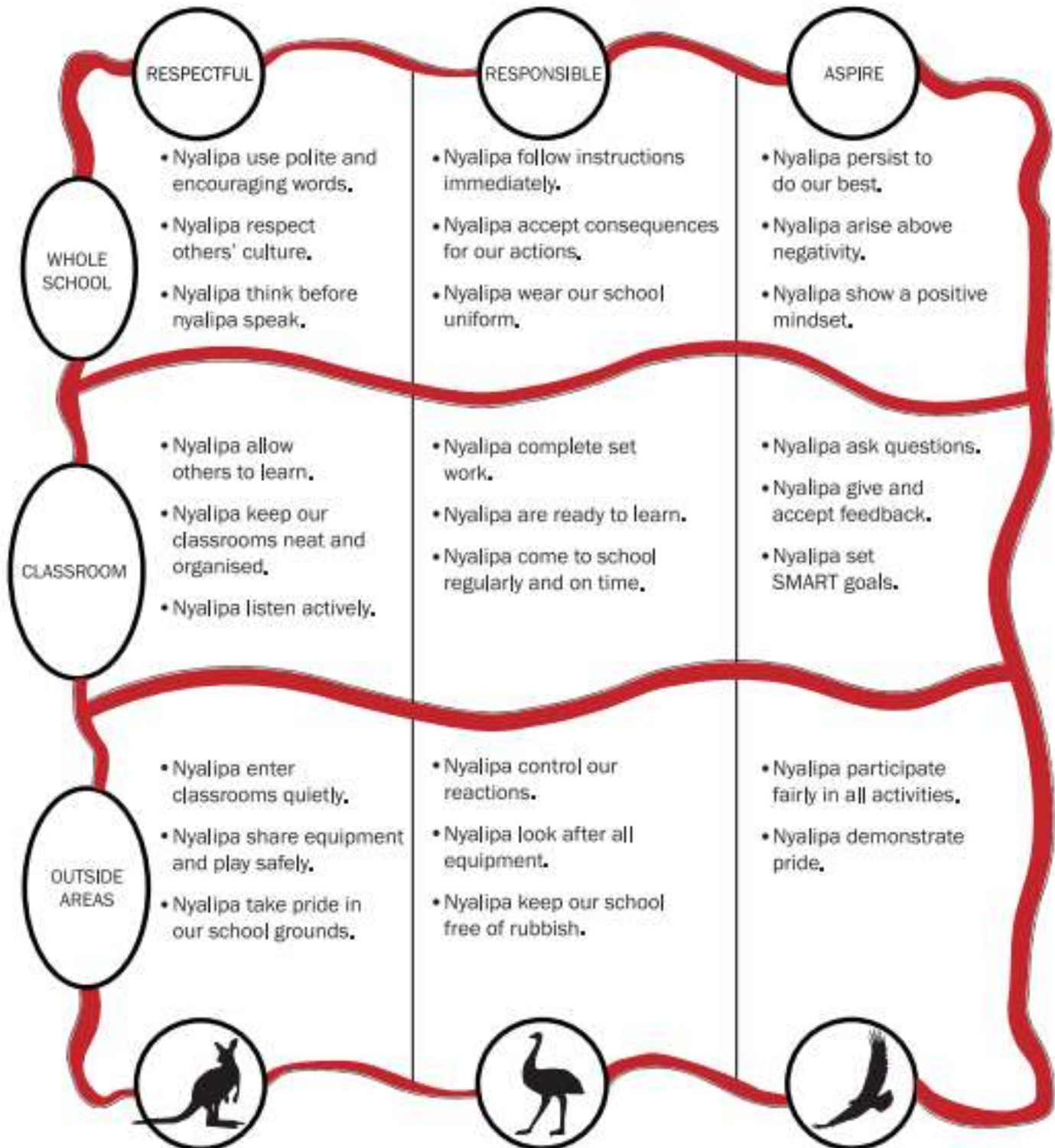
Please contact me at school on 9031 1020 at any time if you would like to talk about your child's education.

Palya for now.

Diana Kirkland  
Principal



# BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS at LAVERTON SCHOOL





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## Laver ton School News from Ms Moncrieff's Years 4-6 Class

Ms Moncrieff's 4-6 class has had a busy start to 2021, as we were the first class to host the school assembly. We have enjoyed learning the funny poem, *The Aliens Have Landed*, by Ken Nesbitt, and creating the alien masks for our teachers to wear when we performed the poem at the school assembly.

We are continuing our STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths) program with Firetech this year thanks to the generosity of Australian Potash. This term we are learning how to create a video advertisement using Powtoon software. Keep a look out for our adverts on our school Facebook page later this term.

To finish off the first two weeks of school with a BANG, the school hosted a community v school football match followed by a tribal wars fun day. We all enjoyed a fantastic day of fun and competition. We would like to thank the police and community members who joined us for the day and cheered us on.

Palya for now.



## Friday Fun Day at Laver ton School



## Open Afternoon at Laverton School





# MANI-KU NINTI

## MONEY TALK

What do you do if you have a debt? Ignoring it will only make the problem worse in the long run. This can also just cause you extra stress which is not good for your health, so try breaking the problem down so its easier for you to manage and stop adding to what you owe by creating more bills.

Firstly you need to know who you owe money to and how much it is that you owe, so make a list. This can let you see the bigger picture and to be more organised. You will also need to know how much money you have coming in each fortnight. This is where a budget comes in handy.

With your budget you can work out how much you need to pay on the important stuff like rent, food, power, water and phone. What you have left over you can organise to pay towards your outstanding debts to try and get them under control faster.

If you are able to pay more than the minimum payment you will also save money on interest and if you pay your bills before

they are due than you will also save by not having to pay late fees.

If you are not managing your debts than call the company that you owe money to and explain to them what is going on for you why you can't pay at the moment. Most companies are somewhat understanding and you might be able to make an arrangement with them to pay at a lesser amount for a period of time until you are able to manage your bills better.

A financial counsellor can also help you with this as a lot of people can find this scary especially if you have never dealt with this kind of problem before.



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## Media Release



### First solar school installed

16 December 2020

Horizon Power today installed the first rooftop solar system as part of its Solar Schools program at Scaddan Primary School in the Goldfields Esperance Region.

Scaddan Primary School, which is 50km north of Esperance, is the first of 30 regional public schools that will receive solar systems to be installed by Horizon Power delivery team as part of the \$5 million program

Horizon Power CEO Stephanie Unwin said there were many benefits to be delivered by the Solar Schools program.

"Scaddan Primary School is just one of the regional public schools that will reduce its electricity costs by having a rooftop solar system installed," Stephanie said.

"It is one of 12 school installations we will be doing in the Goldfields Esperance region, along with Salmon Gums, Cascade, Castletown, Condingup, Esperance, Laverton, Munglinup and Nulsen primary schools, and Esperance, Norseman and Leonora high schools.

"Importantly, it is the first of the installations we are doing as part of our Solar Schools program, which will reduce the schools' power bills and their greenhouse gas emissions by more than 2,000 tonnes each year - the equivalent of taking around 400 cars off the road.

"Over the past two days, our delivery teams have installed a 12.9kW PV system, made up of 29 x 445 watt panels, which is approximately twice the size of an average house system, at Scaddan Primary School.

"This installation will reduce the school's reliance on electricity from the grid by almost 50 per cent, reduce the school's carbon emissions by about eight tonnes each year and save the school around \$170,000 over the 25-year life of the system.

"We are accelerating our renewable energy strategy as part of our role in the WA Economic Recovery Plan and working with our communities to find innovative customer solutions."

On completion of the first system at Scaddan Primary School, the team will undertake a similar installation at Condingup Primary School, 69km east of Esperance.

Learn more about *Renew the Regions* on our microsite at <https://renewtheregions.com.au>

**PIC: Horizon Power/MPS/Scadden PS installation and event**

-ENDS-

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## Media Release



### About Horizon Power

Horizon Power is the West Australian Government's regional and remote power provider. We are passionate about what we do, and strive to ensure our customers receive safe and reliable power to their homes, businesses and communities.

Spanning some 2.3 million square kilometres, this makes us responsible for the largest geographical catchment of any Australian power provider. As part of the State Government's WA Recovery Plan, we're investing nearly \$86 million in regional WA. There are 18 projects aimed at creating jobs and giving towns more access to green energy and improved services. For more information about how Horizon Power is supporting WA's recovery visit [www.renewtheregions.com.au](http://www.renewtheregions.com.au)

We operate 38 power systems delivering power to more than 110,000 homes, communities and businesses. This includes 34 microgrids tailored to meet the unique needs of some of the most isolated and remote communities in the world.

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# OPEN

## OPEN EVERY THURSDAY!

### **Did you know the Laver ton Sports Club is OPEN every Thursday night?**

The Sports Club is run by a Volunteer Committee, we WELCOME Member SUPPORT when we are open.

If there is an increase in Member attendance on Thursday evening's consideration will be given to increase hours of operation.



### SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL CLUB!



**Thursday 11 February**

Community Darts  
recommencing  
Thursday 11 February  
7:00pm

Laverton Sports Club



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Member or Members guest to play



# **ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**



*"THEY ARE CONDEMNING THEIR OWN CHILDREN TO END UP LIKE THEMSELVES" WELFARE JUNKIES WITH NO FUTURE.*

ROBIN SCOTT MLC - BUDGET REPLY SPEECH 04/11/ 2020.

## **ENOUGH IS ENOUGH**

Everywhere in my electorate, the story is the same - people have had enough of alcohol abuse and anti-social behaviour, affecting their lives in Regional WA.

The policy of the McGowan Government and the 'do-gooders' simply isn't working.

### **IT'S TIME FOR A NEW POLICY:**

A policy of direct intervention into aboriginal communities and child welfare. A policy which puts the tackling of alcohol abuse as a top priority. A policy which puts a stop to the 'soft-handed' approach to youth justice.

### **NO CONSEQUENCES FOR ACTIONS**

The best way to change a person's behaviour is for them to learn that there are consequences for actions.

Right now, anti-social behaviour is terrorising regional WA. We need to impose measures that teach offenders that there are consequences for their actions.

### **JAIL IS NOT A DETERRENT**

At the moment there is no fear of going to jail, instead, it's become a "rite of passage", and somewhere for kids to learn the behaviours of criminal adults.

We need take offenders off the streets for longer periods, which protects society and which allows for intensive education and rehabilitation programs to be delivered to the offender.



## **THE PROBLEM**

COVID-19 reduced crime numbers significantly, but now the worst is over, things have gone back to "normal"- burglary, property damage and assaults are being reported more than ever before. Politically-correct policies of the Government have failed. We need to stop this idea of a 'partnership model' and instead directly intervene.

## **THE SOLUTION**

We need to start right away implementing both short-term and long-term solutions:

- Provide government subsidies for home and business CCTV camera systems.
- Confiscate phones that are being used to upload criminal behaviour to social media.
- Tougher prison sentences with intensive education programs.
- Provide beds at schools 24/7 for children to escape abusive homes.



Hon. Robin Scott MLC  
Member for Mining & Pastoral Region  
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## IT'S THE LITTLE THINGS THAT HAVE MADE ROBIN SCOTT RUN FOR THE MINING AND PASTORAL REGION IN THE 2021 STATE ELECTION



### ELECTRICIAN TO POLITICIAN

◀ Being a qualified electrician for 30+ years allows Robin to donate his time to the Goldfields Women's Refuge Testing and Tagging all their Electrical Goods.



### EAST KALGOORLIE PRIMARY SCHOOL ▶

When EKPS asked the community for donations of Acrylic paint, Robin was more than happy to drop in and make a donation to the the EKPS Community Group.



### BACK TO SCHOOL ▶

Robin spent some time with the East Kalgoorlie Primary School students during their Wongatha Language Lesson.



### ▶ CLEAN UP BOULDER CAMP

In 2017 Robin asked KCGM for some volunteers to assist him in the clean up of Boulder Camp.



### ▶ KALGOORLIE MRI MACHINE

Robin made it his top priority when he realised Kalgoorlie-Boulder didn't have an MRI Machine. From Standing in St Barbara's Square getting a petition signed to asking 34 questions in Parliament.

**MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT THIS ELECTION - VOTE 1 ROBIN SCOTT**

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a chat.

**Open Sunday's from 9.00am.**

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## Get in touch

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## **Outreach Mental Health Team :**

Visiting Psychiatrist - TBC

TBC - Senior Mental Health Practitioner

TBC - Aboriginal Mental Health Worker

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**Aim:** Our aim is to work closely with you and your family to support the transition throughout your journey to wellness.

**What we do:** Our Team provides a culturally appropriate service, using culturally appropriate materials when supporting our clients. We can assist in the following areas :

- Inpatient Care (Kalgoorlie)
- Case Management
- Clinical Support
- Medication Management
- Outreach to Communities
- Aboriginal Mental Health First Aid
- Cultural Awareness
- Psychiatrist Clinic every quarter (Laverton & Leonora).
- Support Community Health Teams
- Support Hospitals & Nursing Posts
- Work with Government , NGO's, Families, Friends & Communities.



## **Outreach Mental Health Team :**

Mel Hayward            -CAMHS (Child) Mental Health  
Practitioner

TBC                        - Aboriginal Mental Health Worker

If a Psychiatrist is required a VC will be booked

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# Laverton Events Calendar








## March 2021

<b>Monday 1 March</b>	Public Holiday, Labour Day	Public Holiday, Labour Day
<b>Thursday 4 March</b>	Women's Group	One Tree, 11:00am
<b>Saturday 6 March</b>	Garage Sale	3 Mikado Way, 9:00am-12:00pm
<b>Monday 8 March</b>	Child Mental Health Practitioner	Laverton Hospital, 12:30pm, Contact 9088 6200 for further information and referral process
<b>Wednesday 10 March</b>	Kungka, Girls 8-18 years	One Tree, 5:00pm-7:00pm
<b>Thursday 11 March</b>	Women's Group	One Tree, 11:00am
<b>Monday 15 March</b>	Outreach Mental Health Team, Psychiatrist Visit	Laverton Hospital, 12:30pm, Contact 9088 6200 for further information and referral process
<b>Wednesday 18 March</b>	Women's Group	One Tree, 11:00am
<b>Friday 19 March</b>	Easter Market Day Applications Close	Easter Market Day Applications Close
<b>Saturday 20 March</b>	Clean Up Laverton Day	Great Beyond, 9:00am-11:00am
<b>Wednesday 24 March</b>	Kungka, Girls 8-18 years	One Tree, 5:00pm-7:00pm
<b>Thursday 25 March</b>	Women's Group	One Tree, 11:00am
<b>Thursday 25 March</b>	Seniors Morning Tea	Laverton Town Hall, 10:00am
<b>Saturday 27 March</b>	Community Market Day	Laverton Town Hall, 9:00am-12:00pm
<b>Tuesday 30 March</b>	Child Mental Health Practitioner	Laverton Hospital, 12:30pm, Contact 9088 6200 for further information and referral process

# Laverton Events Calendar

## April 2021

<b>Thursday 1 April</b>	Women's Group	One Tree, 11:00am
<b>Friday 2 April to Monday 19 April</b>	School Holiday Period	School Holiday Period
<b>Friday 2 April</b>	Public Holiday, Good Friday	Public Holiday, Good Friday
<b>Sunday 4 April</b>	Easter Sunday	Easter Sunday
<b>Monday 5 April</b>	Public Holiday, Easter Monday	Public Holiday, Easter Monday
<b>Wednesday 7 April</b>	Kungka, Girls 8-18 years	One Tree, 5:00pm-7:00pm
<b>Thursday 8 April</b>	Women's Group	One Tree, 11:00am
<b>Thursday 15 April</b>	Women's Group	One Tree, 11:00am
<b>Monday 19 April</b>	Outreach Mental Health Team, Psychiatrist Visit	Laverton Hospital, 12:30pm, Contact 9088 6200 for further information and referral process
<b>Wednesday 21 April</b>	Early Literacy Better Beginnings, Story & Rhyme Time Program	Playgroup, Shire Hall, 10:00am
<b>Wednesday 21 April</b>	Kungka, Girls 8-18 years	One Tree, 5:00pm-7:00pm
<b>Thursday 22 April</b>	Women's Group	One Tree, 11:00am
<b>Wednesday 28 April</b>	Early Literacy Better Beginnings, Story & Rhyme Time Program	Playgroup, Shire Hall, 10:00am
<b>Thursday 29 April</b>	Seniors Morning Tea	Laverton Town Hall, 10:00am
<b>Thursday 29 April</b>	Women's Group	One Tree, 11:00am

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
					 <b>9am—12pm</b> <b>3 Mikado Way</b>	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
				 <b>MARKET DAY</b> <b>STALL APPLICATIONS</b> <b>CLOSE</b>	 <b>Meet at Great Beyond</b> <b>9:00am-11:00am</b> 	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
			<b>Seniors Morning Tea</b> <b>10:00am</b> <b>Shire Town Hall</b> 		<b>Laverton Community Market Day</b> <b>9:00am-12:00pm</b> <b>Laverton Town Hall</b> 	
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