

Community Spirit

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Merry Christmas

AND HAPPY NEW YEAR






Christmas is here

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<p>RAVENSTHORPE</p>  <p>FOR SALE</p> <p>119 MARTIN ST \$250,000</p> <p>Completely renovated 3 bed 2 bath home. Large modern kitchen, ceiling fans, air con. Big block, fenced yard area. Just move in nothing to do. Tenanted</p> <p>Check it out here</p>	<p>RAVENSTHORPE</p>  <p>FOR SALE</p> <p>96 SPENCE ST \$71,000</p> <p>Affordable 3 bed 1 bath cottage on 1214sqm block. Main lounge room has reverse AC. The back verandah is enclosed and front porch is covered. Single garage</p> <p>Check it out here</p>	<p>RAVENSTHORPE</p>  <p>FOR SALE</p> <p>57 MOIR ROAD \$165,000</p> <p>Renovated spacious 4-bedroom 2-bathroom family home. Spacious open plan, large kitchen & living areas. A/C, 1012sqm block, with good access, back lane. Tenanted</p> <p>Check it out here</p>	<p>RAVENSTHORPE</p>  <p>FOR SALE</p> <p>36 SPENCE ST \$160,000</p> <p>New modern easy care 3 x 1 home on low maintenance 607sqm block. Kitchen/dining with plenty of cupboard space & lounge with AC. Front verandah & carport. Back lane access.</p> <p>Check it out here</p>
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2019 Ravensthorpe Community Christmas Tree

Santa comes to town

It was a beautiful, balmy evening as more than 220 excited children, parents and community members flocked to Jubilee Park for the annual Ravensthorpe Community Christmas Tree on Saturday December 14th.

Shirl & Graeme Sutherland greeted all the families on arrival with free juice boxes and chips for all the kids, donated by Ravensthorpe Palace Hotel.

Amy Serbert - face painting extraordinaire - worked her magic with an array of Christmas and crowd-pleasing designs. The months of practice on her own children certainly showed through, thank you Alexis and Sofia for being the guinea pigs!

Greg 'Noise' Gould, Kelly Power and Carlos Howard cooked up a storm while Deb, Tam, Hayley, Theresa and Jeanette from Ravensthorpe Equestrian Club quenched everyone's



thirst at the busy bar. Acoustic duo, Mel and Michael, kept the tunes rolling across the evening making for a night to remember.

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Looking to the future with new deadlines

With the move to digital the Community Spirit has decided to extend all deadlines for the paper.

From 2020, the new deadline for advertising copy is 5pm the Friday before the issue date.

The new deadline for editorial copy has been extended to 5pm Sunday to allow time for weekend events to be included in the next issue.

Please note the deadline dates on page 18 of this edition.

If you wish a printed version of the Community Spirit, please check out the subscription form on page 43.

We wish everyone a wonderful Christmas and may 2020 be prosperous for all.

Merry Christmas

**Gaylene and Vicki
wish everyone a very Merry
Christmas and a happy and
prosperous 2020**



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Mental Health:

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Word of the Day

delectation noun | dee-lek-TAY-shun

Definition:

: delight, enjoyment

Did You Know?

Pleasure, delight, and enjoyment are all synonyms and all signify the agreeable emotion accompanying the possession or expectation of what is good or greatly desired. Why, then, use delectation, that not-so-familiar synonym? Because, as with most synonym groups, each word has its own subtle distinctions. Pleasure stresses satisfaction or gratification of the senses. Delight adds the idea of liveliness or obviousness in that satisfaction, often less enduring than pleasure. Enjoyment suggests a wide range of deep pleasure from merely transient, though complete, gratification to deep-seated happiness. Delectation (which is from the Latin word for "delight") suggests a reaction to pleasurable experience consciously sought or provided. More than all the others, it connotes amusement or diversion.



NEXT ISSUE ADVERT DEADLINE:

5pm, Friday February 7, 2020

NEXT ISSUE EDITORIAL DEADLINE:

5pm, Sunday February 9, 2020

ALL ENQUIRIES:

contributions@cospirit.net

Kylie Thomas, Co-ordinator, 0408 840 447

Or Attn: Contributions, PO Box 135, Ravensthorpe 6346.

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Santa and his elves, Vicki Barber and Tahnee Gairen, arrived in style on a gleaming fire engine (thanks Mick Lloyd), complete with sirens and lights blaring with our trusty team of volunteer firefighters.

They were welcomed by Ravensthorpe's favourite MC, Coralie Daw, who then impressed young and old with her endless energy and enthusiasm as she assisted Santa in handing out gifts to the 128 children present on the night.

Santa then stayed on to pose for photos with all the families - big thanks to Sue Leighton, the official photographer for the night.

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**Wishing you all a happy, healthy
and prosperous 2020**

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Thanks must go to the Shire of Ravensthorpe for ensuring the park was gleaming and that we had access to power and extra bins (and that the sprinklers didn't bring the party to an end at 9pm).

The Committee would like to thank generous sponsors—Shire of Ravensthorpe, Ravensthorpe Roadhouse, Ravensthorpe Mechanical Services, Lloydey's Power Services, 5K Livestock & Bulk, 4 Rivers Plumbing Gas & Civil Contracting, Yummylicious Candy Shack and Ravensthorpe Building Supplies for their support of this event.

Special thanks to Anthea Francis for again supplying the Christmas-cracker jokes every day in the lead up to the event.

Finally, thank you to Ravensthorpe Community Christmas Tree – Jules Belli, Kelly Power, Sophie Major, Leigha Mealey, Portia Chambers and Gabrielle



Major (and the husbands they roped in) - for all their hard work in the lead up, on the night and morning-after pack up.

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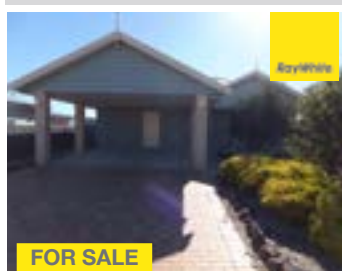


FOR SALE

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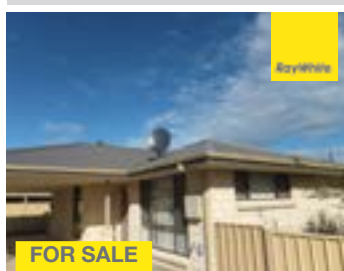


FOR SALE

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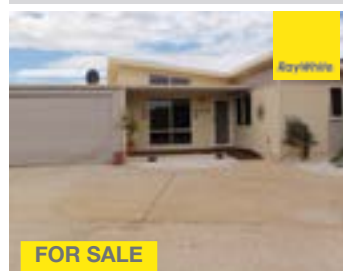


FOR SALE

43 MAITLAND **\$299,000**
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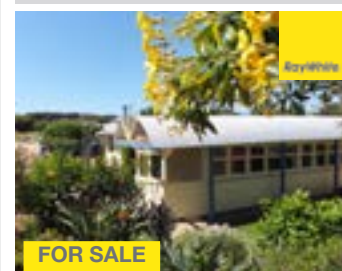


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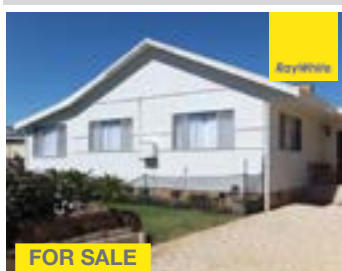


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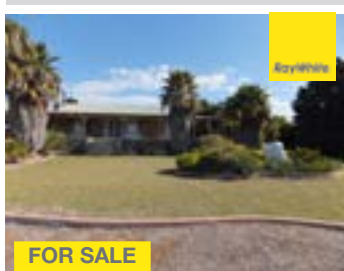


FOR SALE

6 DAWN ST **\$320,000**
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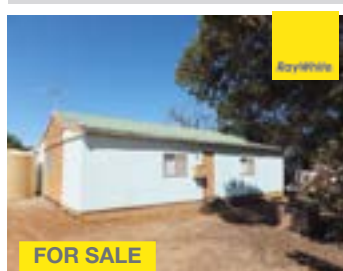


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1 CAMBEWARRA **\$330,000**
Country Charmer. Solid brick 3x1 on 5 acres with big lawn areas and a huge shed plus carport. Wide verandas to enjoy the views. Wood fire plus a/c in the lounge room.

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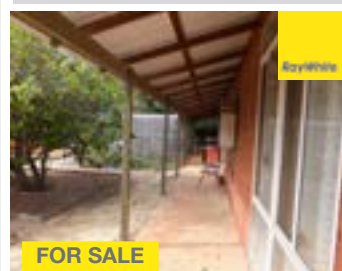


FOR SALE

33 BUCKIE **\$115,000**
Rustic cottage— three bedrooms, 1 bath and & outside toilet. Enclosed front verandah so much room for all the family to stay. 809sqm block. Short walk to the beach.

[Check it out here](#)

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FOR SALE

12 DOUGLAS **\$220,000**
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Bench Seating in place at Ravensthorpe Cemetery

■ Ravensthorpe Progress Association

Visitors to the Ravensthorpe Cemetery will find two bench seats now available for their use and comfort within the cemetery grounds.

These were made possible, thanks to Galaxy Lithium Australia Ltd, through the 'Pitch your Project' funding round in 2018/2019 which was available to not-for-profit and community groups in Ravensthorpe and Hopetoun.

Ravensthorpe Progress Association (RPA) were appreciative recipients of a portion of this funding to allow us to action this project.

The seats were recently installed by the Shire of Ravensthorpe works team.

As the photos show, one bench seat is installed at the southern entrance to the cemetery and the second towards the other end of the attractive, central avenue of local native trees and shrubs. Each seat is positioned under a significant tree



canopy which will ensure shade from mid-morning to well into the afternoon for those choosing to rest here.

This seating is recommended for public street furniture in the Shire of Ravensthorpe Urban & Landscape Design Manual 2015. The battens are made from an Enviroslat composite [recycled plastics] and the

framework is corten steel—components which do not require maintenance.

In the New Year, RPA will have in place on each seat, a plaque acknowledging Galaxy's support for this infrastructure.

Thank you also from RPA to the Shire works team for their involvement in the

planning and installation process.

—C Rowe
Secretary RPA

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The Dibbler and the Numbat

■ Jerdacuttup Primary School

Monday December 2nd was the date of the much anticipated book launch showcasing the strength of partnerships and collaboration between local groups.

Elisa Spengler, Executive Officer with Ravensthorpe Agricultural Initiative Network (RAIN) coordinated funding from State Natural Resource Management WA, book writing know-how from renowned local author Richenda Goldfinch, fauna expertise

from zoologist Andy Chapman and enthusiastic participation from students at Jerdacuttup Primary School, to raise awareness and the plight of endangered endemic fauna species.

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■ All photos by Kier Douthie and Elisa Spengler.



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The Dibbler and the Numbat

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With an intimate knowledge of dibblers and numbats, Andy created a scientific image of them in our local environment. Richenda, also with wide knowledge of these animals, along with her expertise in writing texts for children, portrayed in verse a series of events in their fictional lives. This entertaining information needed to be illustrated, which is where students from Jerdacuttup made their contributions.

After an extensive art program students began making exploratory sketches in water colour and pen. Art work was enhanced with studies of these unique marsupials to understand their place in the kwongan heath and eucalypt woodlands found in our Shire.

Chenda visited our school and shared her writer and illustrator skills inspiring all of the class (pre-primary to year five) to demonstrate their talents. Students had, in the past, illustrated their own stories and those written by classmates, so having a published author engage with them and the prospect of having some of their own work published was enormously exciting.

Each child chose a verse or two to illustrate. This was accomplished quickly, allowing Chenda to scan, refine, draft a layout and have a copy back for consultation within a day!! About a fortnight of proofing and editing between all parties and we had the final proof from the printers, giving us just enough time to agree that a party to launch the book was essential.

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SHIRE OF RAVENSTHORPE

Ravensthorpe and Hopetoun Waste Disposal Site Opening Hours

Please note that the opening hours for both the Ravensthorpe and Hopetoun waste disposal sites will be as follows.

RAVENSTHORPE

Wednesday 25th Dec	CLOSED
Thursday 26th Dec	CLOSED
Friday 27th Dec	CLOSED
Saturday 28th Dec	9am to 12pm
Sunday 29th Dec	9am to 12pm & 1pm to 4pm
Monday 30th Dec	8am to 11am
Tuesday 31st Dec	CLOSED
Wednesday 1st Jan	CLOSED
Thursday 2nd Jan	CLOSED

HOPETOUN

Wednesday 25th Dec	CLOSED
Thursday 26th Dec	CLOSED
Friday 27th Dec	9am to 12pm
Saturday 28th Dec	1pm to 4pm
Sunday 29th Dec	8am to 11am
Monday 30th Dec	1pm to 4pm
Tuesday 31st Dec	CLOSED
Wednesday 1st Jan	CLOSED
Thursday 2nd Jan	CLOSED

For dates outside of the period noted above, normal opening hours will apply.

Gavin Pollock
Chief Executive Officer

The Dibbler and the Numbat

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The Red Room in Ravensthorpe was the perfect venue to hang all of the original artworks, set up signing tables and offer afternoon tea to invited guests.

Students printed the invitations, capitalised on our Chaplain's, Roger Mansell, culinary skills to supervise some of the cooking, and rounded up family and friends to attend the launch.

Inexhaustible staff from Jerdacuttup School managed students and assisted in all aspects of the afternoon's events.

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The Dibbler and the Numbat

■ From page 14

Cat Tink and DunnArt Gallery kindly provided assistance with artwork display, as did Elisa and her RAIN team and resources.

Close to fifty supporters gathered at the Red Room. Students presented an acknowledgement of country to honour the Noongar land on which we learn and play; Elisa, Chenda and Kier Douthie provided insights to the development of the book and students read the text on the pages they had illustrated.

Everyone left impressed by the collaboration within our Shire to illustrate its unique flora and fauna.

The book was printed in A4 and A6 size, with so many copies sold at the launch that a reprint has already been ordered! Copies of the book will be available; A4 for \$15 and A6 for \$10.

Ravensthorpe and Hopetoun CRC have the A4 size. Other copies can be purchased from the Ravensthorpe Visitor Centre/Museum, Hopetoun Blue House and RAIN.

—Kier Douthie, Jerdacuttup Primary School

— Elisa Spengler, RAIN



2020 Free-Lance Journalist Programme

THE COMMUNITY SPIRIT IS PLEASED TO FOSTER A FREELANCE JOURNALIST WITHIN THE REGION

This applies to all members of the community who currently reside in the district. Our journalist will be selected by judgement of ability based on the best submission of a news or feature article that is to do with:

- a club;
- a community organisation;
- an environmental subject or concern;
- a person/s; or
- a place in our district.

The length of the article is up to the individual, but it must cover the basic elements of a news or feature article, including:

- A catchy title;
- The key information (Who, what, when, where, why and how); and
- A photo or image to support the text.

DUE DATE FOR SUBMISSION IS FEBRUARY 28, 2020.

The winning article will be published in the Community Spirit and the winner will be notified on the same day.

The winner of the contest will then be offered an opportunity to submit monthly articles to the Community Spirit on a topic of their choice. As part of the free-lance journalist programme, the successful applicant will also receive:

- A \$50 payment per acceptable article submission
- Coaching in writing skills to enhance journalist skills
- Opportunity to work behind the scenes to see how a local paper is compiled



Submissions should be sent to
contributions@cospirit.net

Any enquiries to:
Jeanette Denham 0427 691 326

Art events for the Summer Festival

■ Windspray Arts

Members of Windspray Arts will be showing artwork at the Hopetoun Community Centre from January 11th to 25th.

This exhibition of new work by members, will replace the Annual Art Competition which is planned for April 2020. The opening of the exhibition will be on Saturday January 11th at 6pm and all local community members and visitors are welcome to attend.

Two children's workshops will be run at 65 France Street, Hopetoun – Beach Rope Baskets on Tuesday January 14th, 2-4pm and Cut Paste and Paint (Make a Collage) Wednesday January 22nd, 2-4pm.

An adult Beach Rope Basket workshop will be held on Wednesday January 15th, 7-9pm.

We are seeking more ropes for the January workshops so if you come across beach ropes while out walking on the beach please collect them and drop them off at 65 France Street.

If there is enough interest in other workshops such as mosaics, painting techniques, using colour, experimental media, book binding and cover designing which have previously been run during the summer holidays please get in touch with Louise on 0427 700 613, louisemlodge@westnet.com.au or Beryl on 0428 411 171. Contact Louise for bookings in the children's workshops.

If you would like to show your work in our January exhibition or at France Street contact Louise or Beryl.

Artwork can be viewed at 65 France Street by appointment.

Windspray Arts will be closed on Thursday December 26th (Boxing Day) and Thursday January 2nd.



■ Chloe Semple.

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Christmas Fun Facts

The image of Santa Claus flying his sleigh began in 1819 and was created by Washington Irving, the same author who dreamt up the Headless Horseman.

The Montgomery Ward department store created Rudolph the Reindeer as a marketing gimmick to encourage children to buy their Christmas coloring books.

The original Rudolph did not have a red nose. In that day and age, red noses were seen as an indicator of chronic alcoholism and Montgomery Ward didn't want him to look like a drunkard. To complete the original picture, he was almost named Reginald or Rollo.

Great response to digital move

The Community Spirit Committee is happy with the community response to our move to digital, which has allowed us to distribute the Newspaper for FREE to a large readership whilst lowering our carbon footprint, reducing unnecessary paper wastage and freight.

For those who prefer not to access a free digital copy, we do also have annual print subscriptions available—keep an eye out for the form (page 39) in this issue and Issue 1 (February 13th) 2020.

Print subscriptions were heavily subsidised for 2019 to ease the transition to digital, and will still be subsidised with costs rising to \$90 for 23 issues for 2020.

Want the best of both worlds? Get the free digital subscription and print it yourself at home to avoid rising print subscription costs!

Going forward, your fortnightly issues will be sent out by Community Spirit Newspaper—keep an eye out for the Christmas Issue and add us to your “safe senders” list so your paper doesn’t get lost in your “junk” folder.

Many thanks to Ravensthorpe Community Resource Centre for handling our e-mailing in 2019.

For the coming year, we will also have a printed copy of fortnightly issues available to read (not for purchase) at selected locations around Ravensthorpe, Hopetoun, Jerdacuttup, and Munglinup. We thank these Community Spirit Ambassadors for their support.

—Community Spirit committee



Deadline dates for 2020

ISSUE	DEADLINE FOR ADVERTS	DEADLINE FOR ARTICLES
1–February 13th.....	Friday, 7 February 2020	Sunday, 9 February 2020
2–February 27th.....	Friday, 21 February 2020	Sunday, 23 February 2020
3–March 12th	Friday, 6 March 2020	Sunday, 8 March 2020
4–March 26th	Friday, 20 March 2020.....	Sunday, 22 March 2020
5–April 9th	Friday, 3 April 2020	Sunday, 5 April 2020
6–April 23rd	Friday, 17 April 2020	Sunday, 19 April 2020
7–May 7th	Friday, 1 May 2020	Sunday, 3 May 2020
8–May 21st	Friday, 15 May 2020	Sunday, 17 May 2020
9–June 4th	Friday, 29 May 2020	Sunday, 31 May 2020
10–June 18th	Friday, 12 June 2020	Sunday, 14 June 2020
11–July 2nd	Friday, 26 June 2020	Sunday, 28 June 2020
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13–July 30th	Friday, 24 July 2020.....	Sunday, 26 July 2020
14–August 13th	Friday, 7 August 2020	Sunday, 9 August 2020
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21–November 19th	Friday, 13 November 2020.....	Sunday, 15 November 2020
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Fitzgerald Biosphere 2019 Regional Insights

Do you live, work, play and/ or holiday in the central South Coast region of Western Australia?

Did you know that the area is part of an internationally recognised network?

Well it is and we would like to get an insight into what our residents and visitors think.

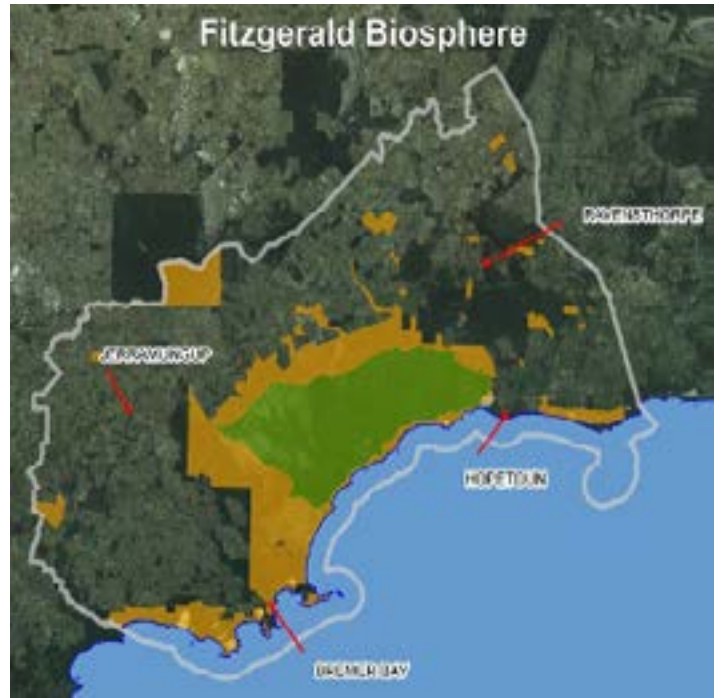
If you are a resident of, or visitor to, the shires of Jerramungup or Ravensthorpe, if you own a business or work in a business in the region, if you are a member of the community or simply enjoy a summer holiday on the South Coast, we would like to hear from you!

The survey will provide vital information to the Fitzgerald Biosphere Community Collective which is collaborating to maximise the opportunities and meet the future needs of our region, its' communities and its' environments.

Residents and visitors aged 18 years or older are invited to take part. Please submit one response per person. The survey will open on Wednesday, January 1st, 2020 and close on Saturday, February 29th, 2020. All completed, eligible surveys will go into a prize draw.

The Fitzgerald Biosphere 2019 Regional Insights survey is an initiative of the Fitzgerald Biosphere Community Collective and is funded by the Australian Government through the Building Better Regions Fund. Project management by Clear South.

You can access the survey by visiting:
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FitzgeraldBiosphere>



To get a hard copy of the survey, or for more information, contact:

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Community Spirit AGM Wrap Up

The Community Spirit AGM was held on November 4th at the Ravensthorpe Community Centre with Cr. Ken Norman as the Returning Officer.

A rather small committee, it nonetheless saw a few changes to the executive committee and Madeleine Norman was welcomed as a new committee member.

On completion of the meeting, positions were assigned as followed:

- President – Judy Harp
- Vice President – Liz Utting
- Treasurer – Di Burton
- Secretary – Jeanette Denham
- Committee Members – Corina Harp, Julia Bell and Madeleine Norman

The Committee is very excited to continue their work with the growth and transformation of the Spirit into the next decade and a new era of news distribution.

The Committee would also like to formally recognise the efforts of the contractors without whom the paper would not function—Kylie Thomas as our co-ordinator, Toni Crane our designer and Sandi Hunter our financial administrator.

Sparkcleaning Services

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Busy days ahead for CWA

■ Hopetoun CWA

Our last meeting for the year was held on Monday December 9th with 13 members present.

We started the meeting at 10am with Tina Harris from Hopetoun CRC informing us of the programme "Be Connected"—a Federal Government Funded programme for Seniors Group, sessions of an hour per week, run over a month to learn new skills with the internet and smart phones. This is free service for people over 50.

All members enjoyed listening to Tina and showed an interest in attending one of these programmes.

We have now received the building permit for our verandah and John Brouwer will be starting work on it in January/February.



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■ Members enjoying lunch.



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Busy days ahead for CWA

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The members were thrilled to see the excellent work done by Lance Goddard, with the tiling of our bathroom area. Thank you Lance.

We will be holding our Devonshire Morning Tea on January 18th. A list will be put up in the kitchen for donations for the tea.

We are going to be very busy after Christmas, with many busy bees planned.

These include:

- Making toilet bags which we donate to hospitals.
- Put the winter clothes away into storage or donate to other charity groups.
- Clear away the clothes and obstacles at the east side door so there is another access/exit door.
- Sort out the very old and spoiled books in the library.

The members have decided to attend the "Be Connected" programme in February from 1.30 to 2.30pm.



■ Members enjoying lunch.

Following our meeting all members enjoyed a shared Christmas lunch held in our rooms.

On Thursday December 12th Trix Boyd and Pam Cousins attended the Hopetoun Primary School Presentation night to present the Hopetoun CWA book prizes.

The Arts Award was won by Olivia Bingham and the Citizenship Award was presented to Chevy Beecroft.

Eva Flanagan presented the CWA award

at Jerdacuttup Primary School to Sadie Morison.

Ann Dunlop will represent CWA at the RDHS Presentation night.

On behalf of our committee I wish all our members and visitors a very Happy Christmas and prosperous 2020.

Don't forget to come in and visit us over the January holidays and pick up a bargain.

—Pam Cousins



St John 

Merry
CHRISTMAS
& HAPPY
HOLIDAYS

To all our staff, volunteers and the community of Western Australia we wish you a safe and happy Christmas.

Please enjoy the holiday season and remember to take care of each other.

If you require the emergency services during the festive period don't forget to dial triple zero (000).

2019 pest & weed wrap up

■ Southern Biosecurity Group

Our vision is to be proactive in encouraging all stakeholders to adopt sound biosecurity practices, for the purpose of minimising environmental, economic and social impacts of animal pests and weeds on agricultural industry, landscapes and biodiversity values in the Ravensthorpe Shire.

All of our activities are focussed on achieving this vision.

This article provides a brief overview of some of the activities we've been involved in over the course of the year.

More information can be found on our website

www.southernbiosecuritygroup.org.au.

Wild Dog Control

Wild dog control has continued to take place within the shire. For the last financial year, stock losses were estimated at 56 head. Eleven dogs were trapped or shot in the 2018/19 financial year. Dogs that take a 1080 bait are not always located and are therefore difficult to accurately count.

We're also saying goodbye to Max Siemer from CMS Contracting who has been carrying out wild dog control activities in the area over the past few years. He will be sadly missed, and we wish him all the best in his future endeavours.



■ Work has continued to control drooping prickly pear in the Oldfield River corridor.

Survey

With our annual landholder letter, sent out in August, we included a survey to gain input into the priorities for the 2020/21 Operational Plan. In 2020/21 we'll be working on the following:

- Wild dog control
- Foxes
- Rabbit control
- Feral cats
- Cactus
- Building skills and knowledge

The survey link is still available on the homepage of the SBG website. The 2020/21 Operational Plan will be made available through the website in the new year.

Cactus control

We've continued working to control drooping prickly pear in the Oldfield River corridor. A further 30 hectares have been controlled since July this year, taking the total control area to well over 100 hectares.

We've also been successful in receiving funding through the State NRM Program's community stewardship grants to continue this work.

The viability of cacti plants and seed is several years and this work will need to continue for the longer term to ensure that the Drooping Tree Pear is eradicated from the river system and is not allowed to move onto agricultural land and into the many parks and reserves within the shire.

You can help by reporting any sightings of cacti plants, so that control measures can be undertaken. We wish to thank the Shire and Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions for their contribution to killing plants that have been identified outside of the river system.



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Ravensthorpe Sub-Centre

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2019 pest & weed wrap up

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By all working together we can make a difference. There is a real opportunity to potentially eradicate this species from the shire.

Foxes

Through a partnership with the Hopetoun Clay Target Club we helped to deliver a community fox shoot. In total, 76 foxes, 19 rabbits and 2 feral cats were shot over the evening of April 6th. Foxes eat around 3.5 kilograms of food each week, meaning that 76 foxes are responsible for consuming over 250 kilograms of food in just one week. Their diet is varied but includes poultry, small mammals and other animals.

Rabbits

During September 2019, R.A.I.N. released the K5 strain of the RHDV1 virus throughout the Ravensthorpe Shire area on our behalf. The virus was released across 45 locations with the main focus around the Hopetoun region, as this was where most of the hotspots were identified. A further release is planned for autumn 2020.

State Barrier Fence

In partnership with the Shire of Esperance and Shire of Ravensthorpe we developed a funding application for the Esperance extension of the State Barrier Fence. This application was successful and fence construction is underway.

Apple of Sodom

On our behalf, RAIN have also been mapping the extent of Apple of Sodom in the area. We're keen to get an understanding of where it is and how much area it covers to work out the feasibility of control.

If you know of some plants, please report them to RAIN via email to rainrm@westnet.com.au

Feral cats

We've started conversations with the Shire of Ravensthorpe and the possibility of collaborating on a feral cat project. More information will be provided on this project as it develops in 2020.

Starlings

While you're out and about this festive season we urge you to keep watch for any unusual birds. The common starling is considered one of the world's worst bird pests and has been previously recorded on the south coast of WA. Early detection and control is critical to preventing an established population in Western Australia. To report suspect sightings, call 9368 3080 or go to mypestguide.agric.wa.gov.au

The Southern Biosecurity Group committee would like to wish everyone a safe and Merry Christmas as you meet with family and friends.

If you have an interest in becoming involved with the management of the group, we would welcome new faces.

Attendance at RAIN meetings will also keep you informed of the group's activities.

Contact email sbg.execofficer@gmail.com or visit our website www.southernbiosecuritygroup.org.au to find out more.

—SBG


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Starling

(Sturna vulgaris)

Starlings are stocky birds with fine, pointed beaks and short tails and slightly longer than Welcome Swallows. In autumn starlings become spotted and by spring have a glossy black with a bronze-green and purple sheen. The black is bluish in colour for most of the year, turning yellow when the birds are breeding in summer. Young birds are a dull mouse-brown colour but they may appear a patchy brown and black as they moult to adult plumage.

Starlings form very large flocks that move, feed, and roost together. They are often seen with sheep and cattle, either perched on their backs, or feeding on insects disturbed during grazing. They feed on nearly everything edible including insects, seeds, grains, and fruit.



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What's coming in 2020...

■ Ravensthorpe CRC

As 2019 quickly draws to a close, 2020 at the CRC promises to be a busy year with events and training courses on offer. Get those new diaries out and save the dates on these upcoming events:

- School Holiday Activities will be on again at RCRC during January. Keep a look out for flyers and info on Facebook in the coming weeks.
- The first week of February we have 2 short courses on offer through South Regional TAFE, Fire Warden & Fire Suppression Training and Enter and Work in Confined Spaces. Both are 1 day courses with costs and definite dates to be confirmed in the New Year. If you are interested in attending either of these courses please register your interest with us and we will contact you with details when we receive them. Email ravensthorpe@crc.net.au or call 9838 1340.
- Advocare (Proposed Date: Wednesday February 12th)—Advocare provides an independent voice on behalf of older people and advocacy, information and education on home and residential care services. At a time when there is so much change within home and residential care this is an excellent opportunity to gain up-to-date information and ask

questions. The session will include how to access aged and community care including My Aged Care, older people's rights in aged care, how to protect yourself and your assets as you get older, identifying and responding to elder abuse. If you are interested in us running a session please let us know and we can lock in the proposed date.

- Outlook and Basic Excel—2 hour sessions to be held February 20th-21st with Business Local Esperance.
- MEEDAC Community & Employment Expo Friday March 13th at the Town Hall. Come along to see what local businesses and community groups have to offer.
- Grants Info Session Friday March 13th—meet with the experts about available grants for your projects. We will have reps from GEDC, Sport and Rec, Ravensthorpe Hopetoun Future Fund and Shire of Ravensthorpe in attendance.
- DunnArt Gallery and Ravensthorpe CRC are partnering up to create a 2 day Wellness Weekender March 21st and 22nd. This promises to be a weekend of nourishment for the mind, body and soul. We are currently seeking expressions of interest from any individual, group or business that would like to be included in the program. Please complete the EOJ form at <https://form.jotform.co/ravensthorpecrc/eoi>

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What's coming in 2020...

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• Hopetoun Pre-Season Carnival Saturday March 28th—Lake King, Ravensthorpe and Hopetoun netball, hockey and footy players join forces to play Newdegate and Esperance in a friendly round robin. A great day out – get in touch if you'd like to join a team.

Chat 'round Cuppa will continue every Tuesday morning at 10am. Feel free to call in and join us for morning tea and chat about things that are happening in our community or any ideas that you may have and would like to share. We love seeing familiar faces and welcome new ones!

Our Be Connected sessions are a great way to access help using digital devices or getting online using your own mobile phones, iPad or laptops. You can choose 1 on 1 or do group sessions in an informal, friendly environment. Call us for more information.

The CRC will be closed from midday December 24th to Monday January 6th. Please note, during January our business hours will be 9am-3pm Monday to Friday.

The staff and committee at Ravensthorpe CRC wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year. We look forward to seeing you all in 2020!

Christmas Fun Facts

Clement Moore's poem introduced eight more reindeer for Santa's sleigh and their names were Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner and Blixem (for the German words for thunder and lightning). These later evolved into Donner and Blitzen.

Most of these names are male-sounding names. Male reindeer shed their antlers in winter, however, so the reindeer pulling Santa's sleigh are more than likely female or castrated.

Some leave food out for Santa Claus' reindeer as Norse children did, leaving hay and treats for Odin's eight-legged horse Sleipnir hoping they would stop by during their hunting adventures. Dutch children adopted this same tradition, leaving food in their wooden shoes for St. Nicholas' horse.

Dutch children also left out food and drink for St. Nicholas himself to honor him on his feast day. Today we leave milk and cookies out for Santa, continuing this very old tradition.

America's first batch of eggnog was made in the Jamestown settlement in 1607. Its name comes from the word "grog", meaning any drink made with rum. Non-alcoholic eggnog is popular as well.

Want to know a useful way to recycle your Christmas tree? Some zoos take donated Christmas trees and use them as food for the animals.



**RAVENSTHORPE CRC STAFF & COMMITTEE
WISH YOU A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND AN AMAZING NEW YEAR!**

**We will be closed from midday on 24th December and reopen
Monday 6th January 2020.**

Please note, throughout January, our hours will be 9am-3pm.

Twilight Adventure at Dunns Swamp

■ Hopetoun CRC

A group of 20 citizen scientists joined local Zoologist, Andy Chapman and Environmental Scientist, Jack Guthrie on a twilight adventure at Dunns Swamp Reserve.

Hopetoun CRC manager, Karrina Smallman, contacted Andy Chapman earlier this year to discuss the idea after getting requests from community members to provide more citizen science activities to the community.

Dunns Swamp is a significant wetland and highly productive ecosystem. It is a naturally beautiful place for bushwalking and bird watching. The area has historical significance with the ruins of a cottage built in 1877 located there.

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Seasons Greetings

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Twilight Adventure at Dunns Swamp



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Equipped with head lamps and torches, the group set off to see what could be discovered in the evening at the reserve.

The participants ranged in age from 8 years to 70ish. It was especially wonderful to see the children exploring the bush and looking for things to discover. We found lots of different species of spider, some bright green Katydid, skink lizards, cockroaches, beetles and birds.

The Hopetoun CRC hope to host another twilight walk at Dunns Swamp in early autumn and compare the findings when the area is much wetter.

The Hopetoun CRC would like to thank Andy Chapman and Jack Guthrie for contributing their time and knowledge to inspire our community members and provide the opportunity to explore our own backyard.



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Recycling At Hopetoun CRC
Building A Low Waste Community

And that's a wrap!

■ Hopetoun CRC

What a year it has been! In 2019 the Hopetoun Community Resource Center has seen over 15,000 people come through the doors!

29% of those have been tourists, 23% library goers and 35% of our patrons were seeking government or community information. As our yearly numbers are steadily increasing, so too are our staffing numbers as we are currently advertising for a new Trainee to join our team. If you are interested in the position or know someone who is, please contact us for an application package.

So many fantastic workshops have been held this year including sushi making, sewing, photography, Facebook, smartphone and the papermaking workshop. It's no wonder we are looking forward to the 2020 line up.

If you have a suggestion that you would like to share with us about a workshop that we could offer at the CRC please call in and have a chat with our friendly staff.

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safe Christmas and New Year

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Hopetoun Community Resource Centre

And that's a wrap!

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This year's main event, the annual Colour Run held in February, was a huge success with people coming from miles around. This event is now held annually and is set to be run on Saturday February 22nd, 2020.

Our Little Beat Bop music and movement program for children 5 and under will be continuing in the new school year with a new routine each week.

This time of the year is a time to reflect on our achievements and to come together to set the goals for the future of our community. This year the Hopetoun Community Resource Centre became finalists in the 21st Annual Linkwest Awards under the category Place - For the

center that builds on the strengths in its community to create a place of inclusion, diversity and connection: a place where people feel they belong.

With our new Eco-store in place and the huge positive feedback from our community members we are looking to the future for new ways to achieve our goals in 2020 and become a low waste community.

Some of our low waste initiatives already in place include the Refill station for all your plant-based cleaning and body products, soft plastics recycling, bread tag recycling, ink cartridge recycling, pens and writing instruments recycling, plastic bottle top recycling as well as a number of reusable items



■ The 2019 Colour Run. Photo by Dene Bingham

and gifts.

Watch this space for the 2020 installments on our path to building a low waste community.

The Hopetoun Community Resource Center would like to take this opportunity to

thank all of our committee members, past and present, our volunteers for the continued support they provide and to our Hopetoun community we wish you a safe and happy holiday season.

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Christmas Just The Facts

Tinsel was invented in 1610 in Germany and was once made of real silver.

The tradition of hanging stockings comes from a Dutch legend. A poor man had three daughters for whom he could not afford to provide a dowry. St. Nicholas dropped a bag of gold down his chimney and gold coins fell out and into the stockings drying by the fireplace. The daughters now had dowries and could be married, avoiding a life on the streets.

The old English custom of wassailing was to toast to someone's long life at Christmastide and was the forerunner for the tradition of Christmas caroling. In the 13th century St. Francis of Assisi began the custom of singing carols in church.

"White Christmas", Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer", "Winter Wonderland", "The Christmas Song" and "I'll Be Home for Christmas" plus the melody for "O Holy Night" were all written or co-written by Jews.

Brenda Lee recorded "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree" when she was only 13 years old.

Famous saxophonist Boots Randolph played the saxophone solo on "Rockin' Around the Christmas Tree".

Paul McCartney's Christmas song is widely regarded as the worst of all the songs he ever recorded yet he earns \$400,000 a year off of it.

If you gave all the gifts listed in the Twelve Days of Christmas, it would equal 364 gifts.

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

NORAD's "Santa Tracker" was born from a misprint in the newspaper. A 1955 Sears ad was supposed to print the number of a store where children could call and tell Santa what they wanted for Christmas. The number printed was to the hotline of the Director of Operations for the U.S. Continental Air Defense. Colonel Shoup ordered his staff to give the children updates on the flight coordinates of Santa.

The oldest artificial Christmas trees date back to the late 1800s and were made of green raffia (think grass hula skirts) or dyed goose feathers. Next the Addis Brush Company used their machinery that wove toilet brushes to create pine-like branches for artificial Christmas trees that were less flammable and could hold heavier decorations.

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With special wishes for a wonderful
Christmas and a happy and
successful 2020!



Drive safe this Christmas

The Community Spirit would like to wish everyone a happy and safe Christmas and New Year. To help you be safe on the roads over the festive season here are a few tips.

- Turn off your mobile phone before driving.
- Buckle up when travelling in a vehicle
- Adapt your speed to the weather, light, traffic and road conditions.
- Take a break, have a rest and where possible swap drivers on long trips.
- Visit one of the many operating Driver Reviver www.roadwise.asn.au/driver-reviver.aspx or Coffee Stops www.roadwise.asn.au/coffee-stop.aspx along your journey.
- Plan ahead. If you are planning to drink, arrange a skipper, organise a taxi or stay overnight.

For more information on road safety and what you can do visit the RoadWise website www.roadwise.asn.au



Christmas Just The Facts

You would have to use your artificial tree for more than 20 years for it to be 'greener' than buying a fresh-cut tree annually.

Nova Scotia is the world's leading exporter of Christmas trees.

Since Denny's restaurants in the U.S. were originally designed to be perpetually open their buildings were built without locks. This became a problem when they decided in 1988 to close on Christmas Day for the first time.

Almost 28 sets of LEGO are sold every second during the Christmas season.

The Christkindlesmarkt in Nuremberg, Germany was first held in 1570 and is one of Europe's oldest Christmas markets. It is also the largest in Europe. Folks from all over the world visit it annually.

Christmas is celebrated on the 25th of December, which marks the birth of Jesus Christ (P.B.U.H). However, the exact date and month of Jesus' birth are unknown.



St John

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■ SES

The SES held their Awards/Christmas dinner night at Country Kitchen last Saturday.

Medals were awarded to: Keith Rowe 40yrs service, Marcia Norris 15yrs Service, Tom Walker 35yrs Service and Jane Francis 5yrs service.

Also the SES celebrated Gary Logan, the district officer of Albany who will be retiring next year.

Gary has been commuting from Albany to Ravensthorpe and has been associated with SES Ravensthorpe for many years.

Gary started as an SES Volunteer and then became a permanent District Officer. Gary has been a credit to the Ravensthorpe SES.



All the team at Elders Ravensthorpe/
Esperance wish everyone a

Merry Xmas

AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

Enjoy your Xmas ham and we look forward to
catching you in the new year.



What do we do as volunteers of the SES?

When a natural disaster strikes or an emergency situation arises, DFES's State Emergency Service (SES) volunteers can be found providing a wide range of volunteer services to help the community cope from the impact of a disaster.

SES volunteers also actively promote safety education, prevention and preparation measures in visits to service groups, senior centres and homes, local business and schools.

Community, Friendship and Family arise from this service.

If you would like to come along to either join SES or just to sit in on one of our awesome evenings please phone Keith Rowe 0428 381 231 we would love to meet you.

—Belinda Mcharg
(14yrs SES)



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1. What date is St Stephen's Day?
2. In Charles Dickens' novel A Christmas Carol, who was Scrooge's dead business partner?
3. The song White Christmas was first performed in which 1942 film?
4. London's Trafalgar Square Christmas tree is traditionally given by which country?
5. In the song The Twelve Days of Christmas, '...my true love brought to me nine...' what?
6. Name the original eight reindeer from the 'Twas the Night Before Christmas' poem.
7. Which Christmas carol includes the lyrics '...To save us all from Satan's power, when we were gone astray..'?
8. The character Jack Skellington appears in which 1993 Tim Burton film?
9. What colour are the berries of the mistletoe plant?
10. In the inspirational 1946 film, It's a Wonderful Life, what's the name of George Bailey's guardian angel?
11. What are the names of the three wise men said to have brought gifts to the baby Jesus?
12. What is New Year's Eve called in Scotland?
13. What Christmas item was invented by London baker and wedding-cake specialist Tom Smith in 1847?
14. In what year was Band-Aid's Do They Know It's Christmas the UK Christmas chart-topping record (bonus point each for the years of reissue success by Band Aid II and Band Aid 20)?
15. In which modern country is St Nicholas's birthplace and hometown?
16. Who wrote How the Grinch Stole Christmas?
17. From which country does the poinsettia plant originate?
18. Who is officially credited as the author of Auld Lang Syne?
19. How many points does a snowflake have?
20. What is the name of the cake traditionally eaten in Italy at Christmas?
21. What is the chemical formula of snow?
22. US President Franklin Pierce introduced what to White House Christmas tradition in 1856?
23. Which charity in 1949 was the first to produce a Christmas card?
24. What red-blooming Christmas plant came originally from Mexico?
25. Brandy is made from distilling what?
26. What was Girls Aloud's 2002 UK Christmas number one single?
27. Which famous comedy double-act partner made the first ever UK mobile phone call, New Year's Day, 1985?
28. White Christmas, a cake made of coconut, crisped rice and dried fruit, is popular in which country?
29. Quaid-e-Azam's Birthday is a 25th December celebration in which country?
30. Who is the narrator in the 2000 film The Grinch Who Stole Christmas?
31. What was the cyclone named that hit Darwin, Australia, in Christmas 1974?
32. Pine needles are said to be a good source of which vitamin?
33. Choirboy Peter Auty sang the film version of which song later recorded as a hit record by Aled Jones?
34. What drink invented by Francis Showering has a fawn mascot?
35. What creature, noted for feeding on its berries, is linked by name to the mistletoe plant?
36. In which Christmas carol does this line feature: "Bring me flesh, and bring me wine, bring me pine logs hither"?
37. What is the birth sign of people born on 25 December?
38. The Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus on or around 1

January celebrates specifically what happening to the baby Jesus?

39. Complete the famous rhyming line which follows: "At Christmas, play and make good cheer, ...?"

40. 'Full of Eastern Promise' is an advertising slogan of what exotically-positioned chocolate product?

41. Which poem written by Clement Moore was originally titled A Visit from Saint Nicholas?

42. What was the title of the first Christmas TV special Peanuts cartoon?

43. What celebratory receptacle is falsely claimed to have been modelled on the breast of Marie Antoinette?

44. Which two states in the US have towns called Christmas?

45. Which author and creator of Jekyll and Hyde, gave his birthday by formal deed to Anne Ide because she disliked her own birthday of December 25th?

46. What animal is the Scandinavian Christmas Julbock symbol?

47. Christmas Crackers was the first Christmas edition of which popular UK comedy series?

48. What song topped the UK charts at Christmas in 1957 and in a medley version in 1978?

49. Which hugely popular actor was born on Christmas day 1899?

50. What British spacecraft was lost on Mars at Christmas 2003?

51. What was Queen's 1984 Christmas single called?

52. American cartoonist Thomas Nast is credited with creating the traditional image of which popular Christmas character?

53. Jackie Wilson's re-issued song Reet Petite became the 1986 UK Christmas number one after helping to advertise what brand?

54. What is the name of Dorothy Gale's dog in The Wizard of Oz?

55. Born Christmas day 1908, by what name was gay icon author of The Naked Civil Servant popularly known?

56. What is a baby Turkey more correctly called, other than a chick?

57. La Befana is the legendary character who delivers Christmas presents to children in which country?

58. Who is the central businessman character in the film It's a Wonderful Life?

59. In technical astronomical terms, what is the duration of the winter solstice; an instant, a day, three months, or six months?

60. What Christmas-time song did James Pierpont compose in 1857?

61. What is the title of biggest selling Christmas single, globally?

62. Gwyl San Steffan is the name for 26th December (St Stephen's Day or Boxing Day) in which country?

63. Which actress-singer who charted with Santa Baby and starred as Catwoman died on Christmas day 2008?

64. What Christmas item takes its name from the old French

word estincelle, meaning spark?

65. Who is regarded as the first Christian martyr?

66. Kiritimati, the first inhabited place to experience each New Year, is more commonly known as what?

67. What Paul McCartney hit song video featured the First World War Christmas Truce meeting of German and British soldiers in No-Man's Land between the front line trenches?

68. Who was said to have presented the baby Jesus with Frankincense?

69. In which city was the Salvation Army founded?

70. When the Julian calendar was switched to the Gregorian calendar how many days were dropped?

71. What drink advert launched the slogan 'The Right One' in 1970?

72. What is Virgil Hilts' nickname in the film The Great Escape?

73. Before the tradition of hanging stockings up at Christmas, what did Dutch children hang by the fireside?

74. In which country is it a tradition to hide all brooms in the house on Christmas Eve?

75. Who wrote the songs for the 1954 film White Christmas?

76. Which US President banned Christmas trees from the White House?

77. How many courses are there traditionally in a Ukrainian Christmas Eve supper?

78. In the song The Twelve Days of Christmas, how many pipers are there?

79. From what does the month of December take its name?

80. What did Scottish students take from Westminster Abbey on Christmas day 1950?

ANSWERS: 1. 26th December; 2. Jacob Marley; 3. Holiday Inn; 4. Norway; 5. Ladies dancing; 6. Comet, Cupid, Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Donner, Blitzen (or Dunder and Blixem - The poem is alternatively titled A Visit from St Nicholas. 'Twas the Night Before Christmas' is the first line. The poem was first published anonymously in 1823 and is commonly attributed to Clement Clarke Moore, although some believe Henry Livingston was the true author. Rudolph was created later in 1939 by copywriter Robert May for the Montgomery Ward department store chain, as the main character in a free Christmas promotional story, which extended the 1823 poem, and was subsequently turned into the popular song Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer. Incidentally, Donner and Blitzen mean Thunder and Lightning in German.; 7. God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen; 8. The Nightmare Before Christmas; 9. White; 10. Clarence (Oddbody); 11. Balhasar, Melchior, Caspar (or Gaspar - Interestingly the Bible does not state their names, nor even the number of wise men: "...there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem... and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense and myrrh..." from Matthew 2:1 and 2:11. Thanks, A Russell.); 12. Hogmanay; 13. Christmas cracker; 14. 1984 (bonus points - Band Aid II was 1989, Band Aid 20 was 2004); 15. Turkey (St Nicholas, bishop Nikolaos of Myra, 270-343AD, was born a Greek, i.e., of Greek parents in Patara, Lycia. He lived in and was bishop of Myra, Lycia. Patara and nearby Myra, in Lycia, or fully Lycia et Pamphylia, were then technically provincial territory of the Roman Empire with no specific country name. Patara became ruins centuries ago. Where the ancient town of Myra stood, now stands the Turkish town/district of Demre, Antalya Province, Turkey); 16. Dr Seuss; 17. Mexico; 18. Robert Burns; 19. Six; 20. Panettone; 21. H2O; 22. Christmas tree; 23. UNICEF (originally the United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund, now called United Nations Children's Fund); 24. Poinsettia (Euphorbia pulcherrima); 25. Wine; 26. Sound of the Underground; 27. Ernie Wise; 28. Australia; 29. Pakistan (also known as Muhammad Ali Jinnah, he is considered the country's founder); 30. Anthony Hopkins; 31. Tracy; 32. C; 33. Walking in the Air (from The Snowman); 34. Babydam; 35. Mistle thrush; 36. Good King Wenceslas; 37. Capricorn; 38. Circumcision; 39. For Christmas comes but once a year (from Thomas Tusser's instructional poem A Hundred Good Points of Husbandry, The Farmer's Daily Diet, written in 1557 - also the source of 'A fool and his money are soon parted'); 40. Fry's Turkish Delight; 41. The Night Before Christmas; 42. A Charlie Brown Christmas (1965); 43. Champagne coupe (or champagne saucer, more loosely champagne glass - the flat saucer-y one, not the long thin pointy one); 44. Arizona and Florida; 45. Robert Louis Stevenson; 46. Goat (precisely a Yule Goat); 47. Only Fools and Horses; 48. Mary's Boy Child (Harry Belafonte and Boney M, respectively); 49. Humphrey Bogart; 50. Beagle 2; 51. Thank God it's Christmas; 52. Santa Claus (Father Christmas); 53. Levi's (Levi Strauss & Co); 54. Toto; 55. Quentin Crisp (born Denis Charles Pratt); 56. Pout; 57. Italy (Befana loosely means a witch); 58. George Bailey (played by James Stewart); 59. An instant (in the northern hemisphere between 21-22 Dec each year, in the southern hemisphere between 21-22 June); 60. Jingle Bells (or, One Horse Open Sleigh); 61. White Christmas (by Bing Crosby); 62. Wales; 63. Eartha Kitt; 64. Tinsel; 65. St Stephen; 66. Christmas Island; 67. Pipes of Peace; 68. Balhasar; 69. London (1865, originally the Christian Mission, by William Booth); 70. Eleven; 71. Martin; 72. The Cooler King; 73. Shoes; 74. Norway (according to legend, witches would steal them otherwise); 75. Irving Berlin; 76. Theodore Roosevelt; 77. Twelve (each one is dedicated to an apostle); 78. Eleven; 79. Ten (Latin, Decem - it was the tenth month of the early Roman calendar); 80. The Coronation Stone (or Stone of Scone, or Stone of Destiny)



Bell & Darrin would like to wish every one a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful positive happy New Year 2020.

We would also like to thank you from our hearts for all your amazing support and giggles in 2019—Much Love & Hugs.

Christmas Just The Facts

Between the 16th and 19th centuries global temperatures were significantly lower than normal in what was known as a "little ice age". Charles Dickens grew up during this period and experienced snow for his first eight Christmases. This "White Christmas" experience influenced his writing and began a tradition of expectation for the holidays.

The Christmas tree in Trafalgar Square is donated to the people of London every year by the people of Oslo, Norway in thanks for their assistance during World War II.

Since 1918 the city of Boston has received a giant Christmas tree as a gift from the Canadian province of Nova Scotia. Boston lent considerable support to the city of Halifax during their 1917 explosion and subsequent fire disaster.

In 1914 during World War I there was a now famous Christmas truce in the trenches between the British and the Germans. They exchanged gifts across a neutral no man's land, played football together, and decorated their shelters. (Read more about it in the book "Silent Night: The Story of the World War I Christmas Truce" by Stanley Weintraub.)

In 2010 during the Christmas season, the Colombian government decorated jungle trees with lights. The trees lit

up when the guerrillas (terrorists) walked by and banners appeared asking them to surrender their arms. The campaign convinced 331 guerillas to re-enter society and also won an award for strategic marketing excellence.

Bicycle, the U.S. playing card company, manufactured cards to give all the POWs in Germany during World War II as Christmas presents. These cards, when soaked in water, revealed an escape route for POWs. The Nazis never knew.

The Christmas wreath was originally hung as a symbol of Jesus. The holly represents his crown of thorns and the red berries the blood he shed.

The three traditional colors of most Christmas decorations are red, green and gold. Red symbolizes the blood of Christ, green symbolized life and rebirth, and gold represents light, royalty and wealth.

In Poland spiders are considered to be symbols of prosperity and goodness at Christmas. In fact, spiders and spider webs are often used as Christmas tree decorations. According to legend, a spider wove baby Jesus a blanket to keep him warm.

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**Wishing everyone all the best for a
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Long Mount Short Endurance Ride 2020

■ Ravensthorpe Equestrian Club

The Ravensthorpe Equestrian Club will once again host an affiliated Western Australian Endurance Ride on the June long weekend of 2020 (May 30th - June 1st).

Endurance riders from all over the state will converge on the town for the event, which will include ride lengths of 160km, 80km, 40km, 20km and 10km.

The event is an exciting opportunity to showcase the magnificent scenery around Ravensthorpe and the newly refurbished Ravensthorpe Equestrian Club Grounds.

It will be organised by local endurance rider, Jeanette Denham, who has been competing in the sport for a number of years and knows how to find a good and challenging track!

If you are interested in



■ The 2019 Endurance Ride was a major success for the club and the town.

sponsoring, helping or attending this event, please contact Jeanette on her email: Jeanette.norman1@gmail.com.



TRADING HOURS OVER CHRISTMAS AND THE NEW YEAR:

December 24th—8am-3pm
December 25th—Closed
December 26th—Closed
December 27th—8am-7pm

December 28th—8am-7pm
December 29th—8am-7pm
December 31st—8am-3pm
January 1st 2020—Closed

From all of us at The Roast 'n' Grill we wish you
a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

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Christmas Carols Community Sing-a-long

6pm, Friday 20th December, 2019

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Dunn St, Ravensthorpe

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TERMS & CONDITIONS

1. Posters are to be in **Black & White (Mono)** only.
2. Design must be **completed by client** and submitted as a JPEG or PDF.
3. Are to be for a **Local Community Event** only.
4. To be placed on Notice Board at Community Spirit discretion.
5. Notice Board is free providing there is to be a follow up article for the paper after the event. If no article provided then group will not be allowed this space again.
6. There is limited area for the Notice Board so first in will get the space.

For further information please contact the Community Spirit Communications Manager on [0408 840 447](tel:0408840447)

REGULAR EVENTS



UPCOMING EVENTS

December

- 19 School finishes
- 20 Christmas Carols, Anglican Church, Ravensthorpe, 6pm. Bring a plate of supper to share.
- 25 Christmas Day
- 26 Boxing Day
- 31 Vacsium

January 2020

- 1 New Year's Day
- 1-24 Vacsium
- 10 Club Merlot
- 13-25 2020 Summer Festival
- 14 Southerners General Meeting
- 14-Feb 24 Spaced 4: Rural Utopias Residence Program
- 18 Fitzgerald Coast FQM Festival, Hopetoun
- 26 Australia Day
- 27 Australia Day Public Holiday
- 28 Jerdacuttup Community Association AGM, 6pm, Jerdy Hall

February

- 1-24 Spaced 4: Rural Utopias Residence Program
- 4 School returns
- 11 Southerners General Meeting
- 11 RDHS P&C AGM, 5.30-6.30pm
- 12 Ravensthorpe CRC Committee Meeting, 5-6pm
- 13 RAIN-Ravensthorpe Crop Updates
- 14 Club Merlot
- 18 Shire Council Meeting, 6-7pm
- 22 Hopetoun Colour Run

March

- 2 Labour Day
- 6 Ravy Expo @ Tigerland, 3-10pm, Tigerland, Tennis Club
- 10 Southerners Genreal Meeting
- 13 MEEDAC Expo
- 13 Community Collab, 9.30am-12pm, Ravensthorpe CRC

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

HOPETOUN

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

BOWLS Wednesday Ladies 8.45am, Mixed Scroungers 1pm, Thursday 9.30 am Coaching with Coral. Friday 4pm Roll up and fun. Sunday 1pm Social Bowls. Everybody welcome.

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

CRC, Library & Visitor Centre Open Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm. Saturdays 10am to 12pm (Visitor Centre only). Committee Meetings bi-monthly, ask at CRC.

CWA 2nd Monday 1.30pm at Centre

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

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

GOLF Saturday Ladies and Men's Golf 18 holes - Winter season names in by 11.30 Tee Off 12 noon, - Summer Season names in by 12 noon Tee Off 12.30.

Thursday Scroungers Ladies and Men's Golf 9 or 12 holes depending on the weather, names in by 1.15 Tee Off 1.30. Visitors and Learners are always welcome.

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

HOPETOUN LOCAL MARKETS first Sunday of each month except June, July and August when the markets go into recess for the winter. Ray White Real Estate outside area at 9am to 1pm. January markets will also be the first Sunday of the month. Please contact Robyn Cockram 0429 925 569 or cockram36@gmail.com for more details

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

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

MEN IN SHEDS Tamar St Tues & Thurs 8.30am-12, 1-3pm and Sat 8.30am-12pm. All men welcome contact Darryl Quinn 0428 442 517.

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

OLD BASTARDS CLUB Men only BBQ, Fridays. Contact Geoff Earl 0418 905 555 for details.

POOL COMPETITION/DARTS Wednesdays 7.30pm Port Hotel.

POOL COMPETITION Wednesday 7pm Wavecrest Bar and Bistro.

SEA SEARCH AND RESCUE Monthly training at Emergency Services Building, as indicated by regular signage on Veal St.

SENIOR CITIZENS Thursday 1.30 pm. Meetings 1st Thursday every second month from June, 10 am at Mary Ann Haven.

SOUTHERN SCRIBES Fourth Saturday 1pm, phone 9838 3472.

STAY ON YOUR FEET Tuesdays & Fridays 9am-10am Mary Ann Haven.

STORYTIME Every Monday 10am (except school and public holidays) at Hopetoun Public Library (inside Hopetoun CRC) Free stories, songs, rhymes and craft. Suitable 0-5y.

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GOLF Ladies Golf: Wednesday by 8.45am Men's Golf: Saturdays by 11.30am.

RAVENSTHORPE

GOLF April- October Ladies Golf: Wednesday names in by 9am Men's Golf: Saturday names in by 12pm

GYM membership available. Contact Ravensthorpe Shire 9839 0000.

HAND GUN CLUB Every second Sunday 9am Contact Trina 0437 090 303.

HOSPITAL AUXILIARY meets on second Tuesday of every second month at the red room. Starting Feb 14, 2017. Contact Judy Harp 9838 1565.

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OP SHOP trading 10am to 1pm Tuesdays to Saturdays.

PROGRESS ASSOCIATION MEETINGS held on the third Wednesday of each month (except September & December) at 7pm, Red Room, Ravensthorpe. New members always welcome.

RAVENSTHORPE BASKETBALL For more information contact Ethan Clarke 0452 261 717.

RAVENSTHORPE PLAYGROUP Thursday 9-11.30am at the Ravensthorpe Youth Club building. Please bring a piece of fruit to share.

RAVENSTHORPE REGIONAL ARTS COUNCIL RRAC Dance Program (During School Term2, 2019) Weekly Dance Classes for Adults and Children. Hopetoun, Ravensthorpe & Lake King. Contact Kirsty rraccoordinator@westnet.com.au or 0438 945 405. Facebook: RRAC Dance

STATE EMERGENCY SERVICE meets at 7.30 pm on second and fourth Wednesday of month at SES HQ, Morgan St.

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YOGA CLASSES Ravensthorpe District High School Hall. Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday from 6:45 PM to 7:45 PM. Check Facebook: 'Philachyan Life Skills' for schedule updates

If you know of any changes that are required to REGULAR EVENTS, please ensure you notify us at contributions@cospirit.net.

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ANGLICAN CHURCH

St Andrews Ravensthorpe service on the first and third Sunday of the month at 11am.
Peter the Fisherman, Hopetoun service every Sunday at 9am followed by morning tea.
Enquiries Kevin and Lyn Hosking, 9838 3130.

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Saturday before 1st Sun of the Month Hopetoun 6pm
Saturday before 3rd Sun of the month Hopetoun 6pm
1st Sunday, Ravensthorpe, 8.30am
3rd Sunday, Ravensthorpe, 8.30 am
For enquiries please call Fr A Chukwu 0470 439 768.

RAVENSTHORPE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Our services for 2019 will be on the second and fourth Sunday's.
Second Sunday at 10 am and fourth Sunday at 10am OR 2pm.
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1. By what name is St. Stephen's Day generally known in the UK and other Commonwealth nations?
2. Christmas Island in the Indian Ocean is an external territory of which English-speaking nation?
3. Which major producer of soft drinks helped sculpt the image of Santa Claus, after introducing him to their advertising during the 1920s? (Fun Fact: in the 1940s and 1950s, the Santa in the adverts had an elf friend called Sprite Boy).
4. How many ghosts appear before Ebenezer Scrooge in Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol?
5. Michael Caine appears alongside which puppet characters in a 1992 adaptation of A Christmas Carol?
6. The wild turkey Meleagris gallopavo is native to which continent of the Earth? (Fun fact: domesticated turkeys were originally imported into the UK via the Levant, and were therefore associated with the nation of Turkey, hence the name).
7. What is the pen name of children's author Theodor Geisel, who wrote the famous book How the Grinch Stole Christmas?
8. Rather than fawns like other deer species, what name is given to baby reindeers (caribou)?
9. In which movie set at Christmas (though some

still argue it's not a Christmas film!) does NYPD officer John McClane battle European terrorists led by Hans Gruber?

10. According to the carol, which king (actually Duke of Bohemia) last looked out on the feast of Stephen?

11. In which year did Band Aid release Do they know it's Christmas? as charitable support for the Ethiopian famine occurring at the time?

12. Lapland - home to the native Saami people - is the northernmost region of which European nation?

13. Which fruit is traditionally used - along with sweets, cocktails sticks and a candle - to make a Christingle?

14. The Eastern and Greek Orthodox churches celebrate Christmas on which date?

15. The Pogues and Kirsty MacColl sang a "fairytale" about which American city?

16. In which Christmas film of 1984 do Mogwai turn into angry, destructive monsters if they are fed after midnight?

17. According to the Guinness Book of World Records, which seasonal song by Bing Crosby is the highest-selling single of all time?

18. In which 1992 movie sequel starring Macaulay Culkin does US President Donald Trump make a cameo appearance?

19. Who was the Roman prefect of Judaea, typically reported to have adjudicated over the trial and crucifixion of Christ?

20. Which country traditionally donates a Christmas tree to stand in London's Trafalgar Square?

Answers from Issue 22: 1. Danube; 2. Queen Elizabeth II; 3. Bird; 4. Crazy; 5. Brazil; 6. (Boadicea) Geraldine Granger; 7. Bad Day; 8. Copper; 9. 1485; 10. Braues; 11. Democrat and Republican; 12. 8; 13. Roland Ratzenberger; 14. Hank Ballard; 15. Detroit River; 16. Hummingbird; 17. Six; 18. Sue Lawley; 19. Israel; 20. Endymion; 21. 8; 22. Callisto; 23. York; 24. Baked Alaska; 25. Uranus; 26. From Russia With Love; 27. Amman; 28. Victoria; 29. Creed; 30. Shoulder

Answers from Issue 23: 1. Boxing Day; 2. Australia; 3. Coca-Cola; 4. 4 (Jacob Marley, Past, Present, Future); 5. The Muppets; 6. North America; 7. Dr Seuss; 8. Calves; 9. Die Hard; 10. Wenceslas (Wenceslaus I); 11. 1984; 12. Finland; 13. Orange; 14. 7th January; 15. New York; 16. Gremlins; 17. White Christmas; 18. Home Alone 2: Lost in New York; 19. Pontius Pilate; 20. Norway

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Bowling along

Christmas celebrations for Bowling Club

■ Hopetoun Bowling Club

On Sunday December 1st Social Bowls were played with 12 players playing pairs.

Ladies Bowls December 4th with 4 Ladies playing pairs.

Mixed Scroungers sponsored by Bill Pike with 15 players playing. Rink winners were Alec Woods, Terry Lord, Fred Payne, Des Barr and Bob Suenis. Winners were Fred and Alec.

Lotto winners November 30th with no 14 coming out again with Andrew Cronin having a good run and 42 Teagan Smith.

Two men's teams and a lady travelled to Esperance to play in the Professionals Day on December 1st with the team of Alec Woods, Geoff Earl, Bob Suenis and Fred Payne running second in the tournament.

December 7-8th, the Men's and Ladies Triples Championships were played with 6 mens and 3 ladies teams playing in a round robin event.

In the Ladies game, Coral Grant, Margot Hawkins and Caroline Carter won two games with the runners up being Michelle Stevens, Maureen Dillon and Eva Flanagan winning one game.

In the Men's game the winners were Des Barr, Alan Corby and Terry Lord with 12 pts +32. The runners up were Bub McGlinn, Fred Payne and Frank Green on 11pts +31.

Third with 10 pts +30 were Darryl Quinn, Geoff Earl and Alan Grant.

A general Meeting was held on December 4th with eighteen members present.

Topics discussed were a Vice Captain and Scroungers Captain, prizes for non-sponsored scroungers days, raffles, stubbie holders (if you have any spare ones at home you



■ Members enjoying their Christmas Party.



could donate them to the club).

FESA /Ambos day to be held December 13th at 5pm, Men's and Ladies Classics, Christmas Party, Cancer and RFDS Days were also discussed.

We held our Christmas party after the Triples with Members enjoying steak and a shared salad and sweets evening. Thank you to everyone who helped in organising a great night.

December 7th Lotto winners 17 Ray White, 22 Margot Hawkins.

December 11th with five ladies having a roll up.

Mixed Scroungers with 10 players. Rink winners Des Barr, Margot Hawkins and Fred Payne; the winner being Des.

On behalf of the Committee I wish all our members and visitors a very Happy Christmas and great bowling for 2020.

Enjoy yourselves.

—Pam Cousins, Ladies President

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