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# Celebrating a successful tennis season!

## ■ Ravensthorpe CRC

On the evening of Friday, March 15th, the FBN (Fitzgerald Business Network) hosted a Business After Hours event in Ravensthorpe to mark the end of a fantastic tennis season. Throughout the Summer, locals gathered every Sunday afternoon for social tennis sessions, creating memorable moments on the court.

The Business After Hours provided a great opportunity for the community to meet with the tennis club and discover

more about the club's activities. Attendees enjoyed some friendly matches followed by a social catch-up, creating an engaging evening for all.

### Exploring Digital Legacy at Tech Time

On the morning of Monday, March 11th, the Ravensthorpe CRC hosted a special Tech Time session featuring guest speaker Justine from NBNC Co. The session focused on the intriguing topic of Digital Legacy, providing valuable insights for community members on managing their Digital

Presence and Assets.

Attendees left the session equipped with newfound knowledge about the implications of their online activity as well as numerous helpful hints, tips, and useful links.

Justine concluded the session by offering one-on-one consultations, providing personalised support to address participants' specific concerns regarding their online presence.

Our weekly FREE Tech Time and Digital Literacy sessions run every Monday, 1:30pm - 2:30pm.



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# Farewell for Lyn Craig

## ■ Hopetoun CWA

Our March meeting was held on the 11th with nine members present.

Our new air conditioner has been installed by Derek, the owner of Wyldcat Airconditioning of Esperance and the Hopetoun Men in Sheds have been asked to install a cover for the outdoor unit, to protect it from rust.

We are getting a quote for a new poly water tank and stand from Ravensthorpe Agencies, and a new Fridge from Harvey Norman through Mt Barren Cafe.

Graham Tonkin has made a new clock for the Seniors Hall to replace the one presented to them from CWA that fell to the ground and smashed. Graham will also frame the new CWA 100 years tea towel which we now have on sale with the new 100 year Centenary Cook Book.



We are purchasing a copy of the 400 page CWA book Woman of Spirit—100 years of CWA.

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## Word of the Day

**genuflect** verb | JEN-yuh-flekt

**Definition:**

To genuflect is to kneel, or nearly kneel, on one knee and then rise again in worship or as an act of respect. In figurative use, genuflect means “to be humbly obedient or respectful.”

**Did You Know?**

Today we give reverence to genuflect, which comes from the Late Latin word genuflectere, formed from the noun genu (“knee”) and the verb flectere (“to bend”). Flectere appears in the etymologies of a number of more common verbs, such as reflect (“to bend or throw back light”) and deflect (“to turn aside”). By comparison genu has seen little use in English, but it did give us geniculate, a word used in scientific contexts to mean “bent abruptly at an angle like a bent knee.” Despite the resemblance, words such as genius and genuine are not related to genuflect; instead, they are related (genius directly, and genuine indirectly) to the Latin verb gignere, meaning “to beget.”



**NEXT ISSUE DEADLINE:**  
 5pm, Monday April 8, 2024

**ALL ENQUIRIES:**

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# Farewell for Lyn Craig

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If you would like a copy please let us know at CWA—cost \$100 hard copy, \$65 soft cover copy.

We then discussed our own Centenary Celebration which will probably be a catered for Hi-Tea and birthday cake—more details later.

We then enjoyed afternoon tea prepared by Viv Herbert and Trix Boyd.

Madeline Bell celebrated her birthday on the 4th.

Lyn Chooky Kennedy was very lucky winning both the raffle and the flower competition.

Members with Friends from Stay on your Feet gathered at Madeline Bell's house on Thursday for a morning tea to farewell a long time member Lyn Craig, Lyn is re locating to live in Mandurah.

President Trix presented Lyn with a small gift so she would remember her time spent at CWA. Best of luck Lyn in your new ventures.

Thank you to Hopetoun Painting Company (Lance Goddard) to his painters Kurt and apprentice Troy



for painting our bathroom area red brick walls—what a difference. The first coat of paint after being built for about 40 years.

Our next meeting will be on April 8th with hostesses Coralie Thomas and Carole Lee, Raffle Roz Biddulph.

—Pam Cousins



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# Tristan, Wotan, Hooky & Snooky

## ■ Aberline's Monthly Story Corner

Six Months went by quickly.

Hooky and Snooky went to school, did their homework, and tried not to be sad over losing their Mum and Dad.

Tristan and Wotan jumped in and out of their window, but they could not wait until school finished, and the boys returned to their room. They loved their tree with its long branches and jumping in and out of Hooky and Snooky's window, which was open enough to let them jump in whenever they wanted. A cleaning lady came in twice a week to dust and wash the floor. They kept away, looking from a branch and jumping in when she had finished. But they also were sad. Their Mum had loved them, and she was gone just like Hooky and Snooky's parents.

"Miss Sparkle wants you to see her right now. Her door is open, and she is waiting." A new male staff member said as they walked down the hall from the school bus.

Hooky and Snooky stopped and stared at each other.

Would this be the day of seeing new parents?

"Come in and sit down, both of you. How was school today? Did you learn a lot?"

Before they could answer, she got up and closed the door.

Moving her chair from behind the polished wooden desk, Miss Sparkle seated herself close to Hooky and Snooky, softly smiling into their eyes and worried faces.

"Boys, do you remember when we talked about finding new parents?"

They sat still, controlling their tears, determined not to cry as the pictures of Mum and Dad raced across their minds. Miss Sparkle began quickly talking.

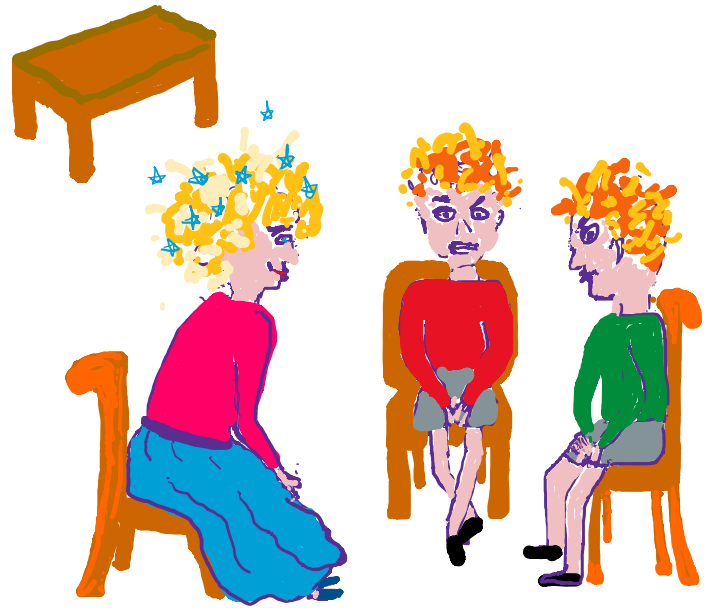
"I have a Mr. and Mrs. Taylor from Hopetoun who wish to meet you both. They will see and talk to you both in 3 days, next Tuesday at 4 pm, after school.

They are lovely people who have no children. They would want you both. They have a big farm near the ocean where you can swim and fish at the beach.

She noticed they still sat, not looking at her but staring at the floor.

"Well, boys, it's almost dinner time. I know this is a sudden surprise. Please write down any questions that you may have. You can ask the Taylors or me."

Hooky and Snooky did not hear Miss Sparkle follow them out of the room.



She almost bumped into Mrs. Dunn, who was responsible for making sure that the meals were prepared on time.

"Mrs. Dunn, can you come here for a moment?"

I am very happy to say that I think that we have new parents for Hooky and Snooky. Please check on them and make sure they go to dinner. Both boys are in a bit of shock. Don't let them know that you are watching them."

"They are such lovely boys, Miss Sparkle. I'll report if anything is not right."

"Thank you, Mrs. Dunn."

In their room after dinner, Tristan and Wotan came jumping down from the window.

—Illustrations by Toni

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### Hopetoun CRC

Monday 18th March, 9:00am - 10:30am



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To RSVP or for more information contact  
Hopetoun CRC on 9838 3062 or Brad at Mable on 0478 398 194



# Golden Wedding Anniversary celebrated

Congratulations to the Happy Couple, Chris & Jen Biddulph (right) on their Golden Wedding Anniversary on April 13th.

We wish you a wonderful Anniversary and many more years of happiness, fun & good health.

Love from your family.

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# Have your say on the proposed Marine Park

I felt inspired to write this after reading an article in the Community Spirit March 14th, from the Office of Shadow Fisheries Minister.

Many of us in Hopetoun have had the good fortune to see films made by marine scientists and to discuss with scientists the implications of the proposed Marine Park.

It is not too late to have your say (submissions close Sunday June 16th) and it is not too late to request that some of the 'zones' be increased to 'sanctuary' level if you wish to help save some of our already endangered wildlife. This entire area should also be protected from mining and oil exploration.

All I can say is thank goodness our State Government has the foresight and planning to protect a percentage of our precious marine environment on the Southern Ocean. This is an immensely important and unique area on our planet. If it is not protected there will eventually be no flourishing fisheries.

I believe we need to consider our natural environment as more important than anything else - even businesses.

If we don't start doing this now, the time will come sooner than we expect, when there won't be any beautiful natural environment to enjoy, care for, or worry about. We might all eventually exist on laboratory manufactured food and water, if we are lucky.

—Toni Arndt



## DID YOU KNOW?

Walt Disney has won the most Academy Awards. The House of Mouse has won 26 Oscars and was nominated 59 times.

A blue whale's heartbeat can be heard over 2 miles away. And their hearts weigh almost 400 pounds!

There's a fruit that tastes like chocolate pudding. Native to Central and South America, the fruit is called black sapote and it tastes like a combination of sweet custard and chocolate.

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# Exceptional battery test results show Springdale concentrate is ideal for premium Li-ion battery anode

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- The optimised processing conditions using a chemical non-hydrofluoric acid (HF) method achieved results ranging from 99.96% LOI to 99.97% LOI.
- Electrochemical tests were conducted on an uncoated purified sample of Springdale graphite concentrate which showed exceptional battery charging and discharging capacity.

International Graphite Limited (ASX: IG6) is pleased to report exceptional results from purification and electrochemical testwork on graphite concentrates generated from the Company's 100% owned Springdale Graphite Project, in Western Australia (Springdale).

The graphite concentrate micronising, spheroidising and purification test program was conducted in Germany by industry specialists ProGraphite GmbH (ProGraphite). The electrochemical test work was also conducted in Germany, under ProGraphite's supervision, by a specialist graphite battery testing group.

The graphite concentrate tested came from reserve samples produced from previous beneficiation testwork using drill core samples from Springdale<sup>1</sup>

. Purification testwork involved the application of a modified caustic soda roast process at lower temperature than previously applied and with a simplified number of stages.

Optimised tests achieved results ranging from 99.96% Loss On Ignition (LOI) to 99.97% LOI, thereby exceeding the industry standard purity grade of 99.95% and also meeting all the element-specific requirements of major Li-Ion battery and electric vehicle manufacturers (refer to Table 1). There is considerable scope to further optimise these results.

Electrochemical testwork on the uncoated purified sample of Springdale graphite concentrate achieved near theoretical-specific capacity for a graphite anode in Li-ion batteries of 372 mAh/g.

Battery stress testing over 46 charging / discharging cycles showed Springdale graphite concentrate has very high stability and durability, with the 46th cycle giving a reversible capacity of 368 mAh/g. Stress testing over longer cycles will be conducted in the next stage of battery testwork.

International Graphite Technical Director David Pass said, "The purification results demonstrate the potential for an optimised and simplified purification process to be used as an alternative to the traditional industry standard HF method.

"The electrochemical results are highly encouraging as a first phase sighter test program. These results will inform the optimisation of micronisation, spheroidisation and purification testwork and flowsheet development for our

Table 1 - 26 Element ICP analysis of purified Springdale graphite concentrate sample

Element	Purified sample (ppm)	Element	Purified sample (ppm)
Ag	< 0.1	Mo	< 0.3
Al	8.2	Na	48.6
Ba	< 0.1	Ni	< 5.0
Bi	< 0.1	P	0.6
Ca	5.8	Pb	0.1
Cd	< 0.1	Si	34.6
Co	< 0.1	Sn	0.1
Cr	2.0	Sr	< 0.3
Cu	0.8	Ti	1.2
Fe	19.1	V	< 0.1
K	4.1	W	< 0.1
Mg	2.4	Zn	0.5
Mn	0.2	Zr	0.7
<b>LOI</b>	<b>99.97</b>		

planned battery anode facilities.

To do that, we will be using ~115kg of Springdale graphite concentrate that was produced by the bulk concentrate testwork program undertaken in the second half of 2023."

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# SHIRE OF RAVENSTHORPE

## COMMUNITY UPDATE

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### COUNCIL ENDORSES 2024 BUSHFIRE MITIGATION TREATMENTS



*Pictured: Example of mechanical treatment at Ravensthorpe*

At the Ordinary Council Meeting on Tuesday 19 March 2024 Council endorsed the 2024 bushfire mitigation treatments as proposed and funded under the Mitigation Activity Fund Grants Program.

This work is extremely important for our Shire and while we understand that bushfire mitigation is often an emotive issue, these proposed mitigation treatments are taking place on a very small amount of land.

Out of 860,000 hectares of bush, less than 200 hectares is included in these plans, which is less than 0.1% of land across our whole Shire that needs to be mitigated.

### TREATMENT TYPES

The Shire of Ravensthorpe uses a number of methods to mitigate the risk of bushfire in the region.

Mitigation activities outlined in the proposed plan endorsed by Council include chemical and mechanical (example pictured above) treatments, as well as reducing fuel loads and hazard reduction burns to minimise the potential risk of fires.

Full details of all of the proposed mitigation work for the year (including the location and which treatment is to be used) can be found on the Shire of Ravensthorpe website, and will be promoted in various ways in the coming months.

**It should be noted these are *proposed* works for 2024 and are subject to weather conditions.**



**NEXT ORDINARY  
COUNCIL MEETING:  
TUES 16 APRIL 2024  
6PM  
RAVENSTHORPE**

**NEXT MARKET: HOPETOUN  
9AM-1PM, SUN 31 MARCH 2024**



# PLANNED BURNS



By endorsing this proposed mitigation work, Council is also endorsing the use of planned hazard reduction burns as a treatment.

This means planned burns are due to take place in several locations throughout the Shire of Ravensthorpe in 2024, including the following examples:

### Ravensthorpe

A follow up burn is planned near the Ravensthorpe Hospital (*Pictured, top left*) to clean up debris in the undergrowth since the last burn in 2022. This will ensure the reserve is in a low fuel state with reduced flame length in the event of a bushfire.

Machinery will go in first to prepare the site before the burn.

### Hopetoun

A planned burn is proposed for the road reserve and vegetation at One Mile on the eastern outskirts of Hopetoun (*Pictured, middle left*) to reduce the fuel loads and reinforce the strategic buffer.

### Blue Vista

Another proposed treatment is a planned burn to manage fuel loads in the road reserve on the eastern side of the Hopetoun Ravensthorpe Road (*Pictured, bottom left*) adjacent to the Blue Vista subdivision.



As mentioned on the previous page, these burns are all *proposed* works and are subject to weather.

More details about the mitigation work can be found on the Shire of Ravensthorpe website. Maps of proposed burns will also be on display at the upcoming Hopetoun markets.

**Cr Tom Major,  
Shire President**

# Posties dodging more than 200 hazards a day

Australia Post's latest safety data has revealed over 81,000 hazards were logged by Posties in the past 12 months - a staggering average of more than 200 per day.

The data, tracked and logged by Posties on their handheld devices, shows that dogs remain the number one logged hazard encountered, with low hanging branches and obstructive trees also posing a high safety risk.

Some of the more unusual hazards that Posties have to contend with include magpie and other bird attacks, insect nests in letterboxes and roped off driveways.

Across the country, NSW had the highest number of logged hazards throughout the year at over 20,000, followed by Victoria with nearly 19,000 logged hazards.

In the other states and territories South Australia logged over 13,000 hazards, Western Australia had over 10,000, Tasmania logged 1,300 the ACT logged over 900 and the Northern Territory logged over 500 hazards.

The top five logged hazards encountered by Posties across the country in the last 12 months include:

1. Unrestrained or aggressive dogs
2. Low hanging branches, obstructive trees/shrubs



3. Surface conditions such as cracked footpaths and uneven surfaces
4. Letterbox conditions including sharp, jagged or rusted edges
5. Blind driveways and obstructive cars

Australia Post rolled out the digital hazard tool 12 months ago in a bid to help reduce incidents and injury to Posties.

Provided to every Postie, the hazard tool enables them to easily, immediately and digitally log a hazard when they come across it.

The next time they, or any other Postie, approach a pre-logged location they will receive a warning notification on their device, allowing them to avoid it or take extra care.

Rod Barnes, Australia Post Executive General Manager Network Operations highlighted that Posties just want to be able to complete their deliveries safely, without hitting their heads on low-hanging branches, navigating badly cracked footpaths or having to avoid aggressive dogs.

"The nature of the job requires our Posties to be out and about every day so anything we can do to help keep our team safe and reduce risk is important. This national hazard database allows us to track hazards consistently and accurately, ultimately reducing the risk for our team members.

"Once a hazard is logged in the system we take the necessary steps to try and resolve it for our team.

"This might include engaging local council for issues such as badly cracked pavements or writing to the customer to fix the issue in the case of unrestrained dogs.

"The safety of our team is our number one priority and if they cannot do their job safely then we may be unable to deliver until the hazard is fixed," said Mr Barnes.

In addition to the hazard tool Australia Post also uses telematics, including video footage and sensors, across its delivery fleet to help to reduce serious accidents as its delivery team takes to the streets each day.



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# Program launched for Invest Great Southern Conference

Albany, WA - Invest Great Southern conference organisers are proud to unveil an exciting lineup of speakers for this inaugural event, taking place at the Albany Entertainment Centre on May 8th-9th, 2024.

Under the banner of "A forward look at what is possible," this conference marks a pivotal moment for the Great Southern region, offering a unique convergence of ideas geared towards economic development and investment opportunities.

Invest Great Southern: A forward look at what is possible is presented by the Albany Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ACCI) in collaboration with the City of Albany, Great Southern Development Commission, and Regional

Development Australia.

The event will feature keynote speaker Paul Higgins, CEO of EmergentFutures, renowned for his forward-thinking approach to business strategy and planning.

With over 20 years of experience as a futurist, Higgins is set to provide attendees with an inspiring glimpse into the potential futures of regional Western Australia and the Great Southern.

Joining him is a diverse array of industry leaders, including Lucy Anderton of AgriFutures Australia; Dr. Natasha Teakle from AgriStart; Stephen Birkbeck, Raintree Estate; Glen Wilson from Vestas; Professor Cobie Rudd of Edith Cowan University; Carolyn Turnbull of

Tourism WA; April Walker, WA Spaceport; and Glenda Stirling of Grange Resources; among many others.

Michael Carter, of the Chamber of Commerce & Industry WA (CCIWA) will share insights into trade, investment, and workplace relations, contributing to a comprehensive exploration of the region's business landscape.

Discussions and presentations will be framed across six key pillars of industry growth for the region: Agriculture, Mining, Renewable energy, Housing and Planning, Education, and Tourism.

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Albany CCI CEO, Kristen Pyrz-Brown said that "Invest Great Southern is more than a conference; it's a commitment to the economic development and prosperity of the Albany region and the broader Great Southern.

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## Day One

### MORNING SESSION

- 8:00 Registration Opens
- 8:25 MC Welcome  
Kitty Prodronovich, Regional Chambers of Commerce and Industry (RCCIWA)
- 8:30 Welcome to Country  
Lester Coyne, Menang Elder
- 8:45 Overview and purpose  
Kristen Pyrz-Brown, Albany Chamber of Commerce & Industry
- 9:00 Keynote  
Paul Higgins, EmergentFutures
- 9:45 Opportunities and benefits in investing in regional WA and Great Southern  
Michael Carter, Chamber of Commerce & Industry WA (CCIWA)
- 10:00 The Future of Agriculture  
Dr Natasha Teakle, AgriStart
- 10:15 Panel Q&A  
Great Southern Development Commission  
Dr Natasha Teakle, AgriStart  
Michael Carter, CCIWA  
Ryan Martin, CCIWA
- 10:35 Morning Tea
- 11:05 Housing & Planning Discussion (Kalyenup Room)  
John Lyzagh's Advance Housing  
Joe White, RENWA  
Mal Stewart, Decim
- 12:05 Housing and Planning Panel Q&A (Kalyenup Room)  
Speaker to be announced

- 11:05 Agriculture Discussion (Theatre)  
Lucy Anderton, AgriFutures Australia  
David Plant, MLine Agrigroup  
Nelson Aylmore, CBH Group
- 12:05 Agriculture Panel & Q&A (Theatre)
- 12:25 Lunch

### AFTERNOON SESSION

- 1:05 Renewable Energy Discussion  
Glen Wilson, Vestas  
Dr. Weibke, Wave Energy  
Murray Gomm, Oranje Tractor  
Stephen Birkbeck, Raintree Estate
- 2:05 Renewable Energy Panel Q&A
- 2:25 Afternoon Tea
- 2:45 Future Education Trends Discussion  
Prof. Cobie Rudd ECU  
Linda Adhityana, Curtin University  
South Regional TAFE WA representative
- 3:45 Future Education Panel Q&A
- 4:05 Wrap up and close

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## Day Two

### MORNING SESSION

- 8:15 Arrival / Event open to delegates
- 8:45 MC Welcome  
Kitty Prodronovich, Regional Chambers of Commerce and Industry (RCCIWA)
- 9:00 Tourism Discussion  
April Walker, WA Spaceport  
Carolyn Turnbull, Tourism WA  
Kate Marwick, Dune Beer Co  
Kym Francesconi, Nexus Airlines  
Catrin Allsop, Australia's SouthWest
- 10:15 Tourism Panel Q&A
- 9:00 The future of sustainability in projects  
Panel Discussion  
Dr Weibke Ebeling, Marine Energy Research Aus.  
Paul Mackey, Southern Ports  
Ruth March, City Of Albany  
Prof. Stephen Hopper, University of WA  
Jeff Foley, CHD  
Kate McGee, University of WA  
Clare Senior, University of WA
- 10:35 Morning Tea
- 11:00 Mining Discussion  
Glenda Stirling, Grange Resources  
Southdown Project  
Keith Wilks, Southern Ports  
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### AFTERNOON SESSION

- 12:00 Mining Panel Q+A
- 12:20 Lunch
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# New SPAA manual brings grower insight to precision ag

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Australian grain growers will benefit from new insights into precision agriculture (PA) for the grains industry with the release of the PA in Practice III manual.

The publication was launched by Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC) Western Panel chair Darrin Lee today (February 26) at the Grains Research Update in Perth.

Produced by the Society of Precision Agriculture Australia (SPAA) with GRDC investment, the manual is part of the project precision fertiliser decisions in a tight economic climate.

Mr Lee says Australian growers were eager to implement PA into their farming practices, and for many the goal was limiting per hectare fertiliser usage while maintaining crop yields.

“Through our National Grower Network (NGN) and grower feedback mechanisms, GRDC has identified grower demand for education and extension to optimise the outcomes of PA adoption,” Mr Lee says.

“Growers want to know the questions they should be asking suppliers, agronomists, and consultants. They want to be aware of potential challenges and have the chance to listen to other growers’ success stories and advice.”

Mr Lee says a 2021 grower survey by SPAA and GRDC indicated that more than 50% of respondents wanted to use precision agriculture to make planting and fertilising decisions based on more data.

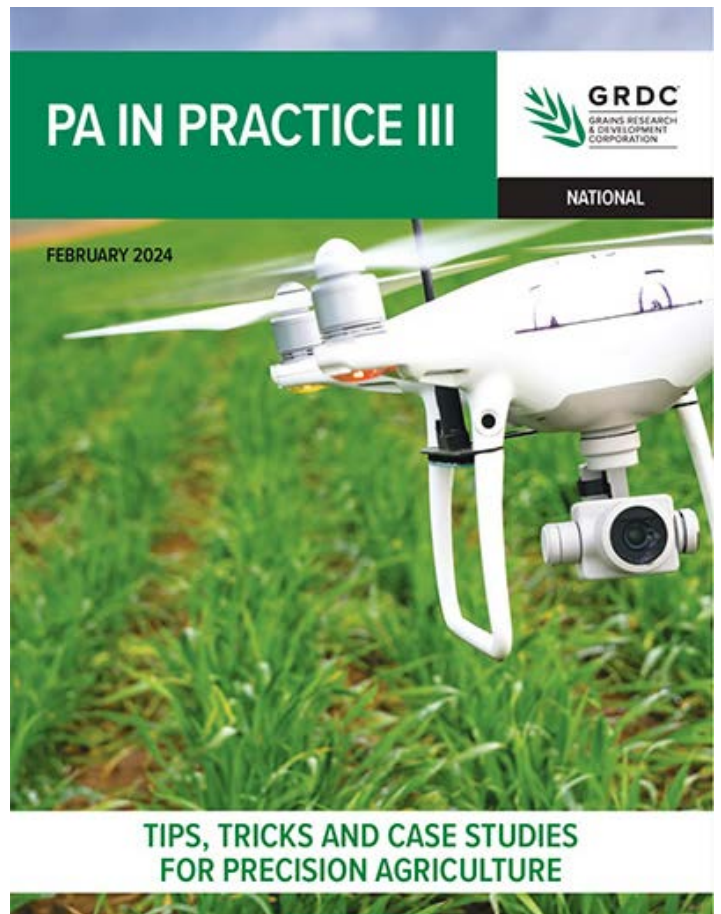
“Through the updated PA in Practice manual, growers have access to over 100 pages of content detailing PA throughout the season: pre-sowing, sowing, in-crop and at harvest. In addition, comprehensive case studies facilitate peer-to-peer learning and make the information easy to digest for growers.”

SPAA Executive Offer Angelique McAvoy says the manual catered to all grain producers, agronomists or advisers regardless of their knowledge of PA.

“PA in Practice has been designed as a comprehensive foundational manual that clarifies definitions and provides step-by-step guides to applying PA such as remote sensing imagery, interpreting yield data, developing strip trials, or what to consider when choosing a new PA platform,” Ms McAvoy says.

“Complementing each chapter are 18 case studies from grain growers across Australia, providing relatable and regional perspectives. The generosity of all those who have contributed their knowledge and thought leadership to produce the content of PA in Practice III is greatly commended.”

Ms McAvoy acknowledged the publication’s author Alisa Bryce for her pivotal role in simplifying technical content and creating a valuable resource for a broad agricultural



■ In partnership with GRDC, SPAA has released the updated PA in Practice III with new insights into precision agriculture for the grains industry. Photo: GRDC

audience.

“PA in Practice will remain a vital SPAA educational resource that will be integrated into webinars and other learning platforms. It will play a key role in bridging knowledge gaps and addressing barriers to the adoption of PA,” Ms McAvoy says.

The manual’s release complements a national series of seven SPAA variable rate technology workshops supported by GRDC investment and delivered in 2023, which provided training to support growers’ fertiliser decision making, particularly with rising input costs.t

The publication is available on the [GRDC website](#).

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# Growing global population placing increasing demand on water

Water, a finite resource, is under growing pressure from growing populations at both national and global levels, says Sustainable Population Australia (SPA).

According to SPA, this threatens both social and international stability.

SPA national president Jenny Goldie says currently about half the world's population experiences severe water scarcity for at least one month of the year due to climatic and other factors.

"If you have a finite or diminishing resource such as water but an ever-growing population that is dependent on it, then there is less of that resource for each person," says Ms Goldie. "The blame for decreasing water security is too readily sheeted home to climate change when, in fact, still-expanding populations may be more responsible.

"For instance, across the Sahel in Africa, as a result of rapid population growth, conflict, extremism, climate change and

poverty, 150 million Sahelians are facing immense challenges in terms of access to water. The region's population will double in the next twenty years.

"Here in Australia, water security became a major concern in the late 20th and early 21st centuries as a result of population growth and recurring severe droughts exacerbated by climate change. Over-extraction from our river systems has led to environmental degradation. Now, each Australian mainland capital city relies on desalinated water to meet needs during dry periods and in Perth, continuously.

"A UNSW study from 2022 found that much of the river flow decline on the Darling River has not been because of climate change but almost certainly as a result of increased water extractions.

"But why has so much water been extracted? Because of the competing interests of grazing, irrigation and urban water supplies along its length. Too many

people are demanding too much of the river."

According to the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) in its sixth Report (AR6), over large parts of the world, crop losses due to droughts are projected to be at least twice as likely at 1.5°C global warming, 150 to 200% more likely at 2°C warming, and over 200% at 4°C.

"Water and food security are integrally linked," says Ms Goldie. "Extreme droughts mean less food. Yet the United Nations Environment Program (UNEP) says the demand for food is projected to increase by 60 per cent by 2050.

"It's not going to happen. Unless we divert a lot of production from livestock fodder to feeding humans, many people will starve. The sooner we can stabilise population numbers, the fewer the numbers of people who will suffer and die."

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# GRDC leads \$42M initiative to bolster biosecurity for Australia's grain grower

A groundbreaking \$42.7 million national biosecurity initiative led by the Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC) in partnership with five state government departments is set to transform the effectiveness and responsiveness of Australia's grains biosecurity system.

Announced by GRDC Chair and grain grower John Woods at the Grains Research Updates in Perth today (February 26), the National Grains Diagnostic and Surveillance Initiative (NGDSI) is a co-investment between GRDC and the WA Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD), the South Australian Research and Development Institute (SARDI), the Victorian Department of Energy, Environment and Climate Action (DEECA), the New South Wales Department of Primary Industries (NSW DPI), and the Queensland Department of Agriculture and Fisheries (QDAF).

The six-year initiative will use state-of-the-art technology and processes to improve Australia's ability to rapidly detect and accurately diagnose exotic pests and plant diseases – allowing identification to happen 'near the paddock' rather than in centralised laboratories.

It will also support the development of more than 20 biosecurity specialists across Australia, modernise current surveillance techniques and utilise global intelligence to forecast future pest and disease risks to the nation's grains industry.

"This initiative is one of the most important investments GRDC will make on behalf of Australian grain growers and is the result of two years of collaborative work with our partners. It is powerful in the sense it has brought together the nation's primary grain growing states in a united effort to reduce the very real risk that exotic pests and diseases pose to agriculture," Mr Woods says.

"Timeliness of detection and response are critical and can be the difference between cost-effective control or the devastation of an industry. We need to equip growers – and other key people – with the tools for fast, accurate diagnostics to enable timely management decisions that reduce the



■ The six-year National Grains Diagnostic and Surveillance Initiative will improve Australia's ability to rapidly detect and accurately diagnose exotic pests and plant diseases. Photo: Tomasz Klejdysz

impact of these threats to the grains industry."

Mr Woods says the industry faced increased biosecurity risks from a range of factors including more frequent international movement in trade and people, increasing chemical resistance, a decrease in the number of technical specialists and increasing input costs.

"This important national initiative will link with new and established pest surveillance for faster detection, which will allow more responsive eradication or management plans to be put in place," Mr Woods says.

"Critically, it will also ensure we have national diagnostic protocols – or specific pest and disease guidelines for accurate identification – in place. Currently there are 54 exotic pests or diseases considered a high risk for the Australian grains industry, yet less than 10 per cent have national diagnostic protocols, which means accurately identifying them could take weeks."

The initiative will also invest in developing more than 20 specialist technicians, scientists and PhD students across the five states.

At an international level the NGDSI will utilise the intelligence networks of the Federal Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (DAFF) and the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) to develop pest and disease risk analysis for each of the grains high priority plant pests (HPPP), the national priority plant pests (NPPP) and 10 emerging pest risks.

"We will use the most sophisticated technology available to forecast the risks and predict the arrival and impact of exotic pests and diseases. For example, we will leverage the United Kingdom's Earth Observation for Agroclimate investment looking at wheat blast in Bangladesh to determine the transborder risk to Australia," Mr Woods says.

Quiz courtesy of Businessballs.com



1. Which English singer/musician hosted a television show called 'Later with.....'?
2. Which painter was forced to flee to Switzerland from Italy in 1937? Kline, Morellet, Escher, Messer
3. What price did an adult British passport rise to in 2009?
4. Lord Farquaad is the villain in which movie? Madagascar, Shrek, Ice Age, Toy Story
5. What was the name of the first human spaceflight to land on the moon, in July 1969?
6. 'Wot a lot I got' was the advertising slogan for which confectionery items?
7. Brabanzio appears in which Shakespeare play? The Taming of the Shrew, Troilus and Cressida, Othello, All's Well That Ends Well
8. In the US television show 'The Sopranos', what is the first name of Salvatore Bonpensiero's (Big Pussy) wife?
9. Which four letter word beginning with D is the male ruler of a duchy?
10. On which fictional planet was Superman born?
11. Moorfield's Hospital in London specialises in the treatment of which part of the body?

12. Which month of the year was the ninth month of the Roman calendar?
13. According to the proverb, An open door may tempt a 'what'?
14. Kismet and Delicado are 1950s albums by which singer? Percy Faith, Tony Bennet, Les Paul, Al Martino
15. Richard Penniman was better known as...? Chuck Berry, Richard Little, Little Richard, Ray Charles
16. In the 1956 Number 1, Frankie Lymon sang why do what fall in love? Teenagers, Kids, Fools, Men
17. Which R is the killing of a king?
18. What nationality is Adele? English, American, Scottish, Australian
19. In June 1938, Action Comics #1 was published, featuring which comic book hero for the first time?
20. Who wrote the novel 'The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn'?
21. Chad Kroeger is the lead singer of which band? Third Eye Blind, Nickelback, Sum 41, Blink 182
22. Didsbury, Ardwick and Fallowfield are all areas of which British city?
23. In which year did Tiger Woods first win the US Masters? 1998, 1999, 1997, 1996
24. Lorenzo, Tubal and Jessica are all characters in which Shakespeare play?
25. Which prolific English Novelist's first book was entitled 'Jigsaw'?
26. The Vistula Lagoon is a freshwater lagoon on which sea?
27. What is the name of the park in San Francisco where, in 1966, the Beatles performed their final official live concert?
28. Which word can go before Pot, Cup and Spoon to make three other words?
29. Which of these is the correct title of a work by Edward Hopper? Dayhawks, Morninghawks, Dawnhawks, Nighthawks

30. Piet Mondrian was born in which country? France, Romania, Russia, Netherlands
31. DK is the international vehicle registration for which country?
32. Who had a 2006 hit with "Bad Day"? Ed Sheeran, Daniel Powter, James Blunt, James Morrison
33. How many time zones does Brazil have?
34. In 1991 which female vocalist topped the charts with the song "Someday"? Whitney Houston, Celine Dion, Dolly Parton, Mariah Carey
35. John Lennon and Yoko Ono recorded 'Give Peace a Chance' at the Hotel La Reine in which city in Canada in 1969?
36. In nature, what are Spring and Neap?
37. In what century did Tchaikovsky live? 17th, 20th, 18th, 19th
38. What is the collective term for a group of unicorns?
39. Which two alcoholic drinks are in the ingredients of a 'Sidecar' cocktail?
40. Actor and theatre producer Bill Kenwright became chairman of which English football club in 2004?
41. Which K is a black powder used as a cosmetic to darken the rims of the eyelids, especially in Eastern countries?
42. Which sport is the subject of the 1992 film 'The Mighty Ducks'?
43. Tiger Woods is famous for which sport?
44. Moon-Woman Cuts The Circle is a major work by which 20th Century Artist? Marcel Duchamp, Andy Warhol, Jackson Pollock, Man Ray
45. Which of these songs was the signature tune of Patti Page? California Waltz, Tennessee Waltz, Las Vega Waltz, Nashville Waltz
46. Which restaurant does Andy visit on his Birthday in Toy Story? Pizza City, Pizza Place, Pizza Planet, Pizza Town
47. Four Darks in Red is a 1958 work by whom? Martin Kippenberger, Paul Klee, Jackson Pollock, Mark Rothko
48. The discovery of what in Australia in February 1851 is traditionally attributed to Edward Hammond Hargraves?
49. The name Scapula is given to what part of the Human Body? Ankle, Elbow, Neck, Shoulder Blade
50. 'The Kiss' is an 1889 work by which French sculptor?

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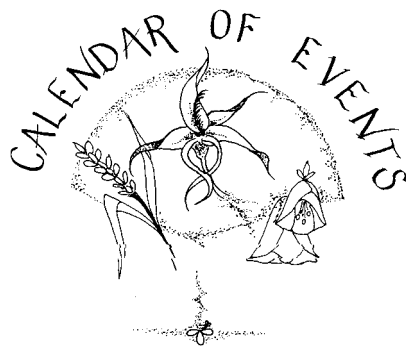


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Ravensthorpe CRC
- 28 Cricket Blast, Hopetoun Oval, 2.45-3.45pm
- 28 Table Tennis Tournament, Hopetoun  
Community Centre Hall, 4-5.30pm
- 28 BRUCE, 6.30-9pm, Hopetoun Community  
Centre
- 29 Good Friday
- 30 Open Mic, Wavecrest Village & Tourist  
Park, 2-9pm
- 31 Easter Sunday
- 31 Hopetoun Local Markets, 9am-1pm

### April

- 1 Easter Monday
- 2 Enduro Club meeting, 7-8pm, Clubhouse
- 5-12 Youth Week
- 5 DJ Dance Party, 7-9pm, Hopetoun Youth &  
Art Space
- 7 Hopetoun Local Markets, 9am-1pm
- 8 Community Spirit Deadline
- 11 Spanish Cooking Class, 6.30-8pm,  
Community Kitchen Ravensthorpe
- 16 Wagyl Kaip Southern Noongar  
Community Meeting, 10am-1pm,  
Ravensthorpe Entertainment Centre &  
Sporting Complex
- 16 Ravensthorpe Shire Ordinary Council  
Meeting, 6-7pm, Ravensthorpe Council  
Chambers
- 19 HLTaid011—Provide First Aid Course,  
8.30am-4.30pm, Hopetoun Volunteer Fire  
& Emergency Services Building
- 20 HLTaid012—Provide First Aid in an  
Education & Care Setting, 8.30am-5pm,  
Ravensthorpe Sub Centre
- 22 Business Local: Embracing Authenticity in  
Business, 1.30-2.30pm, Ravensthorpe CRC
- 22 Community Spirit Deadline
- 24 Table Tennis Tournament, 4-5.30pm,  
Hopetoun Community Centre Hall
- 25 ANZAC Day
- 26 HLTaid011—Provide First Aid Course,  
8.30am-4.30pm, Ravensthorpe Sub Centre
- 28 Club Ride, Ravensthorpe Equestrian Club,  
9.30am-1.30pm

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**BOWLS** Wed Mixed Scroungers 1pm, Fri 4pm rollup & fun, Socaill Bowls 1pm Sundays, Hopetoun Bowling Club. Ph Lance 0428 383 152.

**CLUB MERLOT** 7pm second Friday of the month, Hopetoun Shire Hall. Ph Sue 0407 981 301

**CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE** at Hopetoun Men in Sheds, 86 Tamar Street, Hopetoun. Open Tuesdays & Thursdays 8.30am-12pm and 1-3pm and Saturdays 8.30am-12pm.

**COMMUNITY NURSE** Wed 9am-4pm, Fri 8am-4pm, Mary Ann Haven Centre

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

**CRC, Library & Visitor Centre** Open Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm. 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, plants, fresh vegetables, fruit, eggs, cakes and pies, honey, jams, and relishes.

**FIRE BRIGADE TRAINING** First Sunday of each month from 15:00 to 18:00 unless the Sunday falls on a public holiday then it will be the 2nd Sunday at Emergency Services Building, Veal St Hopetoun.

**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.

**HOPETOUN CLAY TARGET CLUB** Monthly shoot on Sundays 10am start

**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. Ray White Real Estate outside area at 9am to 1pm. Please contact Robyn Cockram 0429 925 569 or [cockram36@gmail.com](mailto:cockram36@gmail.com) for more details.

**HOPETOUN PLAYGROUP** Fridays 9.30-11.30am Location changes contact via [facebook.com/hopeplaygroup](https://facebook.com/hopeplaygroup).

**HOPETOUN PROGRESS ASSOCIATION** Office open, Tuesday - Thursday 9am to 12pm. Email: [progress@hpa.org.au](mailto:progress@hpa.org.au)

**HOPEY STUDY CLUB** 2.45pm each Monday of school term.

**LINE DANCING** 1-3pm, Wednesdays, Mary Ann Haven Centre, Ph 9838 3378 Trix.

**LITTLE BEAT-BOP** Hopetoun Community Centre, rear foyer, Mondays 9.15-9.45am, for School Term. Registrations required. Tel 9838 3062 or [www.hopetounwa.com](http://www.hopetounwa.com)

**MACHINING GROUP** Thursdays phone Val 9838 3176

**MEN IN SHEDS** Tamar St Tues 9am-3pm, Thurs 8.30am-12, 1-3pm and Sat 9am-12pm. All men welcome contact Daryl 0428 442 517.

**MENS STAY ON YOUR FEET** Tues & Thurs 9am-10am at Mens Shed. Ph Greg 0458 524 516 or Daryl 0428 442 517.

**OLD BASTARDS CLUB** 12pm Fri, Gibson St, Hopetoun  
**PILATES** Mon at 5.30pm (Maitland St Studio), Mon 6.30pm or Wed 8.30am, Hopetoun Community Centre. Contact Alison from MobiFit 0407 779 562.

**PLAYGROUP** 9.30-11.30am

**POOL COMPETITION/DARTS** Wednesdays 7.30pm Port Hotel.

**POOL COMPETITION** Wednesday 7pm Wavecrest Bar and Bistro.

### 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.

**QUALUP CHOIR** Times vary, Hopetoun Seniors Centre. Phone 0447 385 049

**RHYME TIME** Every Thursday 9.15am (except school and public holidays) at Hopetoun Public Library (inside Hopetoun CRC). Free stories, songs and Rhymes for children under 2.

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

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

**SOCIAL TABLE TENNIS** Fortnightly Mondays, 4-6pm, Hopetoun Community Centre

**SOCIAL NETBALL** 6.30pm, Hopetoun netball courts. Maddi 0487 458 174.

**SOUTHERN SCRIBES** Fourth Saturday 1pm, phone 9838 3472.

**STAY ON YOUR FEET** 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.

**TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT** Last Monday of the month, 4-6pm, Hopetoun Community Centre

**TAI CHI** Wed 10am, Hopetoun Community Centre Ph Alison 0407 779 562

**YARN WITH HOPE** Free individual counselling sessions 12-2pm, first Wed of every month. Hopetoun CRC

**YOGA** Hopetoun Progress Assoc Are running weekly yoga classes starting on July 29th. For more information call Rachael on 0401 272 585.

**YOUTH SPACE** 4-6pm, Wednesday, Hopetoun CRC, High School students only, Ph 9838 3062.

**YARN WITH HOPE** 12-2pm, first Wed of every month, Hopetoun CRC

**VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE SERVICES** Fortnightly training 7pm Thurs, Emergency Services Building. Wendy 0428 133 498.

### MUNGLINUP

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

**MUNGY MUNCHKINS PLAYGROUP** Every Thursday from 9am at Munglinup Community Centre. Contact Kelly 0427 545 542

### 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 Bill Auburn 0429 383 120.

**HOSPITAL AUXILIARY** meets every second month on the second Tuesday in the Red Room of the RCC. Contact person, Rae Guest on 0429 380 045.

**MUSEUM/INFORMATION CENTRE** Open 10 am to 4 pm Monday to Friday or by appointment 9838 1583.

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

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

**RAVENSTHORPE BOWLING CLUB** Every Saturday from September-May. Both men and women—names in at bowling club by 12.45pm. We are a small social club with new and visiting members especially welcome. We can supply bowls if needed. Contact 0429 146 315 for more info.

**RAVENSTHORPE PLAYGROUP AND MOTHERS' GROUP** Wednesday from 10am during school term, at RDHS, Hosking St. Please bring a piece of fruit to share.

**RAVENSTHORPE TENNIS CLUB**, Social Tennis is on Every Sunday from 4pm from October - March.

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

**STAY ON YOUR FEET EXERCISES** exercises at Ravensthorpe Cultural Centre, Fridays 10-11am. New members welcome.

**COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE & LIBRARY** Open all day from 9am-4pm Monday to Friday.

**TAI CHI** every Wednesday morning 9.30-10.30am at the Ravensthorpe Cultural Centre. Contact Jessie Fairhead 0427 718 803.

If you know of any changes that are required to  
**REGULAR EVENTS**, please ensure you notify us at  
[contributions@cospirit.net](mailto:contributions@cospirit.net)

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## EMERGENCY NUMBERS

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## NON-EMERGENCY NUMBERS

Ambulance NON-Emergency ..... 131 233  
Hopetoun Volunteer Marine & Rescue ..... 9838 3207  
Lake Grace Hospital ..... 9890 2222  
Police ..... 131 444  
(At request this number is the contact number for all Police Stations)  
Hopetoun Police Station ..... 9867 9120  
Ravensthorpe Hospital ..... 9838 2211  
State Emergency Service ..... 132 500

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# Bub wins championship



■ Bub, Darryl and Des.

## ■ Hopetoun Bowls

Scroungers on March 13th, with 9 players, sponsored by LJ Hooker. Rink winners Margot Hawkins, Coral Grant and Bill Pike with the winner being Margot.

March 20th, with 12 players, sponsored by Cookie and Leonie. Rink winners Alec Woods, Bob Suenis, Donna and Dani Carter with the winners being Donna and Bob.

Social Bowls were played on Sunday 17th with nine players playing.

The Men's Championship Singles were played on March 23rd-24th with 8 men playing in a round robin event 17 up with some exciting bowls being played.

Some magnificent drawing bowls with plenty of touches. At the end of the two days running third with 5 wins +29 was Darryl Quinn, runner-up with 5 wins +39 was Dessie Barr and the Champion, winning all of his games 7 wins +61 was Bub McGlenn.

Thank you to Donna Carter and her team for all the catering, Coral Grant for her umpiring, and the markers Donna, Leonie McNamara, Coral, Margot Hawkins and Sue Lee. A great weekend for the spectators.

—Pam Cousins

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## FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

March 27th—Ladies Bowls 9am; King Scroungers 1pm.

April 7th—AGM at 4pm, followed by Dinner and Presentation of Trophies.

April 20th-21st— Men's League Championships.