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If you wish to stay anonymous, you can put your contribution in an envelope, write Bush Telegraph on the front and drop it in the red mailbox at the Shire Administration building.

Cut-off time for all contributions is the 25th of every month which will allow our staff time to include your contribution. Contributions made after the 25th will be included in the next edition.

Feedback

Tell us what you liked, what you didn't like, what could be improved and what you like to see.

Cut out and drop your feedback form in the Shire office at Reception or email to cso@sandstone.wa.gov.au

SHIRE NEWS

SHIRE OF SANDSTONE
HACK STREET SANDSTONE WA 6639

From the Desk of the CEO



WATER SUPPLY ISSUES

There has been two incidents of the pressure in the towns water supply diminishing to very low levels. I'm yet to hear from Water Corp what is causing this.

However, if anyone has problems with the water such as diminished water pressure, first check your meter, check with your neighbours or friends and then if the problem persists, ring the Water Corporation fault line.

STREET LIGHTING

If your street light is not working you need to ring Horizon Power and advise them of the outage location and also advise them of the pole number which will be on the pole.

Oroya Street lighting is currently being investigated and replacement lighting being sourced. These lights are Shire owned and not serviced by Horizon Power.



AMBULANCE SERVICES

Residents and visitors are reminded in cases of a medical emergency, please ring **000**. Do not ring local volunteers.

A COMMUNITY EFFORT

Recently an unfortunate incident occurred on the Mt Magnet road 26 kilometres west of the Sandstone townsite. A tourist couple's car and caravan ran off the road demolishing the caravan and damaging the motor vehicle. Thankfully the two occupants were not seriously injured and were taken to Mt Magnet by ambulance.

The support provided to these people was superb and the first on the scene, employees of a few mining/drilling companies, provided great support. The Sandstone ambulance volunteers, the Sandstone bush fire brigade volunteers, Mt Magnet police and the Mt Magnet ambulance were on the scene proving support, care and encouragement to injured people.

Other caravanners who were following the caravan as it went off the road, stayed overnight in the Sandstone caravan park and expressed their thanks to all involved for the amazing community support provided. Well done to all involved.

COUNCIL BUDGET AND ISSUING OF RATES

The Council's 2026/2027 budget is in its final stages and is expected to be available for a Special Meeting on August 6th. Rate notices will include information on Council's main proposed capital work which as usual is dominated by road construction and road maintenance works.

This year there will be only two payment options for rates, the dates are yet to be finalised but only after the local government minister approves the proposed rates.



SHIRE NEWS

SHIRE OF SANDSTONE
HACK STREET SANDSTONE WA 6639

From the Desk of the CEO



STATE GOVERNMENT – NEW LEGISLATION ON MISCELLANEOUS LICENCES

The State government has enacted legislation that will detrimentally affect many local governments for which mining rates make up much of their rate income. In 2025 the Supreme Court in Perth ruled that the Local Government Act permits the rating of miscellaneous licensed land and local governments may legitimately raise rates on those leases.

Following lobbying by the mining industry the government sided against the local government industry and agreed to change the legislation to make miscellaneous leases exempt from rates. The government has every right to change legislation, but what they did further to enacting new legislation, they shocked many local governments.

The government's legislation included retrospective clauses that compel local governments to repay rates as far back as 2017 to the mining companies. Such legislation forcing local governments to hand back monies that were raised legitimately is unprecedented and immoral. This will cause financial hardship for numerous local governments at a time when local governments are under close scrutiny by the state government.

It also means that the mining industry will now pursue more miscellaneous leases for their infrastructure to avoid paying rates to the local government. They will continue to expect good roads and the use of the local government's infrastructure.

TELSTRA SELECT SATELLITE APP

A message from Telstra;

A range of select satellite apps, including navigation, messaging and weather apps, that can be accessed when connected to satellite coverage beyond the reach of your mobile network.

"From today, eligible Telstra customers can now access a range of Select Satellite Apps, including navigation, messaging and weather apps, when connected to satellite and beyond the range of our mobile network.

Following the launch of satellite messaging in June 2025, this Australian first capability provides eligible customers with an additional connectivity option, particularly in regional and remote areas across the country.

It means simple but important moments – like checking directions, keeping an eye on the weather or messaging friends and family in the group chat – are now possible in areas beyond the reach of Telstra's mobile network.

Supported apps currently include:

- Navigation apps, including Apple Maps, Google Maps, and AllTrails;
- Messaging apps, including iMessage, WhatsApp, Facebook Messenger, Signal and Google Messages;
- Weather apps, including Apple's Weather app, AccuWeather, and Google Weather;
- Google Fitness, and of course, the My Telstra app



You can find more information on our [TEX blog](#).

Peter Money
Chief Executive Officer



Council meeting dates 2026

Meetings commence at 1:00pm in the Council Chambers located at the rear of the Shire Administration Centre.

Meetings are open to the public.

2026

January	Special Meeting 15th
February	26th
March	26th
April	23rd-28th
May	Special 13th 28th-26th
June	25th
July	23rd
August	27th
September	24th
October	22nd
November	26th
December	16th



The Environmental Health Officer for the Shire of Sandstone is
Bill Atyeo

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SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

When we start to feel sorry for ourselves, or minor or insignificant matters in our lives cause us to become angry, bitter or just depressed, think about the following to realise how lucky we are.

How many people lack a home or adequate housing?

- **Up to 3.4 billion people** lack *secure, safe, and adequate housing*.
- **3 billion people** (≈40% of humanity) are affected by the global housing crisis.
- **1.16 billion people** live in slums or informal settlements.



More than 20 million people are forcibly displaced due to conflict, violence & human rights violations

The world is experiencing a food distribution problem.

- **266 million people** in 2025 faced *acute food insecurity* requiring urgent assistance.
- **35.5 million children** were acutely malnourished in 2026 across 23 crisis countries.
- **India exports \$51 billion of agrifood products** a year but widespread hunger and malnutrition persist – it's more profitable to export.

There is more than enough food produced in the world to feed the entire population – the reason we don't is political.

Armed conflict is the single largest driver of global hunger.

Approximately 70% of the world's acutely food-insecure people live in war zones or conflict-affected countries. Wars drive mass starvation and famine through several highly effective tactics:



- **Destruction of Agriculture:** Armed groups regularly destroy crops, burn fields, and kill livestock.
- **Mass Displacement:** Fighting forces rural populations from their lands, making it impossible to farm or secure steady food sources.
- **Sieges and Blockades:** Armies routinely blockade ports and roads, or lay siege to cities, intentionally preventing life-saving relief supplies from reaching civilians.

While extreme weather, poverty, and supply chain disruptions also cause food crises, intentional conflict remains the most potent and destructive cause of starvation today.

Income: How many people have little or no income?

The best global measure is **poverty**, especially *extreme poverty*.

- **826 million people** live below the **\$3/day** poverty line (2026 estimate).
- **847 million people** lived in extreme poverty in 2024.

Sub Saharan Africa and parts of the Middle East/North Africa have the highest poverty rates.

If you own a home, you are reasonably well fed, you have some money in your pocket, you own a car and you are relatively safe – be thankful – be grateful.



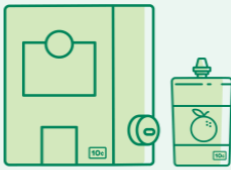
Submitted by Peter Money

Containers for Change

The Containers for Change initiative now accepts even more types of containers. The expansion includes wine and spirit bottles - visit www.containersforchange.com.au/wa/scheme-expansion To learn more.

"Since launching in 2020, Containers for Change has recovered more than 5.4 billion containers, helping lift Western Australia's beverage container recovery rate from 34 per cent to more than 65 per cent, with this figure reaching 80 per cent for glass containers.

The scheme has generated more than \$21 million for charities, schools, and community groups through donated refunds, and provides an ongoing source of fundraising for community organisations across the State." *Hon. Matthew Swinbourn* [Containers for Change expands to include wine and spirits](#) / [Western Australian Government](#)

 Plastic Bottles Water, soft drinks, juice, flavoured milk, and sports drinks.	 Glass Bottles Water, beer, pre-mixed spirits, and soft drinks.	 Drink Cans Soft drinks, carbonated beverages, energy drinks, beers, and pre-mixed spirits.
 Drink Cartons Flavoured milk cartons, juice cartons, juice boxes, and water cartons.	 Wine & Spirit Bottles Wine and spirits in plastic and glass bottles.	 Juice & Cordial Bottles All fruit and vegetable juice, and cordial containers.
 POUCHES, CASKS, LIDS & CORKS We also accept a range of juice pouches, water casks, and wine in sachets or casks. You can bring your separated corks and lids with you to the refund point, as these can be recycled too.		



August Stargazing



Image provided courtesy SkySafari,
SkySafariAstronomy.com

Moon and Mars at the Horns of Taurus | 9th August

Taurus is a fantastic constellation. The bright red star of Aldebaran marks the eye of the bull and a pair of horns extend out into space. Early in the morning on 9th August, there's a great opportunity to see which stars mark the tips of the horns of Taurus. The Moon marks the tip of one horn and Mars the other.

You'll also see another red star to the right of Aldebaran. Betelgeuse will appear above and

to the right of Mars. When and where to look: 6am, 9th August. Look to the north eastern sky.

Something Interesting: Aldebaran is just over 65 light years away from Earth whereas Betelgeuse is a bit further at 500 light years away. This giant red star is about 1,000 times our Sun's diameter.



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SkySafariAstronomy.com

Sagittarius | Can You Find the Teapot in the Sky?

Sagittarius, a captivating constellation gracing our night sky, invites stargazers on a journey through mythology and celestial beauty. Positioned in the southern hemisphere, this zodiacal constellation is rich in lore and captivating features. Often depicted as a centaur wielding a bow and arrow, Sagittarius traces its origins to ancient Greek mythology, embodying the legendary centaur Chiron.

Time for a cuppa!

What distinguishes Sagittarius, drawing both astronomers and casual observers alike, is the celestial asterism known as the "Teapot." The Teapot is a delightful celestial coincidence that transforms the seemingly random arrangement of stars into a whimsical and recognisable form. Comprising the brightest stars in the heart of Sagittarius, this arrangement forms a distinct outline resembling a traditional teapot, complete with a spout, handle, and lid. In the Southern Hemisphere, Sagittarius appears upside down, and so is the "Teapot".

The "Teapot" is what's known as an asterism rather than a constellation. A constellation is an area of the sky that the International Astronomical Union officially recognises. On the other hand, an asterism is a pattern of stars that we can use to make up a recognisable shape or object.

Whether you're an avid astronomer or a casual observer, Sagittarius and its Teapot offer a delightful opportunity to connect with the mysteries of the night sky. As you gaze upon this celestial archer and its whimsical teapot form, you're not just witnessing distant stars — you're engaging with the rich tapestry of human imagination, mythology, and the awe-inspiring beauty of the cosmos.

Grab a nice cup of tea, head outside this month, and see if you can see the "Teapot".

When and where to look: Look directly above at around 8.30pm during August.

NOTICE

Sandstone Nursing Post Clinics

6th Aug- RFDS Dr and nurse Lana

13th Aug- Routine Clinic with nurse Lana

20th Aug- RFDS Dr and nurse Lana

27th Aug- closed

3rd Sept- RFDS Dr King but nurse Lana away

10th Sept- closed

17th Sept- RFDS Dr Comely but nurse Lana away

24th Sept - Routine Clinic with nurse Lana

Back to the normal routine





NOTICE

The Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2026-2031

At the Ordinary Council Meeting of 23 July 2026 Council Adopted the Disability Access and Inclusion Plan 2026-2031.
It is available for inspection on the Shires website
www.sandstone.wa.gov.au/council/documents



Helen St George Cooper
Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Shire of Sandstone
24/07/2026



NOTICE TO PET OWNERS

Free Pet Food and Treats Available

The Shire has received a donation of pet food and treats through **Animal Rescue Cooperative WA (ARCWA)** for the benefit of our community's registered cats and dogs.

If you have a **registered pet**, please visit the **Shire Office** and complete a registration form to be eligible to receive these donated items.

Please provide:

- Owner's name and contact details
- Pet registration number
- Whether your pet is a **cat** or **dog**

This food and treats supply has been provided **free of charge** through a donation from ARCWA. No payment is required. Distribution will be subject to available stock.



For further information, please contact the Shire Office.

Helen St George Cooper
Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Shire of Sandstone
28/07/2026

 **ARC supports help.
Help support ARC.**

<https://arcsupport.org.au>



CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

Number of elected members

As a process of continual improvement, Sandstone Council is undertaking a review of the number of elected council members.

Local governments with a population below 5,000 are permitted between 5 – 7 elected members. Sandstone has six elected members.

Council is seeking the community feedback on yes or no to reduce the number to 5 or retain the 6 positions

A Discussion Paper with points for and against reducing the number of members is located on the Shire website or can be acquired by contacting the Shire administration on administration@sandstone.wa.gov.au

Should any change to the status quo occur, the Council decision will be forwarded to the Local Government Advisory Board for further consideration.

Submissions will close at 4:00 PM on 13 August 2026

The Council has not made any decision on the proposal and will consider all proposals when discussions submissions at the Council Meeting of 27 August 2026.

Peter A. Money
Chief Executive Officer
Shire of Sandstone
26.06.2026

THE SANDSTONE ART & CRAFT SHOW

AUGUST 2026



**Opening Night - 15th August 2026
6PM-10PM**

The Sandstone Art & Craft Show is a free event that begins on the 15th of August with the much-anticipated opening night including wine and cheese tasting.

Then it will open daily for the following 2 weeks (closed Sundays).

There will be many kinds of works from local artists and crafters on display and for sale.



Community Hall on Hack Street, Sandstone, WA



DID YOU KNOW

Mount Magnet Seniors Group / Op Shop

There is an Op-Shop in Mount Magnet at the old school building, behind the park.

Open mon to friday 9 till 12 noon.

They kindly offer tea, coffee and biscuits to visitors.

Relax, have a chat over a cuppa and score a bargain.

They have Clothes, Bric-a-Brac, Electrical and more...

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They also offer free produce when available or by donation.



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ACCESS HEALTH WA

WHERE TO GO WHEN...

Know your health care options

access.health.wa.gov.au

Access Health WA is a new State Government initiative designed to help Western Australians better understand their healthcare options and know when and where to go, to get the medical help they need.

The new website provides simple, trusted guidance on non-life-threatening conditions, including information to help people decide when they should see a GP, visit an urgent care clinic, speak with a pharmacist or access after-hours advice.

Access Health WA aims to:

- make it easier for everyone in the community to choose the right healthcare pathway
- improve patient flow and overall system performance
- provide clear, consistent information about alternative care options.

Both the Access Health WA campaign and website have been developed following engagement across the health sector to ensure the information is accurate, accessible and reflects the needs of both the community and health professionals.

Access Health WA is now live at access.health.wa.gov.au

Choose the right health care near you

If it's life-threatening, call Triple Zero (000).

If you need care today but it's not an emergency, visiting an [urgent care clinic](#) or a [GP](#) (in person or via telehealth), or calling 1800MEDICARE (1800 633 422) may be faster.

If it's a minor issue, a [pharmacy](#) or self-care may be all you need.

Not sure if you need a doctor? Call [1800MEDICARE \(1800 633 422\)](tel:1800633422), or use the online [symptom checker](#) to help you decide what to do next.

Symptom Checker: www.healthdirect.gov.au/symptom-checker

Sandstone COMMUNITY MARKET

ON THE LAST SATURDAY OF *every* MONTH

AT THE
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SANDSTONE

9-12



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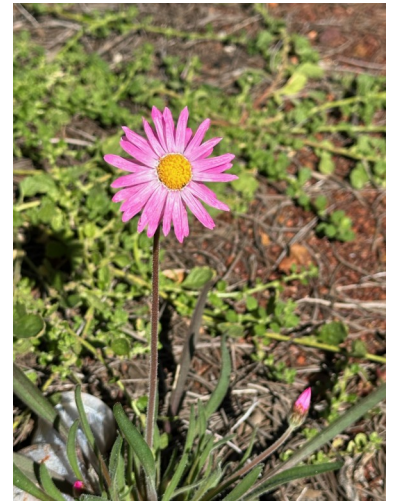
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Siobhan
FOR ANY ENQUIRIES
0407 993 117

Community Photos

Please send your photos to cso@sandstone.wa.gov.au **by the 25th** for publication in the next Bush Telegraph



Wildflowers on Leinster Road ^
- Tania Kevill



Wildflower North of Town ^
- Tania Kevill



Wildflowers— Paddy O'Brien >



Wildflowers— James Allison >



Water laying out back of Wiluna - Paddy O'Brien



Interesting Rose with curly petals



PEOPLE OF SANDSTONE

COMMUNITY COMMENT

“Once again we have been enjoying our stay at the Alice Atkinson Caravan Park in Sandstone. The managers Nathan and Jules have created a real community atmosphere and encourage visitors to get together and share their experiences and activities while staying in the park, they invite everyone to join them around the camp fire in the evenings and make sure no one is left out, they are the best caravan park managers I have come across in all my years of travelling. I hope one of the accompanying photos will be suitable for publication in Bush Telegraph.
Kind Regards from Dave and Kay”
David Whitney



Yes chef! Looking cute Karan Heath!



Craft Group Ladies working hard ↴



Judy, Tegan, Joanne and Dianne celebrating Diannes birthday not long after Judy had her 80th birthday in Sandstone →



Brett Newman with his handmade ‘Sandstone’ Sign—very talented! ↴



Aussie Fried Rice

Ingredients

- 400g long-grain white rice
- 3 eggs lightly beaten
- 3 celerys sticks finely chopped
- 1 red capsicum finely chopped
- 8 spring onions finely chopped
- 4 bacon rashers diced
- 300g cooked pork
- 300g cooked chicken
- 300g cooked prawns
- 2 tbs oil
- 2 tsp soy sauce
- 1 pinch salt and pepper *to taste

Method

Step 1

Cook rice in boiling, salted water for 10-12 minutes. Do not overcook. Drain well and rinse under cold running water.

Step 2

Spread rice evenly over 2 shallow trays to dry out completely overnight.

Step 3

Beat eggs lightly with a fork. Season with salt and pepper.

Step 4

Heat 1 tablespoon of oil in a pan and pour in egg mixture. Remove from pan and slice into thin strips then dice.



Step 5

Heat remaining oil in a pan or wok, and fry the bacon until crispy.

Step 6

Add celery and capsicum, and fry together.

Step 7

Add rice and stir for 5 minutes.

Step 8

Add meat, egg, spring onions and prawns. Mix lightly.

Step 9

When completely heated through, add soy sauce, salt and pepper. Mix well.

Sandstone Community Craft Group

Join us !



Tuesdays and Fridays

(APRIL to OCTOBER)

9AM to 1PM

At the Community Hall on Hack Street

The group meets every Tuesday and Friday (Closed Public Holidays) with visitors encouraged to join in. (needles and tools provided)
Start something new or continue with your own craft project.



Finished items are displayed for anyone to take a peak and will be available to purchase (Cash only)

For further information,
please contact Karan
0418 905 090.



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8 Followed orders

10 Oily fruit

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21 Wound in rings

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25 Perfect score

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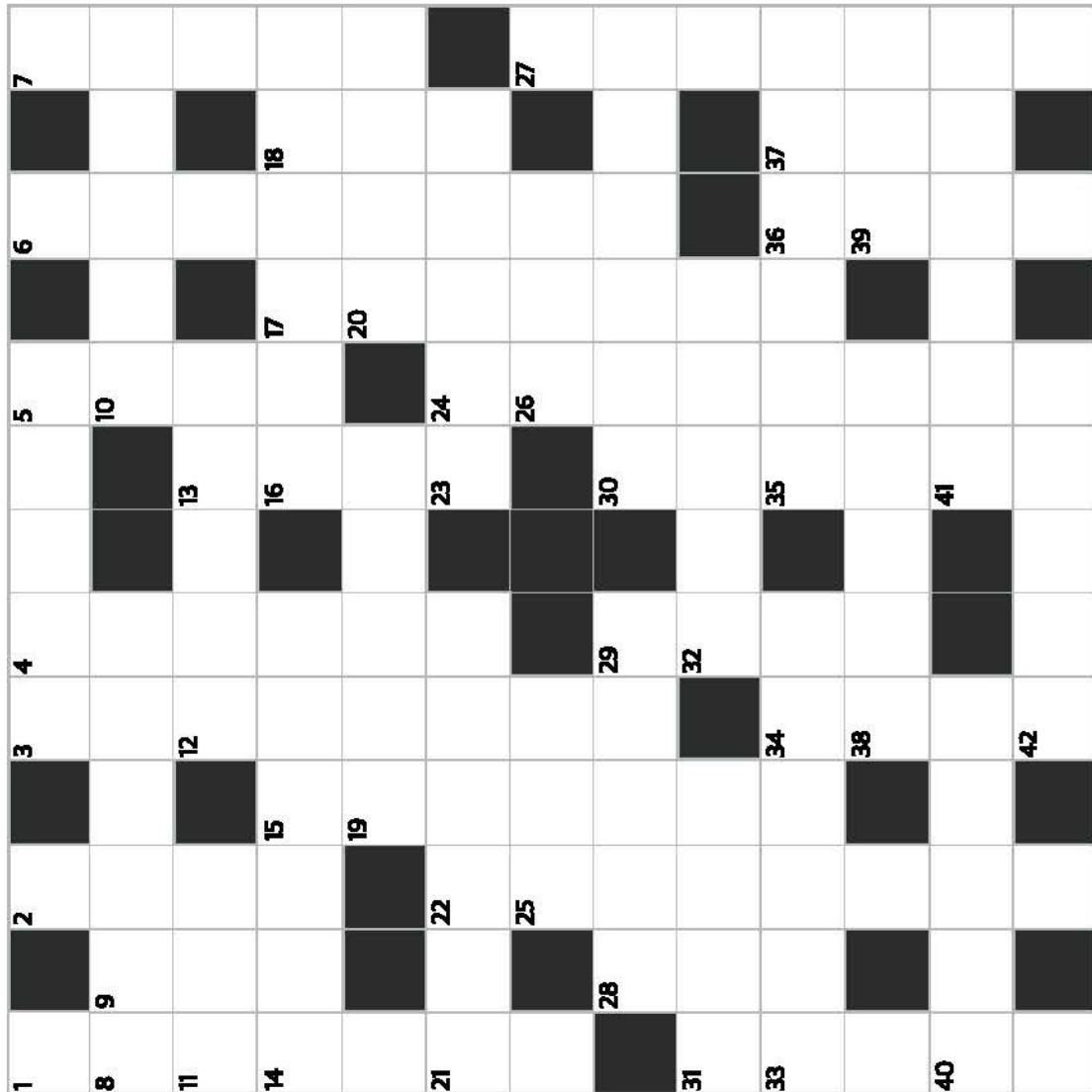
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Sudoku Hard 3648

By Auspac Media

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Mosquitos driving you crazy?

The Shire provides residents with free mosquito treatment sachets.
Come into the Administration Office to collect yours!

It is suggested to flush them down the toilet on a semi-regular basis.

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Lawn Bowls

Sandstone Community Rec Centre

Anyone wanting to play can arrange hire of bowls from the Visitor Centre



The Community Bus

Day trip to Mt Magnet and back

Trips will be the FIRST Monday of each month.



Please contact the shire office to confirm dates and to book.

(08) 9963 5802

The monthly runs are subject to booking numbers (minimum of 3) and availability of drivers.



The Sandstone Bush Fire Brigade is looking for volunteers

Meetings are held regularly
at the Bush Fire Brigade Station
Lot 73, Rowe Street

WE WANT YOU!

For more information, please call The Shire Office on (08) 9963 5802



Make a difference for your community.
Become an ambulance *volunteer.*

Supporting your Sandstone community is one of the best ways to get to know it. Join a social, inclusive and committed team, and you'll be surprised by the friendships you'll make, which can be as rewarding as the good you're doing for your town.

- Full training provided in a friendly, supportive environment.
- No medical experience required - all you need to get started is a police check. A clean drivers license, and a can do attitude.
- Not all callouts are emergencies - help with routine patient transport.
- Commit to shifts to suit your schedule - a minimum of 60 hrs. per annum.
- Uniforms and ambulance cover provided free of charge.

If this sounds like something you'd like to explore,
visit www.stjohnwa.com.au/changelives/volunteer
call St John Sandstone on 1800 069 393



Before attending the nursing post on Doctor days,
please contact Lana to make an appointment.

Lana can be contacted at home on **08 9963 5831**
or
at the nursing post on Thursdays on **08 9963 5808**

Thank You

Sandstone Physiotherapy

The Physio is currently provided via Telehealth
To make an appointment, please phone Geraldton
Physiotherapy Reception on 08 9956 2204

TELEPHONE HELP LINES

Mental Health Emergency Response Line : Tel: 08 9224 8888

(formerly Psychiatric Emergency Team) Perth WA 6000

Rural Link : Tel: 1800 552 002

4:30pm - 8:30am weeknights

24 hours on weekends and public holidays

Emergency Number
Royal Flying Doctor Service

1800 625 800



Meekatharra RFDS Flying clinics 2026

AUGUST

Thursday 6th	SANDSTONE	Dr. Phil King
Thursday 20th	SANDSTONE	Dr. Rebecca Warren

SEPTEMBER

Thursday 3rd	SANDSTONE	Dr. Phil King
Thursday 17th	SANDSTONE	Dr. Di Comley

Please note: Doctors are to be confirmed.

3rd Sept = Nurse Lana away

17th Sept = Nurse Lana away

Mobile Dental Service - Sandstone Dates for 2026

Sandstone Monday 14th September - Friday 25th September



Government of Western Australia
North Metropolitan Health Service
Dental Health Services

Health Services



SANDSTONE NURSING POST

IRVINE ST SANDSTONE

Nurse - Lana Lefroy 9963 5808 or 9963 5831



Wiluna Medical Services Available

The following medical services are available from visiting specialists through the Wiluna Medical Centre.

These services are provided free of charge to Sandstone residents and the travelling public.

To make an appointment with visiting specialists, contact Wiluna Medical Centre on **(08) 9981 8600**

Dentist (Monthly)

Gynaecologist

Audiologist

Ear, Nose and Throat (ENT)

Cardiologist

Respiratory

Health and Well being services

Child Health Services,

Paediatrician

Mount Magnet Medical Services

Phone for appointment with the GP **(08) 9940 3222**

Specialist & Allied Health

Services include:

- Cardiologist
- Sonographer
- Respiratory Physician
- Clinical Nurse Specialist
- General Physician
- Dietician
- Diabetes Education
- Podiatrist
- Audiologist
- Physiotherapy
- Renal Education
- Palliative Support Team

How do I see a visiting specialist?

To see the visiting specialists at Murchison Outreach Service (Mt Magnet) you must see the GP who will refer you to the appropriate specialist.

Need to know more? Contact our Specialist Clerk or specialist Nurse for further information on

(08) 9940 3222

For the Police, Fire and Ambulance call:

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Sandstone is a remote township which currently has
NO EMERGENCY MEDICAL HEALTH SERVICE

If you require EMERGENCY MEDICAL ASSISTANCE call:

1800 625 800

This will put you in contact with the **Royal Flying Doctor Service**,
who will provide immediate advice to you.

SANDSTONE NURSING POST

Irvine Street, Sandstone
RFDS Doctor in attendance every second week on Thursday
9:00am - 11:30am.

Nurse in attendance every Thursday 9:00am - 4:00pm

Phone Number	(08) 9963 5808
After Hours	(08) 9963 5831
Contact person	Lana Lefroy

Should you be traveling and require medical assistance,
24 hour / 7 day services are provided at :

MOUNT MAGNET NURSING POST

Corner of Criddle and Welcome Street, Mt Magnet
Monday - Friday 8:30am - 4:00pm. Closed for lunch

Staff on call for emergencies (08) 9963 3100

MEEKATHARRA HOSPITAL

Savage Street, Meekatharra

24hour casualty service (08) 9961 0600

PUBLIC NOTICES

Lights out in your street?

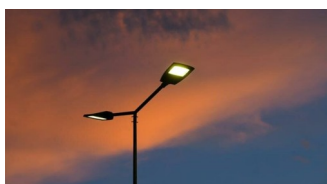
Lights in all Sandstone streets (besides Oroya Street) are maintained by Horizon Power; to report a street light that isn't working contact Horizon Power direct and state the individual pole number.
This number can be found on the street light pole.

You can call them on **1800 264 914**

or;

Go to their website

www.horizonpower.com.au/faults-outages/report-a-faulty-streetlight/



Pastoralists and D.E.C. in Sandstone and surrounding Shires have an ongoing wild dog bait programme.

Baits are on the ground ALL year round and are fatal to dogs

Dogs are **NOT PERMITTED** on a pastoral lease unless permission has been given.



To avoid being penalised all dogs and cats must be kept in your yard **OR** on a leash at all times.



Please clean up after your dog!!!!

All dogs must be registered.

If your dog is not registered or you are unsure, please contact the Shire office.



Dog registrations are due at the end of October each year.

Directory of Services



KARL IBBOTSON

Phone: (08) 9963 4004
 Fax: (08) 9963 4074
 Mob: 0427 991 893
 Email: murchisonpower@bigpond.com.au
karlibbotson@bigpond.com.au
 Web: www.murchisonpower.com.au
 Lot 483 Criddle Street
 PO Box 204 Mt Magnet WA 6638



EC 006509

JPB Contracting

Paul (Scruffy)
 Bennett

Ph: 0427 841 888



**YOU MUST CONTACT THE
 SHIRE OF SANDSTONE PRIOR
 TO DISPOSAL OF ANY
 ASBESTOS MATERIALS**

Phone (08) 9963 5802
 Mondays - Fridays
 8:30 - 4:00pm

**LEGAL ACTION WILL
 BE TAKEN FOR
 NON-COMPLIANCE**

Westcoast Seafood

Email: coral@westcoastseafood.com.au

FISH FILLETS-CUTLETS-WHOLE FISH

Smoked Cod (South Africa)	1kg	\$26.00
Royal Bassa (Pacific Dory) (China)	1kg	\$26.00
Southern Ocean Hake (Australia & NZ)	1kg	\$28.00
Whiting Southern (New Zealand)	1kg	\$30.00
Sweetlip Hoki (New Zealand)	1kg	\$30.00
Flathead Fillets - (Queensland)	1kg	\$36.00
Red Spot Emperor - (Thailand)	1kg	\$38.00
Mackeral Cutlets (West Australian)	1kg	\$40.00
Grouper	1kg	\$41.00
Atlantic Cod (Norwegian)	1kg	\$46.00
Pearl Perch (Queensland)	1kg	\$48.00
Tuna Steaks (South Australian)	1kg	\$50.00
Barramundi Portions (Kimberley Aust)	1kg	\$51.00
Salmon Portions - UNGRADED (Norway)	1kg	\$51.00
Gold Band Snapper (Onslow WA)	1kg	\$56.00
Barramundi Fillets	1kg	\$36.00
Red Emperor (Onslow WA)	1kg	\$66.00
Salmon Portions - Premium (Norway)	1kg	\$65.00
Swordfish	1kg	\$54.00
Whole Snapper	KG	\$33.00

Heat and Eat

Family Pies (Beef, Chicken & Leek, Red Wine)	850g	\$21.00
Quiche - (Spinach & Feta)	900g	\$20.00
Pizza (Hawaiian, BBQ Chicken, Supreme)	ea	\$20.00
Chicken Breast Nuggets	1kg	\$26.00
Chicken Wings & Drums (Mild or spicy)	900g	\$27.00
Chicken Sweet Chilli Tenders	800g	\$27.00
Marinated Chicken Wings	1kg	\$21.00
Meat Balls (Aussie BBQ)	1kg	\$29.00
Chicken Meat Roasted	1kg	\$29.00
Mini Spring Rolls - Vegetable	900g	\$27.00
Gourmet Beef Burgers (New Zealand)	1kg	\$29.00
Crumbed Chicken Fillet	1kg	\$27.00
Lamb Rissoles	1kg	\$29.00
Onion Rings	1kg	\$23.00
Dim Sims	1.2kg	\$20.00
Chicken Kiev Balls	1kg	\$27.00

LENARDS CHICKEN

Jumbo Chicken Burgers (8 on a tray)	1kg	\$27.00
Mignons (4 tray)	4pk	\$27.00
Enchiladas (4 tray)	1kg	\$30.00
Marinated Chicken Skewers (10 tray)	10pk	\$29.00
Garlic & Herb Schnitzel (4 tray)	1kg	\$31.00
Rolled Roast - Honey Mac or Cheese & Bacon	1kg	\$31.00
Chicken Kievs (Breast - 4 tray)	4pk	\$34.00

PRAWNS

Marinated Prawn Meat (Garlic or Chilli) (Aust)	500g	\$29.00
Garlic Prawn Skewers (10 pk) (Thailand)	500gr	\$37.00
Cooked Cocktail Prawns	1 KG	\$31.00
Cooked Exmouth Endeavours (West Aust)	1kg	\$33.00
Raw Northern King (West Aust)	1kg	\$33.00
Large Cooked King Prawns (West Aust)	1kg	\$51.00
XLarge Raw Prawn Meat (Aust & Thailand)	1kg	\$51.00
XLarge Cooked Prawn Meat (Thailand)	1kg	\$51.00
XL Raw King Prawns (West Aust)	1kg	\$51.00
Shark Bay Prawn Meat (West Aust)	1kg	\$67.00
Prawn Cones	1kg	\$31.00

MISC SEAFOOD

Mussels Whole (New Zealand)	1kg	\$19.00
Chilli Squid Rings (New Zealand)	500g	\$23.00
NZ Littleneck Clams (New Zealand)	1kg	\$24.00
Raw Crab Meat (Shark Bay WA)	200g	\$24.00
Seafood Marinara (Thailand)	1kg	\$27.00
Squid Tubes (New Zealand)	1kg	\$29.00
Mussell Meat (New Zealand)	1kg	\$32.00
BBQ Combination Pack	1kg	\$31.00
Oysters 1/2 shell (New Zealand - South Island)	1doz	\$32.00
Scallop Meat (Tasmanian)	500g	\$40.00
Moreton Bay Bug MEAT (Queensland)	500g	\$44.00
Crayfish - vary in size 450-600gr	aver	\$39.00
Kinna	170gm	\$41.00

Plus more!



Email Coral for up-to-date price lists and to order.

Directory of Services

GOLDEN EARTHWORKS

Contract front end loader work available.

Contact Lachlan Brown for more information:

PH: 0487 366 360



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PLUMBING & GAS

SERVICING MID WEST & GOLDFIELDS REGIONS

MINING | COMMERCIAL | RESIDENTIAL | INDUSTRIAL

24/7 EMERGENCY

PH: 0416 307 843 | ADMIN@LEISKHYDRAULICS.COM.AU

Midwest Mental Health and Community Alcohol and Drug Service

1800 051 999

www.wacountry.health.wa.gov.au



Meekatharra

Mental Health Meekatharra Hospital
Savage Street
Meekatharra WA 6642
Telephone: 1800 051 999
Facsimile: 9956 1998

Midwest, Murchison and Gascoyne
Regional visits are conducted regularly
Telephone: 1800 051 999
Facsimile: 9956 1998

Directory of Services



Skinny Diesel Services is based in Mount Magnet and services surrounding Murchison/Goldfields areas. Servicing and repairs from cars to trucks, trailers and heavy machinery.

Phone: 0400 489 405

Email: admin@skinnydieselservices.com.au

57 Richardson Street, Mount Magnet WA

IF YOU REQUIRE THE
SERVICES OF A
JUSTICE OF THE PEACE
PLEASE CALL
MARGARET DUHIG ON
0412 652 835 FOR AN
APPOINTMENT.
THIS IS A FREE AND
CONFIDENTIAL
SERVICE.



POST OFFICE SERVICES

Australia Post (Regular Mail)
Delivered Tuesday & Thursday -
Pick-up after 12noon

Freight (Toll)
Delivered Wednesday & Friday -
Times vary

Gas bottles available through
the Shire of Sandstone Office.
(8.5 and 45kg - Exchange only)



Directory of Services

ACCOMMODATION

OUTBACK ACCOMMODATION SANDSTONE

(08) 9963 5869

outbacksandstone@gmail.com



THE BREAKAWAY

**SHORT AND LONG TERM
ACCOMMODATION**

Phone 0419 910 310
or book direct on Airbnb



OLD POST OFFICE Air BnB

Email: sandstone6639@gmail.com Phone: 0427 934 620



FOOD IN SANDSTONE

THE SANDSTONE GENERAL STORE AND CAFE



Monday to Friday 7AM - 4PM / Saturday & Sunday 7AM—1PM

A wide range of grocery items including fresh fruit, vegetables, dairy, meat, cooking needs, snacks and drinks. Jamie and Siobhan have wonderfully renovated the building and incorporated a Cafe decorated with many interesting curiosities.

Please note: opening times and days vary throughout the year

OUTBACK ACCOMMODATION



Outback Accommodation has an on site shop offering a selection of heat-and-eat meals plus basic pantry needs, canned goods, toiletries, fresh milk, eggs and ice.

Located on the corner of Oroya St and Thaduna St.

Open 7 days - phone: (08) 9963 5869



THE POST OFFICE CAFE

CLOSED

Now operating as an Airbnb

Please note: opening times and days vary throughout the year

Community Bulletin Board

Ordinary Meeting of Council

**The next Ordinary Meeting of Council is
Thursday 27th August 2026
from 1:00pm in Council Chambers**

**When prepared, the Agenda can be viewed online
at www.sandstone.wa.gov.au or at the Sandstone Library**



Telehealth is Here!

Sandstone has received a computer for telehealth consults using the Avaya website (video conferencing system).

Community members will now be able to have face-to-face consults with their medical practitioners in a private room in the Sandstone Community Hall.

Appointment dates and times for the use of these facilities can be booked in with the Shire on 9963 5802



Community Bulletin Board

If you would like your details listed in the next Sandstone Directory please email with your full name, number and any other details you would like included.
(Businesses and Residents)

Email: cso@sandstone.wa.gov.au



ROTARY CLUB

We are the very first Rotary Club that is based purely online in WA. This enables people living in remote/regional areas the option to still provide a service to their local community by joining Rotary E club of E.WA. It's a new and vital Rotary Experience.

We meet via online webinars and the use of Facebook, both open to the public and private sessions.

Name: E-WA Rotary

Website: www.ewarotary.org.au

Facebook: www.facebook.com/ewarotary

Phone: 0408 802 490

Community Group Name:

E-WA Rotary—Kerry O'Shea
rotaryewa@gmail.com

We'd love to hear from you :)

TELSTRA PRIORITY ASSIST SERVICE

<https://www.telstra.com.au/consumer-advice/customer-service/priority-assist>

What's Priority Assistance?

Priority Assistance is a priority fault repair and connection service we offer customers who depend on a working home phone due to a life-threatening medical condition. If you or someone living with you may be at risk without access to a working home phone, you could be eligible for Priority Assistance.

If you're not a current Telstra account holder, you'll need to order a new home phone service to receive Priority Assistance. Call us on [13 22 00](tel:132200) and say 'Priority Assistance' to place your order.

You're also eligible for Priority Assistance if you have other dependent medical conditions and live alone without support or in a remote location.



HERITAGE MUSEUM & VISITOR CENTRE

OPEN - Come say hello !
Look for the open flag

Opens seasonally from around Mid April to October

Community Bulletin Board

Useful Sandstone Telephone Numbers

Shire of Sandstone Office & Post Office	08 9963 5802
Sandstone Museum & Visitor Information Centre	08 9963 5061
Alice Atkinson Caravan Park	08 9963 5859
Sandstone Nursing Post	08 9963 5808
Outback Accommodation	08 9963 5869
General Store and Café	0427 934 620
Justice of the Peace	0412 652 835
Main Roads - Road Conditions (24 Hr Customer Contact Centre)	13 81 38
Mt Magnet Police	08 9963 3222

FOR SALE - \$250

Solar Charging box

with 600 watt inverter good for camping

Call Shane for more information 0429 171 150



 Meekatharra School of the Air

Kindy Admission 2027

ENROL NOW!

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN

If your child is born between
01 July 2022 - 30 June 2023
(4 years old by 30 June 2026)
you may apply to enrol your child
at MSOTA for Kindergarten 2027

ENQUIRIES - 9923 5200
email - meekatharra.sota@education.wa.edu.au



Community Bulletin Board

Sandstone Heritage Museum & Visitor Centre

OPEN for the season - Come Say Hello !



Follow us on Facebook for updates



**Sandstone Library is located within the
Shire Administration Building
Monday - Friday 8.00am - 4.30pm**

- Interlibrary Loans
- Audio Books
- Internet access
- DVDs
- Fiction and non Fiction books



Mount Magnet Post & Lotteries

Gifts, cards, stationery, art supplies.
Passport photos and much more
Drop in and browse

Check out the website www.mtmagnetpost.com
Phone: 0419 968 514
(Please text with parcel enquiries)

Looking for Gold?

Want to Prospect near Sandstone?



Please contact the
Department of Mines and Petroleum,
Cr Hepburn and Richardson Streets,
Mount Magnet

Telephone (08) 9963 4509
Fax (08) 9963 4488



If you have a story, photo, birthday, or something else you would like to see in the
Bush Telegraph, please email

cso@sandstone.wa.gov.au

Community Feedback

If you have any ideas that could benefit our community, please feel free to let us know, whether it's activities, workshops or something you would like to see in the near future.

Cut out and drop your feedback form into the Shire office at Reception or post to Shire of Sandstone, Hack Street Sandstone WA 6639 or email to cso@sandstone.wa.gov.au

Do you know where the DEFIBRILATORS are in town?

They can be found at the following locations:

1. Out the front of the Shire Administration Office.
2. Out the front of the Caravan Park Office.
3. Out the front of the General Store.
4. Inside Outback Accommodations Office.
5. On the outside wall of the Recreation Centre.

Please take note of their location—just in case!

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WHOLE BODY WORKOUT

Check out the Live Lighter website to build your own workout and follow along with the video

10 min
min

Beginner
level

Light weights /
water bottles
available

Start

[LiveLighter - My Workout Builder](https://livelighter.com.au/my-workout-builder)

<https://livelighter.com.au/my-workout-builder>

Warm up



00:30 Arm circles



Break

00:30



00:30 Bottom kickers



Break

00:30

Main workout



00:30 Bent over rows with one arm
Keep back straight, bring hand back to hip, squeeze shoulder blade toward spine.



Break

00:30



00:30 Mountain climber twists



Break

00:30



00:30 Bicycle crunches
This exercise may not be suitable if you experience lower back issues. Lift shoulders off floor and bring elbow to opposite knee. Don't pull head forward, keep chin tucked close to chest.



Break

00:30



00:30 Hundreds
Keep legs in tabletop position (knees over hips, feet in line with the knees). Gently tuck chin and avoid straining neck. Inhale for four arm pulses and then exhale for four arm pulses.



Break

00:30



00:30 Bent over rows with both arms
Keep back straight, bring hands back to hip, squeeze shoulder blades toward spine.



Break

00:30



00:30 Dead bugs
If you have shoulder issues and/or need to stabilise body keep your arms on the floor out to the sides.



Break

00:30



00:30 Reverse fly
Squeeze shoulder blades together when lifting arms.



Break

00:30



00:30 Modified bird dog



The Bush Telegraph is available digitally on the Shire of Sandstones website

www.sandstone.wa.gov.au/community/the-bush-telegraph

Send Me An Email!



Do you have a picture to share?

A story to tell?

An event to promote?

Or just a question?

Send me an email at cso@sandstone.wa.gov.au

Shire Website



Visit the Shire of Sandstone website for information on Town Services, Council, Community, Tourism, Events and News.

www.sandstone.wa.gov.au

Road Conditions



Road conditions are published on the Shire of Sandstone website.

The bitumen road between Mt Magnet and Leinster is maintained by Main Roads.

Our road condition report includes the following sections within the Sandstone Shire Boundary only:

Sandstone—Youanmi—Paynes Find (Via Gravel)

Youanmi—Mt/Magnet (Via Gravel)

Sandstone—Menzies (Via Gravel)

Sandstone—Meekatharra (Via Gravel)

Sandstone—Wiluna and Gidgee (via Gravel)

Sandstone—Yeelirrie (Via Gravel)

Heritage Trail (Gravel)

The website also has the contacts for nearby shires where you can check on the condition of connecting segments.

Follow US ON INSTAGRAM

Stay connected with everything happening
in the Sandstone Shire!



LOCAL
EVENTS



STUNNING
PHOTOS



IMPORTANT
UPDATES



SANDSTONE_SHIRE

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SUPPORT LOCAL
LOVE LOCAL



FOLLOW ALONG
BE PART OF OUR SHIRE

Together

WE MAKE OUR
SHIRE STRONGER

Follow SANDSTONE SHIRE

Stay connected to our community
for the latest news, events,
and updates



Community News



Events & Activities



Important Updates



Share Your Moments

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Find us on Facebook
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*Proud of our past,
building our future*



SANDSTONE
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DAYS OF MURCHISON

The GASCOYNE MURCHISON

-TRAVEL PLANNER-

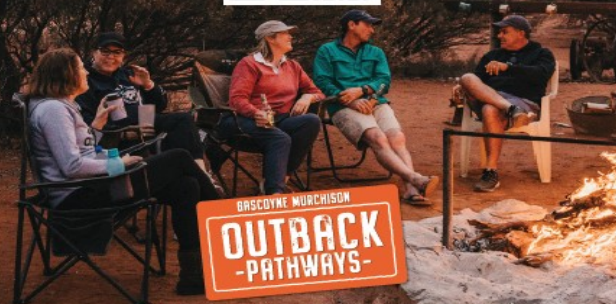
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MOUNT MAGNET | SANDSTONE | CUE | MEEKATHARRA
GASCOYNE JUNCTION | WILUNA

CHOOSE YOUR PATHWAY TODAY!

For detailed routes, itineraries & accommodation
please visit www.outbackpathways.com

2026

THE SANDSTONE ART & CRAFT SHOW



You are invited !

15th AUGUST

OPENING NIGHT

6PM-10PM

A free event showcasing local artworks at the Community Hall on Hack Street. The exhibition will also be open during the day for the following two weeks.

August 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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23	24 Art & Craft Show	25 Art & Craft Show 	26 Art & Craft Show	27 Art & Craft Show Council Meeting	28 Art & Craft Show 	29
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Craft Group (In the Community Hall on Hack Street - Tuesdays and Fridays 9am)

Internet access is available at the Sandstone Library in the Shire Administration Building, using our computers.

Monday - Friday
8.30am - 4.30pm

Please note :
The Shire Administration building does not have WIFI



If you would like your event to appear in the Bush Telegraph please contact the Shire of Sandstone - Phone: 08 9963 5802 Email: cs@sandstone.wa.gov.au