

# FROM YOUR SHIRE COMMUNITY NEWS

EDITION 90 - APRIL 2025



CORAL COAST  
HELICOPTER SERVICES



## 10TH - 13TH APRIL 2025



PROGRAMME

**Thursday 10th April**  
Gas Dash Street Party | Scrutiny  
**Friday 11th April**  
Prologue  
**Saturday 12th April**  
Racing Day 1  
**Sunday 13th April**  
Racing Day 2 | Presentation & Party







## **YOU ARE INVITED TO THE NEXT MEETINGS OF COUNCIL**

### **AGENDA FORUM**

Tuesday 15 April 2025  
Council Chambers  
Stuart Street  
Carnarvon  
Commencing at 8.30am

### **AUDIT & RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**

Tuesday 22 April 2025  
Council Chambers  
Stuart Street  
Carnarvon  
Commencing at 10.30am

### **ORDINARY COUNCIL MEETING**

Tuesday 22 April 2025  
Council Chambers  
Stuart Street  
Carnarvon  
Commencing at 9.00am

## **YOUR COUNCIL**

### **SHIRE PRESIDENT**

Cr Eddie Smith

### **COUNCILLORS**

#### **TOWN WARD**

Cr Luke Vandeleur  
Cr Luke Skender  
Cr Paul Kelly  
Cr Dudley Maslen

#### **PLANTATION WARD**

Cr Marco Ferreira

#### **CORAL BAY WARD**

Cr Adam Cottrell

#### **GASCOYNE/MINILYA WARD**

Cr Burke Maslen





President Eddie Smith

## Shire President's Mantra

STABILISE  
OUR  
FINANCIAL  
POSITION



IMPROVE OUR  
TOWN AND  
SURROUNDS  
AMENITY



FIX WHAT WE  
GOT!

# FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Hi Carnarvon,

The past few weeks have been quite busy. It was an absolute pleasure to welcome our Governor His Excellency, The Honorable Chris Dawson and Mrs Dawson to our town. I thanked the Governor for the patience, understanding and support whilst in the role of Commissioner of Police and now as the Governor.

Carnarvon Shire is on the cusp of exciting and significant developments, with major developments commencing in Coral Bay which will support tourism in our Shire.

Also underway is the Food Bowl expansion and construction has commenced on the replacement artificial reef here in Carnarvon.

Also getting closer is the accommodation development on the Old Police Stn/Court house site, which received Council approval recently. The owners of the old whaling/Prawning factory are continuing the work on gaining approvals for significant tourism development that will align with and compliment the Heritage Precinct.

It's also wonderful to be able to report that the Shire Staff have made an amazing effort in raising grant funding to complete many beneficial projects in our town, including upgrades to existing assets, which include the airport runway works of eight million dollars. It is quite exciting to be able to report that there will be close to 40 million dollars of grants coming into our Shire Council soon.

I ask that we all positively embrace the future and not allow the negatives to be the driving force in our thinking and communications. Your Council is demanding State and Federal government intervention and support by legislating change to managing with negatives.

I'm excited for our communities future, Please remain positive,

Thank you.

**SHIRE PRESIDENT**

## MEET THE SHIRE PRESIDENT

Do you have a Shire issue that you wish to discuss or may have a great idea for Carnarvon? The Shire President extends an invitation to members of the public to meet with him to discuss your issues or ideas. Please note that these meetings will be by appointment only. The Shire President will be available every Friday between the hours of 9.00am to 12 noon. If you would like to catch up with the Shire President please contact Dannielle Hill at the Shire Offices on 99410050 or by email at [hill.d@carnarvon.wa.gov.au](mailto:hill.d@carnarvon.wa.gov.au)

The Shire President looks forward to meeting with you.

# SHIRE OF CARNARVON EASTER AND ANZAC WEEKENDS OPERATING HOURS

## SHIRE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

### EASTER

Good Friday 18 April - CLOSED  
Monday 21 April - CLOSED

### ANZAC DAY

Friday 25 April - CLOSED

## LIBRARY/ART GALLERY

### EASTER

Thursday 17 April - OPEN  
Friday 18 April - CLOSED  
Saturday 19 April - CLOSED  
Monday 21 April - CLOSED

### ANZAC DAY WEEKEND

Friday 25 April - CLOSED  
Saturday 26 April - CLOSED  
Monday 28 April - CLOSED

## BROWNS RANGE WASTE FACILITY

### Easter

Friday 18 April - CLOSED  
Saturday 19 April - CLOSED  
Sunday 20 April - CLOSED  
Monday 21 - OPEN 8am to 2pm

### Roadside Bin Collection

All roadside bin collections will remain as normal except for:

If your bins are collected on Friday 18 April, they will be collected on Thursday 17 April.  
Monday collections will remain the same

### ANZAC long weekend

Browns Range Waste Facility ANZAC Weekend  
Operating Hours  
Friday 25 April - CLOSED.  
Sunday 27 April - OPEN 8am - 2pm.

### Roadside Bin Collection

if your bins are collected on Friday 25 April, they will be collected on Thursday 24 April.

## CARNARVON AQUATIC CENTRE

FRIDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> EASTER FRIDAY - CLOSED

Sat 19<sup>th</sup> April Open 10-5pm  
Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> April Open 10-5pm  
Monday 21<sup>st</sup> April Open 10-5pm  
Anzac Day Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April Open 10-5pm

## CARNARVON VISITOR CENTRE

### EASTER WEEKEND

Friday 18 April - CLOSED  
Saturday 19 April - CLOSED  
Monday 21 April - CLOSED

### ANZAC DAY WEEKEND

Friday 25 April - CLOSED  
Saturday 26 April - CLOSED  
Monday 28 April - OPEN





## OPERATING HOURS SHIRE FACILITIES

### ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

3 Francis Street, Carnarvon

#### Office Open

##### Monday - Friday

9.00am - 4.00pm

Closed Public Holidays

#### Administration Available

##### Monday - Friday

8.00am - 5.00pm

Phone: (08) 9941 0000

### CARNARVON LIBRARY & ART GALLERY

#### OPENING HOURS

##### Tuesday

9.30am - 5.00pm

##### Wednesday

9.30am - 5.00pm

##### Thursday

9.30am - 5.00pm

##### Friday

9.30am - 5.00pm

##### Saturday

9.30am - 12.30pm

#### Mondays, Sundays & Public Holidays

CLOSED

#### Contact Details

18 Egan Street, Carnarvon

Phone: (08) 9941 3727

Email: [library.gallery@carnarvon.wa.gov.au](mailto:library.gallery@carnarvon.wa.gov.au)

### CARNARVON VISITORS CENTRE

Cnr Robinson Street/Camel Lane

#### Contact Details

(08) 9941 1146

[info@carnarvon.org.au](mailto:info@carnarvon.org.au)

#### OPERATING HOURS

##### MAY- OCTOBER

##### Monday - Friday

9.00am - 5.00pm

##### Saturday

9.00am - 12 noon

##### Sunday

CLOSED

##### NOVEMBER - APRIL

##### Monday - Friday

9.00am - 3.00pm

##### Saturday

CLOSED

##### Sunday

CLOSED

### CARNARVON AQUATIC CENTRE

#### OPERATING HOURS

##### Monday - Friday

10.00am - 6.00pm

##### Saturday, Sunday & Public Holidays

10.00am - 5.00pm

Lap Swimming Only

##### Monday, Wednesday & Friday

6.00am - 8.00am

##### Christmas Day and Good Friday

CLOSED

#### POOL SEASON

The pool opens late September/early October and closes in April

Contact (08) 9941 1415

For further details and fees please visit the Shire of Carnarvon website

[www.carnarvon.wa.gov.au/Community/Carnarvon/Facilities/Canarvon Aquatic Centre](http://www.carnarvon.wa.gov.au/Community/Carnarvon/Facilities/Canarvon Aquatic Centre)

### BROWNS RANGE WASTE DISPOSAL FACILITY

#### OPERATING HOURS

##### Monday to Friday

7.00am - 4.00pm

##### Saturday

CLOSED

##### Sunday

8.00am - 2.00pm

Closed Public Holidays

#### RUBBISH COLLECTION

##### Monday

Morgantown/Babbage Island

##### Tuesday

South Carnarvon

##### Wednesday

Brockman

##### Thursday

East Carnarvon/Kingsford/Browns Range

##### Friday

Plantations - North/South

### CARNARVON CIVIC CENTRE

For information relating to the hire of the Woolshed, contact the Visitors Centre on (08) 9941 1146

### CARNARVON AIRPORT

#### OPERATING HOURS

are determined by the REX flight schedule.

For flight information please contact REX on 13 17 13

Contact Details Airport

(08) 9941 1651



# PROJECTS UPDATE



Here you can find all the latest information about our ongoing projects across the Shire. From community facility upgrades to infrastructure improvements and new initiatives, we are committed to keeping you informed every step of the way.

## PIONEER CEMETERY FENCING

Thanks to the fantastic feedback from our community, the final design for the Pioneer Cemetery fencing is taking shape. The Shire of Carnarvon is now working closely with utility groups to ensure everything is lined up for a smooth installation. We're on track to kick off works in May and we anticipate wait to see the fencing completed by 30 June 2025.



## TRAMWAY BRIDGE RESTORATION PHASE

We're thrilled to announce that the Tramway Bridge restoration is officially underway! Early works are progressing well, with structural and geotechnical investigations already completed, and design planning in motion. Council is now actively exploring funding opportunities to help bring this important project to life.





## ARTIFICIAL REEF UPDATE

The \$1.4 million Carnarvon Artificial Reef Project is well on track, with a major milestone recently achieved – the successful test pouring of the concrete modules that will form the foundation of the reef.

Tender awardee MMA Offshore has partnered with local Carnarvon company Sweet As Concrete to manufacture the modules, which are now undergoing quality assurance checks.

MMA Offshore has reported the modules are meeting expectations and are pleased with the results so far. Once complete, the reef modules will be installed offshore, with deployment expected by the end of August.

The reef is designed to boost marine biodiversity and provide a new attraction for recreational fishers and divers, supporting both the local environment and tourism economy.

## MAINTENANCE GRADING PROGRAM

The Shire's contract grading operator has been hard at work, with maintenance grading on Quobba Gnarlloo Road well underway since mid-March and expected to wrap up by next week.



From there, the team will move straight onto Cardabia Road to get everything festival-ready! After that, it's on to Coral Bay, Warroora, Mia Mia, and Winning Roads, before finishing up at Minilya Lyndon Road.





## Kerbing Replacement Program

Exciting improvements are coming to Morgantown! Please be advised that removal of kerbing will begin on Wednesday, 9 April 2025. Once preparation works are complete, the installation of brand-new kerbing will kick off on 5 May 2025, covering areas around Wheelock Way, Morgan Way, Skipworth Street, Morrell Court, and Ridley Place.

In total, 2.4 kilometres of kerbing will be replaced at an estimated cost of \$125,000 — a big step in freshening up our local streets! Residents directly impacted by the works will receive a letter drop with more information.

## VAN DONGEN PARK

The new Van Dongen Park will be a true destination park, designed to bring our community together and celebrate our unique identity. Get ready for custom-built, iconic playgrounds that are not only fun but also reflect the spirit of Carnarvon!

There will also be shaded picnic and BBQ areas perfect for family gatherings, plus beautifully landscaped green spaces filled with a variety of native plants.

Want a sneak peek? Scan the QR Code or visit [www.carnarvon.wa.gov.au/consultations/major-shire-projects/van-dongen-park](http://www.carnarvon.wa.gov.au/consultations/major-shire-projects/van-dongen-park) to view the playground design animation!



# Carnarvon Hosts Reception for His Excellency the Honourable Chris Dawson AC APM, Governor of Western Australia



The Shire of Carnarvon had the privilege of hosting a reception for His Excellency the Honourable Chris Dawson AC APM, Governor of Western Australia, and his wife, Mrs. Darrilyn Dawson, during their recent visit to the Gascoyne region. Their itinerary included stops in Exmouth, Gascoyne Junction, and Shark Bay, with Carnarvon serving as one of the highlights of their tour.

During their brief but meaningful visit, the Governor and Mrs Dawson were keen to learn more about the dynamic projects currently underway in Carnarvon. Both were deeply impressed with the community's commitment to growth and development, with a special focus on the area's unique local industries and vibrant cultural offerings.

The reception, which took place at the charming Lighthouse Keepers Cottage, offered guests stunning views overlooking the Heritage Precinct and waterfront. The evening brought together approximately 40 invited community members, including representatives from local sporting clubs, volunteers, state government organisations, Aboriginal cultural groups, and the horticulture industry. It was a wonderful opportunity to connect with His Excellency and Mrs Dawson, showcasing the spirit and progress of Carnarvon.

The Shire of Carnarvon is grateful for the Governor's visit and looks forward to continuing to foster meaningful connections with leadership, businesses, and community members alike as we move forward with exciting initiatives for the region.



## ARTIST CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAM

The Shire of Carnarvon is proud to support local artists through an Artist Capacity Building Programs fostering creativity and community connection.

We're thrilled to announce that local artists Shaydon Indich and Leanne Gillham will be participating in the program working alongside Tayla Beynon from Meraki Boho o to bring a stunning 'Carnarvon' themed mural to life!

This vibrant artwork will transform the side of Dunnings Fuel Station (formerly Shell) into a visual celebration of our town's unique culture, landscape, and stories.

For Leanne, who is also a teacher, this mentorship opportunity is a crucial step in her artistic journey. "As a teacher, art is my way of inspiring others to be brave and dream big."

Shaydon, a proud Carnarvon-born artist, is excited for the chance to contribute to the town's beauty while gaining valuable experience. "Most of my work is abstract, so this will challenge me in a new way with representational painting. I'm also looking forward to Tay's mentorship and collaborating with another Carnarvon-based artist. It's awesome that we're involving local youth, and one day, I'd love to design my own mural. My work is unique, and it would be amazing to see it on a large scale."

This initiative highlights the incredible talent within our community while enriching public spaces with meaningful, locally inspired art. Stay tuned for progress updates and the final reveal!



## LOCAL GROUPS BENEFIT FROM COMMUNITY GROWTH FUNDS CARNARVON MOTORCYCLE CLUB - \$5,000 OLD BASTARDS - \$3,560

The Shire of Carnarvon's Community Growth Fund and Outgoing Sponsorship Program has been designed to demonstrate the Council's commitment to supporting communities in the region by providing financial and in-kind support to events, projects and programs that build capacity, encourage participation, and make positive and ongoing contributions that align with the Shire's Strategic Community Plan.

The Community Growth Fund is designed to support community organisations in growing their clubs or organisations through various projects, programs, and events.

Council are pleased to announce the successful recipients for Round 1 of 2025 are as follows -

## SHIRE OF CARNARVON SUPPORTS GASCOYNE GYMNASTICS CLUB AND THEIR EFFORTS TO SECURE FUNDING

The Gascoyne Gymnastics Club has sought Council support to endorse their application for \$..... funding through the Community Sport and Recreation Facilities Fund to progress their development proposal for refurbishment of their existing facility in Shallcross Street.

in early 2025, the Club secured funding to construct a new gymnastics facility under the Australian Governments Play our Way Program - this will be constructed as part of Stage 2 of their facility plan. Stage 1 comprises the refurbishment of the existing facility which will see the upgrade and repurposing of the existing hall at 5 Shallcross Street, ensuring that the new purpose-built facility is integrated into a functional and accessible sporting hub including administration area, changerooms and bathrooms and a multi purpose community space.





# JAMBA NYINAYI FESTIVAL 2025 APRIL 18-20

Join us for a magical three-day celebration of connection, culture, and community at Cardabia Station from April 18-20, 2025.

Experience the rich Baiyungu culture through music, dance, storytelling, and workshops against the stunning backdrop of the World Heritage Listed Ningaloo coastline.

Camp under the stars, join the popular campfire sessions, and immerse yourself in authentic cultural experiences. With limited spots available, don't miss out on this unique festival where culture meets natural beauty!

Early bird offers coming soon - register now at [jnfestival.com.au](http://jnfestival.com.au)

- Camping packages available for 3-5 nights
  - Located just 5 minutes from Coral Bay
  - Cultural workshops, performances, food & arts markets
- Proudly sponsored by the Shire of Carnarvon.





## **BLOWHOLES TOILET FACILITIES REOPENED FOR THE UPCOMING TOURIST SEASON**

Council has endorsed the reopening of the toilet facilities at the Blowholes for the upcoming tourist season due to concerns regarding the impact of the recent closure on the region's tourism reputation.

The toilets have now been reopened.

The Blowholes is a key attraction in Carnarvon, located a considerable distance from town, and visitors have expressed frustration over the lack of basic amenities.

The Shire will employ a cleaner to maintain the facilities with additional Ranger services to the area to monitor the facilities and ensure camping compliance.

Council will continue to pursue with the Department of Planning to seek to revoke the Shire's management order over the Blowholes Reserve and lobby the State Government for a viable management solution.







## A POP OF COLOUR AT CARNARVON CENTRAL

Locals and visitors to Carnarvon Central are now greeted with the newly installed Carnarvon-themed window decals, showcasing the wonders of our beautiful region!

From breathtaking landscapes to rich cultural heritage, these vibrant designs offer a glimpse into what makes Carnarvon so special. The Shire of Carnarvon has brought this project to life, adding a splash of colour to the centre.

A big thanks to the team at Gascoyne Office Equipment for their fantastic work on the installation! When you are in Woolworths next, take a moment to admire the artwork!

## NOR WEST CUP

Shire of Carnarvon partnered with Gascoyne Football Association for the 2025 Nor-West Cup on 29 March to provide the entertainment to wrap up this regional event. Teams from Mullewa, Exmouth and Karratha came to Carnarvon to play a series of rounds.

The event concluded with live music by local musicians Ridley Archive and Geraldton band RATSALAD who put on a lively show. This live music event wrapped up the Carnarvon This Life Summer Music Series.



## UNDERNEATH/OVERLOOKED WORKSHOP

As part of the Underneath/Overlooked exhibition in the Art Gallery, a workshop was hosted on 1st and 2nd March with the talented Margaret Dillon from Concreto and artist behind the exhibition Penny Bovell. Participants explored the art of terrazzo plate making, learning new skills and creating beautiful pieces to take home.

Everyone crafted terrazzo side plates based on the incredible Scolaro tile colour palette. The atmosphere was lovely, with a lot of hard work leading to truly rewarding results.



## Exciting News: New Road and Parking Areas Now Open at Coral Bay

The newly constructed road and parking areas in Coral Bay, as part of the RAC Ningaloo Reef Resort Development, are now complete. The new infrastructure was officially opened on Friday, 4 April 2025, and is set to provide both residents and visitors with much-needed improvements to access the resort and beach frontage.

The development includes safe, accessible parking spaces that will allow easier access to the stunning Coral Bay beaches and the highly anticipated RAC Ningaloo Reef Resort.

This upgrade marks an important milestone in the ongoing development of Coral Bay, which will help boost tourism and support the local economy. The improved facilities are designed to enhance safety, reduce congestion, and offer a smoother arrival experience for all who visit this incredible part of Western Australia.

As we celebrate this new chapter for Coral Bay, we look forward to welcoming more visitors to enjoy the natural beauty, exciting activities, and luxurious amenities that the area has to offer.

Stay tuned for more updates on the ongoing development in Coral Bay!



## COUNTRY WOMENS AUSTRALIA COMMUNITY LUNCH

The Shire welcomed CEO of CWA of WA Trish Langdon to Carnarvon on 1 April to inspect their building site, and hold a community lunch with twelve local women. This was an opportunity to start the conversation on reestablishing the local CWA group which has been inactive for 8 years. Conversations covered the history and purpose of CWA with great ideas about how this group could be a wonderful part of our community.





# SHIRE HOLDS SECOND COMMUNITY MEETING

On Tuesday, March 25, the Shire of Carnarvon held its second Community Meeting at the Camel Lane Theatre. Although attendance was lower than expected, those who were present had the opportunity to engage directly with the CEO and President.

The Shire's CEO and President provided a comprehensive update on the current progress and future plans surrounding several important issues.

Among the topics discussed were:

- **The Blowholes:** The CEO and President offered insight into ongoing efforts and plans related to the Blowholes, emphasizing its significance to the community and tourism.
- **Tramway Bridge:** An update was provided on the status of the Tramway Bridge, with a focus on restoration and safety measures.
- **Fire Management along the River:** With fire season always a concern, the Shire has been focusing on improved fire management strategies, particularly along the river, to protect both natural habitats and nearby residents.
- **Addressing Antisocial Behavior:** The meeting also touched on the rising concern of antisocial behavior in certain areas. The Shire's plans for addressing these issues through collaboration with Government Departments were shared.

The meeting concluded with an open floor for the audience, providing residents the chance to ask questions and voice their concerns directly to the CEO and President. While the turnout was modest, the event provided a valuable opportunity for community engagement and transparency.

The Shire is committed to keeping the community informed and is planning additional meetings to ensure that residents' voices continue to be heard.

The next community meeting will be held on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June at the Camel Lane Theatre commencing at 5.00pm. Keep an eye out for announcements on the Shire of Carnarvon website and Facebook page.





# RANGER NEWS



## ILLEGAL DUMPING

Illegal dumping is a particular type of littering where people go out of their way to dump their rubbish. It includes waste materials that have been dumped, tipped or otherwise deposited onto land. Illegal dumping varies from small bags of rubbish in an urban environment to larger scale dumping of waste materials in isolated areas, such as bushland.

Report illegal dumping in Carnarvon to the Shire of Carnarvon Rangers on 99410000 during office hours. People who witness illegal dumping should if possible, and without placing themselves at risk, take note of the following:

- date, time and place the offence was committed.
- description of the offender.
- vehicle make, model, colour and registration
- type of litter or nature of the illegal dumping

Illegal dumping can be prosecuted under the Environmental Protection Act 1986 with maximum fines of \$62,500 for individuals and \$125,000 for corporate bodies (businesses). Under the Litter Act 1979 minor illegal dumping can attract an infringement notice of \$500 or \$2,000 if taken to court. Photographic or video evidence will also assist Rangers follow up with any prosecutions that may result from the information.

## NEED A RANGER

**If you have an urgent matter that needs a Ranger's attention such as snake handling or a dog attack, the Rangers can be contacted on 99410019 or after hours on 99410000 where your phone call will be directed to a call centre for assistance.**

**Please note that this is for urgent matters only and if the matter can wait until Monday, please call during normal office hours 8.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday.**

**SNAKE - Should you require assistance with a snake after hours please call the Snake Catcher, Rob Newman on 0477 038 738**

## LITTER AND THE LAW

Litter is any refuse or general waste that is discarded in an open or public place. Litter can detract from the aesthetics of an area and, depending on the nature and circumstance of the litter, can cause personal injury and/or environmental damage. Illegal dumping includes rubbish dumped at the side of a road, or items left on a verge outside of collection times.

There are many forms of littering and the Shire's Ranger Service will investigate each report. To ensure everyone continues to enjoy our shire, we've placed litter bins on streets and parks throughout the area.

Litter can include:

- Any material that is thrown or allowed to fall or is blown from a vehicle;
- the placing of waste in a reserve or public place
- the placing of domestic waste in a public rubbish bin
- the placing of bulk waste on your verge before the due date
- dumping of unwanted household, commercial or industrial waste in an open or public place
- throwing cigarette butts on the ground

Littering is an offence under the Litter Act 1979. Did you know littering carries a fine of up to \$63,000 for individuals and \$125,000 for corporations?

The Litter Act 1979 outlines what litter is and what constitutes littering. Littering offences are investigated and actioned by either the Rangers, Police officers or from the Keep Australia Beautiful Council. Illegal dumping is now covered in the Environmental Protection Act.

OFFENCE	ON THE SPOT FINES	COURT FINES
Insecure or uncovered loads	\$200	\$5,000
Cigarette butt	\$200	\$5,000
Lit Cigarette	\$500	\$1,000
Bill posting	\$200	\$1,000
Leaving flyers on cars	\$200	\$1,000
Breaking glass	\$500	\$5,000
Putting domestic rubbish in public bin	\$200	\$1,000
Fail to give name and address		\$1,000
Illegal Dumping (EP Act)		\$125,000
Animal carcass or animal body part	\$500	\$5,000
Asbestos	\$500	\$5,000
Failing to comply as directed by an authorised officer		\$1,000
Court may order the offender to pay the costs of removing the litter		

# COUNTRY OF ORIGIN FOR SEAFOOD IN HOSPITALITY SETTINGS - CONSULTATION MARCH 2025

The Department of Industry, Science and Resources is seeking feedback on the proposed mandatory country of origin labelling (CoOL) for seafood sold in hospitality settings. This includes restaurants, cafés and takeaways.

CoOL for seafood will give consumers clear, consistent information about where their seafood comes from. This will help them decide what seafood to buy.

The information standard proposed to be introduced under the Australian Consumer Law will use the Australian-Imported-Mixed (AIM) model. AIM will require hospitality businesses to use a letter – at a minimum – to indicate the seafood's origin:

- A (Australian)
- I (imported)
- M (of mixed origin containing both Australian and imported seafood).

The Department of Industry, Science and Resources is now consulting on an exposure draft information standard and draft explanatory statement that could be used to introduce these changes.

Your feedback will ensure the proposed materials are clear, easy to understand and useful.



**Australian Government**  
**Department of Industry, Science,  
Energy and Resources**



# GASCOYNE HORTICULTURAL INDUSTRY DAY A HUGE SUCCESS!



The Gascoyne Horticultural Industry Day, held on Saturday, 15th March at the Carnarvon Festival Ground, was a fantastic success! The event brought together growers, suppliers, and the local community for a day of industry insights, networking, and fun.

Attendees enjoyed expert talks, including a workshop by Mark Tupman on agronomy, and explored machinery displays, market stalls, and delicious food from Tasty Treats Food Van and Ramblers Football Club Canteen. The event also featured kids' entertainment, live music, and an Industry Update Forum.

A big thank you to Hort Innovations, The Shire of Carnarvon, and Gascoyne Food Council, for their support in making this day a memorable one. We look forward to next year's event and continuing to grow together as a community!



## We are hiring!

### CARNARVON COMMON GROUND PROJECT SEEKING PROJECT OFFICERS

**Do you have experience in Project Management?** Carnarvon Common Ground Project is looking for dedicated, community-minded individuals to join the team.

These roles are a great opportunity to be part of a collaborative initiative focused on improving outcomes for Carnarvon, particularly in reducing incarceration rates and social issues. You'll be working alongside local services and community members to support a place-based, collaborative approach that builds connection, stability, and long-term change.

We're currently seeking to fill the following positions:

- 2 x Experienced Project Officers
- 1 x Administration Officer

Whether you have experience in community development and engagement, social services, and administration, your skills could help shape a better future for our region.

To find out more or apply, contact Kate Boston at Gascoyne Development Commission on [info@gdc.wa.gov.au](mailto:info@gdc.wa.gov.au) or (08) 9941 7000.



### WHAT IS CARNARVON COMMON GROUND PROJECT?

Carnarvon Common Ground Project was formed following a series of comprehensive community meetings and collaborative discussions that started in September 2023. This was in response to an increase in crime and youth-related issues within the Gascoyne region. An Aboriginal-led community group began to meet regularly to explore more effective solutions to tackle systemic challenges related to mental health, domestic violence, substance abuse, and the criminal justice system.

The Carnarvon Common Ground Project aims to create an inclusive community strategy that supports both services and local residents and is in the process of rolling out an action plan which includes establishing an Aboriginal Community Controlled Organisation (ACCO) to run the day-to-day operations, partner with services providers and the delivery of identified priority projects.



# easter craft

Create fun Easter-themed craft!

**10.30–11.30am Saturday 12 April**

Ages 4–12 years

(Under 6s must be accompanied by an adult)

All materials provided

Carnarvon Library & Art Gallery

Limited places ~ Bookings essential (08) 9941 3727



SHIRE OF  
CARNARVON  
LIBRARY & ART  
GALLERY

# LEGO BUILD CHALLENGE TOWN CONSTRUCTION

PART OF THE  
SCHOOL HOLIDAY  
PROGRAM

We challenge you to help us construct a LEGO town for the April school holidays! Streetscapes, vehicles, cafe, school, park - what will you create?

**10-11.15am Tuesday 15th April**

Ages 6-14

Carnarvon Library & Art Gallery

Limited places

Book your spot at [bit.ly/42gcaxV](https://bit.ly/42gcaxV)



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# CONSUMER RIGHTS ONE-ON-ONE SESSIONS

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Do you want to know more about your consumer rights?

Book a private one-on-one appointment with Natasha from *Consumer Protection* to discuss any disputes you are experiencing regarding property, retail goods & services, and progressing a complaint to the Magistrates Court.

**Thursday 10th April**

Free ~ Ages 18+  
Carnarvon Library & Art Gallery  
Book your appointment today  
(08) 9941 3727

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## Have you heard about our Home Library Service?

*If you can't make it to the library, we are here to help.*

If you are stuck at home for health or medical reasons, we can deliver library books to your front door!

We also have our extensive online collections of e-books, e-audiobooks, e-magazines and more.



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## Be Connected Technology Workshops

*Acquire the knowledge and skills you need to use technology with confidence and keep safer online!*

### Apple iPhone basics

**1pm Tuesday 29 April**

- Phone features, settings and shortcuts
- ways to access, view and delete notifications
- how to change your passcode and block nuisance calls
- accessibility features and how to adjust them
- how to share photos with others.

### How to use government websites

**1pm Thursday 12 June**

- which government websites might benefit you
- how to set up a MyGov account
- how to link other government services to your MyGov account
- how to keep your personal details safe and secure.



**FREE ~ Ages 50+**  
**RSVP (08) 9941 3727**  
**Carnarvon Library & Art Gallery**



**Be Connected**

Every Australian online.







WHAT AN INCREDIBLE JOURNEY ART ON THE MOVE'S 'UNDERNEATH/OVERLOOKED' HAS BEEN SO FAR!

We kicked off the exhibition with a terrific and memorable opening night that set the tone for this unique experience. We were honoured to have Penny Bovell share her artistic journey, inspiring us all with her creativity and passion. Armando Scolaro's heartfelt family stories added a special warmth and connection, making it an evening to remember!

'Underneath/Overlooked' celebrates the artistic legacy of Italian immigrants Giuseppe and Anna Scolaro, whose distinctive terrazzo tiles have become iconic features in Western Australian architecture since the 1950s. Artists Penny Bovell and Gabby Howlett have created this family-friendly interactive exhibition that showcases vibrant silk reproductions of Scolaro tile patterns, alongside contemporary photographs of the tiles in real-world settings. Don't miss the engaging pattern-making activity that invites visitors of all ages to explore their creativity!

Come and experience the beauty and history of 'Underneath/Overlooked' while it's still on display until 25 April 2025. You won't want to miss this celebration of art, culture, and community!

**Library & Art Gallery opening hours:**

Tuesday - Friday: 9.30 am – 5.00 pm

Saturday: 9.30 am – 12.30 pm

# UNDERNEATH/OVERLOOKED



# TERRAZZO MAGIC: WORKSHOP SUCCESS

The workshop with the talented Margaret Dillon was a hit!

Participants explored the art of terrazzo plate making, learning new skills and creating beautiful pieces to take home. Everyone crafted terrazzo side plates based on the incredible Scolaro tile colour palette. The atmosphere was lovely, with a lot of hard work leading to truly rewarding results.

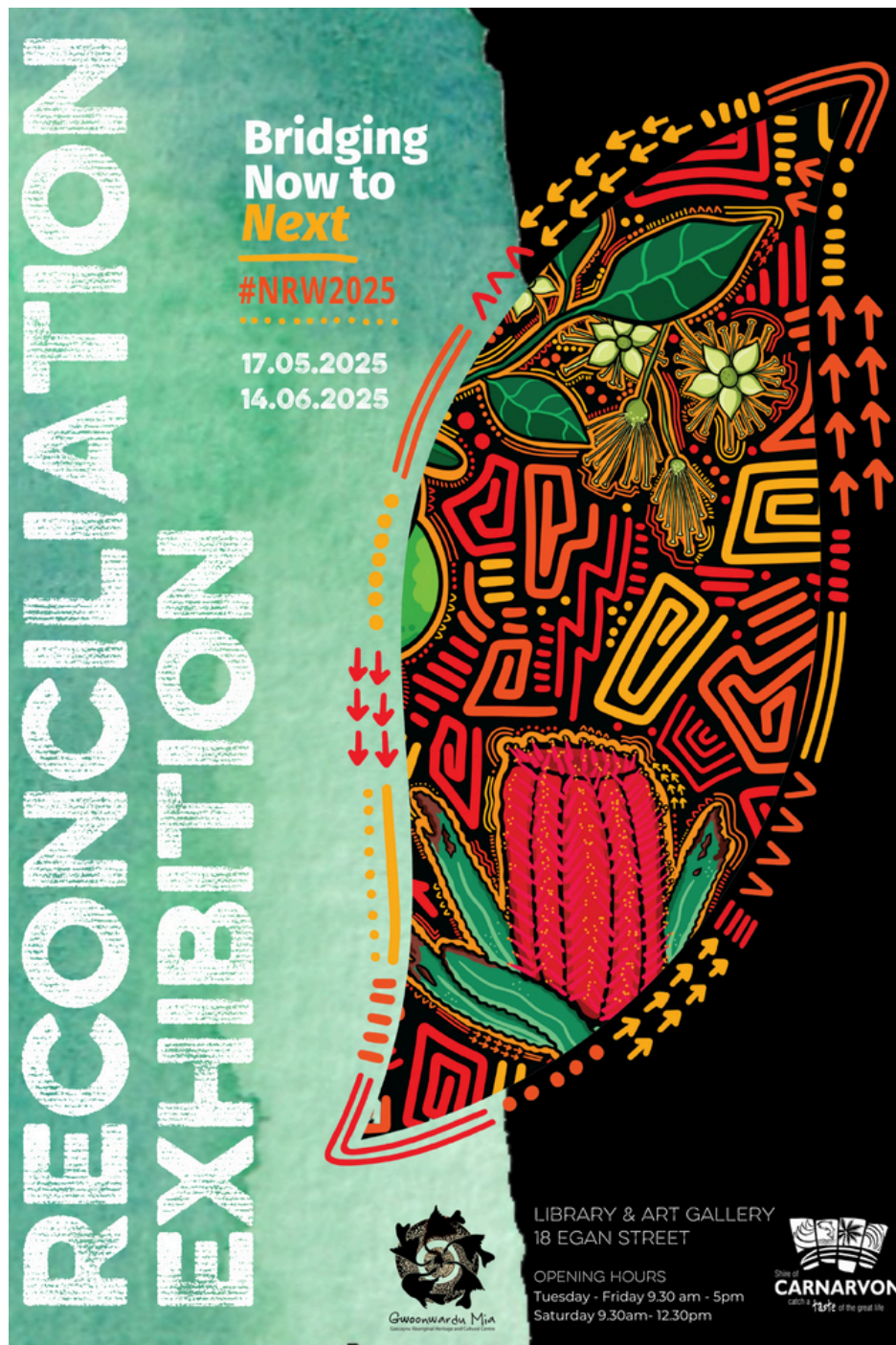
Thanks again to Penny Bovell and Margaret Dillon for the great workshop, lovely talks and the new skills gained.

We're so grateful to everyone who participated and made this creative experience so special!





# COMING SOON



## "BRIDGING NOW TO NEXT"

Discover Reconciliation through the eyes of Carnarvon.

The Shire of Carnarvon Library & Art Gallery and Community Art Hub invites you to a meaningful art exhibition celebrating National Reconciliation Week 2025 (NRW25). Experience the power of art as it illuminates a path toward understanding and connection.

Inspired by the NRW25 theme, "Bridging Now to Next," and the evocative artwork of Kalkadoon woman Bree Buttershaw, this exhibition explores reconciliation through a diverse array of artistic expressions. It is an opportunity to reflect, learn, and connect with the stories that shape our community.

Immerse yourself in this powerful display of creativity and community spirit.

### Library & Art Gallery

18 Egan Street

#### Opening hours:

Tuesday - Friday 9.30 am - 5pm

Saturday 9.30am- 12.30pm

**FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK  
FOR THE LATEST UPDATES**

## HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

- **Enter Your Artwork** – Register your artwork (free participation): Pick a hardcopy up at Gwoonwardu Mia, the Community Art Hub, or the Library & Art Gallery. Or register online!
- **Lead a Community Artwork**– Send through a proposal to co-create a communal artwork: email [Lammens.s@carnarvon.wa.gov.au](mailto:Lammens.s@carnarvon.wa.gov.au)
- **First Nations Artists** – When registered, select the option to have your artwork considered as the cover of the Shire of Carnarvon's Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) (\$1,000 award presented on the night).

## KEY DATES

- INFO SESSION: 2 APRIL
- REGISTER BY: 30 APRIL
- ARTWORK DROP-OFF: 5-9 MAY
- OPENING NIGHT: 16 MAY
- EXHIBITION RUNS: 17 MAY – 14 JUNE 25



THE COMMUNITY ART HUB IS THE HOME OF CREATIONS.

Members can use equipment for free.  
(membership is free!)

Drop in a speak to the team to get started on your art project.

**RECONCILE. CREATE. EXHIBIT.**

**YOUR ART, OUR SHARED  
STORY.**

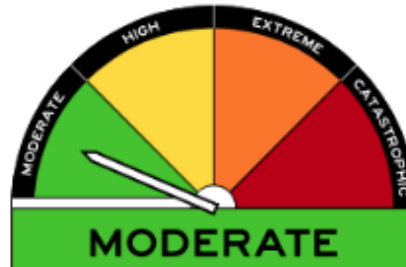


# ARE YOU **BUSHFIRE** READY?

## BURNING PERMITS AND BUSH FIRE CONTROL

Restricted and prohibited burning periods for Carnarvon is  
from October 1<sup>st</sup> until April 30<sup>th</sup>.

During this period, a permit will be required to burn. These permits can be obtained from one of the Shire Rangers by calling 99410019



## FIREBREAK INSPECTIONS

Rangers have commenced Firebreak inspections and it is disappointing to see there are a large number of properties that are not maintained. This can put your neighbours at risk and may result in infringements being issued.

Please ensure your property is in line with the Firebreak Notice that was sent to every property with their rates notice.

If you would like to report a fire hazard, please contact  
Carnarvon Rangers

**99410019**

**Email - [rangers@carnarvon.wa.gov.au](mailto:rangers@carnarvon.wa.gov.au)**



**FOR ALL  
FIRES DIAL  
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## CONTACTS INFORMATION

### ALL FIRES OR LIFE THREATENING

**EMERGENCIES 000**  
[emergency.wa.gov.au](http://emergency.wa.gov.au)

**Gascoyne River Volunteer  
Bush Fire Brigade Captain**  
0428 135 505

**Hospital**  
9941 0555

**SES**  
132 500/9941 2121

**Police**  
9941 7333/131 444

**DFES Information Line**  
13 33 37

**Community Emergency  
Services Manager**  
0448 081 637

**Shire Office**  
9941 0000  
**Ranger Co-ordinator**  
0408 942 945

**FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS**  
**Chief Bush Fire Control**  
(BFCO) 0428 135 505

**BFCO - Ranger Coordinator**  
0408 942 945



# Carnarvon's GREATSort Weekender



Saturday 3rd May



8am - 11.30am



CARNARVON CIVIC CENTRE  
CAR PARK

register & pay Here



## Car Boot Sale!



## Carnarvon's Treasure Trail



Sunday 4th May

Register your house  
for Carnarvon's  
Treasure Trail today!

Register Here





# SENIOR CITIZENS



## WEDNESDAY NIGHT IS BINGO NIGHT!!

JOIN US EACH WEDNESDAY EVENING AT THE  
COMMUNITY AND SENIOR CITIZENS' HALL  
(CNR OLIVIA TERRACE AND GEORGE STREET)

DOORS OPEN - 6.00PM  
EYES DOWN - 7.00PM

PLEASE BE EARLY TO GET YOUR BOOKS, FLYERS AND  
FAVOURITE TABLE.

SEE 'WHATS ON IN CARNARVON' OR 'CARNARVON  
NOTICE BOARD' ON FACEBOOK FOR THE WEEKLY  
JACKPOT PRIZE

TEA, COFFEE, COLD DRINKS AS WELL AS A  
SELECTION OF MUNCHIES ALSO AVAILABLE

### Looking for Something Different to Do?

Join our friendly group at the Snr Citz Hall from 8.30am each  
Tuesday

Enjoy a game of pool, indoor bowls or a variety of table games

Entrance Fees

Members \$10/Visitors \$12

includes morning tea and bottomless cups of tea and coffee.



### *Carnarvon Craft Group*

We invite you to join our friendly group from 9.30am  
each Thursday at the Senior Citz Hall

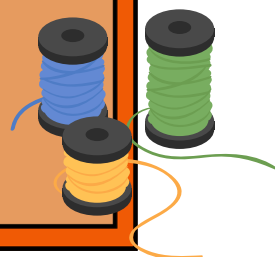
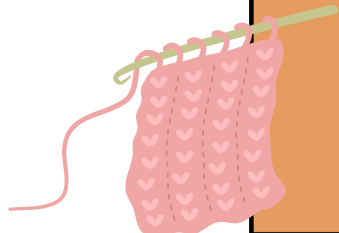
Share your handywork ideas or learn a new craft over  
a cuppa

**Visitors Always Welcome!**

Contact:

Gwen - 99411 930

Jacqui - 0433 911 982







## *FOCUS Op Shop*

COME AND GRAB A BARGAIN!  
CLOTHING, KITCHEN UTENSILS, TOYS,  
JEWELLERY AND MUCH MORE

2 ROBINSON STREET, CARNARVON

### **HOURS OF OPERATION**

MONDAY TO SATURDAY

9.00AM - 12 NOON

SUNDAY CLOSED

PHONE: 9941 2310

*Gascoyne RSL Sub-Branch invites you to their*

# *Anzac Day*

## *Dawn Service*

Service to be held at the Cenotaph located at the  
corner of Francis and Stuart Streets Carnarvon

Followed by a gunfire breakfast at the Gascoyne  
RSL club house

Friday April 25th

Start Time 05:45

Gascoyne RSL, 9 Stuart Street, Carnarvon

*Lest We Forget*



## AUSTRALIAN ORDER OF OLD BASTARDS CONTRIBUTIONS

The Carnarvon Branch of the AOB have once again been very generous and the following organisations have benefited from their generosity.

Guide Dogs for the Blind - \$200  
St John's Ambulance - \$ 2,000  
Carnarvon Volunteer Fire Brigade \$2,000  
SES - \$2,000  
RFDS - \$59,000  
Bush Fire Brigade - \$2,000  
Carnarvon Sea Rescue - \$2,000  
Cancer Foundation - \$1,000  
Carnarvon School of the Air - \$100  
Perth Children's Hospital - \$1,000

Gascoyne Junction School - \$100  
St Mary's School - \$200  
Carnarvon Community College - \$200  
Carnarvon Christian School - \$100  
Midwest Branch of Variety Club - \$2,000  
Church of Christ - \$1,000  
Senior Citizens - \$1,500  
Carnarvon Junior Soccer Association - \$500  
Gascoyne Early Years Learning - \$300  
Westmead Hospital - \$1,000

# THANK YOU!



Clean Community Coffees presents

## Carnarvon Litter Legends

Keeping Carnarvon beautiful  
Round #4



**Love seeing our streets clean and beautiful?  
Looking for some gentle exercise followed by a  
social coffee?**

Come along and lend a hand for 30 minutes on Friday's at 9am to clean up around town. All equipment provided - just wear enclosed shoes. Stay for a social coffee or grab a \$7 Clean Community Coffee voucher to use later at a participating cafe.

Look for  
our flag!

### Meeting Spot Date

Small Boat Harbour	7 March
Kestrel Cafe	14 March
Woolworths	21 March
Senior Citizens Centre	28 March
Oyster Creek	4 April
Woolworths	11 April
Old Post Office	2 May
Hospital	9 May



More info

For more information contact the Shire of Carnarvon 9941 0000



**Community Leads:**  
Wayne and Jeanette Taylor



## CARNARVON DEPOT OPENING HOURS

Every Wednesday and Saturday  
9 Bassett Way

## RESTRICTED BURNING NO FIRES WITHOUT VALID PERMITS

1 October 2024 to 30 April 2025



Do your part when you see smoke, call 000.





## PLACES TO VISIT

Carnarvon Heritage Precinct  
Lighthouse Keepers Cottage  
Carnarvon Space & Technology Museum  
Heritage Walk Trail  
Carnarvon Library & Art Gallery  
Lock Hospital Tragedy Memorial - Heritage Precinct  
HMAS Sydney II Memorial & Wall of Remembrance - Fascine  
HMAS Sydney II Memorial Cairn - Quobba Station  
Gwoonwardu Mia - Aboriginal Heritage & Cultural Centre  
Blowholes  
Red Bluff and Gnarlloo Station  
Kennedy Ranges  
Visit Farm Gates for Fresh Fruit & Veg  
Chinaman's Pool  
Miaboolya Beach  
New Beach/Bush Bay  
Historical Pioneer Cemetery  
Rocky Pool  
Quobba Station - Humpback Whales Viewing

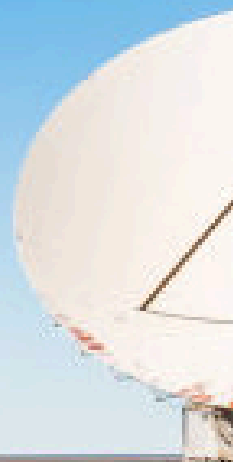
## PLACES TO EAT

Bumbak's Preserves & Ice Creams  
Norwesta Cafe  
Port Hotel  
Kestrel Cafe at One Mile Jetty  
Sails Restaurant - Best Western Hospitality Inn  
Mar E Sol Cafe & Restaurant at Boat Harbour  
Gascoyne Growers Markets  
Gascoyne Bakery  
Chicken Treat  
BP Roadhouse  
Carnarvon Hotel  
Schnappers Restaurant - Gateway Motel  
Carnarvon Motel  
Coral Coast Kebabs  
Gascoyne Cafe  
Morels Plantation  
Coffee Cup Cafe  
Pickles Point - Fresh Seafood  
Old Post Office Cafe  
Valerias - A Taste of Italy

## WHAT ELSE CAN I DO

Helicopter and Scenic Tours 4WD Tours  
History & Food Tours  
Walking Tours  
4WD Tours  
Fishing & Boating  
Snorkelling & Swimming  
Plantation Tours  
Check out Coral Bay  
Station Stays  
Outback Pathways - Self Drive  
Jubilee Hall(1887) - Arts & Crafts  
Windsurfing & Kitesurfing at Pelican Point  
Windfest (January)  
Town Beach - Sunset & BBQ  
Ten Mile Bridge (New and Old)  
Carnarfin Fishing Comp (May)  
Carnarvon Speedway (March - September)  
Motocross  
Gascoyne Food Festival (May-September)  
Bird Watching  
Surfing  
Visit the Murals around Town  
Gascoyne Dash (March-April) - Off Road Desert Race  
Carnarvon Races





## CARNARVON SPACE MUSEUM

Adults \$20.00  
Seniors/Pensioners \$15.00  
Student (6 to 18yrs.) \$10  
Family (2 adults & 2 children) \$45.00

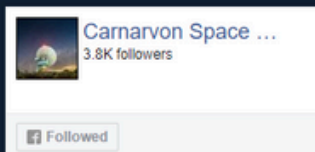
## OPENING HOURS

April – September 9am – 4pm  
October – March 10am – 2pm  
Open 7 days (except Christmas Day)

## CONTACT US

Mahony Ave, Carnarvon , WA 6701  
Phone: 08 9941 9901  
Email:  
[frontdesk@carnarvonmuseum.org.au](mailto:frontdesk@carnarvonmuseum.org.au)

## FIND US ON FACEBOOK





## Carnarvon Heritage Precinct

9am – 4pm

- ✓ Saturday
- ✓ Sunday
- ✗ Monday
- ✓ Tuesday
- ✓ Wednesday
- ✓ Thursday
- ✓ Friday

- One Mile Jetty Centre Museum
- Railway Museum and Water Tower
- Lighthouse Keeper's Cottage
- Restored Lighthouse
- "Don't Look at the Islands" Memorial
- Mangrove walk, bird and flora spotting







We're making it easier for you  
to get in touch with the Shire.  
You can now text us directly on  
our mobile number!

#### Contact Us



Text or Call 0427 410 046



(08) 9941 0000



shire@carnarvon.wa.gov.au

Or come and visit our Friendly Team  
at 3 Francis Street

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



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**ATTENTION  
PLEASE!**

## **ARE YOUR CLUB OR GROUP'S CONTACT INFORMATION UP TO DATE WITH THE SHIRE?**

We're updating our database to ensure local clubs and community groups don't miss out on valuable opportunities like funding, grants and upcoming community events.

Please take a moment to update your details with us by emailing **[farmer.m@carnarvon.wa.gov.au](mailto:farmer.m@carnarvon.wa.gov.au)**. Keeping your contact information current ensures you stay informed and involved.

Thank you for your ongoing contributions to our community.

**We appreciate all that you do!**

