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## Rescue training for Walpole VMR



*(Pictures courtesy Alex Williams)*

The presentation of a Western Australian Police course on initial response to incidents on the water and, subsequently, methods of searching for missing vessels and/or persons in the water, was held last weekend.

There were participants from both Government Services and Volunteer Marine Rescue. The biggest contingent was from Windy Harbour VMR.

Aside from classroom activities which included desktop searches, the most notable part of the activities for the public would have been the flotilla of vessels on the inlets on Sunday morning.

These vessels were engaged in various searches with the course participants rotating the role of On-Scene Coordinators to ensure the vessels kept their assigned positions and the search area was fully covered.

The Police mannequin was first located by some

people from the work camp who were theoretically engaged in a shoreline search.

The course was very successful, with all the participants obtaining their certificate of completion.

Thanks again to Sergeant Wall of the Walpole Police for arranging this course to be delivered outside a major regional centre. Also a special thanks to the Officers from the Peel Water Police who presented the course and thanks to the Volunteers on the course and in support roles for giving up another three days of their lives.

As mentioned in last week's edition of the *Walpole Weekly*, this course was followed with an open forum with Fisheries to answer any questions or concerns members of the boating and fishing community may have with regard Fisheries activities in the Walpole area. I will leave it to others to report the finer detail of this meeting. The meeting was, disappointingly, poorly attended, however some research by Louise provided a list of questions.

From a Marine Rescue perspective the major question was to ask if Fisheries monitored marine VHF channels to gather intelligence. The reason for this was to quell a rumour that this was the case and as a result of this, fishers were suggesting they would no longer log on. The answer to the question was: Fisheries do not monitor marine radio channels as a means of surveillance.

With regard to an apparent greater presence of Fisheries Officers in Walpole, this is because of certain arrangements between government agencies.

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# Walpole Weather

Temperatures and rainfall recorded in North Walpole  
Sunday 11 February to Saturday 17 February, 2018

	Temperatures		Rainfall
	<i>Min</i>	<i>Max</i>	<i>mm</i>
Sunday	10.4	22.3	0
Monday	15.8	23.5	0
Tuesday	13.7	24.2	0
Wednesday	15.1	NR	0
Thursday	13.5	24.7	0
Friday	13.6	25	0
Saturday	18.2	23.6	0
Total rainfall for the week			0

Walpole forecast for the next five days:



Sources: [www.bom.gov.au](http://www.bom.gov.au); [www.willyweather.com.au](http://www.willyweather.com.au)

## Times to Remember

### Walpole CRC

Tuesday to Friday 9am - 4pm

Bendigo Agency 10.30am - 3pm

### Walpole Waste Transfer Station

Tuesday and Thursday 1pm - 5pm; Sunday 9am - 5pm

### Peaceful Bay Tip

Wednesday 9am - 1pm; Sunday 1pm - 4.30pm

### Library 9840 1108

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Friday 9am - 12pm and 1pm - 3.30pm,

Saturday 9am - 12pm

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February

21 Russell Hill

24 Barbara Vigus, Matt Anning

# Weekly events

- | Date   | Details  |
|--------|--|
| 21 Feb | <b>NBN Roadshow</b> at Walpole CRC, 1pm-4pm  |
| 22 Feb | <b>Agronomist Wayne Challis</b> at Walpole CRC, 5pm-7pm  |
| 22 Feb | Shire of Denmark's invitation to comment on <b>Draft Ocean Beach and Peaceful Bay Plans</b> closes |
| 3 Mar  | <b>Walpole Markets</b> at Pioneer Park, 9am-1pm  |
| 4 Mar  | <b>'In the Trees' Regatta</b> , 2pm-4pm  |
| 10 Mar | <b>Young Women Empowered</b> at Manjimup Indoor Stadium, 2pm-7.30pm                                |
| 16 Mar | <b>Capture Nature Photography Competition</b> closes   |
| 26 Mar | <b>ITA Learn to Meditate</b> at Walpole Wellness Centre, 9am-5pm                                   |
| 6 Apr  | Shire of Manjimup <b>Community Grant applications</b> close  |
| 14 Apr | <b>Walpole Markets</b> at Pioneer Park, 9am-1pm  |
| 3 Jun  | <b>Picnic at Nornalup</b> , Art Competition and Exhibition   |

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ITA Learn To Meditate

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## MEMORIAL SERVICE HILDA MAY PRICE

Family and friends of the late Hilda May Price are invited to attend her Memorial Service which will be held on Friday, 23rd February 2018, at 10.00am at St George's Anglican Church, Walpole.

Following the service, her ashes will be scattered in the ocean at the base of Conspicuous Cliff.



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# We welcome your opinion

# Letters to the Editor

The *Walpole Weekly* values freedom of expression and welcomes contributions and feedback from readers via letter or email on any topic of community interest:

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Email [weekly@walpole.org.au](mailto:weekly@walpole.org.au).

## *The Petition*

Although I support the signing of petitions in principle, these petitions should be fair and accurate.

The current petition being presented at several business locations in town states 'the removal of some planted trees'.

In fact up to 86 trees, some of which were planted are due to be removed in the near future.

86 trees removed from any town is a substantial amount, not justifying the term "some".

- *Michael Filby*

## *Main Roads widening*

We need to look to the future progress.

Quite a few emotions are kicking around town and they are not working to keep our town's image of working together intact.

In my opinion, Main Roads have the right to remove the row of trees, which they will do.

I see an opportunity to allow this without confrontation, but to get more land allocated to Nockolds Street. Making Nockolds Street a good width to park and drive along.

Also an option to plant some more red flowering gums, which Main Roads have offered to do.

If you have any queries you would like to discuss about this issue, please contact me on 9840 1170.

- *David Tapley*



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This particular arrangement is for Fisheries to carry out compliance activities in the Marine Park. The arrangement provides for one FTE (full time equivalent) officer allocated to the park, year round.

It is easy to see that the elevated level of allocation means boaters will encounter Fisheries Officers more often.

- Alex Williams  
South Coast Commander VMRWA

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## Flowering Wild in Walpole

Beaufortia or Swamp Bottlebrush is breaking into colour around the district at the moment.

Beaufortia sparsa is by far the most commonly cultivated variety. The leaves are roughly diamond shaped, light green and upward facing. The bright orange / red flower spikes make a handsome addition to any garden, and this is one native that doesn't mind having its feet wet.


Once established, it makes a good waterside plant and you can see fields of it around the district at various times during the flowering season, usually in swampy areas and 100kms or so either side of Walpole.

It is quite easy to grow from cuttings if you have one in your garden.

-Sue Youngman



(Pictures courtesy Sue Youngman)



# Your weekly fOOD and coffEE guide



What's on offer in and around Walpole this week...

<b>Bow Bridge Road House</b> 'Homemade burgers, coffee, cakes, fish and chips, liquor and groceries.' Open 7 days over the holidays, 8am - 6.30pm	9840 8062
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<b>Tingles Bakehouse</b> 'All from scratch! Gourmet pies, cakes, wholefoods and great coffee! Open 8am - 3pm six days a week, closed on Tuesdays, 6405 South Coast Hwy, Nornalup	9840 1273
<b>Top Deck Café</b> 'All our food is made fresh!' Open Tuesday to Saturday 9am - 2pm Dinner 5.30pm - 8pm, Nockolds Street, Walpole	9840 1344
<b>Walpole Hotel/ Motel</b> 'Open for Lunch and Dinner 7 days a week' Open every day Lunch 12pm - 2pm, Dinner 6pm - 8pm, Cnr Boronia Ave & South West Hwy, Walpole	9840 1023

## Linkwest opposes funding cut of the CRC program

Linkwest, the Peak Body for Community Resource Centres (CRCs) and Neighbourhood Centres (NCs) in Western Australia, notes that Minister Alannah MacTiernan stated on 2nd February that the long awaited review of the Community Resource Centre program will now take place and be completed by mid-year. This review was announced by the Minister in July 2017 after cutting short the CRC contracts.

The review is being conducted prior to a forecast budget cut of 40% to the CRC network in 2019/20, dropping funding to this program from \$13m to \$8m. To date, the review's terms of reference have not been finalised.

While we welcome the review, Linkwest is very concerned about the short time left to conduct a comprehensive assessment of a program that provides – along with a range of programs and services tailored to the needs of the local community – vital access to State and Federal Government agencies. In many of these towns, the local CRC is the only service available within a population where many either have no computer, limited Internet access or limited digital literacy. With more and more State and Federal Government services being made available exclusively online, these local points of access, and the support of CRC staff for those with low digital literacy, is becoming increasingly vital.

Linkwest has written to Minister MacTiernan with recommendations for the terms of reference. Most notably, we believe the review should:

- be undertaken by an independent party,
- build on Curtin University's extensive research into the network
- be based on community need
- be made public
- consult with the community, and
- where CRCs are defunded or have funding cut, identify how access to government services will be provided in the local community.

Therefore enabling the public sector to deliver better services to regional Western Australian at a lower cost.

Linkwest believes a comprehensive review will reveal that the network of 105 regional and remote CRCs provides the McGowan government the opportunity to help their reform agenda, most notably priority one of the Service Priority Review, 'Building a public sector focused on community needs', particularly in regional and remote WA.

The CRC network is also ideally positioned to support the Sustainable Health Review in delivering better primary and allied health services into regional WA, through the use of video conferencing technology and

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*A hard day out ... Neil with Lucila in the wheelchair!*  
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## Proposed Budget Amendment - North Walpole Road, Walpole

As part of the adopted 2017/18 Budget, Council allocated \$450,000 for the road re-construction of North Walpole Road. The works included upgrades drainage, vegetation clearing and road pavement sealing works. The \$450,000 budget was for a section of the road starting 100m north of the South Western Highway intersection up to Straight Line Kilometre (SLK) 1.3.

The funding is provided by State Government / Main Roads Regional Road Group (RRG) \$300,000 and the compulsory Shire contribution of \$150,000 provided through utilisation of Roads to Recovery (R2R) funding.

Following completion of detailed design, the preliminary works undertaken to date include installation of new culverts, sourcing gravel and other road construction materials and application for vegetation clearing works with Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER). During this process there has been an objection by the public to DWER regarding the proposed vegetation clearing. The Shire has appealed this objection, with the Office of Appeals Convenor unable to provide a response until April/May 2018. This delay in process has rendered any further works on this project unviable for the remaining financial year.

Under the RRG funding agreement, funds that cannot be acquitted by 30th June 2018 are to be either reallocated to another project within the RRG program, carried forward to next financial year or entirely relinquished back into the RRG funding body.

The Shire requested that RRG carry forward the remaining Shire allocation for North Walpole Road to 2018/19. Main Roads WA decided to offer those funds to the RRG members for their consideration. The result of this process was RRG determined to reallocate the funds to another Shire's project that was eligible under the funding agreement.

As a result of this process Council is requested to approve amendment to the 2017/18 Works Infrastructure Budget accordingly.

*Information from the Shire of Manjimup,  
8th February 2018, Council Meeting Minutes.*



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the coordination of primary health professionals hiring rooms in the CRC.

The funding cut will go against the government's drive for better social outcomes and job creation in the WA economy.

A 40% funding cut for a CRC equates to a reduction in funding from approximately \$100,000 per annum to \$60,000 per annum. This will have a profound impact on the ability for CRCs to cover their staff and operational costs, resulting in job losses and significantly reduced hours and wages for many who work part-time in these Centres. Already, we are seeing experienced and dedicated staff reluctantly leave their CRC roles for a guaranteed income elsewhere.

Skilling and reskilling of those in the regions will also suffer. Currently, CRCs offer local traineeships in the regions, and to date 497 trainees have benefitted from the scheme. There are currently 40 trainees across the network. As CRCs close or reduce their hours, the ability to provide traineeships will be largely diminished.

Linkwest CEO Jane Chilcott states that 'Linkwest acknowledges the government's difficult position of balancing the state budget. However, a comprehensive review provides the opportunity to look at how the Community Resource Centre network can provide the government with a real opportunity to co-design the delivery of multiple government services in regional WA in a cost effective and efficient way'.

### Background: Community Resource Centres

Located in 105 regional and remote communities throughout Western Australia, Community Resource Centres (CRCs) are friendly, locally owned and operated service and information centres. The centres are not-for-profit organisations that are independently managed and governed by their local community.

CRCs undertake community, business and economic development activities, and are a central point for locals, visitors and businesses, providing access to government and community services and information. As more and more government services go online, this access point is an increasingly critical function of the CRCs, particularly for those without access to computers and / or reliable Internet services, or poor digital literacy.

Sample of services which are accessed online:

- School Bus services
- Department of Transport services
- Crimestoppers
- Accessing a Firearm
- Applying for driving tests
- Medicare
- MyGov
- MyAgedCare
- MyHealthRecords

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Walpole CRC are actively seeking someone to provide Tax Help in 2018.

This free service is offered by appointment only and training is provided by the Australian Taxation Office.

Tax Help is a network of ATO-trained and accredited community volunteers who provide a free and confidential service to help people complete their tax returns online using myTax.

Tax Help is available in all capital cities and many regional areas across Australia. Tax Help is available from July to October.

If you are able to assist please contact Dallas on 9840 1395.



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The logo for the Shire of Denmark features a stylized, colorful bird (possibly a cockatoo) with its wings spread, perched on a branch. The text 'SHIRE OF DENMARK' is written in a circular arrangement around the bird.

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## COMMUNITY COMPOSTING WORKSHOPS IN THE SHIRE OF DENMARK

**FOODSCRAPS to FERTILISER!**

The Shire of Denmark are seeking expressions of interest for composting workshops. Learn what's involved and decide which will work best in your home!

If you are interested in attending a workshop please contact the Shire's Waste and Compliance Officer on 9848 0349 or email [engineer6@denmark.wa.gov.au](mailto:engineer6@denmark.wa.gov.au) to register your interest by March 30<sup>th</sup> 2018.

Two black compost bins are shown side-by-side. The bin on the left is filled with a mix of green and brown food scraps and soil. The bin on the right is filled with dark, rich compost. A shovel is positioned to the right of the bins.

## Karen's Story (part 2)

That was over two years ago now and since then our lives have changed dramatically. Long term care isn't a walk in the park; it has its challenges. It requires patience and resilience. But it teaches you to manage your own feelings, what love is and how exciting it is to see changes in children. It has taken two years but we now have on our hands a confident, funny and loving teenager and we cannot imagine life without him. Long term care gives you the opportunity to see the long term results.

Over the two years we have made every effort to build a proper family around this young man. He is ours not only physically but emotionally as well. We do not mean to minimise his birth family, in fact we make sure they are always in his frame of reference and he is encouraged in his contact with them and to speak about them. But what I mean is that for him to feel he is truly part of our family and for his placement with us to be as successful as it has, we had to step into the placement with the mindset that he was as important a player in our family as any other.

Our view is that children in care deserve the same opportunities as all children and this is a commitment we asked not only of ourselves but also our extended family. When he joined our family he became a son, brother, nephew, cousin and grandson. My husband once said to him that even if the day comes where he returns to live with his birth family he would be supported to do this, but that he will always be part of our family and be in our hearts as well, regardless of where he lives. But what is most rewarding is knowing that he does truly feel loved and part of our family.

Teenagers don't use the 'L' word a lot but his questions tell me he knows and feels he is part of our family: "Who is going to teach me to drive?" "When I get married will you help organise my wedding?" and "When I have kids do you want to be Nana or Grandma?" These simple statements make everything worthwhile and let you know that you have the capacity to love unconditionally and that someone is pretty fond of you too.

Every day (even the more difficult ones, because let's face it he is a teenager!) I am grateful for my husband's bravery. I consider it a privilege to care for this young man. My heart swells and practically bursts with pride every time he achieves a new level of confidence and independence.

But what I encourage others to think is what my husband was trying to communicate when he said hasn't he had enough already. My husband was saying this shouldn't be about us, this is about children and what they need. We had pigeon holed ourselves into one type of care and expected that children's needs should fit into ours. But in fact really shouldn't we as carers fit ourselves around the needs of these very vulnerable children where ever we can?

If you have the chance to give a different type of caring a go, I highly recommend it; it may challenge you but there is a good chance it will reward you too.

- Karen

This story was written 5 years ago. The 'young boy' is now a 19 year old young man and is nearing qualification as a Tradesman and still lives with Karen and her family.

Foster care can be in a variety of forms, from providing one night to a forever home. You choose what you have the capacity to give and what fits in with your life.

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The CRCs also provide high quality video-conferencing services, enabling communities to directly access services that are otherwise unavailable in the regions. These include parenting programs, women's health services, interviews and support for job seekers, and even court appearances.

Background: Linkwest

Nedlands-based Linkwest is a small not-for-profit organisation that is largely funded by the State Government's Department of Communities and the Department for Primary Industry and Regional Development. Linkwest is the peak body for community resource centres and neighbourhood centres in Western Australia. It offers targeted and relevant training, resources, advocacy and support to those working in small community-managed not-for-profit organisations.

Linkwest, with a staff of seven, offers crucial support to more than 150 member organisations, including over 100 regional and remote Centres. More than 27,000 Western Australians currently use these centres each week. The centres provide a friendly, welcoming place where local people can meet to learn, gain new skills, make friends and feel part of their community. They also provide a safe, affordable space for playgroups, community and support groups to gather.

Former Premier of Western Australia, Professor Carmen Lawrence, is Linkwest's official patron. She has been a patron for the past eight years.

The history behind the organisation goes back to 1978 – for many years it was known as Learning Centre Link, until it was renamed Linkwest in 2011.



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- Deportment workshops



Hear Amy Combes, Veronica Bravo & Dr Sarah Youngson talk about the issues young women face in their lives and strategies for coping & thriving.

Free transport available from Pemberton, Northcliffe, Walpole & Bridgetown. Bookings essential. Call 9771 7777 to book. Hop on, hop off bus available in Manjimup.

Performances by  
Veronica Bravo  
from  
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Manjimup Indoor Stadium  
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## Bravo to young women empowered

Former X Factor contestant Veronica Bravo is headlining a special event for young women in the Warren Blackwood Region in March. The 'Young Women Empowered' expo will be held on the 10th March 2018 at the Manjimup Indoor Stadium on the corner of Rutherford and Arnott Streets from 2pm until 7.30pm. During this free event for young ladies, they will hear inspiring speakers, view a fashion parade and participate in various activities, including makeup tutorials, yoga classes, macrame and crystal jewellery workshops, kokedama workshops, henna art and laser tag. Additionally, Veronica Bravo will be performing a number of songs from her soon to be released album. The expo is open to all young women aged 12 and over.

Hosted by the Shire of Manjimup Youth Network, the expo is an idea that was initiated in response to local teachers, businesses and counsellors concerned about the level of self-harm being seen amongst young women in the region. The aim of the expo is to demonstrate positive coping mechanisms young women can use to help them through what can be a difficult stage of life, listen to speakers on self-esteem and self-worth, and the importance of maintaining good mental health, all in a vibrant and activity filled environment.

The expo is an entirely free event with food and drinks provided. Participants will be able to take home items that they create on the day and the first 150 attendees will be provided with a gift bag. Free bus transport from Pemberton, Northcliffe, Walpole and Bridgetown is also available. Bookings to use the bus service are essential and can be made by calling the Shire of Manjimup on 9771 7777. Additionally, a bus will be operating throughout the Manjimup area with pick ups scheduled from the Manjimup Country Club, Ananuka Park, East Manjimup Primary School and the Kingsley Motel.

Manjimup Shire President Paul Omodei said "This is a wonderful opportunity for the young women of our region. The event will provide them with first hand accounts of the issues that many young women face in their lives and strategies for coping and thriving."

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**Boat in distress**

The past couple of weeks have seen me performing duties between Walpole and Denmark. On occasions, I've had Denmark officers come over here to assist me with a few incidents and have had to return the favour by helping them out.

Last Wednesday was no exception. I had Denmark Police helping me with an incident when I received a phone call from Albany. "Are you aware of the job in Walpole", I was asked. I told them I was actually there with the Denmark guys and was told, "No - the capsized boat that's just come in." I asked the Denmark officers to keep on with what they were doing as I had to get a rescue mobilised and with that tried to make a phone call.

Unfortunately some phones were out and I couldn't get through. A quick call over the marine radio channel allowed me to ask the Volunteer Marine Rescue Group to get a crew together for a rescue.

Further information came to hand that a boat had rolled over at the mouth of the inlet and two people were in the water.

Within about 15 minutes the rescue boat "Harlequin" had been launched with a four person crew on board and were given permission to exceed the 5 knot limit to get to the scene.

When they arrived at the mouth they could see an upturned boat with two men in the surf area, along with two local identities surfing. Two of the rescue crew jumped in with some ropes and using a four wheel drive on the beach and muscle power, they eventually managed to get the boat right side up. It was drawn alongside the rescue boat and the two men and crew returned to the flat water of the inlet system.

The two men on board were extremely lucky. Neither of them suffered any major injury. One of them sustained minor grazing on one leg but apart from that they were okay, just wet. The boat sustained a fair bit of damage with the windscreen smashed off, the bimini cover missing and the engine cowling disappeared. Amazingly, their catch wasn't lost.

They were two very lucky men.

I spoke with them on their return to dry land and they told me they had not 'logged on' with our Marine Rescue Group as they have fished in the area before and as it was a pretty good day, they didn't bother.

Our Volunteer Marine Rescue Group provides radio coverage for all recreational boating in the area. You can book on with them 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. They provide a great service. In other, arguably more popular areas to go fishing, I was only able to log on with the local VMR group on a Saturday or Sunday between 8.00am and 4.00pm!

As a skipper and responsible boat owner I urge you to log on every time you go boating.

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**Remember to LOG ON LOG OFF! Every trip**

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[www.dfts.wa.gov.au/contact/pages/volunteer-marine-rescue-services.aspx](http://www.dfts.wa.gov.au/contact/pages/volunteer-marine-rescue-services.aspx)

**Traffic matters...**

With the long weekend approaching, a reminder that double demerit points will be in effect. Extra traffic patrols will be conducted by Police in the Great Southern Region so please drive carefully and stay safe on our roads.

**If you have information regarding any illegal activity, please call Walpole Police or ring Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.**



**All information will be treated in the strictest of confidence.**



## Pictures at an exhibition

The, 'Big Little Art Show' held in Walpole recently, underscores the influence the local environment exerts upon the mind of the artist. Juana Pacheco the teacher of the great Spanish artist, Diego Velazquez told his student, "go to nature for everything." Our region's 'nature' is represented at any one of the number of studios hereabouts where patrons look to possess a piece of the pristine grandeur. These exhibitions bring together the creative energy of the practitioner and the fascination of the beholder to look, wonder and interpret.


You may well have been to an exhibition recently with a friend, and as you move from one displayed exhibit to another pondering the images, discovered you saw differently to your friend's point of view - our imaginations personalise what we see. Human imagination explores with even greater individuality, images created by musical notes. The composer, Mussorgsky, after visiting an exhibition of his friend's paintings set to work and created a suite for the piano titled, 'Pictures at an Exhibition'. Maurice Ravel orchestrated this suite which transports the listener to imagine promenading around a room stopping at each studio-exhibit to absorb and wonder. Besides visual and sound language, word language, that other medium of narrative, is a rich source for the imagination - indeed you, the reader at this very moment, are creating an image in your mind, and if I am sufficiently skilful, may hold you to the end.

An exhibition opened this week. The exhibition will be on display for seven weeks. The exhibit's seven pictures will be weekly unveiled. The exhibit will draw enquirers. The exhibit's display contains unrivalled narratives. Practitioners in every creative field have sort to capture this narrative. Shall this creative effort continue? As this article goes to press during the first unveiling, let the first picture, a triptych titled 'Baptism, Temptation, Proclamation', have its central panel presented below. Will you take up your pen, or brush or engraver and create a visual representation that awaits your energies?

'And the Spirit immediately drove him (Jesus) out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.'\*

Welcome to the Exhibition of the Season of Lent.  
\*(Mark 1:12 NRSV)


- Geoffrey Newby



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# Weekly sport

## Golf

Scroungers

Tuesday 13/2/18

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1st A Barrington +5

2nd P Ebbs +2

3rd C Ozolins +1

Ross and Mim's Long Putt # 9 D Hillin

Owen and Cheryl Simmonds' Best 4th #10 C Ozolins

Big Al's Best 2nd #11 G Peck

Walpole Concrete and Hardware NTP #13 M Jeffs

Greg Peck's Best 3rd #16 G Peck

Kevin and Hes Anderson's NTP #17 A Barrington

Birdie #18 P Ebbs

- Mal Lumb

Sunday 18/2/18

Winner: P Francis 43 Points

R/Up: M Hagdorn 42 Points

NTP # 2: G Peck

# 7: G Peck

#13: G Becker

#17: G Becker

L/Putt #18: M Lumb

Eagle!/: G Becker # 5

Birdies: G Becker #13

N Burton # 7

G Peck # 2, # 7, #17,

Another great day of golf, highlight of the day was Graham getting an Eagle on No5.

High scores as well with Peter winning by 1 from Marty.

Friday night was great and a big thanks to Tom Pascoe for donating the marron for the cancer raffle, we raised \$230.00.

Same time and place next week. If you are thinking of having a hit of golf for the first time, come out and have a go, we would love to see new faces out there. Sorry no pics of the winners they broke the camera.

- Norm Hawkins

## Bowls

On Wednesday, 14th February we played for the Secretary's Trophy. We had two fun mixed games, one Yard Stick and the other of Scroungers.

The winner of the Secretary's Trophy was Graham Becker who earned the most points in both games. Well done Graham.

On Saturday, 17th February the men played Pennants against Emu Point Red, at home, winning 4 points out of 6.

The Walpole men's team are holding their place in 2nd division.

This coming Saturday, 24th February the Ladies Pennant team is playing Cranbrook at Emu Point.

This is our last game of the season and we have a chance of winning the Second Division.

The men are playing away to Albany Grey.

On Wednesday, 21st February at 9.00am we are playing Mixed Championship Triples, choose your own team.

- Ann Armstrong

Corporate Bowls Ladder as at 13th Feb 2018

	Points
1. Tyred	8
2. Flaming Coalminers	8
3. Kangaroo Paws	8
4. Floggers	4
5. Shop Local	4
6. Schoolies	4
7. Bur Kirks	4
8. Centors	4
9. Daily Grind	4
10. Hard and Rural	0
11. Knot for Sale	0
12. CRC Crew	0

Good Luck next week

- Sharyn Burton

## Sailing

WYC Sailing results 18th February 2018

Race 1

Fastest	Yacht	Sailor
	Trumped Up	Blue Boaden
First	Stiletto	Rob Howes
	Spectrum	Callum Baxter, Owen Baxter, Emma Holland
	Sacrifice	Trevor Holm

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### Race 2

Fastest	Yacht	Sailor
	Trumped Up	Blue Boaden
First	Spectrum	Callum Baxter, Owen Baxter, Emma Holland
Second	Stiletto	Rob Howes
	Slip Slop Sloop	Toby Boaden

- Sarah Walker

## Dragon Boat Racing

Local Dragon Boat Paddlers selected for State Teams

Local Dragon Boat paddlers are soon off to Queensland to compete at the AusDBF Australian Dragon Boat Championships to be held at Lake Kawana Sportsman Parade Sunshine Coast, 3rd-8th March 2018.

Denmark Dragon Boat junior paddlers Elsie Edmonds, Jake Harris and Molly Owens with their coach Maureen (Mo) Cowdell have all been selected to represent Western Australia as part of the DBWA State Team in both the Junior (under 18s) and Senior categories. Each paddler went through a challenging selection process and all are very excited to be

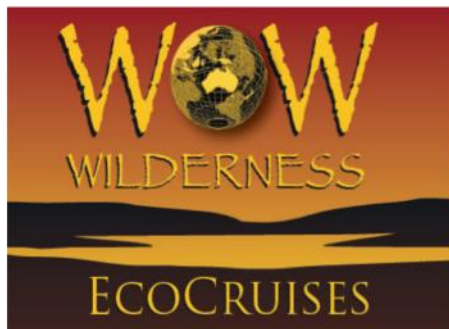
representing WA at the National competition. As well as representing their state team they have also been selected to join in the Club Championships at the same time paddling for Cygnets (Juniors) Fremantle Swan and Senior A Cockburn Blades Dragon Boat Clubs.

It is such a thrill for the Denmark Dragon Boat Club to not only have four members represent WA, but that Maureen has been chosen as the WA flag bearer and Senior Team Captain and Elsie Edmonds Junior Team Captain for the State Teams. Such a great achievement for them all.

- Elizabeth Edmonds



Jake Harris, Elsie Edmonds, Maureen Cowdell and Molly Owen  
(Picture courtesy Elizabeth Edmonds)



The Walpole Yacht Club in conjunction with WOW Wilderness Eco-Cruises are providing a **spectator vessel** for the –

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All proceeds donated to the Walpole Yacht Club (Inc.)

# ATTENTION

## All farmers in Walpole and surrounding districts

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Thursday, 22nd February, 4.45pm for a 5pm start, finishing time no later than 7pm. Tea & Coffee will be provided.

### Topics to be discussed will cover:

The lime story - it's not all about pH, but what drives it.

Farming in high rainfall/low pH soils.

Trace minerals - how important are they and how do we get them to balance?

Can we manage our fertilisers to stay where they are put? (Not end up in the inlet.)

Pasture production - where are the clovers?

Have you considered perennials and serradella?

The biological life force of soils?

Soil testing - what information can I access?

The food chain - healthy soils, healthy animals, healthy us.

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