



Shire of
Katanning
Heart of the Great Southern

e-Newsletter

August 2019



Shire Matters is a monthly newsletter which summarises events and news within the Shire of Katanning.

Community members can subscribe at www.katanning.wa.gov.au and hard copies are available at the Shire

Administration, Library, Visitors Centre, Katanning Leisure Centre and the Katanning Hub CRC. Larger prints of

this newsletter for readability are available on request at the Shire Administration. If you have any suggestions or

feedback please send them to admin@katanning.wa.gov.au

UPCOMING EVENTS & IMPORTANT DATES

Ongoing	Gallery Exhibition: Ngala Wongga
Wed 7 August	Southern Dirt TECHSPO 2019 Day 1: Wagin
Thu 8 August	Southern Dirt TECHSPO 2019 Day 2: Katanning
Sat 10 August	Katanning Arts and Crafts Society: Saturday Craft
Sun 11 August	Piesse Lake: Planting Day
Sat 17 August	Katanning Farmers Market
Mon 19 August	2019 Book Week Launch
Thu 22 August	Rabobank WA Sheep Expo & Ram Sale Day 1
Fri 23 August	Rabobank WA Sheep Expo & Ram Sale Day 2
Sat 24 August	Op Shop Themed Variety Night
Sun 25 August	Piesse Lake: Planting Day
Tue 27 August	Public Ordinary Council Meeting August 2019
Sat 31 August	Erth's Dinosaur Zoo Shows

To have your local event listed, please submit information to admin@katanning.wa.gov.au

KATANNING WELCOMES HOME ICONIC PLAY EQUIPMENT



Katanning's All Ages Playground was always much more than your 'typical park', with its iconic giant playground equipment. The unique equipment made its way back home to the All Ages Playground site on Thursday 18 July 2019 in an exciting milestone in the current works.

Many of the community and visitors alike can recall childhood memories of sliding down the giant spiral slide and will soon get to pass on the same experiences to the next generation in the new All Ages Playground.

"We are thrilled that many of the old slide decks have been upgraded and are featured in the new playground," Shire President Liz Guidera said.

The giant play equipment has been refurbished as part of a \$5 million upgrade of Katanning's much loved park funded through the State Government Royalties for Regions program and Lotterywest. The renovated equipment now features added safety elements and colourful paintwork and are a memorable part of Katanning's history.





Southern DIRT TECHSPO aims to be Western Australia's premier technology and innovation event for the Agricultural community and associated industries. We are bringing technology developers, farmers, advisors, expert researchers and officials together for one day of advanced agriculture technology, information sharing and collaboration. Starting with a full conference in which all is provided, you will then have the opportunity to go in-field and see both livestock and cropping technologies in action.

To keep up to date on all things TECHSPO, visit www.techspo.com.au/news. New information on speakers and exhibitors will be available frequently.

WEBINAR for Prospective Elected Members

Ever thought about nominating to become a Councillor, but you aren't sure if the role is for you? Then be sure to register for this *free* webinar to have all your questions answered.

This Webinar focuses on the following key areas:

- Parliament's role in creating legislation for Local Government;
- how to read the Local Government Act 1995 and Regulations;
- who does what at a Local Government;
- a Councillor's personal responsibilities; and
- consequences of improper conduct.

WALGA'S Communications webinar will be presented by James McGovern, Manager, Governance. Joining James for the Q&A session will be Lyn Fogg, WALGA's Governance Advisor and Tony Brown, Executive Director, Governance and Organisational Services.

As with all of our webinars, you will have the opportunity to ask questions during the Q&A Session at the end of the presentation. This webinar will be recorded and made available to the public within a few days of the event.

Date: Thursday, 15 August

Time: 5:00pm – 6.00pm (including presentation and Q&A session)

Be quick to register as places will fill fast.

To register for this free webinar please go to: www.katanning.wa.gov.au/news

COUNTRY ARTS WA &
ACT-BELONG-COMMIT PRESENT

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SHOWS ON THE GO VOTED

"THIS LIVE ACTION SHOW IS ABSOLUTELY FABULOUS AND A MUST SEE FOR FAMILIES"
- PLAY AND GO

CAUTION: CONTENTS MAY BE HUNGRY!

GET UP CLOSE TO GIANT DINOSAURS!

SECOND SHOW!

SATURDAY 31 AUGUST, 6.00 PM
KATANNING TOWN HALL

BOOKINGS: SHIRE OF KATANNING 📞 9821 9999 🖱️ TRYBOOKING.COM/BEKUE

ADULT: \$15 | CHILD AGED 17 AND UNDER: \$10

LOCALLY PRESENTED BY SHIRE OF KATANNING

Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries
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Department of Fire & Emergency Services

DFES
Department of Fire & Emergency Services

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BUSHFIRE

TRAVELLERS CHECKLIST



In Western Australia, bushfires can start suddenly and without warning throughout the year. People have been killed and seriously injured during bushfires. If you are travelling or staying near bushland, fire is a real risk to you.

Bushfires in WA are becoming more common and the risks are increasing. This checklist will help you and the people you are travelling with to understand the risks and know what to do if a bushfire starts.

TRAVELLERS CHECKLIST

This checklist will help you and the people you are travelling with understand the risk so you can decide what you will do if a bushfire starts.

1. Do you know the most up to date Fire Danger Rating (FDR) for the area you are travelling to?

The FDR is based on the weather forecast and gives you advice about the level of bushfire threat on a particular day. When the rating is high, the threat of a bushfire increases.

Know the FDR for the area you are travelling to. Visit the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES) website www.dfes.wa.gov.au or the Bureau of Meteorology website www.bom.gov.au/wa for more information on FDRs and what they mean.

2. Is there a Total Fire Ban in the area you are travelling to?

Check out Bans, Restrictions and Ratings on the DFES website or call the **Total Fire Ban Information Line** on **1800 709 355**. During a Total Fire Ban it is illegal to light a fire in open air or undertake any other activities that may start a fire. You can also get more detailed information about what is and isn't allowed, including restrictions around barbecues and campfires.

3. Are you prepared to change your travel plans on hot, dry and windy days?

On these days it's better to visit safe places such as cities and towns. If you plan to visit a place that is a bushfire risk area be prepared to change your travel plans at short notice should a fire start. Always advise your family of your travel plans.

4. What will you do if you encounter a bushfire while driving?

While travelling in Western Australia, you need to have a map and be aware of your surroundings. Watch for signs of a bushfire especially smoke and flames. If you see smoke and flames you should leave the area immediately by driving away from the fire. Do not wait and see.

What to do:

- If there is a lot of smoke, slow down and be aware. There could be people, vehicles and livestock on the road.
- Turn your car headlights on, close windows and outside vents.
- If you cannot see clearly, ensure you are not in the path of the fire and pull over to the side of the road.
- Keep your headlights and hazard lights on and wait until the smoke clears.



Fire Danger Rating sign board

If you become trapped by a fire:

- Stay in your car and turn your engine off.
- Park in an area with low or no vegetation on the side of the road furthest from the fire with your vehicle orientated towards the oncoming fire front.
- Close the doors, windows and outside vents and do not get out or open windows until the fire front has passed.
- Lie on the floor and cover your body with any available woollen or cotton blankets or cloths.

5. Have you packed a survival kit to help if you are caught in a bushfire?

A survival kit should include essential items such as an AM/FM portable radio, spare batteries, a first aid kit, woollen blankets, drinking water and protective clothing like long-sleeved cotton tops, pants, hats and sturdy shoes. You should also have a map of the area that you are travelling in.

6. Do you have the DFES Information Line saved in your mobile phone?

To keep up to date with emergency information call DFES on **1300 657 209** or the **National Relay Service** on **1800 555 677** if you are hearing impaired. To report a fire or in an emergency situation, call triple zero (**000**).

7. If you are staying overnight, have you discussed how you will escape a fire?

Find out what bushfire safety plans are in place in the area where you are camping, caravanning or renting accommodation. Ask for information on alternative routes to leave the area. If a fire occurs, you should always take advice from emergency services personnel.

8. Do you know your local ABC radio frequency?

Find out the local ABC radio frequency in the area that you are travelling to. In a major emergency when lives and property are at risk, broadcasts will be issued at a quarter to and a quarter past the hour.

The WA bushfire season is generally:

- South West** is November to April
- Goldfields Midland** is November to March
- Midwest Gascoyne** is October to April
- North West (Kimberley and Pilbara)** is June to October depending on the seasonal rainfall

Visit www.dfes.wa.gov.au or the local Tourism WA Visitor Centre for further information

If you love Katanning...



www.kabc.wa.gov.au

Business and House Numbers to be Displayed

Many businesses and houses in town do not have numbers displayed. This makes it difficult for out of town visitors to find their destination for appointments; to identify who lives at the property when dealing with enquiries and other matters.

More importantly in an emergency where time is critical, emergency services such as police, fire and ambulance may make a big difference in outcomes.



How to contact the Ranger

If anyone has seen or have been in any situations regarding dogs or cats, please inform the Ranger through the correct channels as messaging/posting through different Facebook pages/groups and other such social media platforms will not help in providing the correct services. Please contact the Ranger directly through the Shire of Katanning on 9821 9999 or email at admin@katanning.wa.gov.au

Dog and Cat Registration

All dogs and cats over the age of three months are required by law to be registered and micro-chipped. This makes it easier to return pets to their rightful owners and denies the need to impound them. This will not only save additional costs and charges to the owners but also means your pets are returned home.

Wandering Dogs

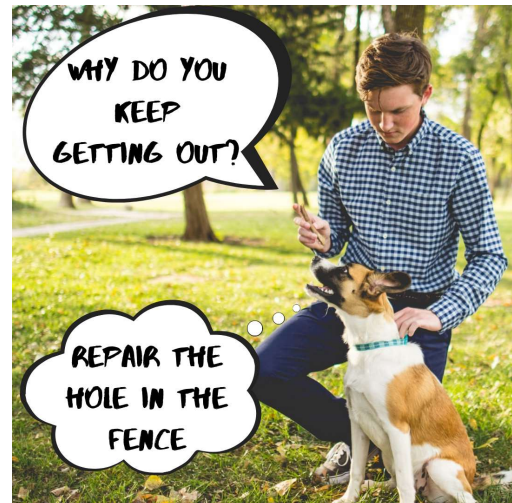
Not only is it against the law to allow your dog to wander, pets wandering at large can pose a serious public health and safety risk.

If a dog is found wandering, there are penalties involved and your dog may be impounded if no registration tag or microchip is found.

Wandering dogs run the risk of injury, being poisoned or even killed on the road. On top of this, if your dog causes damage or injury to another animal or person, you may be liable for damages.

Wandering dogs can also spread diseases and parasites to other animals in the area, so ensure your pet is vaccinated and treated.

As a dog owner it is your responsibility to ensure that your dog can't wander off your property.



Katanning Leisure Centre

Address: 4 Pemble Street

Phone: 9821 4399

Facebook: www.facebook.com/KatanningLeisureCentre/

Email: klcstaff@katanning.wa.gov.au

Opening Hours

Monday - Friday	6:00am - 8:30am (Members only)
Monday - Thursday	8:30am - 8:30pm
Friday	8.30am - 7.00pm
Saturday	9:00am - 3:00pm
Sundays and Public Holidays:	Closed except by special request, private booking

or other arrangement.

Term 3 – Group Fitness Timetable is as follows:

MONDAY

9.30am RPM – 30mins (Bookings Essential)
5.30pm HIITStep
6.30pm Matwork Pilates 30mins

TUESDAY

1.30pm Seniors Gym (Commencing 13 August)
5.45pm RPM – 30mins (Bookings Essential)
6.20pm MetaPWR – 30mins (Bookings Essential)

WEDNESDAY

5.30pm MetaFit (Commencing 7 August)
6.10pm Body Pump

THURSDAY

10.30am Mums & Bubs Fitness Class – 30mins
1.30pm Seniors Gym (Commencing 15 August)
5.30pm HIITStep

FRIDAY

6.15am RPM (Bookings Essential)

Seniors Quiz

1st Wednesday of each month: 1.00pm-3.00pm
Cost: \$3 - Lots of Prizes to be won

Seniors Pingo

2nd Wednesday of each month 1.00pm-3.00pm
Cost: \$3 - Lots of Prizes to be won

Seniors Autumn Club Luncheon

3rd Wednesday of each month 12.00pm-1.30pm
Cost: \$10 per month. Requires membership to Autumn Club for \$5 per year.

TERM 3 FRIDAY NIGHT ROLLERBLADING

Katanning Leisure Centre

6.00pm - 8.00pm



26 July

16 August

6 September

27 September

Prices:

Junior - \$4.50

Senior - \$5.60

Hire of skates - \$2.50



**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
PLEASE CONTACT THE KATANNING
LEISURE CENTRE ON 9821 4399**



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Public Library

Address: 16 Austral Terrace

Phone: 9821 4300

Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/KatanningLibraryArtGallery_

Email: katlib@katanning.wa.gov.au

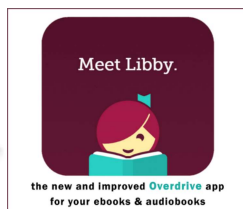
Become a member

A Katanning Library membership gives you free online access to free online movies, ebooks, and audiobooks. Ask us at the library, we will show you how it works.

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greatest Australian and
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Library Club - Every Monday 2:30pm

Library Club is a free service of
the Katanning Public Library.



Library Club offers the opportunity to play and learn in
a friendly environment with free play, building
challenges, book based learning activities and games.
It is open to the whole family and aims to inspire and
engage your child's creativity and interest in books
while also providing an environment to meet new
people and make friends!



The activities for Library Club will include a healthy
snack, a book based activity, a Lego activity, time
for free play in the library and book borrowing time.



BACK TO IT STOPS WITH



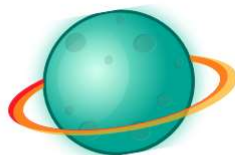
We gladly and very gratefully accept donations of genuine Duplo and Lego bricks.

Story Time- Every Tuesday 10.00am



Story Time is a free service of
the Katanning Public Library

It's a fun opportunity for families to
introduce their children to reading and
language. At our Story Time, children listen
to beautiful stories, participate in sensory
activities, engaging craft projects, sing songs
and interact with other children.



The Story Time session is
designed to promote
development and learning.

In Term 3, we will be exploring SPACE!



BACK TO IT STOPS WITH



Story Time is designed for carers to participate with their children.



Toy Library

Tuesdays and Saturdays

10.30am-11.30am

Katanning Library Community Room

Genealogy Thursdays

1:00pm – 4:00pm

Have you ever wanted to trace your family history but don't know where to start?

Have you already begun the journey but have hit a wall?

Do you have the skills, time and know-how to help others in their ancestry search?

Drop in on Thursday afternoons during school terms to meet Wyn and Irene of the Katanning Genealogical Society.



Did you know...?

You can have full access to Ancestry.com **free** from within the Library!

Ancestry.com is an amazing tool for researching and mapping your family tree and normally full access requires an ongoing membership that costs \$30 a month.



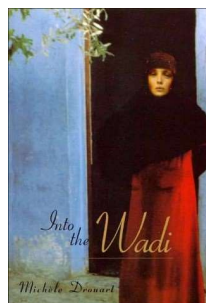
Life Long Readers Book Club

Meeting Date: Friday 2 August 2019

(First Friday of every month)

Time: 2:00pm - 4:00pm

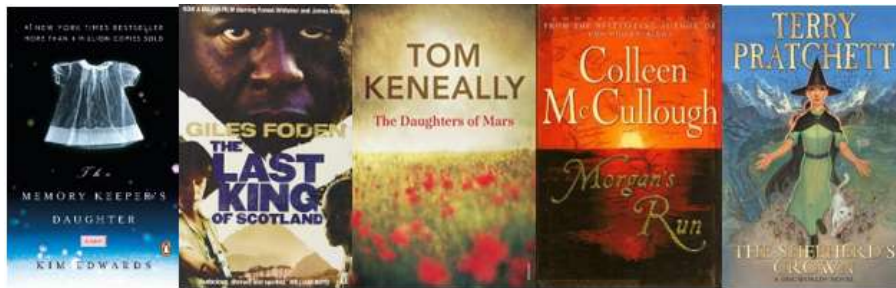
Where: Library Community Room



Into the Wadi by [Michele Drouart](#)

Into the Wadi is the true story of a young Australian woman who meets a fellow student at an American university who is from Jordan. They return to Jordan to live with his family, and then marry. Written against the versions of Arab and Muslim culture found in such popular texts as Not Without My Daughter, Princess and Sold; Michele Drouart's memoir is a sensitive, compelling exploration of cultural similarity and difference, of family, exile and belonging and the complexities of human relationships. This book is an extraordinary piece of writing from a major new talent.

New arrivals at the library



Shire of Katanning Library presents ...

SCOTT WHITAKER

For an informative & entertaining talk to celebrate the release of his new book:

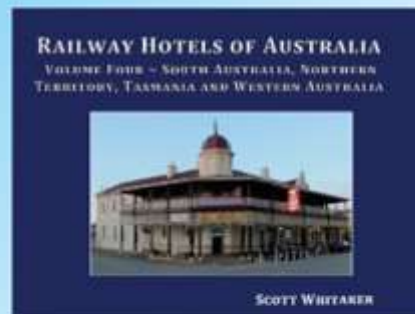
Railway Hotels of Australia ~ Volume Four

Katanning Library

Saturday 3rd August at 10.30 AM

FREE – ALL WELCOME

In addition to detailing the history of local Railway Hotels, Scott's talk will cover the coming of the railway, the social development of Western Australia, researching tips, genealogy, local and state history, and publishing. The talk will be of great interest to local historians, researchers, genealogists and those interested in the past.



The coming of the railway was a major event in the history of many towns and cities across Australia. This is the story behind every Railway Hotel; and the social, economic and political themes that have shaped society over the past 170 years.

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Public Art Gallery

Address: 16 Austral Terrace

Phone: 9821 4310

Facebook: <http://www.facebook.com/KatanningLibraryArtGallery>

Email: polc@katanning.wa.gov.au

Free entry to all Gallery exhibitions- call James on 9821 4310 for more information.

Current Exhibitions

29 July 2019 - 24 August 2019: Ngala Wongga (Come Talk) - Arts on the Move



Upcoming Exhibitions

2 September 2019 - 17 September 2019: Dirt - Katanning Arts & Craft Society

Ordinary Council Meeting Highlights

July 2019

The following items were approved at the Ordinary Council meeting:

1. Development approval for security fencing at the WAMMCO Abattoir.
2. Adoption of the Amherst Village Pet Policy.
3. Endorsement of the Katanning Brand Development and Content Plan.
4. Endorsement of the Katanning Rotary Park plan.

All Council Agendas and minutes can be found at <http://www.katanning.wa.gov.au/documents/>



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