



End of Year Wrap Up at the Dumbleyung CRC

As this is our final Quack Chat for the year, and 2022 is coming to an end, the CRC team wanted to take the opportunity to reflect on the last 12 months.

Firstly, we wanted to extend our thanks to everyone in our community, those who have attended any of our workshops, use the library, pop in for a visit, and contribute to the fortnightly Quack Chat. We value each of you and you make our job of being an important hub of the community so much easier.

2022 has been another busy and sometimes challenging year for the CRC. Challenging in that we began the year with the threat of COVID 19 still very real and masks and lockdowns still apart of our lives. The 'third wave' of COVID hit Dumbleyung in July and the CRC didn't escape, with staff members isolating and being affected.

Thankfully since then COVID has diminished as a threat and we have all moved on.

The CRC has held numerous workshops during the year with a business sundowner kicking things off in February, an International Women's Day lunch in March, Creations on Canvas with Shasta Taylor also in March, Inflatables in Kukerin and Dumbleyung in April as well as a men's mental health morning tea with Roger Hitchcock from Rural Aid, the popular SOCK Week in July involving Kukerin and Dumbleyung Primary Schools, free skin cancer screening and farm safety in October, with Halloween Trick or Treat to finish the month and December has brought the normal festive activities with Santa photos, a Christmas Kokedama workshop and our annual bake-off.

As we head into 2023 and our Christmas/New Year break we wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas and we will see you all next year.



February: What's Your Business Sundowner
In partnership with the Dumbleyung Shire we held a sundowner where local business owners were able to listen to guest speakers and socialise.



March: International Women's Day
Nine women in our community joined us for lunch with guest speaker Londa Finlayson.



March: Creations on Canvas
Shasta Taylor held an art workshop for the community.



April: Sports Inflatables Day
 School holiday fun for the Kukerin and Dumbleyung children. With thanks to Kukerin Ag Society and Dumbleyung Events Committee for sponsoring

June: SOCK week for the local children
 With a successful grant the CRC organised various activities throughout the week to promote driver awareness as well as host the Kukerin and Dumbleyung school kids for Fluro Friday where they listened to an important road safety message from Snr Constable Carol Da Ronch.

Free Skin Cancer Screening Van
 at The Dumbleyung CRC
 with thanks to
 Lions Cancer Institute (WA) Inc.
 Sunday 2nd October
 To make a booking, please call the CRC on 9863 4829 or email at admin@dumbleyungcrc.com
 Skin cancer is one of the most common cancers in Australia, so it's important to get your moles checked!
 The Dumbleyung CRC and Salt Bush Cafe will be open this day.



October: Farm WHS Session
 With a successful grant from CBH the CRC brought in a director from a Farm HR and Safety Business to give a presentation to talk about the importance of Farm WHS legislation and practices.

October: Free Skin Cancer Screens
 The CRC hosted the Lions Skin Cancer van where 53 of our locals received important skin checks.



October: Halloween
 This year Halloween saw 24 children trick or treating around town to 12 different locations



December: Santa Photos
 Eighteen children were able to get their pictures with Santa this year.

Dumbleyung CRC Financial Year in Summary



1199

People provided with government and community information



13

Workshops delivered



19

Overall services we provide our community



6

Successful grants received



5

Local people employed



21

Volunteers engaged



15

Community events held



85

Hot office bookings



16

Collaborations with other community groups



278

One-on-one IT training sessions provided



Jacki's Column



Well it's that time of the year again.

Break out the Carols, sorry songs (apologies to our lovely Dumbleyung police officer Da Ronch) and soak the mixed fruit. Yes it's Christmas ! When we can all be children again and splurge like crazy on food, decorations, presents and matching family PJ sets—just on that, they seem to be the “in” thing at the moment—Peter Alexander must be making a fortune. You can even buy matching pyjamas for your dog now - yes really.

Just as well Christmas only comes once a year, really and truly or Christmasaholics like me would be totally broke. I just can't help myself— I am such a sucker for Christmas. The shops must see me coming. My Christmas tree goes up on December 1, if not before and I buy a ham, which gets eaten well before Christmas as the harvest ham. Yes by the end of December no one in our house can face another ham and avocado sandwich.

In the old days I would start writing out Christmas cards, but that has gone by the wayside now with social media providing the way to say Merry Christmas to all your friends. The only Christmas cards I get now are from the accountant and the bank.

Anyway as most of us know, Christmas in this part of the world also coincides with harvest. So decided my final column for 2022 would be about that annual event that fortunately also only comes once a year. The income would be nice though if it did happen twice a year, but I don't think many farming wives would be impressed with another round of harvest. Although we do have seeding.

Anyway Christmas PJ sets and Christmas songs aside, this my interpretation of harvest at Christmas time.

C—is for 'Crikey Moses' (or similar) that header can't be broken down again ! Also for Christmas crackers on Christmas Day and CBH—the bane of our lives when trying to sell grain contracts at 12.30pm each day. Christmas Carols, er songs. Canola.

H— is for harvest of course ! Header. Hurry up and finish harvest. And ham sandwiches. Holidays !! (preferably by the coast).

R— is for “Is tea ready yet ? 'Cause I have to go and drive the header.” Its also for rams that have to be delivered to the paddock once Christmas festivities are over. Their festivities begin. Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer. Road trains. Rain (no thanks during harvest).

I—“Isn't it a good year we're having ?”—Or not. “Isn't it time we bought a new header? I see the neighbour has a new one.”

S—Santa. Sheep that have to be moved to a different paddock. “Streuth” (or similar) “I didn't see that rock !”

T—As in “It's four o'clock –it's time for a cuppa tea, any of those biscuits left in the tin ?” Temperature, which goes up as harvest progresses; temper - which also goes up as harvest progresses if things start breaking down.

M—Maybe we'll be finished harvest by Christmas. Mouse plague 2022. Millions of mice. Mariah Carey Christmas Carols (er songs). Favourite Christmas movies (Love Actually is my number one). Christmas music er Carols. Dare we mention it—Meghan and Harry.

A—As in 'absence makes the heart grow fonder' when you don't see your other half for an extended time during harvest.

S—See you all next year ! Summer holidays. Stony broke after Christmas shopping. Sparkling wine on Christmas Day. Snow, not that we have it. Singing Christmas Carols (er songs). Sunburn if we forget the sunscreen.

But having said all of that Christmas is a great excuse to get together with those you love and take time out to enjoy some delicious food, each other's company and wear matching PJs without anyone laughing at you. We sing the same old familiar songs, miss those who are no longer here and eat fruit mince pies (who invented fruit mince I ask you?).

We give and receive presents, put our children on the knee of a stranger who is all dressed up in a funny red suit and a fake beard for a photo and wonder why they scream in alarm and we eat and drink way too much, collapsing in a food coma on Christmas afternoon. If there's left over ham or turkey we wonder what the heck we'll do with it The dog also falls into a food coma and the cat doesn't want to know. We used to watch the Queen's Christmas Message, but this year.....you get the picture.

And we take a break from harvest—either because we've finished or we're forced to. So enjoy your break, have a great Christmas and a happy and healthy 2023. See you all on the flip side.

Christmas Wreath Making a Great Success

Katanning florist Courtney Boxall from Let's Talk Flowers led an enthusiastic class of ladies recently who all learned how to make stunning Christmas wreaths from pretty native flowers. Using a variety of bright flowers and foliage the ladies constructed wreaths which then had fairy lights added around them, finishing them off perfectly.

The eight ladies all came up with completely different wreaths, matching their personalities and creativity. The wreaths will now hang in pride of place in their homes making the perfect Christmas decoration.



Margaret Stephens, Ashley Clavey, Helen Bairstow and Ylana Shepherd hard at work.



Instructor Courtney Boxall.



Margaret Stephens and Val Thompson.



Janelle Bairstow working on her creation.



Ylana Shepherd, Val Thompson, Ashley Clavey, Margaret Stephens, Amy King, Jacki Ball and Janelle Bairstow with their wreaths. Helen Bairstow in front.

Rubik's Cube Addiction Pays Off for Sebastian Green

Sebastian found his first 3x3x3 Rubik's Cube on the beach in Hopetoun in late January 2022.

He had been exposed to the 3x3x3 Rubik's Cube by his mother at home and played with it on and off. After finding this cube on the beach it sparked a huge curiosity and fascination in him to understand how the cube worked and how you solve it!

So he found tutorial videos on YouTube to learn the many algorithms and how to solve the cube from scrambled to solved.

And then the addiction began.

With hours and hours of practice, watching, memorising, remembering and showing off his new skills, in early July he finally could solve the cube independently from a full scramble. The clickety click of the cube sliding and switching became a normal sound in the house. His fingers always flicking, switching and turning the cube. The cube never left his hands. Once the solve became second nature he wanted to get faster at solving it. So he used a timer app on his mother's phone to start tracking his times and to get a PB (Personal Best).

It was time to search for a local competition. We decided to observe a Speedcubing competition in South Perth to learn the format and structure of how they compete, the rules and the timing process. You have five times recorded and they calculate the average score of your five attempts and then you are given a ranking in the local competition plus a World Ranking.

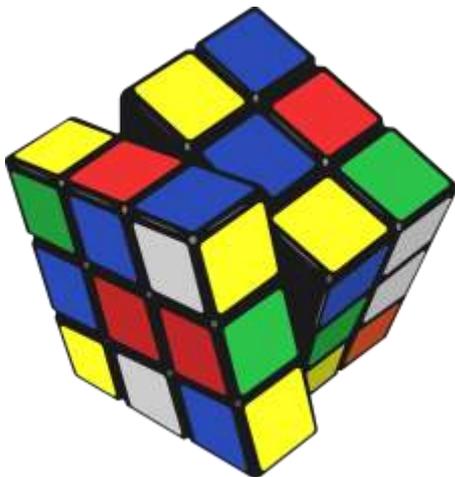
Feeling more confident we then registered him for his first competition in Mandurah on September 3rd. As it was his first time using a proper timer he had to get use to the technique. Competing in the 3x3x3 against 52 other competitors. He ended up getting a PB scramble to solve in 35.28 secs. We were all so proud of him!

We then purchased a timer and a higher quality cube so he could practice and improve his times the official way, ready to compete in his second competition in Cowaramup on October 8th with 40 competitors.

Since these competitions he has beaten his PB at home with a full solve in 30.26 secs.

We will definitely register Sebastian for future competitions in 2023 and fingers crossed he gets a new PB!

Article by Tara Green



Sebastian with his brother Jasper.

It's Starting to Feel a Lot Like Christmas

Christmas has come to Dumbleyung with a couple of weeks full of busy festive activities on the agenda.

On Friday the CRC held a Christmas Kokedama Workshop with a small, but enthusiastic group making their Christmas Kokedamas. Children beautifully decorated pots to take home.

The Dumbleyung Men's Shed are also getting into the festive groove by making Christmas trees and snowmen from recycled wooden pallets .

'Silly Season' really kicks into gear this week with school concerts, the end of school, the CRC Christmas Bake-Off and community Christmas parties in Dumbleyung, Kukerin and Dongolocking leading into the final week before Christmas and a community Christmas Carol service at St Augustine's Church in Dumbleyung on Christmas Eve.



Murray Hudson and Bob Bray from Men's Shed with a giant snowman outside Sniptrix Hair Salon.



**Merry
Christmas**

Great Finish to Farming Season of 2022

Season 2022 for the Dumbleyung and Kukerin shires has generally been positive. Good early rains got crops off to an excellent start.

As the season progressed, it was followed by well timed and good rainfall. Unlike last year, trafficability in paddocks wasn't as much of an issue. With an unfortunate dry finish to the end of the growing season, yields are still strong.

Unfortunately, hail has affected some canola crops around the district just before harvest started.

With harvest well under way, it was a bit later start to the season due to temperatures being unideal cold. With a few decent rain events occurring during harvest, summer weeds will be out in force during this already busy period.

Summer sheep feed is abundant from the good pasture growth and fresh stubbles as well.

Hope everybody has a great Christmas and a Happy New Year .

By Myles Prasser-Jones, Primary Agronomy Contact, Dumbleyung Ag Supplies





Dumbleyung Police Pulse

The last one for the year.... Sergeant John ALLANSON (J.A.) and I are now free from CRC stress (Jill and Carla were easy going, I am talking about the other two).

HELLO, Senior Constable Carol DA RONCH (Carol) here presenting Police Pulse, Dumbleyung Police Station's contribution to the Quack Chat.

It's beginning to look a lot like DOUBLE DEMERIT TIME

Here are all of the traffic offences that could cost someone their licence over the holiday period:

Warning Order
Christmas and New Year Double Demerits 2022/2023

During the Christmas and New Year Double Demerits 2022/2023 period, double demerits for prescribed offences are applicable between **0001 hours Friday 23 December 2022 and 2359 hours Sunday 8 January 2023 (inclusive)**.

During this period double demerit points will apply to the following offences:

- Speeding
- Seatbelt offences pertaining to drivers
- The illegal use of mobile phones
- Driving with a BAC of or above 0.05
- Presence of prescribed illicit drugs or fail to supply oral or blood sample
- Contravene a red traffic control signal/arrow
- Drive a motor vehicle fitted with a device designed to evade detection by a speed camera (14 points during double demerits period)
- Drive a motor vehicle in a manner to evade detection by a speed camera (14 points during double demerits period).

From this time last year till now, Dumbleyung Police in photos.



Staff Christmas party 2021. It was really good, everyone turned up.



Staff New Year's Eve party 2021 in Bremer Bay. It was really good, everyone turned up. Was over and done with at 8pm as we had work at 6am New Year's Day.



J.A. got married in Bali. Was I there? No. Please refer to the second photo to see what I was doing when the wedding took place.



Supporting the local café. Great coffee and food there, I totally recommend the place.



We paid our respects on Anzac Day.



JA not helping me clean our car.



Road safety talk to Dumbleyung and Kukerin Primary Schools. J.A. manned the BBQ.



Kukerin Primary School students.



This person saw us WAY too late.



Supporting the local sporting teams.



One of us was thrilled to help Katanning with a search warrant.



From J.A. and myself, Merry Christmas and have a happy New Year.

That's it from me for 2022, in the meantime, **STAY SAFE!**

Senior Constable Carol DA RONCH
Dumbleyung Police Station.

Dumbleyung, WA

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ROADWORKS UPDATE

Drainage works will be taking place on 129 Road and Robson Road.

GRANT FUNDING OPPROTUNITIES

The Shire of Dumbleyung is a subscriber to the Grant Guru portal. This is a one stop shop for anyone interested in checking out private and publicly funded grant opportunities from right across Australia. At present, there are over 1,000 community grants listed with a total value in excess of \$64B. There are also over 800 business related grants worth more than \$72B. By accessing the following RDA Wheatbelt weblink, any business or community group can sign up (register) to received free email alerts as new grant funding opportunities arise. Please feel free to contact the Shire if anyone requires any additional information or assistance.

<https://rdawheatbelt.com.au/>

WATER SUPPLY DURING A BUSHFIRE

Public Notice

Mains water supply cannot be guaranteed during a bushfire

Water Corporation is prepared for bushfire season. However, we cannot guarantee that water pressure or water supply will be maintained in the event of a bushfire. Extreme demand, fire damage and power cuts can all result in a total loss of water.

If you plan to stay and defend your property during a bushfire, you must have your own independent water supply and pumping capability. You cannot rely on mains water.

Details and resources about how to prepare for bushfire season can be found at mybushfireplan.wa.gov.au. For warnings and advice visit emergency.wa.gov.au.

watercorporation.com.au


Kukerin, WA





RECYCLING

 An infographic titled 'WHAT CAN BE RECYCLED?' on a blue background. In the top left corner is a small version of the Shire of Dumbleyung logo. The title is in white capital letters. Below the title, a central yellow recycling bin with a white recycling symbol is shown. Surrounding the bin are various items with labels: 'PLASTIC CONTAINERS' (a stack of white containers), 'MILK CARTONS' (a white milk carton), 'EMPTY ICE CREAM CONTAINERS' (a pink ice cream tub), 'GLASS & JARS' (a green bottle and a blue jar), 'EMPTY ROLL-ON DEODORANT BOTTLES' (two deodorant bottles), 'JUNK MAIL NOT SHREDED' (a stack of papers), and 'PLASTIC BOTTLES' (a blue water bottle and a red soda bottle). At the bottom of the infographic, it says 'LEARN MORE AT RECYCLINGWA.WA.GOV.AU'.

The Shire is starting to see lots of recyclable materials being sent to landfill at Shire refuse sites, including empty drink cans and containers. Eligible containers can receive a 10c refund (per can) through the containers for change scheme.

Please visit <https://www.containersforchange.com.au/wa/> for more info and to find your nearest drop off point.

Please use your yellow rubbish bin for all other recyclable materials. These bins are picked up from the street verge of each residence on a fortnightly basis.

BUSHFIRE UNIFORMS



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For those who have ordered, a notification will be sent out when the gear arrives.

To place an order for 2023, please contact Krissy at the Shire on 9863 4012 or message on WhatsApp.

Don't Forget Containers for Change this Silly Season

With the Silly Season upon us and an Aussie summer approaching, we can often find ourselves reaching for the more refreshing drinks often found in aluminium cans and plastic bottles. The empty cans and bottles can add up quickly, and as rubbish volumes increase by up to 30% during the festive season, it can pay to keep in mind the Containers for Change initiative.

We are probably all familiar with the process, but in short the scheme is designed to encourage recycling and for every eligible container you cash in, you receive 10 cents. 10 cents does not seem like much on its own, but over time, it adds up to a larger sum. It can be a great little project for this kids of the summer holidays—and the idea of a little extra pocket money for them can be exciting and encouraging.

The State Government has recently announced that the scheme could be expanded next year to include wine, spirit, juice and other bottles. The proposed changes could make an additional 140 million containers available for collection each year, or an extra \$14,000,000 in refunds for consumers, charities and community groups. The State Government is compiling feedback from the community before making any changes, with community consultation open until 1 May 2023. Meaning by the next festive season, your larger bottles (such as wine/spirits) may be contributing to some cash straight in your pocket. It is great to see the Containers for Change scheme go from strength to strength and the recycling rate of beverage containers has climbed from 34% to 61%, under the scheme.

So where can you swap within our area? According to containersforchange.com.au, these are the four closest return points to our Shire.

All Good Refund Centre Kukerin

25 Scadden Street, Kukerin

Type: Bag Drop

Hours: Monday—Saturday

9:00am—4:00pm

Katanning Environmental Container
Cash In

Lot 523 Dore Street, Katanning

Type: Pop-up, Bag Drop

Hours: Fridays 12:00pm—4:00pm

Saturdays 9:00am—3:00pm

All Good Refund Centre Wagin

20 Tavistock Street, Wagin

Type: Depot, Bag Drop

Hours: Thursday—Saturday

9:00am—1:00pm

Dumbleyung General Store, corner of Absolon and Bennet Street, Dumbleyung
Type: Drop off point in the yard



Depots

Walk in or drive through to get your containers counted, refunded and sent on to another life, on the spot.

[LEARN MORE](#)



Bag drops

If you want your refund returned to a your bank or PayPal account, this is a convenient and contact-free option that means the money goes straight into your account. Bag it. Tag it. Drop it.

[LEARN MORE](#)



Reverse vending machines (RVMs)

RVMs count uncrushed containers by scanning their barcodes. Just insert, and guarantee your containers another life.

[LEARN MORE](#)



Pop-up refund points

Sometimes Containers for Change will pop up at events or locations – and you can get your refund there and then!

[LEARN MORE](#)

SPORT

Kukerin Bowling Club

Kukerin were at home to Newdegate for our pennant game last Saturday. The game was played in pleasant conditions for a change after some foul weather for previous games. Newdegate stormed out of the blocks on two rinks and continued that way to the end of the contest, while the other two rinks were more evenly matched, with Newdegate gaining control in the early stages on one rink and the other rink was evenly contested. In the concluding stages two Newdegate rinks continued to dominate, the third rink became very close with Kukerin to eventually win by one shot and the fourth Kukerin rink gradually gained control to have a comfortable victory leaving Newdegate with a 6—2 win and a handsome margin of 25 shots up on aggregate.

The previous weekend the League pairs and triples for men and women were played at Newdegate. Kukerin's only success in these events were Bev Davidson and Therese King who won the women's pairs to be declared League champions for season 2022-23.

Next Saturday Kukerin travel to Kulin in continuation of the pennant competition. We will need a better effort after three losses in succession which leaves us hanging on to fourth position narrowly.

Best wishes and good bowling to Bev Davidson and partner ex Kukerin's Debbie Smith of Safety Bay who will be contesting the W.A. Women's state pairs championship this week.

Best wishes to Matthew King and Tim Adams who have been selected in the S.C.A.B.L team to contest the inter - league round robin to be played at Katanning from 6 to 8 of January 2023

As this is the last report before the Christmas break we wish all of our bowling friends and the wider community a safe and peaceful Christmas and a "Happy New Year".

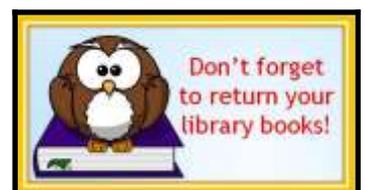
Article by Phil Adams

LIBRARY NEWS

OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS

Please check your shelves, under the bed or in the car for overdue library books. We would love you to return the books as soon as possible.

The Guinness world record for the most overdue library book is held by one returned to Sidney Sussex College in England. It was borrowed in 1668 and returned 288 years later in 1956.



NEW EXCHANGE - The last library exchange has arrived for 2022 so come in for a stock up on titles before the holidays.

CHILDREN FICTION

◆ Day Four War of the Waterslides—Total Mayhem 4 by Ralph Lazar
Dash and his friends Rob and Greta are used to unusual things happening at their school Swedhump Elementary. It is not just a chapter book. It is not a graphic novel. It's a bit of both.

AUDIOBOOKS

◆ The German Wife by Kelly Rimmer
A gripping novel inspired by the true story of Operation Paperclip: a controversial secret US intelligence program that employed former Nazis after WWII.

ADULT FICTION

◆ The Opal Miner's Daughter by Fiona McArthur
A moving and heart warming story about new life and new loves, about the treasures to be found above and below the surface of a small country town, and about the important choices women must make in life.



SCHOOL NEWS

Dumbleyung Primary School

Dates to Remember

Thursday 15 December—Good Standing Day/Rewards Day/Last Day of School for Students

Friday 16 December—School Development Day for staff



Kukerin Primary School

Dates to Remember

Wednesday 14 December—Graduation Lunch—Senior Room students

Thursday 15 December—last day for students.



DUMBLEYUNG ARCHIVES

Remember When Wednesday

Delivery of 'golden grain' to Kukerin Bulk Wheat Bin

"The Kukerin branch of the Wheat and Wool Grower's Union request to Co-operative Bulk Handling for an extra elevator to be installed at the Kukerin Bulk Wheat bin has been granted and two elevators will now be in operation at the Siding for the 1938-39 season." Kukerin Branch of Wheat and Wool Grower's Union, The Wagin Argus, Thursday 15 Dec 1938

"Deliveries to Saturday 10 December show that 2600 tons (representing in round figures 80,000 bushels) are at present stored in the bin, which is expected to be filled during this week."

Kukerin Calling, The Wagin Argus, Thursday 15 Dec 1938

Source: www.trove.nla.gov.au/newspaper

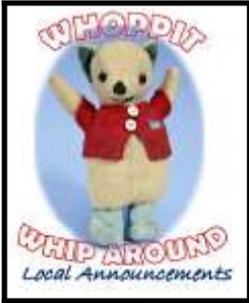


A collection of wheat carting and grain storage photos taken at Kukerin circa 1938.

*Photos source: Kukerin Archives
Jack Padley collection*



WHOPPIT WHIP AROUND



FOR SALE

**Portable Refrigerated Air Conditioner
POLOCOOL 6.0kW
\$440**



Tania Taylor: 0427 907 512

Is there anyone in our community who understands macrame and would be keen to help us lead a community macrame workshop in 2023?

If so—we would LOVE to hear from you.

E: admin@dumbleyungcrc.com

P: 9863 4829



Christmas Opening Hours

Christmas and New Year Opening Hours

The Shire Administration Office will closed from 4.30pm on Friday 23/12/22 and will re-open on Tuesday 03/01/23 at 8.30am.

Dumbleyung & Kukerin refuse sites will be closed on Boxing Day and New Years Day.

Emergency Contacts

Gavin Treasure: 0429 634 012
 Alex Richardson: 0427 634 012
 Anthony Pearce: 0427 635 911

FREE TREES LOOKING FOR A NEW HOME

Due to a change in direction of a new family coming to live in the Shire, we now have a quantity of salt tolerant trees and shrubs available for the taking.

If you have a fenced area and willing to plant these by July next year.

Please call Claudia on 0429 612 447—Dumbleyung Landcare

DUMBLEYUNG SHIRE DEFENCE BOOK UPDATE

You will be pleased to hear a very small group is still writing, proofreading, typing and editing behind the scenes to prepare the collection of over 420 stories for publication.

We have our fingers crossed plus our toes that the final proof of the book will be ready to present to the printer in March/April 2023.

Merry Christmas and best wishes for the New Year and 2023.

Dumbleyung ADF Project

WHOPPIT WHIP AROUND

Birthdays Messages

Happy Birthday wishes to the following locals who celebrate their birthdays in the next fortnight and during January. Have a great day.

DECEMBER

- 14- Danielle Ward
- 16- Terri Lloyd / Carissa West
- 19- Regan Bairstow
- 20- Marilyn Hasleby
- 21- Daniel Eynon
- 22- Candice Ward/ Scott Jefferis/Phoebe Bairstow
- 24- Suzanne Cronin
- 25- Ryan Taylor

JANUARY

- 03- Aimee Hall
- 04- Stephanie Joy
- 07- Clare Smith/ Elspeth Smith/ Clem Henry/ Jorgi Robertson-Hall
- 08- Jamie Frost
- 09- Michelle Mycoe
- 10- SJ Robertson-Hall
- 11- Brad Joyce
- 16- Michelle Gooding/ Tara Ball/ Jess Davidson/Dale Lloyd
- 18- Hudson Roberts
- 22 – Dusty Tooke
- 27- Madison Shotter
- 29- Amanda Gilfellon





Dumbleyung P&C Fundraiser

Dumbleyung P&C, together with Wise Wines, are selling cases of wine and bottles of spirits – just in time for Christmas and the New Year!!

10% discount off online prices!

20% of total wine sales and \$10 from every bottle of spirits sold goes to the Dumbleyung P&C to spend on our students at Dumbleyung Primary School!

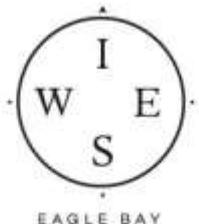
For wines, minimum order is 3 x 12 bottle case (mixed or straight)
For spirits, minimum order is 2 bottles.

Freight is free Australia-wide if spending over \$200.
If spend is under \$200, freight charge is \$30 per case to Perth only. Other destinations will be \$20 per case.

www.wisewine.com.au

Coupon Code *DPS22*

Open now and valid until 23 December 2022



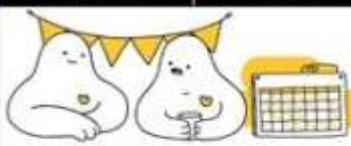


NEW IN STORE@ Dumbleyung CRC

Our new personalised “Dumbleyung” bags have arrived—just in time for Christmas.



Monday
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday
Sunday



Calendar of connection

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| <p>1</p> <p>Grab a cuppa and have a chat with someone you know who has had a tough year.</p> | <p>2</p> | <p>3</p> <p>Ask someone who has experienced loss this year how they'd like to commemorate it over the holidays.</p> | <p>4</p> |
| <p>5</p> <p>Organise a non-shopping Kris Kringle where each person does a nice deed or hand makes something for their recipient.</p> | <p>6</p> | <p>7</p> <p>Extend an invitation to someone who will be alone this Christmas.</p> | <p>8</p> <p>Team up with others and volunteer at a local organisation.</p> |
| <p>12</p> | <p>13</p> <p>Check in with a colleague before they go on break.</p> | <p>14</p> | <p>18</p> <p>Have a virtual catch up with someone you can't see in person.</p> |
| <p>19</p> <p>Drop off a meal for a friend or family member.</p> | <p>20</p>  | <p>21</p> <p>Suggest a "walk and talk" with someone you know who usually finds the holidays tough.</p> | <p>25</p> <p>Send a text to let someone know you're thinking of them.</p> |
| <p>26</p> | <p>27</p> <p>Check in with a friend who's been struggling to see how they're tracking.</p> | <p>28</p> | <p>31</p> <p>1 January 2023</p> |
| <p>29</p> <p>Ask a friend who's working over the holiday period how you can support them.</p> | <p>30</p> | <p>24</p> <p>Remind your friends that helplines, such as Lifeline (13 11 14), are operating 24/7 over the holidays.</p>  | <p>22</p> <p>Think about who in your world might be finding this time difficult and ask them, 'Are you OK?'</p> |

'Tis the season to be asking
RUOK?

Find more connection tips at ruok.org.au

WHOPPIT WHIP AROUND

Bible Discussion --- Non - Denominational
Will's Chat:



Christmas time again.

Once again we come to the end of the year and with it comes the celebration of Christmas.

How or why we might celebrate is perhaps something to think about.

The reason for the season can be many and varied and depends a great deal on each individual's outlook on life.

Did we have any kind of spiritual upbringing or do we have no connection to any belief system at all?

Many would see this time of the year as nothing more than having a break from work, exchanging gifts and perhaps that mandatory visit to the parents and other relatives.

For some Christmas has a deeper meaning, it is a celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ.

The significance of this event is sometimes lost by many people, but when we read about it in the Bible we can see the importance of it.

Isaiah 9:6 says: "Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given." when the angels announced His birth it was to the shepherds in the field and Luk2:15 tells us: and it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, Let us go to Bethlehem and see this thing which has come to pass, which the Lord has made known to us.

Then some Wise Men of the East [The bible does not tell us there were three men] came looking for Him, to worship Him.

They followed a star that was to lead them to the child Jesus who by the time they arrived in Bethlehem would have been perhaps a year and a half old.

These events were the beginning of what had been foretold, a promise that one day someone would come to pay the penalty for all the wrongs we do in the sight of God so that we may reconnect with our Heavenly Father.

JUST HOW AWESOME IS THIS GIFT?

We are the recipients of a gift that has immeasurable value yet we seldom see or understand it!

When we celebrate this year maybe we can remember this precious gift and why it was given to us.

Let us hang onto it with all our might giving thanks each and every day.

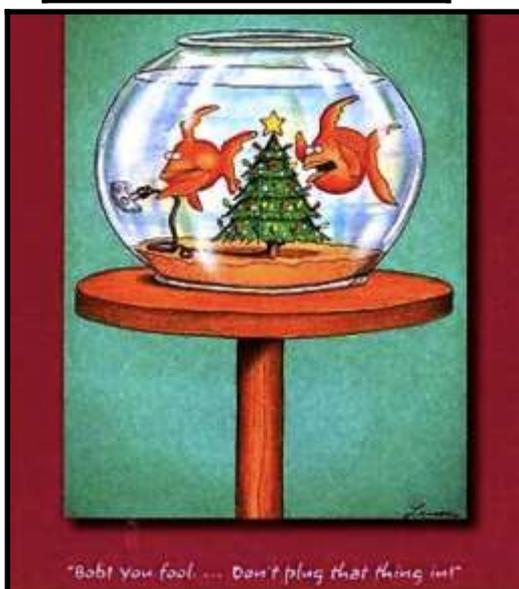
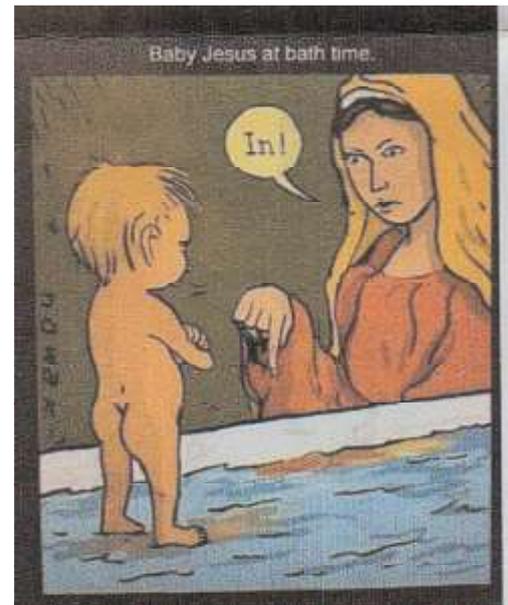
Above all, never let it go and if you are not ready to accept His gift just yet remember He is just waiting for you to do so. Seek Him out and see what He has to offer.

May you all have a pleasant Christmas.

I have added a small illustration of Mary and Baby Jesus during bath time.

I can't help but smile when I think about it.

NO, there is no evidence anywhere in the Bible of Mary ever having problems with bathing.



RECIPE

Sparkling Wine Mojito Punch

Ingredients:

(6-8 servings)

1/4 cup sugar

1/4 cup fresh lime juice

1 cup mint leaves

1 cup light rum

2 1/2 cup sparkling wine

Method:

In large measuring cup, mix sugar with fresh lime juice until sugar dissolves. Add mint leaves and muddle to mash and combine. Stir in light rum and let sit at least one hour or overnight.

When ready to serve, strain into pitcher and add the sparkling wine. Serve over ice with sliced lime and fresh mint leaves.



Christmas Morning Punch

Ingredients:

(serves 10–12)

For the ice cubes

8 sprigs of fresh rosemary

Pomegranate seeds

For the punch

3 cups unsweetened pomegranate juice

1 cup orange juice

1 cup pineapple juice

1 piece of ginger (about 5cm), peeled and sliced

750mLs of sparkling apple juice, such as Devondale or Appletiser from Woolworths.

Method:

For the ice cubes: Snip the rosemary into one inch pieces.

Add a few pomegranate seeds and small sprig of rosemary to the wells of two ice cube trays.

Add water to each and freeze until solid.

For the punch: Combine the pomegranate, pineapple and orange juice in a pitcher.

Add the sliced ginger and let sit overnight.

When ready to serve, place the ice cubes in a tall glass and fill halfway with the fruit juice.

Top with the sparkling apple juice and serve immediately.





READY, SET, BAKE!

THE DUMBLEYUNG CRC INVITES YOU TO A

Christmas Bake-Off

**THIS
FRIDAY!!!**

FRIDAY 16 DEC • 1:00PM

Bring along your favourite Christmas treats (slices, cakes etc)
Judging starts at 1:00pm followed by announcement of winners
and a Christmas get together and tasting of the produce.

FREE BARISTA COFFEE SUPPLIED

RSVP to the CRC on 9863 4829 or admin@dumpleyungcrc.com



KUKERIN

Christmas

PARTY

Santa arrives
6.30pm

FRIDAY 16TH
DECEMBER

New Shed
Nenke Park

Please let Michelle know by Monday 5th December if participating in Secret Santa

DUMBLEYUNG Community Christmas Party

HOSTED BY THE DUMBLEYUNG VFRS

BBQ . DRINKS . KIDS ACTIVITIES . MUSIC & SANTA!

- WHEN** 17 Saturday December 2022, 4.30pm - 10pm
WHERE 23 Harvey St, Dumbleyung - VFRS Shed
BYO Salad to share, BBQ starts at 6.00pm
SANTA Arriving at 5.30pm
Please have gifts for Santa ready by 5.00pm or drop off to the Shire Admin prior to the day.

Let's party!

VOLUNTEERS
WANTED
PHONE KRISSY ON
0428 749 855
SET-UP, TASKS OR
CLEAN UP





**DUMBLEYUNG
DISTRICT CLUB, INC.**

***Buffet Christmas Dinner
Friday December 23rd
from 6:30pm!***

**Cost –
Adult - \$30
Child - \$10**

**Mains include –
Roast Ham & Turkey, Prawns, etc.
W/ Salads & Roast Veggies**

**Desserts -
Lemon Cheesecake, Trifle**

Booking is Essential!

RSVP to 0429 634 092 by Tuesday December 20th.

**You can book for a table of 2, 4, 6 or more
if you wanna keep the table to yourselves,
w/ Family & Friends!**

Hope to see you then!



CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE



CHRISTMAS EVE – 24th December
at 5PM

ST AUGUSTINE'S, Dumbleyung

Come Share the Christmas Story

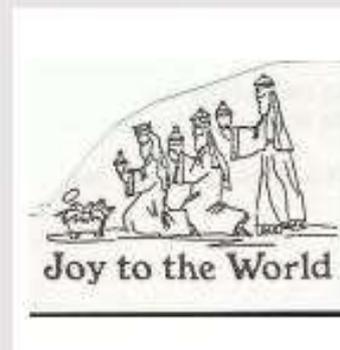
through Carols

Family Friendly

ALL WELCOME

NON DENOMINATIONAL

NO SERMON



Non Denominational Communion Service on Sunday 18th
December 11am at St Augustine's.

Staying put this January?

We know that not everyone goes on holidays this time of year. The Dumbleyung CRC will be open on Tuesday 10 and Wednesday 11 January for anyone who wishes to pop in for some company while our Shire is a bit quieter. We will provide you with a cuppa and biscuits. From 9:00am - 12:00pm.



Dumbleyung Landcare Grain Drive

The positivity and support we received from the community survey told us that you care!

To continue to provide a Landcare service into the future we need to raise some much needed funds.

We would appreciate if you could please donate grain towards this cause and help us to help you!

To donate grain through CBH please use our CBH Number: 40568024 or use the donate tab in Loadnet and search for Dumbleyung Land Conservation District Committee also please consider allocating forfeited grain from overloaded trucks as well through loadnet!

You can also donate grain through our NGR NO:
1505 2090

Thankyou for your ongoing support!!



DUMBLEYUNG LCDC!

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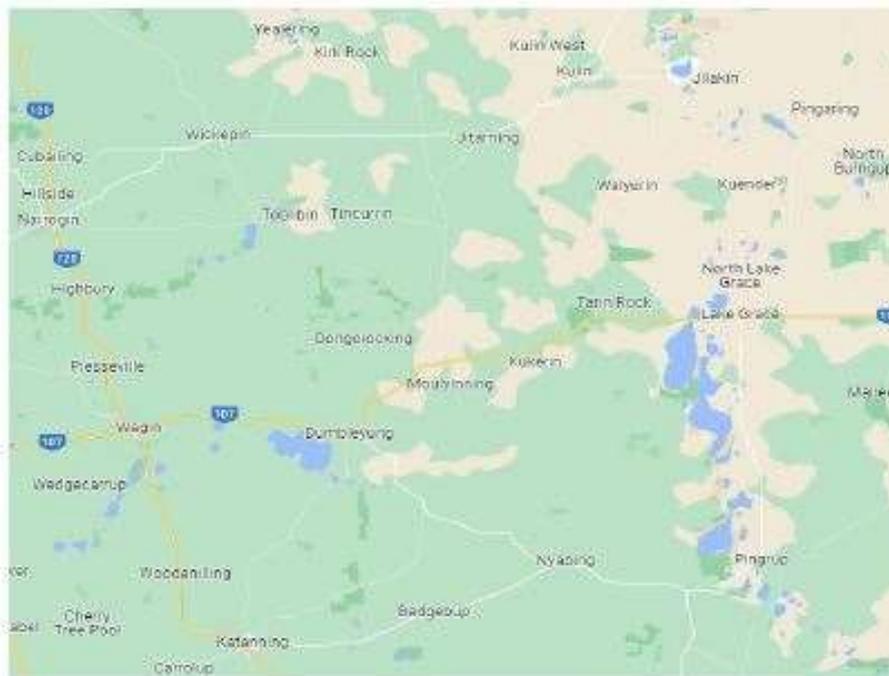
Did you know we have a Containers for Change code - under the name Dumbleyung LCDC! Quote our member number (scheme ID) when returning your containers to a refund point. This is a fantastic way to assist us during our transition period. We appreciate ALL donations whether they are one-offs or regular contributions!☐

STUBBLE CRUNCHING



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- ◆ BETTER TRASH FLOW FOR SEEDING CULTIVATOR
- ◆ FASTER DECOMPOSITION WITH STRAW TO SOIL CONTACT
- ◆ INCREASE MICROBE ACTIVITY
- ◆ CUTS CANOLA STALKS INTO 5" LENGTHS FOR BETTER TRASH FLOW
- ◆ GAIN A GERMINATION FOR A SECOND GRAZING OPTION AND/OR KNOCKDOWN OPPORTUNITY



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SEE MAP FOR AREAS COVERED

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CONTRACT ONLY. STRICTLY NO DRY HIRE

FOR MORE INFORMATION PHONE MICK ADAMS 0427 646 105
OR EMAIL mickalex@westnet.com.au

FOR SALE

Argyle Explorer 015 Follow Me Off Road

1 owner from new / Licenced until April 2023 / Tare 1100 Agg 1500
 New 120ah AGM battery Small awning fitted extra, leave on for short stays, folds up on roof
 Skirt around bottom of trailer never used / Rims changed size 265/75 16"

Australian made tent (15oz walls 15oz roof) with gas strutted bows to assist with opening.

- ⇒ 2.4m Awning with kitchen end wall
- ⇒ Rear drawer slide
- ⇒ Slide out kitchen with Lido Jnr stove, sink and elec tap
- ⇒ "Quick connect" gas with bayonet at rear
- ⇒ Queen size INNERSPRING mattress
- ⇒ 70lt Water tank with lockable filler
- ⇒ Battery setup with 5 X 12v outlets, Anderson plug and 3 lights
- ⇒ 120ah AGM Battery
- ⇒ 12v—12v charger, solar regulator, 240v charger and voltmeter
- ⇒ Electric brakes
- ⇒ Rear corners enclosed in trailer
- ⇒ Wind break annex wall
- ⇒ Walkway with door access and step
- ⇒ Carpet to trailer interior and walkway
- ⇒ No ladders to climb into beds
- ⇒ Spare hub
- ⇒ Large aluminium storage box
- ⇒ Stone guard
- ⇒ 1 x 4kg gas bottle in holder
- ⇒ Off-road hitch (oz-hitch)
- ⇒ Powder coated finish to trailer
- ⇒ Drop down stabiliser legs
- ⇒ Pole box
- ⇒ 1.5T suspension
- ⇒ 4x jerry can holders

EXTRAS

- ⇒ New gas Coleman hot water system. Never used. Still in case.
- ⇒ Porta Potty. Never used. In own cover, all chemicals to go with it.

Excellent Condition \$25,000 negotiable

For viewing, please ring to open up. Ph: 0447 024 097 Evenings: 0427 634 097 (ring at night only)



FOR SALE

Everhot Slow Combustion Stove Deluxe 204
Parts done on 2017 repair



- ⇒ NEW bricks
- ⇒ NEW S/S oven
- ⇒ NEW grate
- ⇒ NEW inner fire box & protection plate
- ⇒ NEW catches on all doors
- ⇒ All seals replaced
- ⇒ Heavy duty boiler, hot water system.
- ⇒ Oven control assembly
- ⇒ All 6" flue S/S plus 1 length double skin & cap in S/S 6"

\$1,500 ONO - Phone: 0447 024 097

This stove will be coming out after January 2023 as it is still in use now.

WORKING SAFELY FROM HEIGHTS

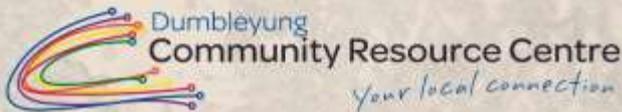
A HEADS UP FOR 2023!

The Dumbleyung CRC is keen to collaborate with Katanning TAFE in early 2023 (hopefully March) and have them come and run a Working Safely from Heights course.

The course would suit anyone who is required to work at height either on a personal or professional level, and who could be at risk of injury as a result of this work.

On successful completion of this course, participants will receive a statement of attainment for the following nationally accredited units **RIIWH5204E Work Safely at Heights**.

Logistics are still being confirmed and expressions of interest will be taken early next year. There are 8 places and we need them all filled for the course to run. If you would like a place **please keep an eye out for more details due to be released at the end of January 2023**.



MERRY CHRISTMAS

DUMBLEYUNG CRC
DECEMBER AND JANUARY

Opening Hours

The Dumbleyung CRC will close for Christmas break on
Thursday 22 December 2022
at 3:00pm
 and reopens on the following dates in 2023.

Tuesday 10 January 2023

9:00am - 4:30pm

Wednesday 11 January 2023

9:00am - 4:30pm

We will then be closed again until normal opening hours return on

Monday 23 January 2023

except for Australia Day Thursday 26 January 2023

We wish all in our community a

Merry Christmas



PLEASE
DRIVE SAFELY
ON OUR ROADS
THIS
HOLIDAY SEASON
-
ENJOY THE RIDE

MERRY CHRISTMAS
FROM YOUR LOCAL MEMBER FOR ROE

Peter Rundle MLA
MEMBER FOR ROE

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**MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM YOUR LOCAL MEMBER FOR THE AGRICULTURAL REGION.
PLEASE TAKE CARE ON OUR ROADS THIS FESTIVE SEASON!**



Hon. Shelley Payne MLC Member for Agricultural Region

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TO DISCUSS YOUR
REQUIREMENTS**



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Dumbleyung Community Resource Centre

December 2022
DUMBLEYUNG CRC COMMUNITY CALENDAR

NOTE: if there are any dates you would like added to the community calendar, please email the Dumbleyung CRC on admin@dumbleyungcrc.com or phone: 98634 829.

| SUNDAY 27 November | MONDAY 28 November | TUESDAY 29 November | WEDNESDAY 30 November | THURSDAY 1 December | FRIDAY 2 December | SATURDAY 3 December |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | Men's Shed 9.30am | | QC#267 Dumbleyung Tennis Ladies Pennants 10am | Dumbleyung Bowling Club Ladies 4's @ Katanning | Santa Photos @ Dumbleyung CRC Dumbleyung Bowling Club Ladies 4's @ Katanning Social tennis @ 5.30pm Lawn Classic Meeting | Dumbleyung Bowling Club Men's Pennants Dumbleyung bye |
| 4 December Dumbleyung Bowling Club Ladies Championship Singles Dumbleyung Tip 8am - 12 noon Kukerin Tip 1pm - 5pm | 5 December Men's Shed 9.30am | 6 December Dumbleyung Bowling Club Ladies GSBL Pairs & Triples @ Dumbleyung | 7 December Kukerin Tip 9.30am - 1.30pm Craft Group @ Dumbleyung CRC 10.00am | 8 December St Luke's Doctor Day @ Dumbleyung Hospital Dumbleyung Tip 9am - 1.00pm | 9 December Christmas DIY Koiadama activity Dyg CRC @ 10.00am Dumbleyung Tennis Club Social tennis 5.30pm + Busy Bee Junior Tournament @ 3pm | 10 December Dumbleyung Tennis Club Juniors Open Tournament @ 8.00am Dumbleyung Bowling Club Men's Pennants Kojonup Green v Dumbleyung |
| 11 December Dumbleyung Bowling Club Men's Championship Singles Dumbleyung Tip 8am - 12 noon Kukerin Tip 1pm - 5pm | 12 December Quack Chat articles deadline Men's Shed 9.30am | 13 December Dumbleyung Bowling Club Pennants Dyg bye | 14 December Quack Chat#268 Craft Group @ Dumbleyung CRC 10.00am Kukerin Tip 9.30am - 1.30pm | 15 December Dumbleyung Tip 9am - 1.00pm Kukerin Dumbleyung Seniors' Christmas Lunch @ Walkers Winery Recycling bins pick up | 16 December Dumbleyung Tennis Club Social tennis @ 5.30pm + Evening Meal Christmas Bake-Off 1pm @ Dyg CRC Kukerin Community Christmas Party Nerabe Park | 17 December Dumbleyung Bowling Club Men's Pennants Dumbleyung VRS Community Christmas Party 4.30pm |
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| 25 December Christmas Day | 26 December Bowling Day | 27 December | 28 December Kukerin Tip 9.30am - 1.30pm | 29 December Dumbleyung Tip 9am - 1.00pm Recycling bins pick up | 30 December | 31 December New Year's Eve |

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