

February 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 Pop Up Shop. If you have any suggestions or feedback please send them to admin@katanning.wa.gov.au



Harmony Festival 2019 - Performers & Stall Holder Application Forms

Harmony Festival is celebrating its 10th Year on Saturday 16 March 2019.

Applications for performers and stall holders are still open!

Applications close Friday 15 February 2019.

Application forms are located on the Shire of Katanning <u>website</u> or hard copy can be collected from the Shire Administration. The Shire's Community Development team is available to work with local businesses, committees, groups and individuals to ensure all members of the Katanning community have the opportunity to participate in the festival.

If you would like to find out more, please Shire of Katanning on 9821 9999 or email admin@katanning.wa.gov.au



Rates 2018/19 Reminder

The 2018/19 Rates third instalment is due on 28 January 2019 The final instalment is due 29 March 2019 and an Instalment Reminder Notice will be sent out during February. If you have any questions, please contact Breanna Green on 08 9821 9999 or rates@katanning.wa.gov.au

KATANNING CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AND COMMUNITY LONG SERVICE AWARDS 2019

Congratulations to the following winners of Katanning's Citizen of the Year and Community Long Service Awards 2019 that were presented at the Australia Day Breakfast at the Lions Park on Saturday 26 January.

Citizen of the Year Award

Kerry Palmer

Senior Citizen of the Year Award

Arthur Todd

Youth Citizen of the Year Award

Hajar Muhammad and Maryam Muhammad

Active Citizenship Award

Katanning Dramatic Society (accepted by Lesley Balinski

Community Long Service Award

Doug Cherry and Peter Jolly

BUSHFIRE COURSE FOR VOLUNTEER BUSHFIRE FIGHTERS

This course covers what you need to know to keep yourself and your mates safe at a fire.

Farmer Response and Farm Workers

Course Includes:

- Bushfire Safety
- · Bushfire Behaviour
- Bushfire Suppression
- Bushfire Weather including PyroCb
- Skills to Fight Bushfires in the Rural Urban Interface



Date: Wednesday 20 February 2019

Location: Katanning Public Library Meeting Room.

Time: 8.30am – 4.30pm.

Morning, Afternoon Tea and Lunch will be supplied on the day.

If you are interested in attending please contact the Shire's Community Emergency Services Manager, Cindy Pearce on 0417 071 567.

WHAT IS A HARVEST AND VEHICLE MOVEMENT BAN AND HOW ARE THEY IMPLEMENTED



A Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban (HVMB) is implemented by local Shires under Section 38A of the Bushfire Act 1954. When Bush Fire Control Officers (FCO) gazetted by the Local Government believe that the use of engines, vehicles, plant or machinery is likely to cause or contribute to the spread of a bushfire.

A ban may also be put in place if there is a confirmed report of a fire or numerous fires in the area requiring resources to be mobilised straight away or if resources in the area are limited.

During the fire season local FCO's monitor daily weather forecast and conditions looking at local temperature, wind speed and relative humidity. When these figures collated together exceeds the threshold of the Local Government levels and/or if local resources are limited a ban is implemented.

Once a ban is in place the weather is monitored throughout the day by local FCO's to determine when the ban will be lifted, this may be pre-determined when the ban is initiated.

Once it's been determined a ban will been implemented the information is distributed through the Shires SMS HVMB network, the Harvest Ban Hotline message is updated, and emails are distributed to neighbouring Shires and to local radio stations for broadcasting.

Special Exemptions for the Katanning Shire can be requested through the Chief Bushfire Control Officer and Local FCO for that location on the day of a ban under exceptional circumstances.

It is the responsibility of individuals, land owners and contractors to be aware of any bans and you will be fined for breaching a ban.

If you require clarification on a HVMB please contact the local CBFCO, FCO or the Community Emergency Services Manager.



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 and/or email at admin@katanning.wa.gov.au. These issues are important to us so please help us help you through any of these matters.

Dog and Cat Registration

All dogs and cats over the age of three months are required by law to be registered and microchipped. This makes it easier to return pets to their rightful owners and negates 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

Wandering dogs will be impounded and where the owner is identified, and it is a continuing offence a \$200 infringement under the Dog Act may be issued. The law requires all dogs to be securely confined on private property.

Litter Bins

The Shire has installed litter bins throughout the town centre and this is to keep the street scaping free from rubbish and enhance the attractive appearance of our town. There are

penalties applicable under the Litter Act for littering and the Ranger will be active in ensuring compliance.

Katanning Leisure Centre

Address: 4 Pemble Street

Phone: 9821 4399

Facebook: www.facebook.com/KatanningLeisureCentre/

Email: klcstaff@katanning.wa.gov.au

Term 1 – Group Fitness Timetable is as follows:

Monday's

6.15am HIIT Step9.30am Body Attack10.00am CX Worx

6.00pm Body Pump (60 minutes)

6.30pm Body Balance

Tuesday's

9.30am Body Pump (30 minutes)

10.00am HIIT Step

1.30pm Seniors Gym for Over 50's

5.45pm RPM (30 minutes)

6.20pm Meta Fit

Wednesday's

5.30pm HIIT Step

6.10pm Body Pump (45 minutes)

6.30pm Body Balance

Thursday's

9.30am Body Pump (30 minutes)10.00am Seniors Gym for Over 50's6.00pm Body Attack (30 minutes)

6.30pm CX WORX

Friday's

6.15am RPM

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

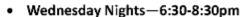
3rd Wednesday of each month 12.00pm-1.30pm

Cost: \$10 per month. Requires membership to Autumn Club for \$5 per year.

Expression of Interest Social Ladies Netball RAM PAN

5 WEEK COMPETITION

WEDNESDAY 27 FEBRUARY TO 27 MARCH 2019



 Costs: \$4.50 per junior (u18) player, \$5.60 per senior (18+) player, \$2.00 per spectator or FREE for gold member (junior or senior)

ONLY!

- Get your nominations and fees (\$25) in by 15 February
- Teams will be required to umpire at fixtured time slots.
- Fixtures Commence 27 February
- Nomination Forms available from Katanning Leisure Centre or by email on <u>klcstaff@katanning.wa.gov.au</u> or call the friendly staff on 9821 4399.
- Limited Team Nominations—1st 6 teams Accommodated.

Shire of Katanning Heart of the Great Southern

Public Library

Address: 16 Austral Terrace

Phone: 9821 4300

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

Email: katlib@katanning.wa.gov.au

February 2019

Library Club will launch on Monday 11 February 2019.

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.









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

Story Time- Every Tuesday 10.00am

Term 1, Story Time will resume on Tuesday 12 February 2019.

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.

The Story Time Term 1 theme is AUSTRALIA!









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

Toy Library







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. Come on in, grab and cuppa and get lost in ancestry.com.

Life Long Readers Book Club Meeting Date: 1 February Friday



Time: 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Where: Library Community Room

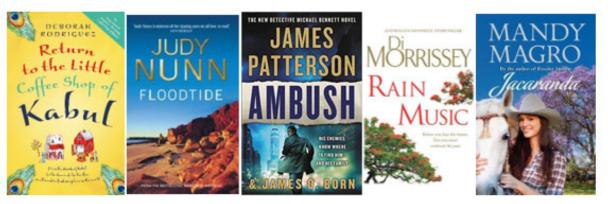
No time to read, listen to an Audio instead. They are perfect for long drives.

Audios that have just arrived...





New books





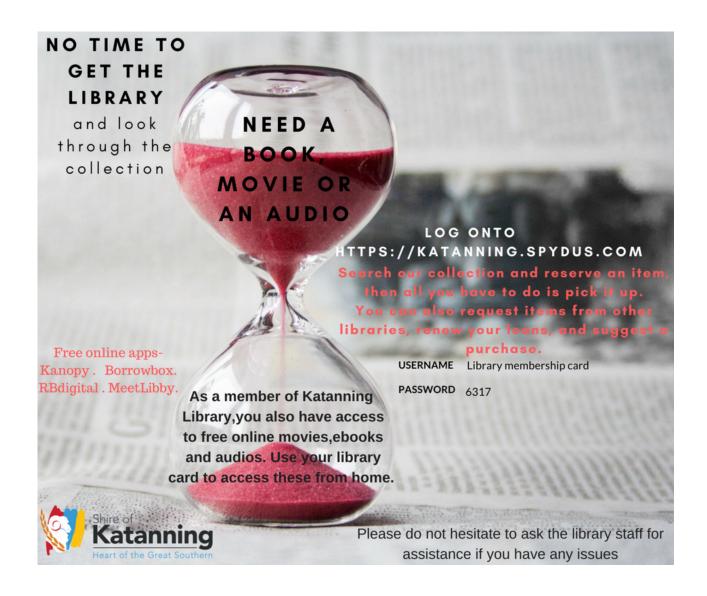
Become a member

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.









Public Art Gallery

Address: 16 Austral Terrace

Phone: 9821 4310

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

Email: polc@katanning.wa.gov.au

Gallery Opening Hours:

Monday and Friday: 10.00am - 5.00pm Tuesday and Thursday: 10.00am - 6.00pm

Wednesday: 1.00pm - 5.00pm Saturday: 10.00am - 1.00pm

Sunday: CLOSED

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

Upcoming Exhibitions

Council Meeting Highlights

December 2018

The following items were approved at the Council meeting:

- 1. Confirmed the updated Shire of Katanning Council Policies.
- 2. Approved the General Meeting of Electors to be held on Monday 11 February 2019 at 7:30pm at the Katanning Leisure Centre Pioneer Room.
- 3. Accepted the expenditure of up to \$25,000 ex GST from the New Shire Administration Building Project Budget to undertake the 2019 Mural Project.
- 4. Approved Katanning Senior High School access to the Katanning Town Hall kitchen, foyer and storeroom for their Certificate II in Hospitality Course and pop up café for one day a week in the 2019 school year.

All Council Agendas and minutes can be found

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