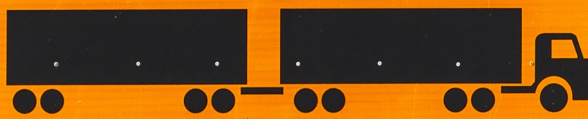


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Cue CRC Report

Hi All,

Whilst October has been a quieter month, as there are fewer tourists and the weather has been getting warmer, we have still hosted a number of activities throughout the month.

The Department of Transport visited on the 1st of October, providing local residents with access to their services and information. Services Australia followed on the 8th, offering support and assistance to members of our community.

On the 10th, Monika Doepgen presented a video titled *Coral's Last Stand*, an engaging and informative presentation about Scott Reef. The video highlighted the environmental threats facing the reef, particularly the impacts of gas drilling, and outlined the actions needed to help protect this unique ecosystem.

On the 16th, we had planned to run a Business Workshop on *Converting Your Hobby into a Business*. Unfortunately, due to low community interest, we had to cancel this session. However, later that same day, we were pleased to welcome Regional Alliance West, who visited Cue to connect with locals to assist with their Money Business and legal matters.

Looking ahead to November, we already have a number of exciting events lined up. These include a book signing event and the Cue CRC Annual General Meeting (AGM), both of which are sure to engage and bring together members of our community. The Seniors Week Morning Tea will be at the Cue CRC this year, hosted by the Shire of Cue, please contact Tracy at the Shire of Cue to RSVP.

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Julie Humphreys
Manager



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Nov 26th

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From the CEO

Council News

On Tuesday, 21 October 2025, Stephen Manning officiated the swearing-in ceremony. Congratulations to returning Councillor Julie Humphreys and a warm welcome to new Councillors Jacquie Lacy, Norm Lyon, and Cian Lyon.

At the Council meeting, a ballot was conducted for the positions of Shire President and Deputy Shire President. Councillor Les Price was elected unopposed as Shire President, and Councillor Ross Pigdon was elected Deputy Shire President.



Hon Melissa Price MP

We were pleased to welcome Hon Melissa Price MP to Cue on Wednesday, 22 October 2025. During her visit, she provided a comprehensive update on key matters affecting our region, as well as broader national issues.

Hon Price showed genuine interest in the specific challenges currently facing our Shire, including infrastructure needs, service delivery in remote areas, and opportunities for economic development. Her willingness to engage in open dialogue and answer questions was greatly appreciated.

We thank Hon Price for taking the time to visit and for her continued support of regional communities like ours.

Newhaul Operations Update

On Wednesday, 10 September 2025, I met with Newhaul's Chief Operating Officer Mark Wisniewski and General Manager Road Logistics Greg Harvey. Key updates included:

- Beebyn W11 is now operational, with the haul road expected to be sealed in November 2025.

Newhaul currently operates 45 trucks in and out of Cue, with an additional 5 trucks to be added soon.

A follow-up meeting with Newhaul and Kodiak management discussed initiating a trial of autonomous trucks on the private Beebyn W11 haul road. Each truck will have an observer driver onboard to ensure safety. The trial may later expand to the Fenix Cue Interchange on Miners Pass Road.

Regional Roads Murchison Subgroup Meeting

Cue hosted the Regional Roads Murchison Subgroup on Tuesday, 7 October 2025. Key topics included:

- Proposed additions to the *Roads 2040* document for future resource road funding.
- WALGA's proposed changes to the Multi-Criteria Analysis model for regional road funding.
- An increase in the maximum project allocation from \$450,000 to \$540,000, effective 2027–2028.

Allocation of funds for condition surveys of all roads listed in the *Roads 2040* document.

Cue Pioneer Cemetery Project

The Shire has partnered with Outback Grave Markers to explore the history of the Cue Pioneer Cemetery. Stories behind 22 of the 66 known burials have been uncovered, including ten graves relocated in 1898. These findings offer a rich glimpse into Cue's early gold rush era and may soon be featured on Curtin Radio.

Murdoch University “On the Road Veterinary Program”

The Shire of Cue supported the Murdoch University Veterinary program in Cue on Friday 24 October 2025. A total of 8 surgeries and over 20 plus vaccinations and pet checks were completed. A big thank you to our community for supporting the program, Murdoch University, Canine Control and Shire staff for making this a success.



Austin Street Heritage Project

Jason and Felicity Trevenen of Kaboom Toons have been commissioned to recreate the historical streetscape of Austin Street. Historically inspired shopfront signs will be painted and installed above buildings, reflecting businesses from Cue’s early commercial days. This initiative celebrates Cue’s heritage and enhances its appeal as a historical destination.

Roadworks and Maintenance

Recent and ongoing roadworks aimed at improving safety and accessibility across the region have been undertaken in the Shire. Two new grids have been installed on the Beringarra–Cue Road, enhancing travel conditions for local and regional road users. The Shire extends its thanks to all motorists for their patience and cooperation during these works.

In addition, maintenance grading is currently underway on the Reedy Road and Culculli Road. This is a timely reminder to everyone travelling on roads in the Shire to please drive to conditions, slow down and observe any traffic management directions. For up-to-date road conditions, please check our website for the latest information www.cue.wa.gov.au/roadreport/.

Rates Incentive Draw

The draw for the rates incentive prizes will take place on 18 November 2025.

- First Prize: \$600
- Second Prize: \$300
- Third Prize: \$100

Remembrance Day Service

The Shire will be holding a short Remembrance Day Service on Tuesday 11 November 2025 commencing at 10.45am. It will be held at Arthur Stanley Gurney Park, Austin St Cue (next to the Shire Admin Building).

Verge Collection

The summer months are a time of storms and cyclones. Residents are reminded to clean up and remove any unwanted or loose items from their property that could cause damage in a storm. The Shire will be conducting verge collections for heavy and large items between 10 November and 14 November.

WA Seniors Week

WA Seniors Week runs from 9 to 16 November to recognise the important role that seniors play in our community and acknowledge the contributions of older Western Australians. On Friday 14 November at 10:30am we will celebrate Seniors Week with a morning tea at the Cue Community Resource Centre. Bookings are appreciated for catering purposes by contacting Tracy at the Shire office. Please let us know if you require assistance to attend the event.

Christmas Light Competition

It's that time of the year again!!! The Christmas Light Competition is open for 2025. Please see details in this edition of the Dryblower. Remember to fill in your registration and return to the Shire Admin Office by 12 December to be eligible for prizes.

Tidy Towns Finalist

Cue has been selected as a finalist in the Heritage and Culture category of Keep Australia Beautiful WA's annual Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Awards. Winners will be announced at the State Awards Event at Optus Stadium on 28 November 2025.

Community Reminders

- **Dog Owners:** Please ensure dogs are contained within your property or on a leash in public. The town oval is the only designated off-leash area. The Shire Ranger will take action against unrestrained dogs.

Mosquito Fogging: Will occur intermittently at dusk or early morning when conditions are suitable.

Upcoming Events

- **Tuesday 11 November:** Remembrance Day Service
- **Friday 14 November:** Seniors Week Morning Tea
- **Saturday 22 November:** Elected Member Training
- **Friday 28 November:** Tidy Towns Award Ceremony
- **Friday 5 December:** Volunteer Party
- **Saturday 6 December:** Town Christmas Party
- **Friday 12 December:** Christmas Light Competition Nominations Close
- **Tuesday 16 December:** Christmas Light Competition Judging

Friday 19 December: Shire Christmas Closure (reopening Monday 5 January 2026)

Next Ordinary Council Meeting

6.00pm, Tuesday 18 November 2025

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cue.wa.gov.au/roadreport/



Council News

Hi 'Dryblower' Readers,

Welcome to the November 2025 edition of the Cue 'Dryblower'.

For those Local Governments in the Murchison, it was a busy time in October with the council elections very much the focus of business. For Cue the pressure was off as the four nominations filled the available four vacant council seats.

We congratulate Councillors Jacquie Lacy, Norm Lyon, Cian Lyon and Julie Humphreys who were sworn in by former Cue Shire President Mr. Stephen Mannng JP at the Shire Council meeting held on 21 October 2025. Except for Cr. Cian Lyon, all newly elected Councillors will serve a four (4) year term which expires in 2029 while Cr. Cian Lyon will hold office until 2027.

Readers, please welcome your new Councillors and know that they are there to serve you so please reach out, not only to support them, but if you have any matter you need to be brought to the attention of Council and the Administration they will be there to assist.



On 8 October former Cr. Ian Dennis and I attended the Murchison Vermin Regional Council (MRVC) meeting in Mt. Magnet. This was Cr. Dennis's final MRVC meeting as he did not seek re-election on the Cue Shire Council. I thank Ian for his service as an MRVC Councillor and his contribution to the Shire of Cue and the residents and ratepayers of our town. Ian will be missed on Council.

Councillors, including newly elected Councillors, were invited to attend an Induction Workshop on 14 October 2025. The workshop gave Councillors the opportunity to understand the roles and responsibilities of Council, Councillors and the Administration. CEO Mr. Richard Towell briefed the meeting on the various aspects of the Local Government Act that impact the operations of the Council and the Administration.

At the Shire Council Forum held on 14 October 2025 CEO Richard Towell reminded Councillors that nominations for the Australia Day Community Citizen of the Year Awards were still open but would close on 31 October. Council hopes to receive a number of nominations from our community in any one of the following categories:

- Citizen of the Year
- Senior Citizen of the Year
- Youth Citizen of the Year
- Active Citizenship (Group or Event)

There is always someone in the community who is deserving of acknowledgement for the 'behind the scenes' work they do, and it is important that we recognise them for their work.

I would like to thank Janelle Duncan and the Administration for organising the annual Murdoch University Vet Program which was held in Cue on Friday 24 October 2025. Students from the University provided a free pet check and sterilisation under the guidance of a senior veterinarian. It is important that pet owners ensure their pets are in good health.



CEO Richard Towell reminded Councillors that we will be drawing out the winners for the rates incentive prizes on 18 November 2025. To be eligible for the draw, all outstanding rates and charges must have been received on or before the single payment due date being 17 October 2025. All rate payers are eligible.

- First Prize \$600.00
- Second Prize \$300.00
- Third Prize \$100.00

We encourage the early payment of rates so that the Administration can manage the Shire budget and plan those activities around which our rates contribute.

The CEO also reminded Councillors that on Wednesday 17 September 2025 we proudly showcased our town to the judge for submission in the Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Awards 2025 in the category of 'General Appearance'. Last year we won the category of "Heritage and Culture". The finalists have been announced, and Cue is again a finalist. The winners of the various categories will be announced at the State Awards event to be held on 28 November 2025. We thank all those involved who presented our town to the judges in the best possible light.



The Metropolitan Waste Advisory Council ('MWAC') held its meeting on 15 October. The Polyphagous Shothole Borer continues to be high on the agenda as eradication seems highly unlikely. The borer has become a Statewide and National issue with the destruction of in excess of 3,000 trees in the metropolitan area. The national approach has now reverted to a management control program with funding available for local Governments to help control the pest. Other topics included:-

- Household Hazardous Waste.
- Illegal dumping
- Waste Management Infrastructure.
- Circular Economy
- Waste and Resource Recovery Conference briefing.
- Review of Advocacy Positions and Policy Statements around waste

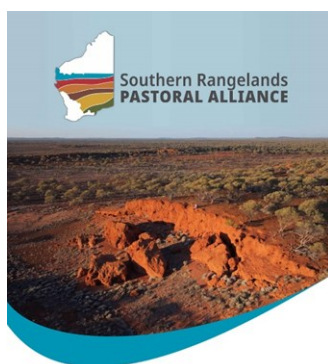
On 17 October I attended the first of two online Polyphagous Shothole Borer Spring Seminars. Although our region does not have the infestation of this pest we are thus not immune from its introduction. One of the main causes of the Borer movement is through the bringing in of trees and wood cuttings from inside the two metropolitan control zones set up by Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD). The current practices are now centred around control and management rather than eradication.

Council held its first meeting on 21 October following the October 2025 Local Government elections with the swearing in of our four new Councillors. The CEO Mr. Richard Towell declared all positions vacant and an election for the positions of Council President and Deputy President were conducted. The following were elected by the Councillors to undertake the roles of:-

- President - Cr. Les Price
- Deputy President - Cr. Ross Pigdon

At the meeting Council received a request from the Southern Rangelands Pastoral Alliance Inc (SRPA) for a contribution from the Shire of Cue to assist in delivering Western Australia's contribution to the UN-declared International Year of Rangelands and Pastoralists (IYRP) in 2026. The Southern Rangelands are globally significant - they cover more than 50% of WA's land area and are home to some of the most unique landscapes, heritage, and communities in the world. IYRP 2026 offers a once-in-a-generation opportunity to showcase this to national and international audiences, while driving new opportunities for tourism, investment, and sustainable development in our region.

The objective of the Southern Rangelands Pastoral Alliance is to lead and support sustainable pastoral production and diversification in the Southern Rangelands. The SRPA has been working to provide industry-wide representation on topics relevant to pastoral business and landscape regeneration across the zone.



Council approved a recommendation to grant \$10,000 to the SRPA for the 2025-2026 financial year.

For access to the Agenda and Minutes of the Meeting please follow the link.

<https://www.cue.wa.gov.au/council-meetings/ordinary-council-meeting/ordinary-council-meeting/135/documents/20251021-ocm-public.pdf>

On 22 October Melissa Price MP visited Cue for an informal meeting with a number of Councillors and Administration staff. Crs. Price, Pigdon and Hogben attended the meeting and appreciated the opportunity to meet with our Federal Member of Parliament.



Melissa is the Shadow Minister for Defence Industry and Defence Personnel, appointed to these roles in September 2025. She is the Federal Member for the electorate of Durack in Western Australia and a member of the Liberal Party.

The meeting was very beneficial with Melissa getting an inside view of the needs of our Shire along with the issues faced by our residents and ratepayers. The issues we face in Cue are being experienced by many smaller regional and remote Local Governments.

I wanted to take the opportunity to update you on WALGA's media coverage this week. WALGA has been highly engaged and responsive across key issues recently, including media related to the 2025 Local Government Elections.

Two issues in particular have generated significant media interest over the last couple of weeks.

Minister Carey Press Conference, Wednesday 22 October

Minister Carey says "My message to new Local Government Elected Leaders is to be part of the solution. This imaginary idea by WALGA and some Local Governments that there is no problem here is absolute rubbish."

WALGA Response:

- Social Media Post: https://www.linkedin.com/posts/wa-local-government-association_this-imaginary-idea-by-walga-and-some-local-activity-7386699379795169280-kw2 – Wednesday, 22 October 2025
- The West Australian: [Land set aside for plan to build high-density modular housing as part of Roger Cook solution to housing crisis | The West Australian](#) – Wednesday, 22 October 2025
- Perth Live with Oliver Peterson: [Perth Live with Oliver Peterson podcasts - 6PR - Perth's Best Talk Station](#) – Thursday, October 23, 2025
- ABC Mornings Interview: <https://www.abc.net.au/listen/programs/perth-mornings/mornings/105914550> - Friday, 24 October 2025

2. Hon Hannah Beazley MLA, Minister for Local Government, introduced the Local Government Amendment (Rating of Certain Mining Licences) Bill 2025 to State Parliament, Thursday 23 October 2025

WALGA Response:

- WALGA media statement: <https://walga.asn.au/media-and-resources/media-releases/walga-slams-state-government-s-legislation-to-undermine-supreme-court> – Thursday, 23 October 2025
- Social Media: https://www.linkedin.com/posts/wa-local-government-association_walga-strongly-condemns-the-state-governments-activity-7387057493912256512-ptga – Thursday, 23 October 2025
- ABC Mornings Interview: <https://www.abc.net.au/listen/programs/perth-mornings/mornings/105914550> - Friday, 24 October 2025

Please access the following links if you would like to follow the issues at hand. WALGA will continue to take every opportunity to champion the incredible work WA Local Governments do across the community and support our 139 Members.

October 2025 was less of a pressure month as Local Governments went into Caretaker mode during the elections, but I am sure activity will ram up over the next month or so leading up to Christmas.

Readers, please feel free to contact myself or any of the other Councillors if you have a matter you need to bring to the attention of Council and the Administration. Council is always looking to the community to provide input into the future direction of our town.

Keep safe and....until the next edition of the Dryblower, it's goodbye for now!



Shire President
Les Price

Satellite to Mobile Quick Facts



Connectivity help guide

Satellite-to-Mobile or STM (also called Direct-to-Handset) lets ordinary mobile phones send and receive SMS messages via satellites, even when there's no mobile tower coverage.

Why it matters

- Stay connected in black spots - when you're beyond tower range.
- Extra resilience - useful during bushfires, floods, or power outages.
- No extra gear needed - works with compatible smartphones.
- Delivers another layer of connectivity protection.

Telstra and Starlink STM announcement

- In early 2025, Telstra announced a partnership with Starlink (SpaceX) to launch STM in Australia.
- Requires either a Consumer or Small Business Telstra Upfront Mobile Plan (i.e. not pre-paid). This does not include plans on-sold by retailers such as JB Hi-Fi, The Good Guys or Apple retailers etc.

Things to be aware of

- Clear line of sight to sky is required- trees, buildings, or extreme weather may block signals.
- No data (e.g. photos, videos, web browsing) or voice calls supported. (At this stage)
- SMS messages may take several minutes to send or receive.
- You must have no mobile signal coverage at all, any level of mobile reception, no matter how faint, will prevent STM being activated on your phone.
- Coverage gaps still occur and will require waiting for another satellite to align overhead. This is expected to improve when more satellites are launched by the operator.
- Only a select few mobile handset models are currently supported (iPhone 13+, Galaxy S25 & 7 series), and required correctly configured settings.
- There is no way to 'force' the device into satellite mode.



STM is not a replacement for emergency devices. You cannot use it to text 000.



For genuine safety in the bush or at sea:

- Carry a PLB (on land) or EPIRB (on water) registered with AMSA - these directly alert search and rescue satellites.
- Consider a satellite phone, two-way satellite messenger (e.g. AirAgri, inReach, ZOLEO) or Starlink Mini.
- Think of STM as a convenient backup for texts, not your primary emergency lifeline.

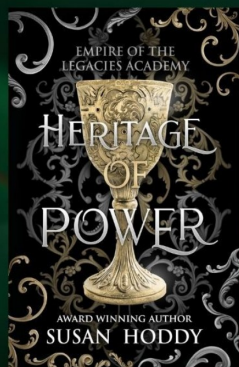
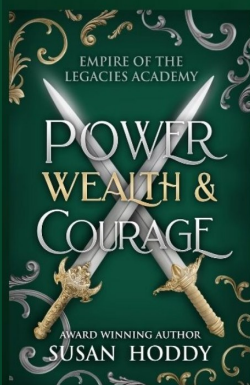


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Police Beat

Hello From Cue Police

Cue Police Station continues to deliver strong results in tackling crime across our region, with recent arrests made in connection to stealing, drug offences, and burglaries. Our team has been working hard behind the scenes and on the ground, and we're proud to report that we've processed offenders in 90% of reported cases — a reflection of our commitment to keeping Cue safe.

While Cue Police have achieved a strong 90% process rate for reported offences, we acknowledge that a small number of cases remain unsolved. These investigations are ongoing, and we continue to pursue every lead and piece of information available. No matter the size or complexity of a case.

We encourage the community to keep sharing what they know — even the smallest detail can help bring resolution.

Welcoming Our Newest Team Member

We're pleased to welcome **Senior Constable Ian** Jeffrey to the Cue Police team. Ian joins us with his partner Janet and brings a wealth of experience, particularly in regional policing across Western Australia. His strong operational background and understanding of remote community dynamics make him a valuable addition to our station. Ian is already settling in well and looks forward to working closely with the Cue community.

Targeted Policing Yields Results

Over the past month, Cue officers have responded to a number of incidents involving theft, unlawful entry into properties, and drug-related activity. Thanks to proactive patrols, community reports, and solid investigative work, we've successfully identified and charged multiple individuals involved in these offences.

These results are not just numbers — they represent safer streets, greater peace of mind for residents, and a clear message that criminal behaviour will not be tolerated in our town.

Community Support Makes a Difference

We continue to rely on the support of the Cue community to help us do our job effectively. Timely reporting of suspicious behaviour, sharing information, and securing property all play a vital role in preventing crime and assisting investigations.

If you see something that doesn't look right, please don't hesitate to contact us. Every piece of information helps.

Community Safety Tips

To help reduce crime and improve safety, we encourage everyone to:

- **Lock up** homes, vehicles, and sheds — even during the day.
- **Keep valuables out of sight**, especially in vehicles or campsites.
- **Report suspicious behaviour** — every bit of information helps.
- **Stay connected** with neighbours and local networks.

Your awareness and action make a real difference.

Hot Weather Awareness

With the warmer months upon us, it's important to stay safe in the heat:

- **Stay hydrated** and avoid strenuous activity during peak heat hours.
- **Check on vulnerable neighbours**, especially the elderly or isolated.
- **Prospectors and travellers** should carry extra water, wear sun protection, and ensure vehicles are well-maintained before heading out.

Heat-related emergencies can escalate quickly — preparation and awareness are key.

Looking Ahead

Cue Police remain focused on maintaining high visibility and working closely with local stakeholders. We're proud of the results we've achieved and will continue to build on this momentum.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Stay safe,

Sergeant Steve Page
Cue Police Station





Help us find you!!!

Hello Prospectors,

My name is Steve Page, and I'm the Sergeant at Cue Police Station. I'd like to share a few safety tips to help keep you safe while prospecting, and to assist us in locating you quickly if something goes wrong.

I know APLA and your own organisations already do a great job educating and preparing you for the bush, but here are a few additional suggestions from a policing perspective.

Before You Head Out

Make a clear plan with your partner, mate, cousin, or friend — and make sure you both understand it. That plan should include what to do **if one of you doesn't return to the car or camp**.

From our point of view, **if you're not back by dark and you haven't made contact**, you're considered lost. At that point, your friend or loved one will likely start asking questions and eventually contact police. Once that happens, we initiate a formal response — you're now classified as a **Person at Risk**, and we are obligated to find you.

We don't know if you're injured, had a medical emergency, or are simply disoriented — so we treat it seriously and begin search efforts immediately.

If You're Lost

If you find yourself in trouble, **you should have a PLB or EPIRB with you — not left in the car**. Here's what to do:

1. **Activate your beacon.**
2. **Light a fire** — it helps rescuers spot you from the air.
3. **Keep warm** — carry a space blanket or similar emergency gear.
4. **Stay with your vehicle if possible.** Wandering makes it harder to find you.

These simple steps can make a huge difference — they help us locate you faster and reduce the stress on your loved ones.

Wishing you all the best out there. Stay safe and happy prospecting!

Kind regards,

Steve Page

Sergeant, Cue Police Station



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As a statutory authority of the WA Government, the Commission aims to maximise job creation, broaden local economies, identify the need for infrastructure services, provide information and advice to business, ensure equitable access to government services and improve regional quality of life.

Our six-member Board comprises representatives of local government and community and meets bi-monthly to set policy and make decisions about a broad range of economic and regional development projects.

The Commission values diversity, and encourages applications from people with diverse backgrounds and experience.

Persons nominated as a prospective member should possess interest and knowledge relevant to regional communities.

Relevant areas of experience could include business and industry, employment, community services, education and training, tourism and recreation.

Applicants will be assessed on their ability to make a significant contribution to a board, together with a demonstrated involvement in either the economic or social development of the region.

Applicants must reside within the Mid West. The term of appointment will be between one and three years.

For a Board Nomination Form, visit www.mwdc.wa.gov.au or contact the Executive Officer to the Board on (08) 9956 8593 or ea_mwdc@mwdc.wa.gov.au.

Nominations close on 28 November 2025.





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Whiting Southern (New Zealand)	1kg	\$26.00
Sweetlip Hoki (New Zealand)	1kg	\$26.00
Flathead Fillets - (Queensland)	1kg	\$31.00
Red Spot Emperor - (Thailand)	1kg	\$36.00
Mackeral Cutlets (West Australian)	1kg	\$38.00
Atlantic Cod (Norwegian)	1kg	\$41.00
Pearl Perch (Queensland)	1kg	\$44.00
Grouper	1kg	\$41.00
Gold Band Snapper (Onslow WA)	1kg	\$47.00
Tuna Steaks (South Australian)	1kg	\$47.00
Barramundi Portions (Kimberley Aust)	1kg	\$51.00
Salmon Portions - UNGRADED (Norway)	1kg	\$51.00
Barramundi Fillets	1kg	\$36.00
Red Emperor (Onslow WA)	1kg	\$57.00
Salmon Portions - Premium (Norway)	1kg	\$57.00

HEAT & EAT MEALS & SNACKS

Family Pies (Beef, Chicken & Leek)	850g	\$20.00
Quiche - (Spinach & Feta)	900g	\$20.00
Pizza (Hawaiian, BBQ Chicken, Supreme)	ea	\$20.00
Chicken Breast Nuggets	1kg	\$25.00
Chicken Wings & Drums (Mild or spicy)	900g	\$25.00
Chicken Sweet Chilli Tenders	800g	\$25.00
Meat Balls (Aussie BBQ)	1kg	\$25.00
Chicken Meat Roasted	1kg	\$25.00
Mini Spring Rolls - Vegetable	900g	\$27.00
Gourmet Beef Burgers (New Zealand)	1kg	\$27.00

LENARDS CHICKEN

Jumbo Chicken Burgers (8 on a tray)	1kg	\$27.00
Mignons (4 tray)	4pk	\$27.00
Enchiladas (4 tray)	1kg	\$29.00
Marinated Chicken Skewers (10 tray)	10pk	\$29.00
Garlic & Herb Schnitzel (4 tray)	1kg	\$31.00
Rolled Roast - Honey Mac or Cheese & Bacon	1kg	\$31.00
Chicken Kievs (Breast - 4 tray)	4pk	\$32.00

PRAWNS

Marinated Prawn Meat (Garlic or Chilli) (Aust)	500g	\$28.00
Garlic Prawn Skewers (10 pk) (Thailand)	500gr	\$32.00
Cooked Exmouth Endeavours (West Aust)	1kg	\$33.00
Raw Northern King (West Aust)	1kg	\$33.00
Large Cooked King Prawns (West Aust)	1kg	\$51.00
XLarge Raw Prawn Meat (Aust & Thailand)	1kg	\$51.00
XLarge Cooked Prawn Meat (Thailand)	1kg	\$51.00
XL Raw King Prawns (West Aust)	1kg	\$51.00
Shark Bay Prawn Meat (West Aust)	1kg	\$67.00

MISC SEAFOOD

Mussels Whole (New Zealand)	1kg	\$14.00
Chilli Squid Rings (New Zealand)	500g	\$20.00
NZ Littleneck Clams (New Zealand)	1kg	\$24.00
Raw Crab Meat (Shark Bay WA)	200g	\$24.00
Seafood Marinara (Thailand)	1kg	\$24.00
Squid Tubes (New Zealand)	1kg	\$28.00
Mussell Meat (New Zealand)	1kg	\$30.00
BBQ Combination Pack	1kg	\$31.00
(prawns, fish, squid, scallops, mussels, feeds 4)		
Oysters ½ shell (New Zealand - South Island)	1doz	\$31.00
Scallop Meat (Tasmanian)	500g	\$37.00
Moreton Bay Bug MEAT (Queensland)	500g	\$42.00
Crayfish - vary in size 450-600gr	aver	\$37.00ea
Kinna	170gm	\$35.00

CRUMBED SEAFOOD

Fish Nuggets (New Zealand)	1kg	\$25.00
Crumbed Fish Fillets (10 fish) (New Zealand)	1kg	\$25.00
Crumbed Squid Rings (NZ & Thailand)	1kg	\$25.00
Fish & Chips (5 fish & 1kg chips)	1.5kg	\$27.00
Salt & Pepper Squid (NZ & Thailand)	1kg	\$30.00
Prawn Fritters (Aust & Thailand)	900gr	\$31.00
Salt & Pepper Prawns (Thailand)	500gr	\$31.00
Fantail Prawn Cutlet (Thailand)	1kg	\$41.00
Fisherman's Basket (Fish, Squid, Prawns)	1.4kg	\$41.00

DESSERTS

Apple Pie - (Perfect Family Pie)	900gr	\$20.00
Blueberry & Apple Pie (Family Size)	900gr	\$20.00
Mixed Berry Crumble (Family Size)	900gr	\$20.00

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REMEMBRANCE DAY

NOV 11

2025

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A short Remembrance Day Service will be held at
A.S. Gurney Memorial Park,
Austin St, Cue
commencing at 10.45am



BULK RUBBISH COLLECTION

Collections starting Monday 10th November

Last collections afternoon of Friday 14th November

Put rubbish out **NO EARLIER** than Fri 7th Nov & **NO LATER** than Thurs 13th Nov

All waste including:

Metal (ie. whitegoods)

Green waste

Electronics

Other hard rubbish



IS ACCEPTED

**IN SEPARATE PILES WITH CLEAR ACCESS
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PLEASE DO NOT PUT OUT:

Household rubbish

Small items that fit in bins

Anything dangerous (ie. sharps,
harmful chemicals,
etc)



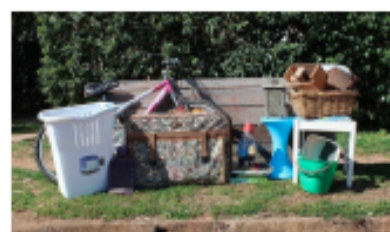
NOT ACCEPTED



Large items (ie. car bodies) **may** be accepted by pre-booking
with the **Shire on 9963 8600**

Be respectful of others and:

- Do not obstruct footpaths
- Do not place waste near obstructions like water meters, light poles, walls, trees, etc
- Do not place waste on other verges



Waste placed inside property lines cannot be collected



OPERATION MINE SWEEP



Joint Police and Industry Effort Targets Illegal Drugs Among FIFO Workforce

After months of meticulous planning and coordination, Operation Mine Sweep was successfully executed in Cue, marking a significant step in combating drug-related activity within WA's mining sector. This joint operation united the Cue Police, the Gold Stealing Squad, and the Canine (Drug) Section, with a clear objective: to intercept illegal drugs and associated paraphernalia before they could infiltrate mine sites.

Strategic Focus on FIFO Entry Points

The operation concentrated on the Cue Airport, a critical entry point for fly-in fly-out (FIFO) workers. Incoming mine workers were screened upon arrival, and in a proactive and highly effective measure, the Police Drug Detection Dog was deployed inside the aircraft itself, ensuring a thorough search of both people and property.

This innovative approach demonstrated law enforcement's commitment to staying ahead of evolving risks.



Results and Enforcement

The operation yielded tangible results, with several individuals processed for a range of drug-related offences. These outcomes send a strong and unequivocal message: illicit substances will not be tolerated in mining communities, and robust enforcement measures are in place to protect both workers and the wider region.

Months of Planning and Seamless Execution

Operation Mine Sweep was the culmination of several months of planning. Personnel were drawn from Kalgoorlie, Perth, and Cue, showcasing exceptional teamwork and logistical precision. The operation ran smoothly and was executed without incident, reflecting the professionalism and dedication of all involved.



Industry Partnership and Support

The initiative received strong backing from industry stakeholders, with Westgold's upper management providing full support. The presence of the company's General Manager on the day underscored the mining sector's commitment to workplace safety and integrity. This collaboration highlights the importance of shared responsibility in addressing issues that threaten operational and community wellbeing.

Expanding the Gold Stealing Squad's Reach

Operation Mine Sweep also demonstrated the increased footprint and overarching reach of the Gold Stealing Squad, whose expanded capability now extends beyond its traditional mandate. By partnering in operations like Mine Sweep, the squad reinforces its role in safeguarding Western Australia's mining industry from both theft and drug-related risks.

Operation Mine Sweep stands as a benchmark for collaborative policing and corporate responsibility, ensuring safer workplaces and stronger communities across the Goldfields and Mid West regions.





The Legacy and Reach of Western Australia's Gold Stealing Squad

For more than a century, the Gold Stealing Detection Unit (GSDU)—commonly known as the Gold Stealing Squad—has been a cornerstone of law enforcement in Western Australia's mining industry. Established in 1907, the unit was born out of necessity during the gold rush era, when rampant theft threatened the integrity of the booming gold sector.

Origins Rooted in Crisis

The creation of the squad followed a Royal Commission that exposed widespread gold theft in the Eastern Goldfields. Mining companies, alarmed by losses and corruption, urged the government to act. The solution was a unique partnership: detectives supplied by the WA Police, with operating costs funded by the Chamber of Mines (now the Chamber of Minerals and Energy). This arrangement remains in place today, making the GSDU one of the most distinctive policing units in Australia.

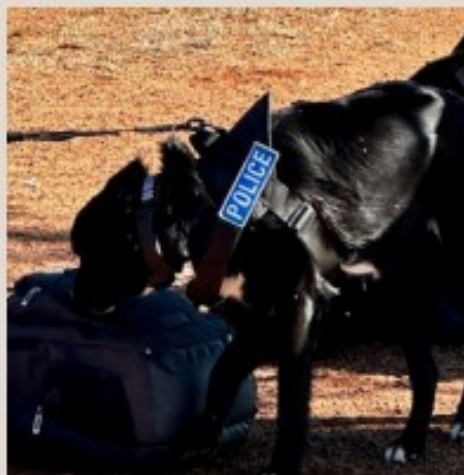


A Dark Chapter

The squad's history is not without tragedy. In 1926, Inspector John Walsh and Sergeant Alexander Pitman were brutally murdered while investigating gold theft, their bodies hidden in a mine shaft. This shocking crime underscored the dangers faced by officers and remains one of Western Australia's most infamous cases.

Adapting to Modern Challenges

While early investigations focused on stolen nuggets and ore, today's operations target theft at every stage of production—from raw material to chemical processing. The squad now operates across many sites in Western Australia, extending its reach from not only the Goldfields but to far reaching areas. Its mandate has evolved to include collaboration on broader integrity issues, such as drug-related crime impacting mining operations.



Role in Modern Joint Operations

The Gold Stealing Squad's expanded footprint was clearly demonstrated during Operation Mine Sweep, a recent multi-agency initiative in Cue. This operation targeted illegal drugs and associated paraphernalia among FIFO workers, combining resources from the Cue Police, the Canine (Drug) Section, and the GSDU. The squad's involvement ensured seamless coordination between local policing and specialist mining enforcement, reinforcing its overarching reach beyond traditional gold theft investigations.

By participating in operations like Mine Sweep, the GSDU underscores its commitment to protecting not only the integrity of gold production but also the safety and wellbeing of mining communities. Its ability to adapt and collaborate makes it a vital force in addressing emerging threats across Western Australia's resource sector.

A Century of Vigilance

The Gold Stealing Squad's enduring presence reflects its critical role in safeguarding one of Australia's most valuable industries. Through innovation, partnerships, and unwavering commitment, the unit continues to uphold the integrity of the gold sector while adapting to new challenges.





Clearance Sale

Nov 8th & Nov 9th
Sat **Sun**

8am to 2pm

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sale !**



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CABINET, EVEN A
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BE REFUSED**



LOGIC PUZZLE

		Names					Flowers					Souviners				
		Cayden	Jackie	Maya	Myles	Nick	Lilies	Pansies	Poppies	Tulips	Violets	Figurine	Magnet	License Plate	Snow Globe	T-Shirt
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CLUES

- The one who is first in line is Jackie.
- The person whose favourite flowers are tulips is closer to the front of the line than Nick.
- The one who is sixth in line didn't buy a magnet.
- The 5 people were the person whose favourite flowers are tulips, the tourist who bought the t-shirt, Myles, the one who is ninth in line, and the person whose favourite flowers are poppies.
- The tourist who bought the license plate is farther down the line than the tourist who bought the kitchen magnet.
- Of the tourist who bought the figurine and Nick, one is first in line and the other loves poppies.
- Nick is closer to the front of the line than the person who bought the magnet.
- The person whose favourite flowers are lilies didn't buy a magnet or license plate.
- The one who is fourth in line loves pansies.
- Either the tourist who bought the license plate or the one who bought the snow globe is Maya.

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CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION 2025

1ST PRIZE	\$400.00
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December 2025*

Come Celebrate Christmas with Us



Cue Community Christmas Party

4:30 pm start

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Followed by dinner at 5.30pm

Santa to arrive at 6:00pm

2025

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November 2025

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Tuesday 11th

Tuesday 25th

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ROTARY RADIO AUCTION 2025

On Sunday 9th November 2025 through the sponsorship and support of Telstra, the Geraldton Guardian, Bendigo Community Bank and Triple MM 98.1FM radio, the Rotary Club of Greater Geraldton will present their 34th Rotary Radio Auction, broadcast "LIVE" from our Telstra phone room at NACC, 4 Walton Close Geraldton. Start time 9am sharp – 4pm, by the TripleMM FM – team. **Download the LiSTNR APP below and tune in, call 9965 4888.**

A huge "Thank You" to the generous Murchison Gascoyne businesses for their continued support of our **"Queen of the Murchison Package"** now in its seventh year this package has been a great drawcard to our auction. It is because of the generosity of so many that Rotary are able to continue supporting those in need both in the community and beyond.

Our **"Queen of the Murchison Package"** is a great way of bringing new people to Cue, a collection of varied business' coming together and a great promotion on our regular radio talk backs too and plenty of Facebook promotion in the lead up to the big day.

Check out the four-page Rotary Radio Auction A3 Lift out in the Midwest Times Wednesday 5th November thanks to the generosity of QUBE and the Geraldton Guardian on Friday 7th November for a listing of all the items. On the day call **9965 4888**. Should you be interested in the auction please call Di on M: 0419 854 413 or email E: radioauctionrcog@gmail.com

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October Answers

LOGIC PUZZLE

Times	Names	Gifts	Star Signs
7:30am	Lorenzo	Cutlery set	Libra
11:30am	Dayanara	Juice Press	Sagittarius
2:00pm	Amanda	Microwave	Virgo
3:00pm	Max	Toaster	Leo
11:00pm	Omar	Blender	Gemini

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November

2025

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9	10	11 RFDS Remembrance Day	12 Farewell Jenni Book Signing	13	14 Seniors Week Morning Tea	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 Cue Parliament	22
23	24	25 RFDS	26 Cue CRC AGM	27	28	29



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