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February 2026

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happening in and around Cue.*

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Cue CRC Report

Hello Cue,

On 21 January, we welcomed a visit from the Department of Transport. It was a very busy and productive day for Georgina and Jodi from DOT, and we appreciate them taking the time to visit our community.

February Activities

While Craft Group will not be running in February, please remember that the craft room is always available for customer use during opening hours.

The following activities are scheduled for February:

- **Monday 16 February** – *Tim Tam Morning Tea*
- **Wednesday 11 February** – *Justice of the Peace services with Jacqueline Lacy*
- *Regional Alliance West*

Looking Ahead to March

We are also busy planning for March and have several activities lined up. Planned activities include:

- **Craft Group** – every Wednesday from 9:00am
- **Sublimation 1-on-1 Workshops** – *Personalised Acrylic Lamps* (4 sessions across the month)
- **Sublimation Craft Group Workshop** – *Notebook and PVC Paperclips*
- **28 March** – *Community Markets*
- **Justice of the Peace services** (dates to be confirmed)

Our March Sublimation Workshops are free, however bookings are essential. Please note that bookings will open at the beginning of March—call the CRC to secure your place.

We look forward to another great few months of community activities and hope to see you involved.

Julie Humphreys
Manager



CUE HERITAGE CENTRE

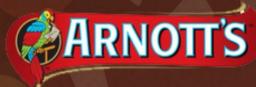
This month has been a lot of research into the past, looking for things that we've found interesting and are very excited to share with you all, on our Facebook page and here in the Dryblower.

With tourist season around the corner we are hoping to have even more visitors to the heritage centre than last year.





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National Tim Tam Day



**FEBRUARY 16
10:30am**

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Jacqueline Lacy

Justice of the Peace

at the Cue CRC
on Wednesday, 11th February 2026
2:00pm to 4:00pm

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Statutory Declarations, forms or get document copies certified?
Come into the Cue CRC and don't forget to bring photo
identification with you.

Contact:

Contact Jacquie via phone for appointments on 0429 959 179.
Walk-ins welcome.



For more info contact
the Cue CRC on
9963 1198 or email us
on info@cuecrc.net.au

From the CEO

Australia Day was well attended with over 100 people at the Town Oval for our sixth fireworks celebrations. The weather provided a cooler evening than the previous weeks which made for a pleasant atmosphere. Entertainment included the inflatable children's water playground and great music provided by Geoff Udy. Shire Staff served up beef and gravy rolls, coleslaw and cool drinks. Thank you to Auspire – Australia Day Council for their continued support and grant funding that makes this event possible. I would also like to thank the Shire of Cue staff for making the evening a success.



Throughout January, the Shire provided a holiday program at the Youth Centre, including visits from Carey Right Track and a diverse range of activities and workshops. I would like to acknowledge and thank the Youth Centre staff for their commitment and dedication in delivering this program.

The Annual Meeting of Electors will be held on Tuesday 10 February at 5.30pm in the Council Chambers. The Annual General Meeting of Electors provides an opportunity for electors to discuss the contents of the previous year's Annual Report and to address any other general business. I encourage all electors to attend.

The Shire has received several enquiries regarding the leasing of the former Western Australian Bank building on Austin Street for use as a café or restaurant. This presents an exciting opportunity for the right person to establish and grow their own business in Cue, while making use of a well-located and character-rich building that has the potential to become a vibrant addition to the town's business and tourism offering. For more details, please see the advertisement under Summit Realty South West.

Works for stage one on the Masonic Lodge are due to commence in mid-February. The first stage works consist of an extension to the back of the building including a kitchen, toilet facilities and a decking area. Stage two works will be the restoration of the Masonic Lodge building.

The Shire is seeking community feedback on our current entry statement. We would like to understand whether residents feel the existing entry statement should be refreshed or explore a new design that better reflects our local history. We encourage all community members to share their thoughts and ideas. Please see the “Have Your Say” article in this edition of the *Dryblower*.

Residents are asked to be mindful of the potential for heavy rains and damaging winds in the early months of the year. Please secure any loose items around yards, particularly if you are going away and use caution on Shire roads after rain. Arrangements to have any larger items removed can be made by contacting the Manager of Works and Services at the Shire.

Dog and cat owners are reminded of their obligations to keep their pets contained within the boundaries of their property. Dogs must be on a leash while walking. Please be considerate of others as it can be quite confronting to be approached by an unknown dog while out walking. The Shire Ranger visits the area frequently and will take action against unrestrained pets in public places. This may result in a financial penalty to the owner. The only authorised area within the townsite where dogs are permitted to be exercised off-leash is the town oval. It is your responsibility to control and look after your pets.

Mosquito fogging operations are being undertaken when weather conditions allow. Residents are asked to check their properties and remove any potential mosquito breeding areas, by emptying containers holding water, ensuring gutters are not holding water and checking yards for areas that hold water.

Upcoming Events:

- Tuesday 10 February 2026 - Annual General Electors Meeting
- Tuesday 17 February 2026 - Ordinary Council Meeting
- Saturday 25 April – Anzac Day

Richard Towell
Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Cue



PUBLIC NOTICE

Shire of Cue **2024 - 2025 Annual Meeting of Electors**

In accordance with Provisions of the *Local Government Act 1995*, Electors of the Shire of Cue are hereby notified that the Annual General Meeting of Electors will be held on Tuesday 10 February 2026 in the Council Chambers, 73 Austin Street, Cue WA, commencing at 5.30pm.

Business:

Consider the 2024-2025 Annual Report

General Business (At the discretion of the Shire President)

The 2024-2025 Annual Report is available on the Shire of Cue website.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Richard Towell".

Richard Towell
Chief Executive Officer



Community Grants Program NOW OPEN!

Apply for projects, events and initiatives being held in the 2026-27 financial year. T&Cs apply.



The Shire of Cue along with it's Council are exploring the idea of introducing entry statements at the shire boundaries and either side of town.

The concept is still in the very early stages and no final decisions have been made. There have been discussions regarding designing all new statements, sprucing up the existing ones or adding something new to the existing ones to give them a fresher look while acknowledging the towns history.

Community input is vital in shaping the direction of this project so any thoughts, ideas or designs are welcome. If you do have any suggestions please do not hesitate to contact the Shire of Cue via email or by popping into the Admin office.

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cue.wa.gov.au/roadreport/



Council News

Hi 'Dryblower' Readers, here we are and its already February.

January each year is traditionally a month when Councillors get a reprieve from the usual Council duties and take time out to recharge the batteries. Christmas and New Year is almost a distant memory!

The Western Australian Local Government Association ('WALGA') is gearing up for a very busy year with the election for President and Deputy President very much on top of the agenda and on the forefront of the minds of most State Councillors. At present there is a considerable level of lobbying by those who aspire to be elected to the roles. As the election takes place in March there will be more to report closer to the State Council Meeting date.

Council Forums and Ordinary Council Meetings will recommence in February and therefore, Council and Local Government activity was somewhat limited in January.

On 14th January I attended a WALGA Environment Policy Team meeting. WALGA has four (4) Policy Teams within its operational structure with the Environment Policy Team having one of the busiest portfolios and being responsible for Planning, Building Regulation and Environment. Many other layers sit underneath these headings which include, Climate Change, Renewable Energy, Water and Waste Management, Planning changes, and various Building Codes along with other matters that are directly or indirectly related to the responsibilities of the Environment Policy Team.

Three main items were discussed at the meeting which included:-

1. *Trans Oriented Development Advocacy Position.*

This position sets out WALGA's key principles around transport and planning to ensure that Government and private land maximise the liveability and use land around the public transport network. This involves ten (10) station networks in both metropolitan and regional areas. Any strategic planning outcomes need to deliver on long term objectives and outcomes that balance social, environmental, cultural, and economic interests.

2. *Climate Change Discussion Paper and Draft Advocacy Position.*

Climate Change has become a significant topic of discussion at both the State and Federal Government level centred on the desire of the current Governments to achieve a highly improbable Net Zero target by 2025. The Policy team has the task of developing an Advocacy Position which will be put out to all of the 139 Local Governments in the State for their input and feedback.

Issues around adaptation and funding were discussed recognising that not all Local Governments have the resources and capacity to significantly change their operational strategies to adopt new practices designed to achieve a Net Zero by 2050.

3. *Water Management Discussion Paper.*

We are all acutely aware of the significance of having available decent quality water on an ongoing basis. Water resourcing has become a significant issue with many Local Governments concerned about the State's planning around Water Licences and Permits, Public Open Space, Service Delivery to Aboriginal Communities as well as other plans for water usage. Local Governments across the State will be given the opportunity to comment on WALGA's Discussion Paper and provide input into further development of that paper, and ultimately, a State Council endorsed Advocacy position.

On 20th January State Council considered WALGA's submission to the State Governments inquiry into '**Local Government Funding and Fiscal Sustainability**'. As State Council did not meet this was conducted by way of an online 'Flying Minute', which provided State Councillors with the opportunity to consider and approve the recommendation without having to attend a formal meeting.

Local Government has been seriously underfunded over many years and with the constant cost and program pushback to Local Government by State and Federal Governments it has been exceedingly difficult to deliver the services we want, complete projects or undertake new activities without creating budget concerns. WALGA's submission calls on all levels of Government to provide adequate funding to enable Local Governments to remain sustainable into the future.

Following sector wide Consultation, WALGA prepared a submission against the Local Government Minister's intention to have '**Compulsory and Voluntary Voting and Election Frequency**' for Local Government commencing at the next round of elections in 2027. The current system of having local Government elections every two years with half of the Council having to be re-elected would be replaced with all Councillor positions being vacated at the same time every Four (4) years. This submission was also considered and endorsed by State Council by way of a 'Flying Minute'.

On 28th January I attended WALGA's Honours Panel Meeting. This was the first meeting for the year, and members reviewed the upcoming Honours Program for the 2026 Year. WALGA offers 5 categories of awards in recognition of those who dedicate their time and energy for the betterment of Local Government and their communities across the State.

The Award categories for the 2026 program are:

1. Local Government Medal
2. Life Membership
3. Eminent Service Award
4. Merit Award
5. Troy Pickard Young Achievers Award

Nominations will open on 2nd February 2026 and close at 5:00pm on Thursday, 2 April 2026.

- Judging by the Honours Panel will occur in mid-April 2026, with Nominees and Nominators notified soon after.
- All Honours will be presented at the 2026 Local Government Awards evening on Friday, 12 June 2026.

It is important that we continue recognise the efforts of those who play a significant role in Local Government across the State, where we as a community benefit from their contribution. The Panel reviewed and approved the criteria for each category of award and approved the 2026 Budget for the upcoming awards program.

It was pleasing to see so many towns' people and visitors attend the Australia Day celebrations and fireworks display on 26th January which was held the town oval and heritage railway station building.

This is the 6th year The Shire of Cue has received an Auspire Grant through the Australia Day Council of WA so the people of Cue could experience a great evening of good food, drinks and a fantastic display of fireworks while the kids had a great time on the bouncy castle.



The Australia Day 2026 Community Events Grant Program is managed by the National Australia Day Council in collaboration with State bodies and we in Cue appreciate the support the Council has provided over a number of years.

Thanks go to the Shire of Cue and volunteer staff who helped make this an amazing event.



The Annual Meeting of Electors will be held at the Cue Shire Council Chambers on 10th February 2026 starting at 5.30pm. This is an opportunity for residents and ratepayers to attend the meeting and become involved in the discussions with the Councillors and the Administration, ask questions and review the activities and successes of the Shire in the 2024 -2025 year that was. Council values your input and the more who attend the better we will be able to plan for the future...



January 2026 was a quiet month and with everyone at the Shire and WALGA now back at work I am certain of a busy year ahead.

Readers, I welcome your views on any matter you consider important and am open to hearing any suggestions you might like to see in my monthly 'Dryblower' article. Sometimes, the business of Local Government can appear to be a bit mundane however, it is important you are aware of the constant flow of activity that comes with running a Council and our interactions with WALGA, where we are represented at the State and Federal level of Government. It is essential we work together as a community for the betterment of the town, you as residents and those visitors who stay in or simply pass through Cue.

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.



Shire President
Les Price



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West

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Carnarvon Office: 08 9941 1204

Community Legal Centre – Indigenous Women's Paralegal

Will be coming out to Murchison to these locations...

MEEKATHARRA

10TH of February 2026

Mission Australia Office

9:00am – 3:00pm

CUE

11th of February 2026

Cue Community Resource Centre

9:30am – 11:00am

MOUNT MAGNET

11th of February 2026

Mount Magnet Yulella Office

1:00pm - 4:30pm

YALGOO

12th of February 2026

Yalgoo Shire Office

9:30am – 11:00am

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CUE YOUTH CENTRE



Cue Youth Centre staff would like to thank the Shire of Cue as well as many thanks to the young people that attended these events.

FUN





CUE YOUTH CENTRE

During the recent school holidays, the Cue Youth Centre, in collaboration with Carey Right Track, organised a series of engaging and fun-filled events aimed at providing positive experiences for local youth. These activities included a Movie Night, Slip and Slide Day, Tye-Dye T-shirt's, Barefoot Bowls, and a Scooter Workshop Fun Day. The events were designed to promote physical activity, social interaction, creativity, and skill-building among participants.



LOGIC PUZZLE

| | | Recipes | | | | Temperatures | | Servings | | | |
|--|--------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|--|
| | | Baked Ham | Candied Yams | Chicken Cutlet | Mac and Cheese | | | | | | |
| | Baking Times | 30 minutes | | | | 325 degrees | 340 degrees | 350 degrees | 400 degrees | 425 degrees | |
| | | 35 minutes | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 40 minutes | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 45 minutes | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 50 minutes | | | | | | | | | |
| | Servings | 2 people | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | 5 people | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 8 people | | | | | | | | | |
| | Instruments | 325 degrees | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 340 degrees | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 350 degrees | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 400 degrees | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 425 degrees | | | | | | | | | |

CLUES

1. The dish that bakes for 50 minutes doesn't serve exactly 3 people.
2. The dish that bakes for 45 minutes doesn't cook at 340 degrees.
3. Of the dish that cooks at 425 degrees and the dish that bakes for 45 minutes, one is the mac and cheese and the other serves 8 people.
4. The dish that serves 5 people cooks at 400 degrees.
5. The recipe that cooks at 425 degrees bakes 10 minutes longer than the chicken cutlet.
6. The dish that serves 5 people requires 15 minutes less baking time than the baked ham.
7. The recipe that bakes for 30 minutes is either the dish that cooks at 425 degrees or the dish that cooks at 325 degrees.
8. The recipe that serves 4 people bakes 5 minutes longer than the recipe that serves 5 people.
9. The roast potatoes recipe bakes for 45 minutes.

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A fantastic night was had by all celebrating our amazing town for Australia Day!

The kids were having a ball splashing around in the inflatable car wash, the food went down a treat and as always, great music was coming from Geoff Udy as he treated everyone to their favourites throughout the night.



The fireworks at the end of the night were an absolute highlight, lighting up the sky and giving everyone that perfect “wow” moment. It felt like the ideal way to wrap up the celebrations!

Big smiles, a few cheers, and a really warm finish to an already great night.

A huge thank you to Auspire for their generous donation which made this all possible, to all the Shire staff who assisted and to the people of this great town!





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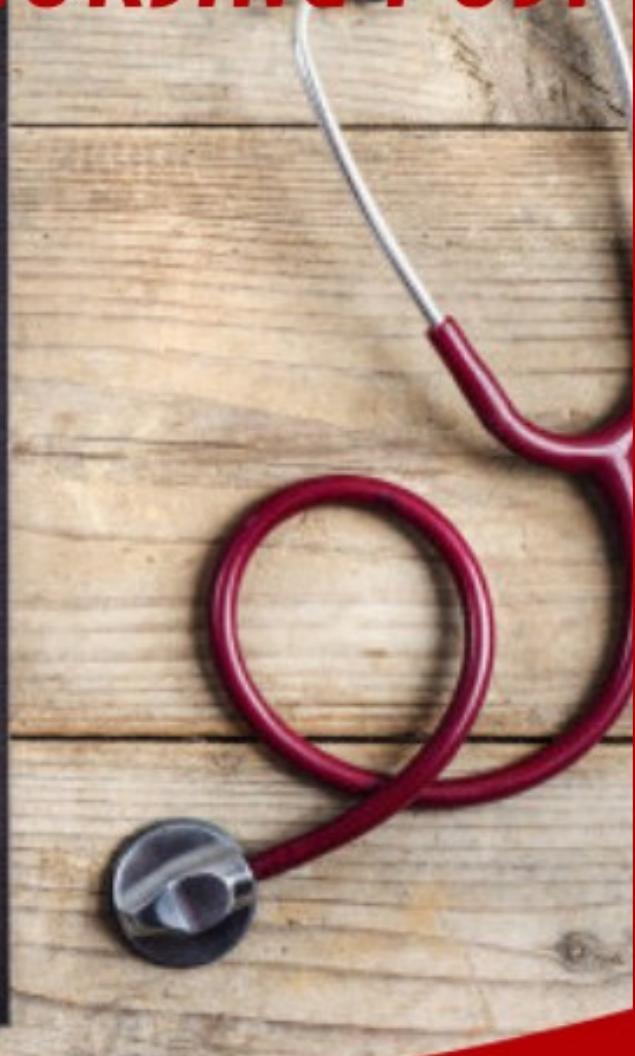
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RFDS:

Tuesday 3rd

Tuesday 17th

Dates were correct at time of print.
Please contact the Nursing Post to
confirm dates (08) 9963 0100.



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January Answers

LOGIC PUZZLE

| Flight Times | First Names | Nicknames | Actors |
|--------------|-------------|-----------|----------------|
| 6:00am | Riley | Wolfman | Christian Bale |
| 11:00am | Kayleigh | Stretch | Sean Connery |
| 1:00pm | Angelo | Cueball | Jude Law |
| 1:30pm | Pierce | Tiny | Morgan Freeman |
| 9:00pm | Delaney | Shades | Harrison Ford |

SUDOKU PUZZLE

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February 2026

| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| | | RFDS | | | | |
| 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| | | Electors Meeting | RAW Justice of the Peace | | | Valentines Day |
| 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 |
| | Tim Tam Day | RFDS Council Meeting | CRC Meeting | | | |
| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 |
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