

COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic

Southern X - Pfizer

Southern Cross Senior Citizen Centre
Achernar Street Southern Cross

Ages 12+ Pfizer Clinic

Thursday 28th October 11:00am - 8:00pm Friday 29th October 7:00am - 9:00am



Walk-in clinic
No Booking required
Clinic open on VaccinateWA
13COVID (13 26843)



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Shire of Yilgarn Emergency information hotline

Call (08) 9487 8777

for information relating to bushfire issues including vehicle movement & harvest bans, road closures, flood or other local emergency matters.

Southern Cross Landfill Times

The Tip Shop will also be open during the below hours.

Monday	1:00pm to 4:00pm
Tuesday	1:00pm to 4:00pm
Wednesday	Closed
Thursday	Closed
Friday	1:00pm to 4:00pm
Saturday	10:00am to 4:00pm
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Crosswords' submissions close every 2nd Tuesday at 12.00 noon

2021 Publishing Dates

Deadline 12 noon	Publishing Date
9/11/2021	11/11/2021
23/11/2021	25/11/2021
7/12/2021	9/12/2021

2022 Publishing Dates

Deadline 12 noon	Publishing Date
4/01/2022	6/01/2022
18/01/2022	20/01/2022
1/02/2022	3/02/2022
15/02/2022	17/02/2022
1/03/2022	3/03/2022
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25/10/2022	27/10/2022
8/11/2022	10/11/2022
22/11/2022	24/11/2022
6/12/2022	8/12/2022

Church Notices / Updates



48 Altair Street, Southern Cross

SX Presbytery: 9049 1049 (Sun to Mon)

Bruce Rock Presbytery: 9061 1094 (Tues to Sat) Email: yilgarnwestoniacatholic@gmail.com Facebook: Yilgarn/Westonia Catholic Community

YouTube: Yilgarn Westonia Catholic

As at publication, Our Lady of Montserrat church is operating at 100% capacity. Please check the parish Facebook page for any updates. COVID-19 protocols are posted as a notice on the front door of the church. Please read this notice carefully before entering.

Mass Times

Saturday 6:00pm @ Bruce Rock parish Sunday 5:30pm @ OLM church

Saturday evening Mass will be live-streamed from Bruce Rock parish each weekend. The live-stream is for those for whom getting to OLM church on Sunday evening is impractical. Live-streamed Masses will continue to be available in "Catch-up" mode via the parish YouTube channel.



Services for the Uniting Church are held on the first Sunday of each month.

Contact:

Cheryl Auld 9049 8026 Diane Della Bosca 9049 1149



Antares Street, Southern Cross **Enquiries: Leonie Gethin** Ph.: (08) **9049 1222**

Anglican services at Christ Church Southern Cross for

All services are held on Saturday at 11.00am Everyone is warmly invited to come along

> Saturday 18th December at 11am. (Christmas service)

2021

Shire of Yilgarn Councillors





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Mt Hampton Council Meeting

On behalf of Councillors and Staff, the Shire of Yilgarn wishes to thank the Mt Hampton Progress Association for hosting the October 2021 Council meeting. The hospitality and catering was exceptional!! See you again next year.

Thanks to the Executive Manager Corporate Services Cameron Watson for driving Councillors and staff to Mt Hampton for the Council meeting.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to returning Councillors Cr Bryan Close, Cr Wayne Della Bosca and Cr Gary Guerini, who were all elected unopposed at the 2021 Ordinary Council Elections. Further congratulations to Cr Wayne Della Bosca being voted in again as President and Cr Bryan Close as Deputy President, both for a further 2 year term.

Shire news



EXTRAORDINARY ELECTION 2021 CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

An in-person extraordinary election will be held on **Saturday**, **18 December 2021** in the Shire of Yilgarn to fill one 4-year term Councillor vacancy, after insufficient nominations were received in the 2021 Ordinary Election.

Any person who is an Australian Citizen over the age of 18 years, who is an elector of the district and is not disqualified under the *Local Government Act* 1995, may nominate for Council.

Nominations for the vacancy opens on Thursday 4 November 2021

Nominations close at 4.00pm Thursday 11 November 2021

NOMINATION REQUIREMENTS

Candidates are required to lodge with the RETURNING OFFICER;

- A completed nomination form in the prescribed form, signed & witnessed. This
 form is available from the Shire of Yilgarn, 23 Antares Street, Southern Cross,
 Shire website via www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au or by emailing ceo@yilgarn.wa.gov.au;
- Complete the online Local Government Candidate Induction available at https://www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/local-government/local-governments/council-elections/ induction-for-prospective-candidates (reference number from completed induction is to be included on the nomination form);
- A single A4 page profile containing not more than <u>800 characters</u> of biographical information about the proposed candidate and statements of the candidate's policies or beliefs;
- A nomination deposit of \$80 (cash, postal order or bank cheque); and
- A recent passport size photograph (optional).

When an agent lodges a nomination on a candidate's behalf, it must be in the prescribed form with a written authorisation, signed by the candidate.

Nominations must be lodged with the Returning Officer:

- at any time during the above period by arrangement; or
- between 2:00pm and 4:00 PM Thursday, 11 November 2021 (close of nominations) at the Shire of Yilgarn, 23 Antares Street, SOUTHERN CROSS.

Further information can be obtained from the Shire of Yilgarn website or by contacting the Returning Officer via 9049 1001 or 0427 775 325.

Nic Warren Returning Officer



Shire of Yilgarn Australia Day Active Citizenship Awards 2022

Nominate an inspiring local community member or group for one of three following awards, fostering community pride and spirit:

- Shire of Yilgarn Australia Day Active Citizenship Award
- Shire of Yilgarn Australia Day Active Citizenship Award for a person under 25 years
- Shire of Yilgarn Australia Day Active Citizenship Award for a Community group or event

Nomination forms are available from the Shire of Yilgarn, CRC or online: www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au

Please note nominations close: COB Monday, 8th November 2021



Shire news



TRAINEE CUSTOMER SERVICE OFFICER (Certificate III in Business)

The Shire of Yilgarn invites applications for the position of Trainee Customer Service Officer.

The primary responsibilities of the position are:

- initial point of contact to the public;
- providing tourism information;
- · receipting monies;
- Transport Licencing Transactions (Training provided after probationary period completed)
- providing secretarial and word processing services;
- actively engaging in multi-skilling development program with other Administration staff

The Traineeship will be an initial 12-month contract with the possibility of permanent employment at the conclusion of the traineeship. It is anticipated that the successful applicant will **commence employment in early January 2022**.

Students who are about to complete or have completed Year 10 and above are encouraged to apply. The successful applicant will undertake a Certificate III in Business through on-the-job training.

The Trainee will be required to perform duties at the Shire Administration Office.

An information package is available at www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au. Further information can be obtained by contacting the Executive Manager Corporate Services – Cameron Watson on 9049 1001 or 0428 775 325.

Written applications, addressed to the CEO and marked confidential, will be received up to **4:00pm** on **Monday 1 November 2021**.

Nic Warren
Chief Executive Officer

Shire of Yilgarn PO Box 86 SOUTHERN CROSS WA 6426

PLEASE NOTE: Canvassing of Councillors will disqualify. The successful applicant is required to obtain relevant police checks, and to provide evidence of all claimed qualifications prior to commencing employment. This position is subject to a Pre-Employment Medical.

Shire news



GENERAL HAND - PARKS AND GARDENS

Council is seeking the services of a self-motivated person with relevant experience for the position of Parks and Gardens General Hand. The primary responsibilities of the position is maintaining the Shire's parks, gardens and reserves, including the operation of mechanical equipment such as ride-on mowers, whipper snippers, light tip truck and chemical spraying equipment. The applicant must have a minimum MR manual drivers licence.

The position operates out of the works depot located in Arcturus Street, Southern Cross under the supervision of Council's Works Supervisor. Further information relating to this position can be obtained by contacting Council's Executive Manager for Infrastructure on 0409 791 135.

Council operates under an Employees Collective Agreement. This Full Time position is based on a Level 5 commensurate with qualifications and experience. The salary and conditions are as follows:

- Hourly rate of \$28.58 (New agreement pending further increase)
- Up to 17.5% superannuation
- Four weeks annual leave and annual leave loading
- Uniform supplied

Interested candidates are requested to obtain an information pack from:

- office 23 Antares Street, Southern Cross, or
- telephone 08 9049 1001, or
- email <u>yilgarn@yilgarn.wa.gov.au</u> ,orwebsite <u>www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au</u>.

Applications must be received by **4:00pm** on **Thursday 4th November 2021** and should be marked "Confidential" and addressed to:

"General Hand Road Parks and Gardens Position"

Mr Nic Warren Chief Executive Officer Shire of Yilgarn PO Box 86 SOUTHERN CROSS WA 6426

PLEASE NOTE: Canvassing of Councillors will disqualify. The successful applicant is required to obtain relevant police checks, and to provide evidence of all claimed qualifications prior to commencing employment. This position is subject to a Pre-Employment Medical including Drug & Alcohol Screening and further random screening on employment. The applicant must be physically fit as this position requires manual work.



AMENDMENTS TO THE 2021/2022 SCHEDULE OF FEES AND CHARGES

Pursuant to section 6.19 of the Local Government Act 1995 notice is hereby given that Council, at their October 2021 meeting, resolved to amend the Schedule of Fees & Charges for the 2021/2022 Financial Year as follows:

Imposition of a Passenger Service Charge of \$15.00 per Head

This fee is applicable for all inbound and outbound passengers on Regular Public Transport or Commercial Charter flights into and out of the Southern Cross Aerodrome. This new charge is effective from the 1st of February 2022.

Amendment to Standpipe Water Charges

Due to an increase in standpipe water charges imposed by Watercorp, charges for high flow standpipe outlets (40mm & above) have increased to \$9.50 per kilolitre and for low flow (below 40mm) have increased to \$3.23 per kilolitre. **This charge increase** is effective from 1st November 2021.

A copy of the amended 2021/2022 Schedule of Fees & Charges can be found on Council's website at www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au from the 1st November 2021.

Nic Warren Chief Executive Officer

Shire news



BUSHFIRE SEASON

It is almost bushfire season. If you live in on or near bushland, you are at risk from a bushfire and developing a **bushfire survival plan** is critical. Being prepared for a bushfire can help save you and your family's lives, your property and your livelihood.

You need to think about the bushfire risk to your family and home:

- Do you live in or near bush?
- Does your local area have a bushfire history?
- Do you have trees and shrubs within 20 metres of your house?
- Is your house built on a slope?
- Is your bushfire survival plan more than one year old?
- If you answered yes to one or more of these questions then being impacted by a bushfire is a real risk to you and your family. You need to have a bushfire survival plan and keep it updated.

When developing your plan decide together if you will leave for a safer place, which may be to relocate to family or friends or to a Shire shelter if an evacuation is initiated, or stay to actively defend your home. Make sure you write everything down. If you live alone consider creating a plan with a neighbour or friend.

Everybody should have their own tasks and have a list of actions to take if there is a bushfire. Keep your bushfire survival plan in an easy to find place and make sure everyone knows where it is. Practice your plan regularly and review it every year.

For more information on bushfire preparedness, internet search "DFES Bushfire Safety".

Being prepared for a bushfire can save your life and property.

FIRE RESTRICTIONS

There have been some changes this season to the local rules for burning and lighting fires

Burning Garden Refuse

The burning of garden refuse on the ground is **NOT PERMITTED** during the restricted and prohibited burning times, being from the 19th September through to 31st March, throughout the Yilgarn district.

Camp Fires

The lighting or use of fire in the open air for camping and cooking purposes is **NOT PERMITTED** during the prohibited burning period, being 1st November to 15th February, throughout the Yilgarn district. Enclosed gas appliances are permitted, as long as they are used as per manufacturer's instructions, and are used in a safe manner.

Shire news



EMERGENCY INFORMATION

There are a number of ways you can stay up to date with emergency information through the Shire and other organisations.

Harvest Bans

Current information on harvest and vehicle movement bans within the Shire of Yilgarn can be heard on the Shire's Emergency Information Service Hotline: (08) 9487 8777.

The service is updated daily and also includes information on road and airport closures; and will also be used to provide information in the event of an emergency so it is vital for everyone, not just farmers, to store this number in their phones or at home.

Whispir Alert System

The Shire of Yilgarn has an alert system for fires, road closures, harvest bans, airport closures, emergency information and community events. The alert system works via email and SMS. This is not just for farmers, as any relevant information during an emergency will also be dispersed via this method where possible.

If you would like to receive alerts from the Shire or wish to update your details, please contact the Shire office by phone on 9049 1001 or by email reception@yilgarn.wa.gov.au with "Whispir" in the subject line and provide your preferred email and mobile phone number and which alerts you wish to sign up for.

ABC Radio Harvest Ban Announcements

Closer to summer, ABC Local Radio will begin on air harvest ban announcements. The times will be advised closer to the commencement of announcements.

Bushfire Volunteer Brigade

The Yilgarn Bushfire Volunteer Brigade is currently seeking members, if you would like more information on becoming a member please contact the Shire on 9049 1001.

REDUCTION OF FIRE FUEL RISKS

The Shire of Yilgarn, in conjunction with the Yilgarn Bush Fire Brigade are calling on all townsite residents and land owners to ensure their properties are free of all fire fuels.

As per the Shire's Fire Break Notice, from the 1st November 2021, all flammable materials must be removed from land within Yilgarn townsites, including dry weeds, grass or other organic materials. Due to the high rainfall and subsequent high fuel loads there is a high risk of bushfire, and as such, the Shire will be monitoring compliance closely.







IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN...

SENIOR'S CHRISTMAS



If you are 60 or over and are unsure if you are on our current list please contact Jodie Karra before COB

Monday 29th November 2021 at:

aso@yilgarn.wa.gov.au

or

9049 1001

Please remember we are not mind readers!!







SKATE PARK

Please note that the Southern Cross Skate Park will be closed to the public for 24hrs while works are undertaken

on

Monday 8th November 2021

It will be reopen to the public Tuesday 9th November 2021





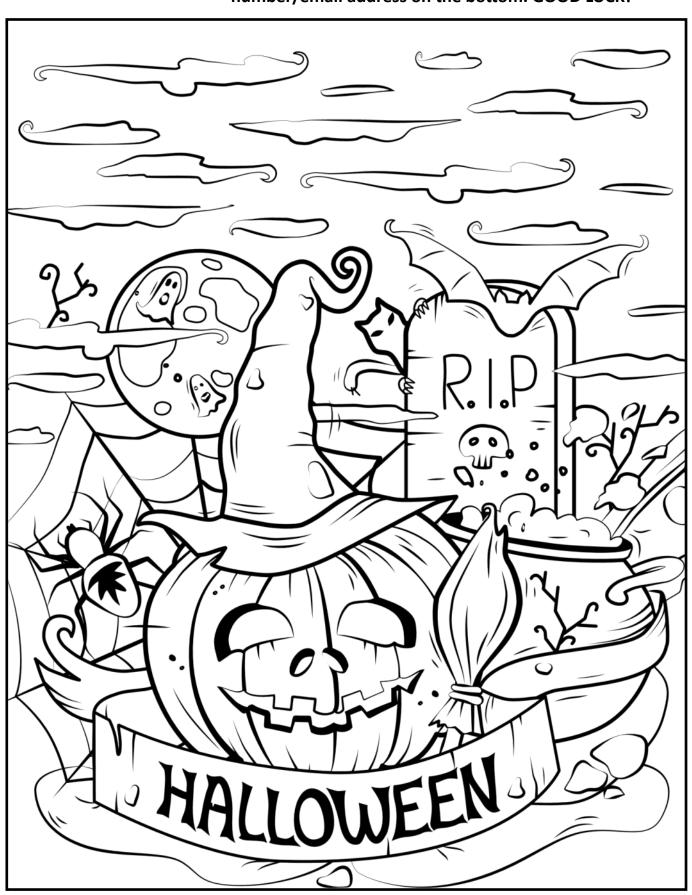
The Shire of Yilgarn recently updated their Whispir emergency alert system.

A test message was sent on Wednesday, 27th October 2021 at 11am.

If you did not receive an email or text message and would like to be added to the list to receive future alerts please contact the Shire Office at reception@yilgarn.wa.gov.au



Colour me in to win! The Southern Cross CRC have some gift prizes available for three age categories (0-5 years, 6-12 years, 13-18 years). Submit your coloured picture to the CRC by Friday 12 November with your name, and a phone number/email address on the bottom. GOOD LUCK!





Southern Cross CWA &

St Fire Ball invite you to the

SOUTHERN CROSS COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE & VOLUNTEER THANK-YOU BBQ

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SUNDAY DEC. 19, 2021 • 5:30PM - LATE (SANTA ARRIVING AT 6:00PM) ROTARY PARK

GIFTS PROVIDED TO CHILDREN UP TO YEAR 7

\$10 PER CHILD - INCLUDES GIFT, JUICE BOX & LOLLIE BAG RSVP WITH NAMES AND AGES OF CHILDREN FOR GIFTS BY 1ST DECEMBER TO TASH CREES ON 0408 447 035 OR CWA.SXBRANCH@OUTLOOK.COM

CWA PAYMENT DETAILS: BSB 036 128 ACC 280026

Community News

Yilgarn Bowling Club

Mens

October

Sat 30 Pennants: Yilgarn v Bruce Rock Gold

@ Southern Cross

Sun 31 Club Day @ Southern Cross

November

Sat 6 Pennants: Yilgarn v Corrigin Blue @

Southern Cross

Sun 7 Errol Pustkuchen Triples @ Merredin

Club Day @ Southern Cross

Ladies

October

Sat 30 Tammin Carnival @ Tammin

Sun 31 Merredin Civic Carnival @ Merredin

November

Tue 2 Social Bowls @ Southern Cross

Tue 9 Fours Championships @ Southern

Cross

Fri 12 Narembeen Carnival @ Narembeen



CLEANER POSITION AVAILABLE

Moorine Rock Primary School has a permanent Cleaning position –Cleaner Working Alone to start 22nd November 2021.

3 hours per day/15 hours per week

Start and finish times can be negotiated

Please contact Moorine Rock Primary School on 08 9048 9800 or visit Jobs WA Website for more information.

Wanted

House wanted for long term rental 2 – 4 bedrooms, good condition.

Call 0438 985 823

AGM

Men's Shed AGM

To be held at the Men's Shed On Thursday 18th of November 2021 @ 10am

Moorine Rock Tennis Club

28/10	Junior Tennis Coaching 3.30pm
30/10	Open Invitation Day, sponsored by
	CSBP 3pm start, steak tea provided
04/11	Junior Tennis Coaching 3.30pm
6/11	Fun Clock Tournament 3pm start
	Pizza tea, sponsored by Cape Crushing
11/11	Junior Tennis Coaching 3.30pm

Díd you know?

Did you know a good example of ground faulting can be seen in Frasers open cut on the edge of town? By standing on the western side of the open cut, a large fault can be seen in the eastern sidewall. On either side of the fault line, the rock is stacked in opposite directions and plainly visible.

What an upheaval the earth must have gone through to create this fault. Geologists say the fault was originally about 10 to 14 kilometres below the surface, but subsequent uplifts of the earth's crust, coupled with erosion, has placed it nearly on the surface.

This district is part of the Yilgarn Craton stretching from Carnarvon to Ravensthorpe, and the Darling Ranges to Nullarbor Plain, an area of 657,000 square kilometres. It is the second oldest land mass on earth, after Greenland, and was an original continent. It has been stable for the past two and a half million years.

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Wheatbelt Medical Student Immersion Program

TUESDAY 15 MARCH TO FRIDAY 18 MARCH 2022

Share what living in the Wheatbelt is like with future doctors

Two hundred medical students will be spending one week in the Wheatbelt in March 2022. During their stay, students will visit local farms, industry, general practices, hospitals and schools, and participate in community activities.

We need you to provide real-life experiences that will give students an understanding of what it is like to live in the Wheatbelt and perhaps inspire them to become rural doctors.

Students will visit the following towns:

The University of Notre Dame Australia students
Bruce Rock, Merredin, Narrogin, Southern Cross
and Westonia.

Curtin University students

Cunderdin, Corrigin, Kellerberrin, Moora and Wongan Hills.

As a host, we ask you to provide accommodation and meals for two or more students; live no more than 30 minutes from

town and be able to assist with transport to/from town; share what it is like to live in your town; and come along to a Thank You Dinner hosted in your town by the students.

Why host?

This is a life-changing experience for the students, with many having no previous exposure to rural life or the Wheatbelt.

By providing these rural immersion opportunities early in their degree, it has been proven that students are more likely to consider rural career opportunities.

Some students continue to keep in touch and visit their host families; some return to do seasonal work and placements. Others have inspired host family members to pursue tertiary studies in health and medicine.

For further information, contact **Betony Dawson**: **T** 08 6389 4567 | **E** betony.dawson@ruralhw.com.au











Southern Cross General Practice would like to notify the community that Dr Nwoko will be attending a Personal Development Course Thursday 25/11/2021 to Wednesday 01/12/2021, inclusive.

The Practice has applied for a Locum Doctor to cover this period of time while Dr Nwoko is away. We will notify the community as soon as possible of our result.

If we are to successfully attain a Locum Doctor, then the Practice will remain open and the Locum will work all 5 weekdays (including Wednesday 01/12/21).

If we are unsuccessful, then we will be without a Doctor for this period. However, the Practice will remain open during this time for half days for admin purposes and basic nursing appointments (closed Wednesday 01/12/21, as per usual).

Please check your medications and ensure you are up to date with important prescriptions or referrals prior to this time just in case we're unable to attain a Locum Doctor.

As always, in case of Emergency please call 000 immediately.

If urgent medical attention is required please phone Southern Cross Hospital on 9081 2222 or attend Southern Cross Hospital for triage by a nurse, and a doctor will be contacted if required.

Kind regards, Southern Cross General Practice Staff

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SAT- 11AM TILL LATE (LUNCH 12-2:30PM) SUN - 11AM TILL LATE (LUNCH 12-2:30PM)







Get the facts on the vax



The COVID-19 vaccines are new, and it is very normal for people to have questions. There is so much information – and misinformation – it can be overwhelming. Together, we need to build vaccine confidence because each and every vaccinated person helps us move past the pandemic.





The vaccines are safe

Many people around the world worked together to create the COVID-19 vaccine, sharing money and scientists to get it done in just months, without missing any steps. Vaccines are only allowed in Australia after being tested and found to be safe and effective. All vaccines continue to be quality tested and monitored for safety.



The COVID-19 vaccines do not contain live virus and cannot give you COVID-19

The vaccines pretend to be the real virus and teach your body how to defend itself. This will help stop you from getting really sick and going to hospital or even dying.



The vaccine was approved too quickly to be safe.



The vaccine could give you COVID-19.

Get the facts on the vax

TRUTH MYTH



We do know every ingredient that is in the vaccines

The vaccines are mostly water, with salt, sugar and fats. There is no graphene oxide, gluten, egg, wheat, bee venom, latex or animal products in the vaccines.



The vaccines are providing good protection against the new strains

Two doses of the Pfizer or AstraZeneca vaccine are very effective in protecting people from becoming seriously ill with the new variants, including the Delta strain.



You can choose to be vaccinated

You can make your own decision. Make sure you ask trusted people to help you find facts. False news can be very misleading and dangerous.



A microchip would not fit through the vaccine needle

This myth is based on a fake video circulating on social media.



COVID-19 vaccines can't change your DNA

The vaccines deliver instructions to your cells to build protection (immunity) against the coronavirus. This does not happen in the part of your cells where your DNA is.



Receiving a COVID-19 vaccine does not make you magnetic – anywhere on your body

COVID-19 vaccines do not contain any magnetic ingredients that could do this. You would need a lot of metal to attract a magnet. For example, people take multi vitamins which often contain iron. This doesn't make them magnetic because they are so diluted and spread through your body.



We don't know what's in these vaccines.



There's no point in getting vaccinated due to the new COVID strains.



Doctors want to force people to be vaccinated.



The vaccine contains a microchip to track me.



The vaccine will change my DNA.



The vaccine can make a magnet stick to your arm.

Register and book your COVID-19 vaccination





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Polyphagous shot-hole borer (Euwallacea fornicatus)

Polyphagous shot-hole borer (PSHB) is a beetle native to Southeast Asia. The beetles attack a wide range of plants by tunnelling into trunks, stems and branches.

PSHB has a symbiotic relationship with the fungus *Fusarium* euwallaceae, cultivating it inside the tree as a food source. In susceptible trees, the fungus kills vascular tissue causing *Fusarium* dieback and tree death.

Establishment of this pest in WA would likely have significant impact on amenity trees, native vegetation, and the fruit and nut tree industries (particularly avocado, citrus and stone fruit).

The Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) is working with the community, industry and State and Commonwealth Governments to minimise the impact of this pest.



Hosts

The host list is extensive with over 400 hosts including Maple (*Acer*), Oak (*Quercus*), Plane (*Platanus*), Coral tree (*Erythrina*), Avocado (*Persea*) and Willows (*Salix*).

What to look for

PSHB are approximately 2mm in length and range from brown to black in colour. Only females have the ability to fly and disperse to other trees. Males are smaller at approximately 1.6mm in length and have no wings.

Detection of PSHB is difficult as they are very small – about the size of a sesame seed. However, there are a number of symptoms that indicate a tree may be infested.

Help stop the spread

- Monitor susceptible species including street trees for signs of PSHB damage and report suspect infestation to DPIRD.
- Provide additional water during summer as PSHB targets stressed trees.
- Residents and gardening contractors located within the Quarantine Area must not move any PSHB host wood or green waste material outside the Quarantine Area without prior approval.
- DPIRD has established a procedure with local councils to ensure FOGO bin collection and green waste verge collections can continue as normal.

Report suspect PSHB damage

- Call +61 (0)8 9368 3080
- Email padis@dpird.wa.gov.au
- Upload a report to the MyPestGuide™ Reporter app

More information: see www.agric.wa.gov.au/borer



Symptoms of infestation



Beetle entry hole

The entrance holes of PSHB are approximately the size of a ballpoint pentip.



Discoloration/staining of wood

The *Fusarium* fungus cultivated by the beetle can cause dark discoloration.



Gumming

Thick resin or sap sometimes pushes the beetle out of the gallery.



Sugar volcanoes

Crystalline foam may be exuded from entry/exit holes. This is a common sign of infection on avocado trees.



Frass

Produced by the beetle's tunneling, frass or "noodles" may be present extruding from trees. This can indicate the infestation level is high.



Dieback

In susceptible trees the *Fusarium* fungus disrupts the flow of water and nutrients causing branch dieback and tree death.

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Fri 29 Oct	SXFC AGM @ Complex Lounge 7pm
Sun 31 Oct	Restricted burning period ends
Mon 1 Nov	Prohibited burning period begins
Fri 5 Nov	Pat & Chat Mobile Vet in town
Thu 18 Nov	AGM: Yilgarn Men's Shed @ Men's Shed 10am
Thu 18 Nov	Shire Council Meeting @ Council Chambers 4pm
Wed 24 Nov	Merredin Veterinary Clinic in town @ changerooms at the Oval
Thu 2 Dec	Pat & Chat Mobile Vet in town
Fri 10 Dec	SCDHS End of Year Presentation Night
Thu 16 Dec	Shire Council Meeting @ Council Chambers 4pm
Fri 17 Dec	Carols by Candlelight @ Senior Citizen's Centre, 6pm
Sun 19 Dec	Southern Cross Community Christmas Tree & Volunteer Thank-You BBQ

Looking to get involved in a group or club? There are many local groups you can join!

- ✓ Art Group
- ✓ Country Women's Association
- ✓ P & C / P & F Organisations
- ✓ Patchworking
- ✓ Progress Associations
- ✓ Scrapbooking
- ✓ Senior Citizen's Centre activities
- ✓ Southern Cross Gardening Club
- ✓ Southern Cross Hospital Auxiliary

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