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THE GRAPEVINE



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A Tribute to Kenneth Ernest Pech AM JP

Ken was born on 21 September 1939, the second of four children. He grew up on the family farm near Brookton, going to school in Brookton. He was then accepted at Narrogin Agricultural College, where he studied for two years.

He met his wife Judith at a Junior Farmers social, after she was appointed to Brookton as a primary school teacher. In the mid 1950s, his father purchased uncleared land 40 kms south of Gnowangerup. This was gradually developed and Ken and Judith moved to North Stirling Downs, where they brought up their 6 children. All six attended Gnowangerup District High School and Ken had a 20 year association with GDHS P & C Association.

Ken was an enthusiastic farmer, loved his sheep and his dogs, particularly Parker. His involvement with Local Government began in 1981 at an extra ordinary election for a councillor in the South Ward in the Gnowangerup Shire. There was an election, Ken door knocked the area and received 95% of the vote.

In 1984, he was elected as Deputy President, then he was elected as Gnowangerup Shire President in 1986. He continued in this position until 1994, when he stepped down from the President's role to continue in leadership roles at a state level. He was President of Country Shire Councils Association from 1992 to 1994 and State President of WA Municipal Association from 1994 to 1996. He was also a WA delegate to the Australian Local Government Association.

He was Deputy President of Gnowangerup again from 2003 to 2007 and Gnowangerup Shire President from 2007 to 2009. He was made a Freeman of Gnowangerup Shire in July 2006.

During his time in Local Government, he lobbied strongly for increased funding for local roads, better telecommunications, improvement to medical facilities in rural areas and more doctors in small country towns.

He retired from local government in October 2013 after 32 years service. He then focussed his attentions back to family, farming and his bees.

He was appointed a Justice of the Peace in 1986. He was awarded Australian honours on Australia Day 1999 for his outstanding service to Local Government. He was awarded the Centenary Medal on 1 January 2001.

His other community service included 6 years on the Board of the Great Southern Development Commission, a long term member and past president of Gnowangerup Rotary Club, member of the Gnowangerup Agricultural College Advisory Committee, Board member and chairman of Yongergnow Malleefowl Centre. In 2019, he was awarded the first Life Membership of Yongergnow. He was a member of the Order of Australia Association and was Great Southern chairman of the Association from 2015 to 2019. Ken and Judith retired to Albany in late 2018. Sadly his health deteriorated rapidly this year and he passed away peacefully on 9 October 2019.

His funeral in Gnowangerup on 21 October was attended by a large crowd who wished to honour his achievements and support his family; his wife Judith, his 6 children and 10 grandchildren.

Ken was passionate about his community. He will be remembered for his life of service and deserves to rest in peace.
Contributed by Jan Savage





Children's Nutrition

The Ongerup CRC's second session with Amity Health's dietitian will cover;

Key
Nutrition
(6 months
- school age)

**Fri 22nd Nov,
10:30am-1pm**

*Creating
positive
meal times*

*Tackling
common
concerns*

Cooking activities afterwards will focus on creating no fuss meals & snack ideas to entice kids.

RSVP's essential, 9828 2325

We encourage anyone who has a keen interest in healthy eating, whether you want to change your current eating habits or further your knowledge, this session is for everyone.



Ongerup Bowling Club



**Scroungers 25th October
2019**

Sponsored by

J & J Kerse and Sons/John & Jane Campbell

**Dinner – Burgers & Chips
\$10.00**

**Names in by 6.15pm for a 6.30pm
start.**

Music, Dinner, Raffles, Games and Prizes.

Chance to win \$50.00 Cash

Names into Mog 0427 282 108 or
Jade 0429 421 350

MANAGING BIG EMOTIONS!

With Holly Beeck

TUESDAY 12TH NOVEMBER

9:30AM @ YONGERGNOW-ONGERUP CRC

- * Let's talk about emotions
- * Developing empathy – theirs and ours
- * Anger – it's not the main thing
- * Developing self control – theirs and ours
- * Explore some strategies for managing big emotions

Creche available – please book your child in ASAP to secure a place.

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This Parenting Course is funded under the Families and Communities Programme by the Australian Government Department of Social Services.



**Paper Bricks
SALE**

**Recycled newspaper bricks for sale. These
bricks will keep your fire going. Help
support the environment and school.**

1 brick = 50 cent

5 bricks = \$2

Tel: 08 9828 2033

Community Notices



Congratulations
to Mick Creagh
not only has he
become a Shire
Councillor but he
got the most
votes in the
election!!!
Congratulations
to all the
successful
candidates
Our Shire should
feel proud when
the state voting average was 29% we
managed 52%

SUPER 66 Week 2 results for Ongerup
ONGERUP Primary School P & C
Weeks 2 supper 66 results
\$25. 73. Sally Bruce
\$50. 97. Sally Bruce
\$25. 65. Darryl Murphy

ONGERUP MUSEUM Meeting and busy bee to clean up
after the wildflower show at the museum 9:30 am start with a
cuppa Sunday 27th October . Vicki will inform us about the
new shearing display that is happening in the blue shed and
other projects in the pipeline.

Where in Ongerup is this?????

First correct answer to Bec wins a free icecream from
Yongergnow



JAKE COPELAND was the first correct answer last week
(the Ambulance shed) and has collected his free ice cream.



KNOW SOMEONE GREAT?

Nominate an individual or a group for a 2020 Australia Day Award.

citizenshipawards.com.au | Closing Date: 31 October 2019

Local Government Recognising Community Champions.

Presented by:



Australia Day
Council of
Western Australia

Media Partners:



The West Australian
Sunday Times | We're for you



Community
newspaper group



Make Healthy Meals

The Ongerup CRC are hosting two FREE sessions with Amity Health's Dietitian.
Session 1 will cover;



Session 1 of 2:
Fri 8th Nov
10:30am-1pm

Plus cooking activities!
RSVPs essential, 9828 2325

We encourage anyone who has a keen interest in healthy eating, whether you want to change your current eating habits or further your knowledge, this session is for everyone, as well as parents.



A chance to meet up with other local mums (dads welcome too) to have a chat and enjoy a FREE barista coffee.

Carl from RoadWise will be here to run through:

- What type of car seat is legal (and best) for children aged 0-6months, 6months - 4years and 4-7 years
- Where is the safest spot in the car to install a child seat
- How to make sure the car seat is installed/secured properly
- Installing additional anchor points in vehicles like Dual Cab Utes - the legalities around this and who can do it.
- What to look for if purchasing or being given a 2nd hand car seat.
- I can then physically go out and look at how people have their children's car seats installed in their cars and provide them advice on how they can improve it if they are not currently best practice.
- Up coming Type 1 Child Car Restraint fitting Course and how they can get involved if they want to (might even be good for one of your staff so the CRC can offer this service to the community)

Thursday 7th November

9.30am

Ongerup CRC

RSVP 9828 2325



G&S Professionals
My work is my Pride.

21T Excavator with operator.

- Prices starting from \$100/hour
- Dam Cleaning / Fixing
- Rock heap removals
- Tree removals
- Trenches, holes and more.

Available from 15 September 2019. Book now to get your spot during summer.

Call Gary Jansen 0438 289 000

2019/20 Season Opens

Monday 4th November

Open 7 days per week 12pm-6pm

Adult Single Entry	\$4.65
Child Single Entry	\$3.00
Adult Supervisor/Spectator	FREE
Family Season Pass	\$205.00
Adult Season Pass	\$108.00
Child Season Pass	\$77.00

SWIMMING POOL NUMBER 9827 1741

Morning Swimming available — speak to Andre

Kids under 10 must be supervised at all times

Children under 5 must be at arms reach at all times

Please be advised there will be no vending machine this year, please bring your own cool drinks.

October / November

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
				25 daycare Bowling club scroungers	26	27 Museum meeting
28	29	30	31	1 daycare	2	3
4	5 Melbourne cup	6	7 Mums club	8 daycare Healthy meals	9 Rivers bday	10
11	12 Holly Beeck workshop	13 Taite bday	14	15 daycare	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24



ONGERUP OCCASIONAL DAYCARE

Professionally staffed, licensed centre providing your children with quality care and a safe, stimulating curriculum based on the new National Quality Framework!

FRIDAY 9.00AM TO 3.30PM

CATERING FOR 0-6 YEAR OLDS

Please contact the coordinator Katie Sherwood on
0427 271 454

For Bookings

Managed by Gnowangerup Family Support Association. Bringing licensed, cost effective child care to small towns in the Great Southern since 1988.

