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# Yalgoo Bulldust



This is a painting of an Aboriginal Role Model that the students have done in class. Malik's painting is of the Aboriginal Olympic Runner Kyle Vander Kuyp. Malik's painting is this month's winner of the Deadly Vibe Magazine for July.



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# Advertisement

Do you want to promote what you have to offer?

The *Yalgoo Bulldust* can help you.

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## NOTICE OF ELECTION 1 SEPTEMBER 2012

An election will be held on 1 September 2012 to fill **one vacancy** in the office of Councillor of the Shire of Yalgoo. The election is for one extraordinary vacancy for a term expiring in October 2015. The election will be conducted as a Voting in Person Election.

### List of Candidates

Tamisha Hodder

Robert Grinham

### Voting Places and Opening Hours

#### ON ELECTION DAY

Shire of Yalgoo Council Chamber, 37 Gibbons Street, YALGOO 6635  
between 8.00 am and 6.00 pm on Saturday 1 September 2012.

#### BEFORE ELECTION DAY

##### Early vote

- At the Shire of Yalgoo office, 37 Gibbons Street, YALGOO 6635 between 9.00am and 4.00pm Monday to Friday (public holidays excepted) and no later than 4.00pm on Thursday 30 August 2012
- At the Paynes Find Community Centre, Great Northern Highway, PAYNES FIND 6612 between 2.00pm and 4.00pm on Friday 31 August 2012

##### Absent vote

- Between now and 4.00 pm on Tuesday 28 August 2012 at the offices of other local governments during normal office hours

##### Postal vote

- Postal vote application forms may be obtained by contacting the undersigned. You should apply as soon as possible so that the voting papers can be processed. Completed postal votes must be returned in the reply paid envelope provided and received by the Returning Officer by 6:00pm on Saturday 1 September 2012

### Vote Counting

Votes are to be counted at the polling place. Members of the public and candidates are welcome to attend the counting of the votes after 6.00pm on Saturday 1 September 2012 at the Council Chamber, 37 Gibbons Street, YALGOO 6635.

### Further information

To apply for a postal vote, or for any further information about the election, please contact the undersigned.

Sharon Daishe

Returning Officer

Gibbons Street YALGOO WA 6635

Phone: (08) 9962 8042

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### Casual Cleaner

If you are interested in working or need a little bit of extra cash

The Shire of Yalgoo is looking for a casual cleaner—work available immediately

If you would like to apply please come into the Shire Office and ask for Heather or Call on 9962 8042

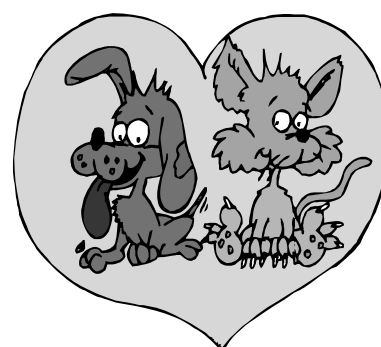


## Dog Sterilization

To all who have their animals booked in for sterilization it has been put back to a later date in October/November so please be patient and we will keep you all posted.

Or contact the Shire

Thank you.



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## Dogs...Dogs....Dogs

Reminder to all dog owners, that dogs over 3 months need to be registered.

You are only permitted to have two dogs per house.

You must be over 18 to own a dog.

You are required to have suitable fencing to keep your dog in.

Dogs are not permitted to roam around town either licensed or unlicensed.

All dogs are to be on a leash while in public.

The designated exercise area for dogs is at the railway complex.

Fine breaches of the dog act are enforceable and are not cheap.

Please contact the shire if you need assistance.



## DARTS

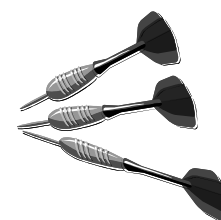
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EVERY

TUESDAY NIGHT  
7pm – LATE

HELD AT THE YALGOO  
HOTEL

Also coming soon

YALGOO POOL COMP





# Happy Birthday August 2012

**11th Christine Harvey**

**13th Raul Valenzuela**

**13th David Skeen**



## Here is one to think about!

Success is not the key to happiness.  
Happiness is the key to success.  
If you love what you are doing,  
you will be successful.

By - Albert Schweitzer



If you would like to see yours or even a loved ones birthday displayed in the bulldust for all to see Please contact the shire to let us know. 08 9962 8042.

## 2012 COUNCIL MEETINGS

### Yalgoo Shire Council Chambers

- ◆ Thursday 23 August 2012
- ◆ Thursday 18 October 2012
- ◆ Thursday 22 November 2012
- ◆ Wednesday 12 December 2012

### Paynes Find Community Centre:

- ◆ Thursday 20 September 2012

### Special Council Meeting

- ◆ Tuesday 7 August
- ◆ Thursday 9 August





## Would you like to nominate someone (one or more!) from Yalgoo for the cover of next year's Great Northern region Yellow Pages® and White Pages®?

Each year Sensis features local community members who positively impact their community on the cover of the phone book. This year the theme is *Keeping Our Communities Healthy*. Sensis is looking for individuals improving others' quality of life. They might be inspirational cancer survivors, tireless charity fundraisers or clever doctors and medical researchers.

### The nominee must have contributed to the community in one or more of the following ways:

- Raised awareness or funds that have helped improve access to health services in their community
- Performed an action/s that has resulted in positive impact on the health of an individual or a group of individuals
- Actively volunteered their time to help support patients or health care providers
- Initiated projects/programs with a focus on preventative health care
- Overcome a personal health issue to support or counsel others in similar situation
- Made or contributed to a medical discovery, breakthrough or innovation

We are taking nominations from the community and I thought you might have some suggestions. If you can think of anyone who has gone above and beyond to improve the health of your community, I'd love to hear about it!

**Nominations close on 7 September 2012.** You can email me with any suggestions or call out for nominees yourself on Twitter, including @Whitepages\_au so we can track incoming noms. Alternatively, check out the website <http://www.whitepagescommunity.com.au/content/cover-nominations>

Feel free to give me a buzz if you have any questions.

Look forward to hearing from you.

Regards,

**Roxanne Millar** Senior Account Manager PR Edge

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# **Bendigo Bank** *Seniors Week* **Festival**

11-18 November 2012



Margaret Lay,  
2011 Burswood WA  
Senior of the Year

## Do you know an inspirational senior?

### **If so, why not nominate them for a WA Seniors Award?**

The WA Seniors Awards recognise individuals and organisations for their contribution to Western Australia in a variety of fields including volunteering, working with children, addressing mental health, and providing services to improve the quality of life of seniors.

The 2012 WA Seniors Awards are coordinated by the Department for Communities in partnership with COTA WA.

Nominations close **5.00pm Friday 10 August 2012.**

To nominate, or for information on Bendigo Bank Seniors Week Festival event registrations or grants, please go to **[www.communities.wa.gov.au](http://www.communities.wa.gov.au)** or call **6551 8700.**

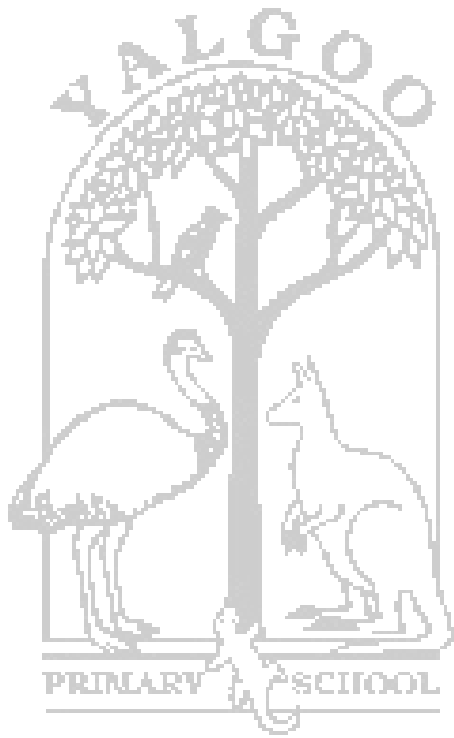
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Department for Communities  
Seniors and Volunteering







# Yalgoo Primary School

WE CARE - WE SHARE - WE DARE

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Email: [tom.hall@det.wa.edu.au](mailto:tom.hall@det.wa.edu.au)

## **THE YALGOO PRIMARY IS RUNNING A PASSPORT PROGRAM**

It is where the parents can earn points for their children by attending the School assemblies or by helping in classrooms or with breakfast.

The points that are earned can be used to get uniforms, stationary etc for their children

If you do not have children at the School anyone in the community can also attend and nominate a child to earn points for.

If you are interested in earning points for your children or any child please visit Gail at the School or phone on 9962 8024.

Supported by MMG GOLDEN GROVE



**Make sure**  
**you !**  
**have your say!**



**at the Shire of Yalgoo**  
**on Election day**

**Saturday**  
**1st September**  
**2012**





ROAD SAFETY COUNCIL  
OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

## **ROAD SAFETY COUNCIL**

### **MEDIA RELEASE**

25 July 2012

#### **DANGEROUS DRINK DRIVERS FACE LICENCE DISQUALIFICATIONS**

The Road Safety Council has welcomed the announcement today by WA police and the Minister for Police; Road Safety, Liza Harvey MLA, that from 1 August 2012, drivers caught with a Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) of 0.08 and above or who fail to comply with a Police request to provide a sample of blood or breath for analysis will have their licence disqualified immediately under amendments to the Road Traffic Act 1974.

Professor D'Arcy Holman, Independent Chair of the Road Safety Council, said that the message to drivers was simple; blow 0.08 and you'll blow your licence.

"If we could eliminate drink driving, this year in WA we would save the lives of 55 people," Professor Holman said.

"If you drink and drive or take drugs and drive you are more likely to be involved in a crash and driving with a BAC of 0.05 doubles your crash risk while at 0.08 your crash risk is increased by seven times.

"First and foremost we must remember that the majority of the community do not accept drinking and driving and they do the right thing but we still have a problem where around 30 per cent of serious crashes involve illegal levels of alcohol."

The Road Safety Council is reminding WA road users that 'every police car is a booze bus' so not only is the risk to yourself and others not worth it, those who do drive with illegal alcohol levels are more likely to be caught and taken off our roads.

"The rest of the driving community deserves the right to be able to use our roads without the risk of being involved in a crash with a driver who has an illegal level of alcohol in their system," he said.

"We know that the immediate consequence of for drivers of losing their licence has an impact on driver behaviour.

"Deterrence is the starting point for awareness around the dangers of drink driving. Through high visibility and targeted patrols, Police will work to provide a presence on our roads "anywhere anytime" to deter people from drinking and driving and to apprehend those who do. Police efforts will be supported by community education to reinforce and remind people to do the right thing.

"For those who fail to heed the messages and choose to do the wrong thing, continued changes to penalties and suspensions act as a deterrent to discourage repeat behaviour," Professor Holman said.

The changes to the Road Traffic Act 1974 are part of a continued over all approach to addressing drink driving in WA. Disqualification notices are in line with the Road Safety Council's recommendations to Government for a Repeat Drink Driving Strategy (RDDS) which includes the introduction of alcohol interlocks.

"In addition to this current initiative introducing disqualification notices for certain drink driving offences, we would like to see the RDDS progressed through parliament in the future and will continue to support actions that complement the proposed program and contribute to a reduction in the incidence of drinking and driving on our roads." Professor Holman said.

#### **ENDS**

##### **Media contact:**

Elizabeth Jones, Office of Road Safety – 0417 939 743

#### **NOTES FOR JOURNALISTS:**

All community education material is available on our website:


<http://ors.wa.gov.au/law-changes/disqualification-notices.aspx>

Please use this for reference and details in media coverage.

Current list of penalties for Drink Driving offences (these apply in addition to immediate disqualification notices once a court process has taken place)

<http://www.police.wa.gov.au/Traffic/Drinkdriving/Penalties/tabid/989/Default.aspx>




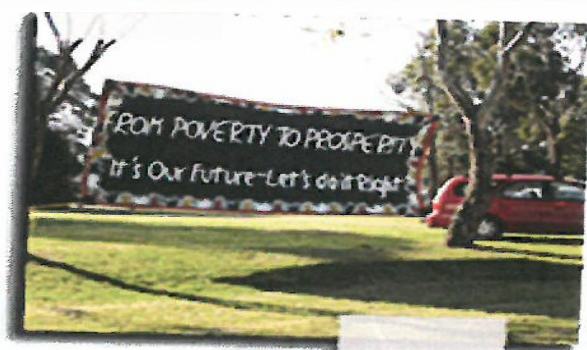


**ANTI-POVERTY WEEK**  
14-20 October 2012

**Hands up if your council cares about poverty and hardship**

Poverty and severe hardship can seem like overwhelming problems. Too complex for any solution at the local government level. But by caring big and acting local, your council can make a positive impact on real people's real lives and inspire commitment to make a difference.

**DOWNLOAD THE eBOOKLET** to learn more about getting involved 



### ABOUT ANTI-POVERTY WEEK

Anti-Poverty Week is a time for individuals, communities and organisations all over Australia to focus attention on reducing poverty and hardship. Every action is valuable, whether it's about preventing people from experiencing poverty, helping people to escape it or reducing its impact. Established in Australia in 2002, it is an expansion of the UN annual International Anti-Poverty Day on October 17.

### WHAT YOUR COUNCIL CAN DO

This Anti-Poverty Week, you could organise an initiative by your local council or shire that fits your community. Or simply connect an existing activity with the Anti-Poverty Week network of initiatives. It doesn't need a big budget or major planning, just a passion for social justice and a positive approach.

To help you get involved, we've put together an ebooklet specifically for local shires and councils that's full of tips, information and resources, including:

- ideas for activities and initiatives
- suggestions for partnerships
- tips for promoting your activity
- practical and inspiring case studies
- plus links to
  - promotional materials
  - organiser's checklist
  - papers, reports
  - useful websites and more...

**DOWNLOAD eBOOKLET** 



For more information and ideas, download our **IDEAS POSTER**, visit [www.antipovertyweek.org.au](http://www.antipovertyweek.org.au), call 1300 797 290 or email [apw@antipovertyweek.org.au](mailto:apw@antipovertyweek.org.au).

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Government of **Western Australia**  
Department of Transport  
**Driver and Vehicle Services**

## CHANGES TO NATIONAL POLICE CERTIFICATES

### Issue

Record of traffic convictions are now incorporated into National Police Certificates issued by the WA police.

### Background

Certified copies of traffic convictions are no longer available as a separate document and instead will be incorporated into the National Police Certificate.

Applications for National Police Certificates can be made through Australia Post or online by [CVCheck](#). The applicant's traffic conviction history will now be provided as part of this document.

If an applicant also requires their traffic infringement history, application can only be made directly through WA police.

Driver and Vehicle Services staff should be aware of these changes when advising applicants for F and T extensions, or driving instructor licences, of the required documentation.

**Michael D'souza**  
**General Manager, Driver and Vehicle Services**  
**9 August 2012**





Government of **Western Australia**  
Department of **Transport**  
**Driver and Vehicle Services**

## **ONLINE DRIVER AND VEHICLE SERVICES AVAILABLE AT THE SHIRE OF YALGOO**

### **Issue**

Online Driver and Vehicle Services (DVS) transactions are now processed at the Shire of Yalgoo.

### **Background**

The Shire of Yalgoo is now able to process online DVS transactions due to the Shire's conversion from an offline to an online site. Computerised theory tests (CTT) and hazard perception tests (HPT) are available at this site. Practical driving assessments are available by booking through TRELIS using the site code YLGO.

The Shire of Yalgoo office details are:

37 Gibbons Street  
Yalgoo 6635  
Telephone: (08) 9962 8042

**Customers are to be directed to call 13 11 56 for general DVS information and enquiries.**

Hours of business for DVS transactions:

Monday to Friday – 9:00am to 4:00pm  
CTT and HPT available 9:00am to 3:15pm

The office is closed every day for lunch from 12:00pm – 1:00pm.

**Michael D'souza**  
**General Manager, Driver and Vehicle Services**  
**26 June 2012**



# MMG Golden Grove - Yalgoo Community Investment and Engagement Activity

## Yalgoo Small Gifts

MMG Golden Grove (MMGGG) has continued support for a number of Yalgoo community groups and associations in the first half of 2012 through the Yalgoo Small Gifts Program. The program has granted support too:

- Yalgoo Jockey Club for continued support of the Race Day through sponsorship of the Yalgoo Cup;
- Resource support for the inaugural Yalgoo family day facilitated by Centacare;
- Sponsorship of the Yalgoo Gymkhana club for their annual event;
- Meekatharra School of the Air playground project donation;
- Mullewa Football Club sponsorship (To support bus transportation of Yalgoo players and coaches for GNFL competition);

MMGGG has also recently granted support for the inaugural Mullewa Muster and hopes that Yalgoo community members were able to travel across to participate in and enjoy what this event had to offer.

For information on the application process for the Yalgoo Small Gifts Program please contact: Brooke Creemers (MMGGG Community Relations Advisor) on (08) 99556 4132 mobile: 0467 771 081 or by email [brooke.creemers@mmg.com](mailto:brooke.creemers@mmg.com)

## Community Development Sponsorships

- **Community Development Foundation (CDF) Passport Program**

MMGGG is pleased to support the Community Development Foundation's (CDF) 'Passport Incentive and Reward Program' at the Yalgoo Primary School and acknowledges the students and parents who have engaged with the program.

The Passport Program was launched at Yalgoo Primary School on 4th July with the support and financial contribution of MMGGG. The launch coincided with NAIDOC week celebrations at the School, and all members of the Yalgoo community were invited.

The Program launch was a great success, with numerous parents and community members; including the Police remarking on the positive benefits of the Program. One mum was very enthusiastic about getting a regular group together to do breakfasts for the kids and families.

This is the first time that Yalgoo Primary has been able to provide full uniforms, Bags and embroidered hats to their students, in both Kindergarten and Primary. Students modelled the uniforms to others with great pride. Children were excited about the prospect of parents AND other members of their families earning these items for them, whilst being at School.

### ***Some activities include:***

- ☑ Classroom/Art/Library helper
- ☑ Excursion helper/ Mentor
- ☑ Doing puzzles with children/ reading stories
- ☑ Attending community events/ performances
- ☑ Attending assemblies

Parents and extended family members can also undertake training workshops, and join the school council to earn points. It's all about creating a platform for participation, and building the relationships with families within the school and the wider community.

Students can also earn stationery packs, and school-based items for their attendance, participation and good behaviour in class and in the community.



Yalgoo Primary is 68th School to join the Passport Program network in Australia.

MMGGG will watch the establishment of the 'Yalgoo Passport Program' closely throughout 2012 and encourage the community too embrace the program to ensure that the children of Yalgoo receive the benefits that the program promises to deliver.



- **Midwest Life Education**

MMGGG has recently extended the sponsorship commitment to Life Education Australia (LEA) for a further three (3) years to ensure that this important education linked; life skills; healthy life styles; food and nutrition; drug and alcohol awareness; and resilience program will continue to be delivered in Yalgoo and other remote and regional Mid West schools.

The 2012 Mid West regional tour is scheduled to take place in term four (4) and will travel to Yalgoo; Mt Magnet; Cue; and Karalundi. The LEA teacher and the Life Education Healthy Harold resource van will be travelling to Yalgoo to deliver the program on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> of November

### 2012 Yahoo Yalgoo

A number of MMGGG employees are currently in training for their annual fundraising walk from the Golden Grove mine site to Yalgoo. This event raises money for Variety the Children's Charity who granted monies in 2011 to support the first stage of the Yalgoo Youth Community recreation hub.

The 2012 Yahoo Yalgoo walk will take place on Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> of August. Walkers will be aiming is to arrive at Yalgoo Railway Station at 3:00pm with a welcome BBQ and drinks between 4:00 - 6.00pm which community members are invited to attend.

MMGGG encourages you to put your walking shoes on to join the walkers for part of their walk. If you are interested in joining other community members and the Yahoo Yalgoo walkers for part of their fundraising



walk please contact Karen Malloch from the Shire of Yalgoo who has volunteered to coordinate community walkers' participation.

## Operations

### Copper Open Pit Progressing Well

Golden Grove's Copper Open Pit is quickly taking shape since operations commenced in January this year.

Since the arrival of the Komatsu PC 2000 digger in May and the addition of Open Pit contractor Alliance running night shift, productivity has increased significantly, and in late June the Open Pit team passed the 1 million BCMs mined mark – a milestone achieved with a zero Total Recordable Injury Frequency Rate (TRIFR).

Both the waste dump construction and grade control drilling are progressing well, and in May the first high grade azurite and malachite started to appear.

Other updates include:

- Results from the first round of grade control drilling compare favourably to reserve, meaning we should be able to deliver more ore at higher grade than expected for 2012.
- Year-to-date production is in line with plan and the first ore is expected to be delivered some time during the third quarter.
- Regulatory approval of the second stage of the Copper Open Pit was recently granted, allowing a cutback to commence later in this year. **Note:** *The Open Pit is being developed in stages to smooth the ore supply.*
- Hopes for another Open Pit have been raised, with drilling success occurring at the Tryall deposit (located north of the existing pit). This too will be followed up later in the year.

The Open Pit will provide an additional 3.3 million tonnes of copper ore reserves to the overall production profile of Golden Grove, and will produce approximately 235,000 tonnes of copper concentrate containing 59,600 tonnes of copper metal in concentrate at 25% copper. The Mill's capacity of approximately 1.8 million tonnes per annum will be maintained throughout the project.

## Environment

Golden Grove reported an environmental exceedance at the Lake Wownaminya discharge outlet. The Lake Wownaminya outlet pipe discharge limit was elevated above the selenium 0.02mg/L limit with a result of 0.026mg/L. The exceedance was reported to the Western Australian Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC). An investigation has been completed and corrective actions are in place to prevent the exceedance from re-occurring.

### Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Survey

Between April and June 2012, cultural heritage surveys were conducted at MMG Golden Grove with the Badimia traditional owners and Terra Rosa Cultural Resource Management, to facilitate exploration and development plans for the Bassendean Exploration Project and the Gossan Valley Expansion Project. The surveys were conducted in order to identify any Aboriginal heritage sites and obtain work clearances for proposed drilling and exploration. A number of Yalgoo resident traditional owners have been engaged in this important cultural heritage survey work including Percy Lawson Jnr.

MMG Golden Grove respects the local aboriginal, pastoral and mining heritage of the region and places great value on complying with its legal obligations not to disturb or destroy any heritage sites. Conducting cultural heritage surveys ensures MMG can obtain a clearer picture of any Aboriginal sites within its tenements, and also gives MMG the opportunity to engage with the traditional owners regarding ongoing heritage management on site. Further surveys are planned throughout the year for exploration on the northern tenements.



MMG Golden Grove is finalising negotiations of a Cultural Heritage Management Agreement (CHMA) with the Badimia People and Widi Mob traditional owner groups.

### Cross Cultural Awareness Training

In May 2012, the annual delivery of Cross Cultural Awareness (CCA) training courses commenced at MMG Golden Grove. The course has been delivered at Golden Grove with the support of Mrs Olive Gibson and Mr Victor Little since 1997. MMGGG also acknowledges the recent support of a CCA course by Temisha Hodder.

The one-day course is delivered by aboriginal people and provides insight into the unique culture of Aboriginal Australians. It provides employees with a deeper understanding of aboriginal history; knowledge; language; connections to country; heritage; and culture. It aims to help staff at Golden Grove better understand the local culture and to consider the diversity of cultures in the workplace so that they can communicate and interact more efficiently with our growing number of local aboriginal employees.

The CCA course also supports other MMGGG indigenous relations initiatives such as, the Bayalgu Indigenous Pre Employment Training Program, the Indigenous Employment Implementation Plan and any Cultural Heritage Management Agreements. Attendance by all MMG and contractor personnel at this course is compulsory.

### Bayalgu Indigenous Pre-Employment Training Program (IPETP)

The next Bayalgu Pre-Employment Training Course is scheduled to commence in early October 2012. Recruitment and Referral information for interested Yalgoo applicants will be made available through Victor Ware (MEEDAC) and at the Shire of Yalgoo office by mid August. The application information will also be available through Geraldton Job Services Australia (JSA) providers; Salvation Army Employment Plus; Mission Australia; and Skill Hire or Bundiyarra Jobs.

Following are the key dates for the next course:

- Applications in-6<sup>th</sup> of September
- Pre-medical testing for short listed applicants -12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> September
- Interviews for all short listed and medically cleared applicants- 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> September
- Applicants notification-25<sup>th</sup> September
- Course commencement- 8<sup>th</sup> October though until 14<sup>th</sup> December

If you would like further information or would like to put in an expression of interest please contact the Bayalgu Program Coordinator Clint Henderson on (08) 9956 4131 Mobile 0428 360 013 or email [clint.henderson@mmg.com](mailto:clint.henderson@mmg.com) or the Program Mentor Mike Bond on (08) 9956 4133 Mobile 0418 731 596 or email [mike.bond@mmg.com](mailto:mike.bond@mmg.com)

### Bayalgu In The News

MidWest Times and Geraldton Guardian reporter Tom Davis recently spent the day with the 2012 Bayalgu Pre-employment Training Program students, watching them undertake their live-work training at Wicherina.





**THE TEAM:** Students and tutors involved in the latest Bayalgu program. Pictures: TOM DAVIS

# On the road to full-time work

**Tom Davis**

The latest crop of indigenous mining cadets with MMG Golden Grove's specialist training program are weeks away from beginning a new chapter in their lives.

Seven students enlisted on the Bayalgu indigenous pre-employment training program have three weeks before they are released for full-time work.

Running for 10 weeks twice yearly, the program is organised by MMG and Duzack Institute of Technology.

Located 50km east of Geraldton, MMG Golden Grove's civil works training facility at Wicherina simulates a full-scale operation.

Located on farmland, the cadets cultivate their skills by operating professional plant machinery.

Trainer and co-ordinator Clint Henderson said call signs, safety regulations and checklists mimicked real-life work.

The two-way radios are abuzz with instructions and updates from the seven cadets as we drive around the grounds in Clint's ute.

The indigenous students perform the usual duties of any road-working outfit — driving loaders, diggers, small front-end loaders and other plant machinery.

Bayalgu aims to address skills shortages in industry, while giving indigenous workers the foundations to land full-time employment.

The program engages 13 organisations and employers including Giacci, Central Earth Moving and the Clontarf Mid West Football Academy.

As of March 31 this year, 85 per cent of Bayalgu graduates landed employment with MMG or one of the employment partners.

Malcolm Headland, 24, relocated to Geraldton from Armadale with his partner and three children to take on the Bayalgu course.

Malcolm was one of 60 appli-

cants to apply. He was unemployed for two years before entering the program.

Hopeful of one day becoming a loader driver, Malcolm said Bayalgu had taught him about the values of working life.

"I was sick of having no money and not being able to buy anything," he said.

"Doing something like this has taught me how you work for money and earn things."

Fellow student Tony Ronan, 45, is the father figure of the group.

He explained how the program helped him use his leadership skills with the younger students.

After years jumping from various jobs, Tony hoped to land full-time work once he finishes the course.

Graduates are awarded a Certificate II in Resource and Infrastructure. Each is then mentored for a period of 18 months. About 91 per cent get work during this period.



**STEADY SHE GOES:** Mentor Les Curley on the two-way radio.



**REAL LIFE:** The Bayalgu mock civil contracting site.

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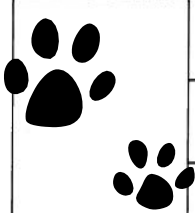
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# The Annual Yahoo Yalgoo Walk Sunday the 19<sup>th</sup> of August

	SITE/DEPT/AREA	ALL	Greater	What	3W ACTION LIST
	TOPIC	YAHOO YALGOO!	Gold Medal	Who	
	DATE	19/8/2012	Performance	When	

Yahoo Yalgoo! will take place on Sunday 19th August 2012 at 5am departing from the GG Community Sign. Aim is to arrive at Yalgoo Railway Station at 3:00pm with a welcome BBQ and drinks between 4:00 - 6.00pm.

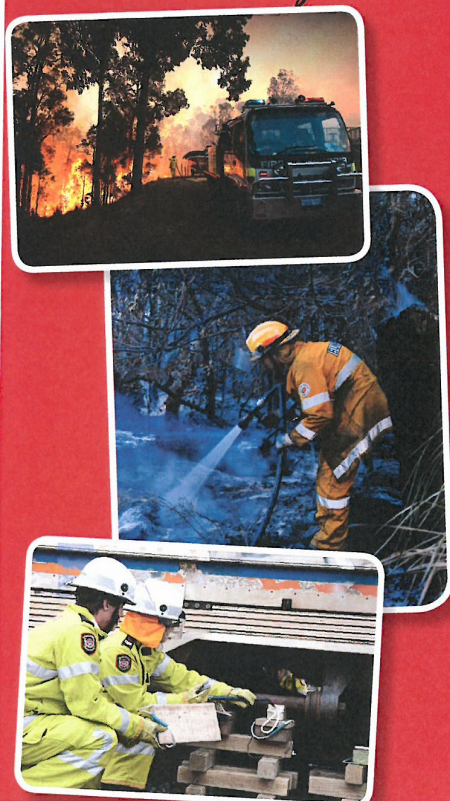
	WHAT	WHO	COMMENTS
1	Bottled drinking water from sponsor	G Clarke	
2	Book small coaster bus for the day	J Morrissey	Fuel, pre-start etc Leave village 04:45
3	Nominated driver for the day	J Morrissey	Photos, walker support
4	Drop water eskies at 5km intervals	J Morrissey	
5	Arrange BBQ pack for 50, beer and soft drinks.	Gail Rice	
6	Fill out offsite form (grey form)	Gail Rice	
7	New satellite phone booked and charged	Gail Rice	
8	Arrange for early breakfast (4am) with Morris Corp	Gail Rice	12 people
9	Fruit, snacks, lunch for the bus (Morris Corp)	Gail Rice	12 MMG
10	Photographer/press agent/deckie	Robbie Garvey	
11	Arrange First Aid Kit, blister treatments, insect repellent, toilet paper, staminaide and sunscreen for bus	Gail Rice	
12	Notify and invite Yalgoo & area locals	C Turley	
13	Markers on road (5km apart)	G Clarke	
14	Book Railway Station venue	C Turley	Arrange keys for showers, BBQ etc
15	Yalgoo BBQ and drinks	D Wilton/ P Rowe	Take MMG BBQ's and gas, ice for drinks
16	Invite Midwest Variety WA	C Turley	
17	Notify Media through media release and follow-up phone calls	G Clarke & B Creemers	
18	Produce a guide to hydration and nutrition for walkers.	Lauren Clough	
19	Request attendance at finish from Yalgoo Ambulance personnel	C Turley	



# 2012

## Firefighting Awards

*Rewarding excellence and innovation*



### Nominations now open

Do you know an exceptional firefighter who has gone that one step further and deserves to be recognised?

Your nomination is important to acknowledge groups or individuals who would never ask for the recognition.

Download the Nomination Form from:  
[www.fesa.wa.gov.au](http://www.fesa.wa.gov.au)

For further information please call:  
**9323 9303**

Nominations close:  
**5pm Wednesday 1 August 2012**




# BLOW 0.08 BLOW YOUR LICENCE

## Immediate disqualification for drivers caught at 0.08 and over.

From 1 August 2012, there will be important changes to the laws relating to drink driving. For full details visit [ors.wa.gov.au](http://ors.wa.gov.au) or call WA Police on 131 444.





## 2012 State Emergency Service Awards



### Calling for nominations

Now is the time to celebrate the best of our State Emergency Service (SES) volunteers by nominating them for the 2012 SES Awards.

These awards recognise outstanding SES volunteers, either individually or as a team, who have gone above and beyond what is expected of them.

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## 2012 Volunteer Emergency and Fire Service Awards

*Recognising outstanding VES and VFS volunteers*

### Nominations are now open for the 2012 Volunteer Emergency Service (VES) and Volunteer Fire Service (VFS) Awards

These awards recognise outstanding volunteers who have shown commitment, dedication and courage in the prevention, preparedness, response to and recovery of emergencies.

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