

# Cuby News

April 2017

For the communities  
of Cuballing,  
Popanyinning and  
Yornaning



## Fiery sunsets



*During April, the Cuby Shire was covered in smoke haze from stubble burns, and the sunsets were spectacular*

### **Themes\* for the cover:**

**May:** Autumn  
**June:** Portrait

\*Subject to change with notice

Get your kids into the action and have them take a photo to fit one of the topics - we love to publish items from our residents - young and younger!

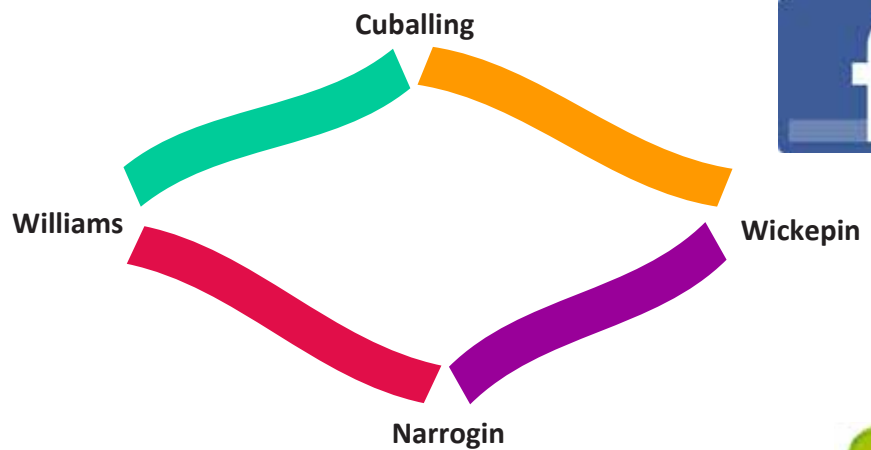


## Toolibin Lake

Helen Elliott Cuballing



Story on Page 14



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# Council Shorts

Council is currently processing a Development Application for a proposed Optus Mobile Phone tower adjacent to Springhill Road in Cuballing. This is a separate to the Telstra Mobile Phone service anticipated to commence in Cuballing by June 2017. In 2016 Optus obtained approval to construct a Mobile Phone service as part of the NBN tower in Popanyinning.

At the April Council Meeting Council:

- accepted the following offers for purchase of obsolete or surplus Council equipment

Wayne Parker	Howard PTO mower/slasher	\$500
Wayne Parker	Three rims and tyres – 14.00R24	\$50
Jason Hall	LTY 1842 Husqvarna Ride on mower with catcher	\$500
Steve Bilston	Ute mounted sprayer	\$400
Darrel Marwick	Dura Poly Tank	\$150
Dianne Ferguson	8 Planter boxes	\$20

With two offers for same amount, Shire President Mark Conley drew the offer of Wayne Parker to purchase the Set Of Steps for \$100 out of a hat.

The following materials for the following amounts will be publicly advertised for sale on a first come, first served basis:

- Robin 5KVA generator for \$100
- Concrete cut off saw for \$30
- Six 14.00R24 tyres for \$750 each
- Two 11R22.5 Rims for \$50
- 3 metal spreaders for \$50
- Fuel Tank for \$100
- Metal Cupboard for \$2

- granted conditional approval for Mr Bruce Gibson to camp for up to 8 days each month at his property at Lot 868 Shaddicks Road, East Popanyinning
- did not agree to allow two Shire of Cuballing residents to have Water Service Agreements to supply water to their properties. A water service agreement is where a property is connected to the Water Corporation water main on the Shire road and the water meter and a private pipe is located in the road reserve to pipe the water to a private property. Council cited risk to Council of costs from public liability and damages as reasons for this decision;
- adopted a 10 Year Road Construction Program. In 2017/18 it is expected that Council will complete \$747,600 of road construction, funded by \$570,200 in various road grants. Council will contribute \$177,400 of ratepayers funds
- adopted a 10 Year Plant Replacement Program. Plant Replacement will cost an average of \$320,000 each year. This has increased by an estimated \$10,000 per year with the decision of the State Government to charge local governments stamp duty on the purchase of vehicles.



## CUBALLING

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### UPCOMING COUNCIL

#### MEETINGS

Thursday, 20<sup>th</sup> April 2017  
Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> May 2017  
Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> June 2017

All meetings are open to the public and will commence at 2.00pm with fifteen minute Public Question Time at the commencement of each meeting.

Agenda's for each meeting are included on the Shire website by the weekend prior to each meeting.

Minutes of all Council meetings are available on the Shire website as soon as possible after each meeting.

#### Office Opening Hours:

**Monday—Thursday,**

8.30am—4.30pm

**Friday,**

8.30am—4.00pm



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## CUBALLING YOUTH DAY

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Cuballing Youth Day was held on Wednesday the 12th May 2017, proudly supported by the Shire of Cuballing and the Department for Local Government and Communities. Team Building activities on offer this year included a rock climbing wall, 2 lane super slide, laser tag and sumo suits.

A special thanks to Holly Eales and Gavin Atwell who kept the sumo suits and super slide running smoothly, Chris Eales for the general smooth running of the day and pack up, Peter Sinclair for manning the BBQ and, Vinn Roser and Rhonda Cunnington from the Boddington Youth Centre for helping serve lunch to the hungry kids! Your help in making this event a success is greatly appreciated.

We were lucky enough to have a coffee machine thanks to Ruth and Jarrad Bilman, your delicious coffee was appreciated by parents, helpers and shire staff.

A big thank you to the all the parents and youth of all ages that came down to enjoy the activities and the sunshine!

Shire staff are currently reviewing the event. If you wish to provide feedback please leave a comment on our facebook page, call us on 98836031, drop into the Shire Office or email us at [enquiries@cuballing.wa.gov.au](mailto:enquiries@cuballing.wa.gov.au)



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## ANZAC DAY SERVICES

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The Shire of Cuballing would like to thank the following volunteers for their assistance in the Cuballing ANZAC Day service :

Mr Ries Chattillon— RSL Representative (Narrogin Branch), Mr Mike Burges, Mr Tim Metzke, Ms Emily Ballantyne, Mrs Robin Newman, Mrs Pat McDougall, Mrs Donna Harvison and the Cuballing Tavern.

The service was well attended with 70 residents braving the cold.

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## FERAL CAT MANAGEMENT

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The Peel Harvey Catchment Council have received funding for Feral Cat control. The Popanyinning Refuse Site has been selected as one of the implementation sites for this project.

A community meeting will be held at the Popanyinning Hall on Saturday the 6th May 2017 3-4.30pm by the Peel Harvey Catchment Council to explain the project for local residents.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS



# CUBALLING MARKET DAY

*Sunday 7th May 2017*

*8:00am–12:00pm*

*Market Stalls Located in the Agricultural  
Hall & in Front of the Cuballing Tavern.*

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# Cancer Council Biggest Morning Tea 25th May 2017 Popanyinning

Cancer Council's Australia's Biggest Morning Tea is a chance for Australians to get together and raise money for a great cause.

1 in 2 Australians will be diagnosed with cancer by the age of 85. One dollar at a time you are making a real difference helping to fund Cancer Council's vital research, prevention and support service programs.



# Rates Early Payment Incentive Prizes

The Country Comfort Inter City Perth and the Windsor Lodge Como have both supplied prizes for the Shire of Cuballing's Early Payment Prize Draw for the 2017 Council Rates.



## NOTICE OF PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT OF PLANNING PROPOSAL—OPTUS TOWER

Council is considering an application to permit the operation of a Mobile Phone Base Station at Lot 2 Springhill Road, Cuballing.

Details of the proposal are available for inspection on the Shire of Cuballing website at [www.cuballing.wa.gov.au](http://www.cuballing.wa.gov.au) and at the Shire of Cuballing Administration Centre at Campbell Street, Cuballing.

Comments on the proposal may be submitted to the Shire of Cuballing in writing on or before Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC ADVERTISEMENT OF PLANNING PROPOSAL— AERATED TREATMENT

Council is considering an application to permit the operation of an Aerated Treatment Unit to treat sewerage at Lot 117 Ridley Street, Cuballing. This system would replace the existing waterless toilets in the Cuballing Skate Park.

Details of the proposal are available for inspection on the Shire of Cuballing at the Shire of Cuballing Administration Centre at Campbell Street, Cuballing.

Comments on the proposal may be submitted to the Shire of Cuballing in writing on or before Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

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# Popanyanning Hall

3.00 pm—4.30 pm

Saturday 6th May, 2017

## A Short Tale of Feral Cats

All welcome— come and learn how cats impact Australian wildlife

What is the WA Cat Act ?

What is the

Threat Abatement Plan for Predation by Feral Cats ?

What is your shire doing to help?

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## Public Notice

*Due to some misunderstandings that have recently come to my attention, I have decided to make the following public statement.*

I am not an employee of the Cuballing Shire and I do not receive any income from them, or advertisers, to produce the Cuby News.

All of the proceeds of the Cuby News advertising goes towards the activities organised and managed by the Popanyinning Progress Association (PPA), as per an agreement with the Cuballing Shire Council and the PPA.

The Cuballing Shire Council prints the newsletter, also as part of that agreement, so that their monthly newsletter is included into the Cuby News at no additional cost.

The Cuballing Shire Council has no involvement with the compilation of the Cuby News.

I am also responsible for the invoicing of the advertising appearing in the Cuby News. At this stage, I invoice annually for all regular advertisers, except for ad hoc advertising, which is invoiced following their publication. This is also negotiable.

My creation and production of the Cuby News is a free voluntary community service to the residents of the Shire of Cuballing.

*Deb Hopper*

## Garage Sale in Cuballing

At St Peter's Church Home,  
185 Campbell Street, Cuballing  
Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May

Commencing at 8.00am both days  
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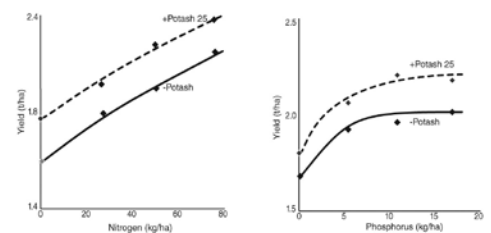
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# Landcare matters

Hotham-Williams sub-catchment update



Edition 10  
May 2017



NRM is the management of natural resources such as land, water, soils, plants and animals. It brings together land use planning, water management, biodiversity conservation and sustainability of industries such as agriculture, mining, tourism, fisheries and forestry.



## Farmers 4 Fauna

A new partnership between Peel Harvey Catchment Council (PHCC), the Department of Parks and Wildlife and Project Numbat will focus on the recovery of numbat (*Myrmecobius fasciatus*) and woylie (*Bettongia penicillata ogilbyi*) populations within the Dryandra Woodland. The focus of the Farmers for Fauna project will be on one of the biggest threats, feral cats.

On 6th April the Threatened Species Commissioner, Gregory Andrews along with approximately 40 of Dryandra's

neighbours, Shire representatives and guest speakers from the Department of Agriculture and Food joined PHCC at Dryandra Woodland's Barna Mia Wildlife Sanctuary to launch the project. The Farmers for Fauna project is part of PHCC's commitment to support the community on key biosecurity issues across the Hotham-Williams. One interesting fact we learnt from Mr Andrews is that the numbat is twice as rare and more endangered than China's Giant Panda!



## Partnership at Popanyinning



Feral cats in Australia have been identified as the main predator for small native mammal species and birds. PHCC, have partnered with the Shire of Cuballing and WA Feral Animal Management (WAFAM) to control feral cats at the Popanyinning Waste Disposal Site.

Funding from the Australian Government's National Landcare Programme will assist with fencing around the site, monitoring feral cat numbers as well as strategic trapping. WAFAM will also work with the Shire on feral cat management procedures and protocols and with the community on responsible cat ownership to minimise impact on the surrounding biodiversity. Popanyinning is only a few kilometres away from the Dryandra Woodland, home to the endangered numbat and woylie among other iconic native fauna.

An information session on the Popanyinning project will be held on Saturday 6th May from 3pm to 4:30 pm at the Popanyinning Town Hall.

## Tunbridge Gully Weed Spraying

The first round of spraying invasive weed *Juncus acutus* along Tunbridge Gully and the Hotham River foreshore in Boddington is complete. The project managed by Peel Harvey Catchment Council and funded through Worsley Alumina South32. South32

is focusing on weed control, rehabilitation, cross cultural knowledge, education opportunities and improving aesthetics and recreational opportunities. A second community planting day will occur during winter 2017.

## On-Farm Weed Workshop

Local landholders joined PHCC on 11th April at the Treasure Family "Fernhill" Shearing Shed in Wandering for an on-farm weed management workshop. Agronomist, Andrew Storrie from AGRONOMO presented information on herbicide resistance, environmental weeds affecting agriculture, factors affecting spraying, effective spray quality and the importance of water quality. A practical session included boom spray

calibration and understanding nozzle selection. Workshop participants were offered the opportunity to receive funding of up to \$1000 towards weed control.



## Small Grants Still Available

Grants of \$100 to \$1,000 are available through the PHCC Small Local Action Grants, please visit:

[www.peel-harvey.org.au](http://www.peel-harvey.org.au)

## Coming Up...

May 6 Information Session - Popanyinning Feral Cat Project

Do you have an NRM event you would like us to promote? Please contact Mel Durack at [hotham-williams@peel-harvey.org.au](mailto:hotham-williams@peel-harvey.org.au) or 0455 166 780




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## Popanyinning Anzac Day Address

Notes from Stephen Bowes and read by  
Cr Eliza Dowling

*In the years following the end of the Great War, throughout Australia, groups of citizens set about compiling lists of the men and women from their communities to have enlisted for service, with special mention for those who had given their lives.*

These lists became the basis for construction of memorials, from the most humble to the most grand, in towns large and small, across the length and breadth of the country. The enormity of this task, and the manner in which it was undertaken, sometimes years after 1918, mean that despite the best of intentions, Rolls of Honour contain errors and omissions. One such memorial graces the south wall of the Popanyinning Hall. And one such omission has recently come to light on the Popanyinning Roll of Honour:

Reginald John Medhurst was born in Penshurst, Kent and emigrated from England just prior to the First World War. He was one of at least seven children of Ebenezer and Georgina Medhurst. His brothers would probably have joined him in Western Australia had the War not intervened. In England, Reginald was a domestic gardener. In his spare time, he played cricket and was a member of the bell ringing team at St Mary's Church,

Chiddingstone, Kent. When he enlisted for service in August 1915, he was a farm hand, and gave his address as: *care of the Post Office, Popanyinning.* He took the *Loyal Oath* at Black Boy Hill, and his medical examination, which recorded that he was 24 years old, 5 feet 4.5 inches tall, weighed 126 pounds, and had a fresh complexion, grey eyes and light brown hair. He was Church of England.

3425 Private RJ Medhurst was appointed to the 11<sup>th</sup> Battalion in the 11<sup>th</sup> Reinforcements, which sailed from Fremantle aboard SS Ulysses (His Majesty's Australian Transport A38) on the 2nd of November, 1915.

The new recruits joined the 11th Battalion at Nabieta, in Egypt. The Battalion sailed from Alexandria for Marseilles, arriving in France on the 5<sup>th</sup> of April, 1916.

By mid-May, they were in front line trenches near Petillon, in the Fleurbaix sector. Their first action came at the Cordonniere salient, a bombardment by German artillery, followed by an attack by German infantry.

In July, they moved to the Somme, joining severe fighting around Pozieres, culminating on the 23rd of July with the capture of Pozieres.

In February of 1917, the 11<sup>th</sup> Battalion saw front

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**GRAEME DENT**  
would like to announce  
**his engagement on the**  
**08/04/2017, to**  
**ANGIE O'HARA.**  
**She said**  
**YES!!**

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line duties near 'Yarra Bank', before they were relieved by the 9<sup>th</sup> Battalion. Around this time, it became known that the enemy had vacated its front line trenches, with the intention of straightening its line. On the evening of the 25<sup>th</sup> of February, a working party at the ammunition dump came under shell fire, in which ten men were killed and 13 wounded, one of whom was Reginald Medhurst. He was admitted to the 1<sup>st</sup> Australian General Hospital at Rouen with a gunshot wound and severe fracture to his right leg. He responded well to treatment and was "pronounced out of danger" after several weeks in hospital.

However, his recovery faltered, he deteriorated sharply and died of wounds on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of March, 1917. Reginald was buried in the St. Sever Cemetery Extension, Rouen, in Northern France.

The Australian War Memorial Roll of Honour records the service and the sacrifice of Private Reginald John Medhurst. It states his 'Place of Association' as Popanyinning, Western Australia.

Sadly, he was overlooked when the Popanyinning Roll of Honour was compiled. He was forgotten. He is no longer overlooked nor forgotten by his community, as of today, ANZAC Day 2017.

This ANZAC Day 2017, we mark the centenary of the momentous events on the other side of the world in 1917. We remember and honour those from Popanyinning who volunteered as citizen soldiers for the First AIF, and those we lost:

- John Stanislaus LACEY, 12<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Killed in Action 25/2/1917, on the Somme between Bapaume and Albert
- Reginald John MEDHURST, 11<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Died of Wounds 23/3/1917 at Rouen, France

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- James Carter POTTS, 16<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Killed in Action 11/4/1917 at Bullecourt, France
- Alfred Bertram TRESTRAIL, 16<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Killed in Action 14/4/1917 at Bullecourt, France
- John Frederick HIGGINS, 28<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Killed in Action 20/9/1917 at Menin Road, Belgium
- George Edgar TUNSTILL, 28<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Killed in Action 4/10/1917 at Zonnebeke, Belgium


## LEST WE FORGET



Girl's Brigade members at the Popanyinning War Memorial



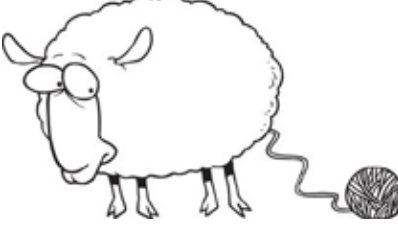
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*Cleaning of Yornaning Dam. 1992*



*Picnic at Yornaning Dam on October 29, 1995, following opening of restoration by  
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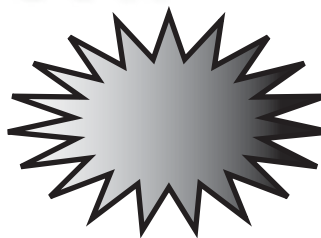
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## Toolibin Lake

*Toolibin Lake is an important wetland. The largest remaining fresh-brackish lake left in the Wheatbelt. It was designated as a natural diversity recovery catchment in 1996. The lake is listed as a Wetlands of International Importance under the Ramsar Convention.*

The catchment features the critically endangered 'Melaleuca strobophylla-Casuarina obesa' threatened ecological community. These wooded freshwater wetlands are some of the last examples of a once-widespread vegetation type. Many rarely seen water birds visit including the freckled duck, pink-eared duck, hard head and blue winged shoveller.

The lake is located about 45 kms east of Narrogin at the headwaters of the Northern Arthur River which joins the Blackwood River further south.

The Department of Parks and Wildlife has been guided by a recovery plan since 1994 in managing Toolibin Lake and surrounding biota.

A revised recovery plan is in development. A recovery team advises the team on implementing recovery actions.

The department has undertaken work to manage altered hydrology in the lake and surrounds, works include construction of a waterway and diversion channel to move saline water away from ecological assets; installation of groundwater pumps to reduce groundwater levels; broad-scale revegetation; and installation of gates to control flows into Toolibin Lake.

Recovery actions as well as a drying climate have successfully contributed to protecting the catchment's wildlife and avoiding catastrophic declines in the wetland vegetation.

Since the Department of Parks and Wildlife have been managing

the lake, major works have been undertaken to manage altered hydrology including the construction of a 7 km diversion channel and gates to divert highly-saline water away from Toolibin Lake; construction of a waterway to move saline surface water through the nature reserves and avoid ponding; broadscale revegetation on private property and conservation estate and installation of a groundwater pumping system to pump saline groundwater from below the lake.

SWCC (South West Catchments Council) has supported and contributed to various works throughout the catchment.

Heavy rains to the Wheatbelt area during February 2017 resulted in a fill event at Toolibin Lake; events that were once common, but since climate change are now rare.

At the event peak, 4100 megalitres filled the lake (which is 7 times the volume of Subiaco Oval/Stadium). The lake peaked at 2.0m deep and covered an area of 310 hectare.

The only other recorded event to surpass this was during the winter of 1983 when the lake peaked at 5700 megalitres (10 Subiaco Oval/Stadiums).

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# Lions Club

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or phone Gordon to arrange pickup. 98836020.

## Local JP

I am a Justice of the Peace, living and working in Popanyinning, and am available for witnessing signatures, swearing of documents and certifying copies of documents. There is no charge for this service and I am available at most times, including weekends and public holidays.

Deb Hopper-Wood JP 7540  
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# NBN Outage

*Some areas to the east of the Popanyinning experienced an outage in their NBN wireless network connection, from Thursday/Friday the 30<sup>th</sup> of April, for up to 5 days.*

As a first step, each of those persons called their internet providers to be reconnected.

In all of the cases, internet providers confirmed that their service was operating and that there were no problems with the connection.

Each person then thought that the NBN service had gone down.

A couple of people used their phones as hotspots, but had difficulty in locating a contact number for NBN on the internet.

Thanks to Gary Sherry, from the Shire of Cuballing, who passed on the contact number for an NBN representative, I now have the correct information, from the

Community Relations Officer of NBN, who contacted me on Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> April.

A connection problem was experienced on the eastern sector (called section1) and the tower was remotely restarted.

It appeared to be working again. However, as experienced by a number of people in that sector, it didn't reboot as expected.

On Wednesday, a piece of hardware on the tower was replaced, and the connection was re-established.

For an unknown reason, there were no complaints lodged by any of the service providers to the NBN team, to say that problems were being experienced in that sector of the NBN reception area.

For some users of the fixed wireless network, the reception was out from Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March until Wednesday

5<sup>th</sup> of April. NBN has expressed their concern over the lack of communication form service providers to the NBN team.



**In future, if such an outage occurs, there are a series of steps to take.**

- 1) Call your service provider to ensure that the outage is not within their scope of operations.
- 2) Unless there has been a problem with only your connection, do not let the call centre adjust your modem, because when the service is re-instated, you may not be able to re-connect to the internet without having to call them again.
- 3) Ask your service provider to make sure that a complaint is

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lodged to the NBN team, or otherwise, the NBN do not know about any problem.

4) If you need to lodge your own complaint to the NBN team, the call centre number is 1800 687 626, and their email is [info@nbnco.com.au](mailto:info@nbnco.com.au)

5) If in doubt, after calling your own service provider, it may still be advisable for you to lodge a service complaint with the NBN team, whether by phone, or (when your internet connection has been re-established) by sending them an email.

If you have any further questions, or problems with your NBN fixed wireless internet connection, please call the call centre number or send the NBN team an email.

They may not be able to answer your question directly, but it will alert them to the fact the other problems may still exist.

*Deb Hopper, Editor*

## Toolibin Lake

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Diversion gates and a diversion channel were constructed in 1995 with the purpose of directing highly saline water away from Toolibin Lake.

As per management guidelines the water was tested on Saturday 11/2/2017 morning and deemed fresh. Department staff closed the gates allowing fresh water to flow directly into Toolibin Lake.

This fill event will bring opportunities for the department to test the infrastructure, importantly how the groundwater pumps work with fresh water sitting above the lake floor, hydrological models and undertake recovery actions associated with waterbirds.

Planned works include waterbird, invertebrate, bat and amphibian surveys, monitoring of surface water levels and quality, and groundwater

monitoring.

As well as current works which include managing the pumping system, managing the reserve and visitor facilities as an increase from visitors and the science community to the lake and reserve is expected.

*Helen Elliott*



*Blue winged shoveller*



*Freckled Duck*



*Hard Head Duck*



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## Cuballing Uniting Church

Our beautiful little 100+ year-old church has history, strong community ties and though we are few, our welcome is warm. We conduct our own services, based on simple Bible teachings, relating them to our own experiences of the joys and problems of every-day life. Come and join us at our weekly 9 am Sunday service. Bring the children – we have trained and certified (Working With Children) Sunday School teachers.

# Community Notices

## All local Club Fixtures/Events

*Does your sporting/cultural/craft/nature clubs or groups want to promote its activities/events or achievements?*

Do you want to post notices/results/scores or enrolment information in the newsletter? **It is free.**

Your Cuby News is distributed to all post office boxes monthly, free of charge to you, and is read by a broad cross section of the community, both in the Cuby Shire and further afield.

Email: [dhopper@westnet.com.au](mailto:dhopper@westnet.com.au) or call me on 0419941512, and I'll organise a posting to your request. It can be done annually, monthly or on an ad hoc basis - at no cost to you, other than your time.

## Cuballing Men's Shed

Meets every Tuesday  
from 9 am to 12 pm

Everyone is welcome, no matter your level of skill - come and share and learn.

The Men's Shed is located at the back of the Old Post Office in Cuballing.

## Wanted: Stories of Historic Buildings in the Shire of Cuballing

- for articles in the Cuby News - photos, original owners and tales behind the settlement of properties in the district.

New and old residents of the shire are keen to have an insight into the former residents of the Shire.

Call Deb on 98499116

Shire of Cuballing are calling for old photos for an historical collection being compiled by the council staff to be displayed on a shire website showing the history of the district.

Email scanned copies, or call in and have them scanned on the spot. Call on 9883 6031.

## Advertising

Advertising is now being accepted for publishing in the *Cuby News*.

We will publish all community events and functions for free, as well as *Wanted* and *For Sale* ads (small and concise only).

Business advertising will be published at a cost of \$5 per month for small ads, \$10 for half page and \$20 per full page, as from the January 2017 issue

The newsletter is a community communication with the addition of newsy items that may interest readers. Reader contributions are always welcome.

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## Line Dancing

Monday nights at Cuballing Hall from 7 - 9pm, with beginners at 5.30 - 6.30pm. Contact

Lynelle on

0467271552

for



further details.

## Popanyinning Progress Association

*Got lots of ideas on how to make Popo a more interesting, colourful or pleasant place to be?*

Do you have any contacts to bring an event to the town that will make it more vibrant and welcoming?

Do you have a special talent to teach to others, or to produce something outstanding to brighten up the main street of Popo?

Come to a Progress Association meeting, at 6.30pm on the last Wednesday of the month and share it with us. No obligation to join. Anyone and everyone is welcome.

## Hay for Horses

Sweet, new season hay, small bales, oaten and triticale available. \$10 delivered in Cuby Shire  
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## Want to advertise?

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## Come Old Time Dancing



Want to re-live the old time dances where you hold your partner and move together?

Come and join in at the dances at the Popanyinning Hall.

They are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month. Ask Jenny or Sam at the Popo shop for details.

Tickets at the door - \$10 pp

## Cuballing Town Bush Fire Brigade

The Cuballing Town fire Brigade will be holding their monthly meetings at the Fire shed on the third Thursday of the month at 6pm.

Meeting nights will now be training nights, where members get hands-on working with the machinery, and processes of the fire brigade.

New members are always welcome to come along so don't be shy. Both Cuballing and Popanyinning Brigades are always looking for new blood - we are only small crews but more hands make light work.

Our cause is to SAVE, PROTECT, AND PRESERVE LIFE.

For any queries please call the Cuballing Shire Office on 9883 6031  
Anthony Mort Chief Bush Fire Control Officer 0429 898 214

## Popo Town Volunteer Fire Brigade

Meets on the first Tuesday of every month at the Fire shed, Popo, @ 5.30pm  
New members are always welcome - call into the shed on a meeting day and meet us.