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Editor report



Hello to the good people of Cue
I can't believe it is already Autumn. In another couple of weeks it will be Easter and we will be Quarter of the way through 2016. How time flies when you are having fun.
I would like to thank all those that contributed to this months edition of the Dry blower and certainly hope the readership find some of the articles as interesting and informative as I have.

Over the last few months I have been utilizing, on a regular basis, the Cue Beringarra road, which I believe is one of Cues' greatest assets. Due to the fact that after rain it is one of the only roads to remain open on most occasions, allowing tourists a means of escape and those living on stations along it's path their only access to supplies, I value this asset very deeply. I understand the future of this road has been a bone of contention in recent times, however, regardless of this circumstance, I personally find it incomprehensible and most unfortunate that councils vacillation has resulted in an absolute zero maintenance policy. Like the roof on a house, the seal on the road is there to provide an impermeable layer to the structure and foundations below it. If a piece of iron on a roof becomes loose and left unattended it will likely nick off and perhaps take other pieces with it, resulting in major repairs. Like wise when a pothole occurs in the road and is left alone it allows moisture under the seal which can rapidly deteriorate the base work causing the seal to "pick out" when traffic passes over it, resulting in large sections of the road needing minor reconstruction. Preventative maintenance can often be the best cure. I have also noticed at some sections the shoulder has been severely washed away undermining the edge of the seal, this will soon turn into a hazard with the potential to force a road closure so as to prevent an accident. The most disappointing aspect is that during the same period I have been using this road the Murchison shire have attended to their section of the road on at least two if not three occasions removing excess gravel, rocks and debris washed onto the road after rains as well as making maintaining the flood ways and gravel sections. I have even had Murchison councillors' enquire as to its condition?

It has been suggested to have a photo section included in the Dry Blower. I think this would be a great idea so start sending your photo's in. If there is enough response they will be divided into categories and in 6 months time the photo gaining the most public support in each category will be awarded a prize.

Categories would include, Historical, Modern, Flora & Fauna, Birds & Insects, Aquatic & Reptiles and Nature at its best. IF there is enough response.

Another suggestion was for people to send in with their favourite web site. Another great idea. Nat from out at Beringarra has started this off with her contribution to be found inside this edition, including photo's showing the results of the inspiration derived from her favourite. These photo's would be in the Modern category, I'm sure there are many subjects out there similar to Nats' in the local community that could be photographed.

I had the privilege recently of having Sgt Brennan accompany me on a trip around some of our outlying stations. It was a pleasure to have a yarn with someone committed to being a part of our community and wanting to meet its people and be involved in its well being. If you have not met him or the other officers yet I am sure you will very soon, and I wouldn't be at all surprised if this sergeant is with us for a fair while. May we all make them welcome.

With the election of a new councillor coming up soon I thought a small questionnaire that could be printed in the Dry Blower for all to read would be a good idea. Unfortunately only one person responded which can be seen on the opposite page. I hope all that are eligible to vote do so and I also hope they take into account the merit of each of the nominees. I think it is positive that there are some fresh ideas.

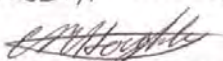
Finally may I say congratulations to those responsible for the repair and upkeep of the towns Median strip. It looks bloody fantastic and is a credit to them. It is the best I have seen in the district and I wouldn't mind a bit of it in my yard.

Jeff



Informal non-compulsory questionnaire for wannabee councillor's allowing for the publics perusal.

- 1. How did you happen to arrive in Cue?** With Mum and Dad in 1969
- 2. How long have you resided here?** Off and on for 47 years
- 3. What made you stay? What appealed to your senses, or which experience have you endured that stimulated the idea you would like to live in this wonderful town and contribute to the community?** Home town and family
- 4. Do you have any thoughts of how our town of Cue could be improved and made a better place to live?**
Help the youth and people of this town of Cue into the future, I also love his area as its home.
- 5. Do you have previous local government or business experience? Are you aware of the responsibilities and obligations you will need to undertake if elected to council?**
Yes, I have worked for local government and had my own business. I have also chaired Safe WA for 3 years.
- 6. Can you please advise the constituents of what they can expect from yourself if they wish to elect you as a councillor?** If I am elected councillor I will look at the bigger picture to help Cue into the future, as its progress is very important as I have a young family here.

ELIZABETH Houghton (LIZ ZADOW)


Thank you I hope you are successful.

**Please can all eligible voters partake in the election process so
your opinions on the outcome are valid?**



POLICE BEAT

New to town.

Cue Police would like to welcome to town Senior Constable Frankie MCADAM and his wife Claire.

SC MCADAM arrives with a wealth of experience having recently transferred from the Wheatbelt Liquor Enforcement Unit.

With the arrival of SC MCADAM we are now back to full strength and we all look forward to getting involved with the community both on and off-duty.

With the arrival of SC MCADAM sees the loss of SC Brock LUCEV who will be returning back to Meekatharra. I am sure you will agree it was a pleasure to have SC LUCEV in town and I know he thoroughly enjoyed his time here.

I pass on his thanks to everyone here that made him feel welcome. It's a credit to the town and the community when a relieving officer says they do not want to leave.

Anti-social Behaviour

Police were alerted to an incident at the Murchison Hotel on Friday evening 19/02/16 involving an intoxicated patron refusing to leave. Be advised that the Murchison Hotel and Bells Emporium have a legal obligation to refuse service to anyone they believe to be drunk. There is also a dress code required for entry to the Murchison Hotel. If you are asked to leave a licensed premises you cannot return for 24hrs.

Further to that any breaches of the peace and incidents that relate to the licensed premises in town will be policed in accordance with the Cue Liquor Accord. In this instance the patron has been banned for 1 month. Further discrepancies will see longer bans with the possibility of a state barring notice.

Social Media

As previously mentioned if you don't already follow us on twitter, get on board. It's a great way to keep in contact and see some of the activities we are involved in. We currently have 594 followers which considering our current population is a great achievement.

Quote for the month

"Whenever I think of the past, it brings back so many memories"

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"IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE COMMUNITY"



From the CEO

A big thank you to the Community Resource Centre for organising the collection of rubbish within the Cue town site and on the Great Northern Highway entries on Tuesday 8th March for Clean Up Australia Day. Volunteers will be working by the roadside filling bags for collection by the Shire, so please keep an eye out and take care when passing in your vehicle.

Congratulations to our Rates Officer, Claire, on her recent marriage to John Stanley. May your life together in Cue be joyful and fulfilling.

Brett Edwards has been appointed to manage the Shire's Works and Services department while a recruitment process is undertaken to replace Paul O'Connor. I would like to welcome Brett to Cue.

Colin and Janelle Duncan have been selected as the new Caravan Park Managers to take over from Brian and Shirley Walkerden, who will be leaving at the end of March. Colin and Janelle will be relocating to Cue shortly from Denham, where they have been operating the Seaside Tourist Village.

An extraordinary election will be held on Friday 8th April to fill the current vacancy on Council arising from the resignation of Councillor Peter Tegg. At the time of writing this report, four nominations have been received for the current vacancy, therefore the election will move to the voting process. This will be run by the Electoral Commissioner by postal vote, with election packages being distributed from 11th March.

On behalf of the Cue community, I have recently highlighted a number of concerns regarding the quality of Cue's water supply to the Minister for Water, Hon Mia Davies MLA. I would encourage residents who have experienced a problem with their water supply to lodge a complaint with the Water Corporation on 13 13 75 or online.

From 1st April, poison baits will be laid in the common area around Garden Rock as part of ongoing efforts to control wild dogs in the Shire. No baits will be laid in the exclusion zone within 400 metres of the rock, however please be aware that baits may be carried by other animals and remain vigilant with pets and small children in this area.

The next meeting of Council will be held in the Shire of Cue Council Chamber on Tuesday 15th March 2016, commencing at 6:30pm.

If you would like any further information on any of the above matters, please contact me or one of the staff members at the Shire office.

Rob Madson
Chief Executive Officer



TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURE

Please be advised of a temporary road closure to all but local traffic on the following roads for flood damage repairs:

Coodaroy – Noondie Road from 1st March 2016 to 1st August 2016

Bell South Road from 1st March 2016 to 1st June 2016

Big Bell – Coodardy Road from 1st May 2016 to 1st June 2016

For all enquiries please contact Nigel on 0408 599 339.

Contributed by Dave Leach

I have just returned from the Dardenelles from a trip that I & my mother had planned for years. Unfortunately she did not make it through the year to see it fulfilled.

Her Father David Gemmill returned from the first world war as RSM of the 2nd Pioneer Battalion in 1919. He had left his wife & family to enlist & spent 1407 days abroad.

(circa 1961) as a child I remember my brother & I sitting on each of his knees at his home in Sharp St. Yarrawonga admiring and asking him about the medals on his chest. He explained the 2 general service medals but of the Military Medal he told us that he won it for digging out men buried alive in a dugout under shell fire. My mother commented later that that it "was the first time she had ever heard him speak of the war".

Some years ago through a web site I contacted a man who would, for a small fee, research the archives of the AWM. After procuring his services I was very surprised to find that the Medal was awarded on the last night of the evacuation at ANZAC (Gallipoli). No one in the family even knew he had been there!

The citation read "On the night of the 19/20th of December the final night of the evacuation of ANZAC Private Gemmill was one of the C3 Party of the 22nd Battalion. This party consisted of 2 Officers & 17 men who garrisoned the trench opposite Johnson's Jolly while earlier parties were embarking. During this period Pvt Gemmill walked along the trench firing from different loop holes giving the enemy the impression that the trenches were manned as usual.

The question I asked myself was why did he tell me that he had won the Medal in France? The answer became evidently clear when reading about the evacuation of Anzac. Every man who had been there wanted to be the last off, especially those that had been there from the beginning. "I was here at the first, I am entitled to be the last off" There was near mutiny when told that they couldn't. But the fact of the matter was that no one thought they would get away with it. They thought that most likely the last parties would have a running battle to the beach. In truth malnutrition & disease had taken a toll on most men at ANZAC. So the instruction from HQ was that only the fittest gamest men were to be picked for the A, B, & C parties. The Diehards they called them. That they got away without mishap was an unparalleled feat of planning & a credit to those involved of which the navy played no small part. Did the Turks know? It is a matter for the historians to debate, but I am sure they had an inkling.

The way I see it now is that David, in his mind did not do what any other soldier would not have done at ANZAC. The story he told to my brother & I he deemed worthy to recount and I have no doubt of its authenticity.

So 100 years to the second on the night of the 19th/20th December 2015, my son Dylan & I were at ANZAC. At Johnsons Jolly till 2.30am then down to ANZAC Cove where they embarked at 3.30am.

It was a quiet cool night with only the shallow waves lapping on the beach. A far cry from the constant crackle of rifle fire & bomb explosions of 100 years before. I was somewhat surprised that we were completely alone at a landmark time in Australian, New Zealand, British and Turkish history.

At 3.15 we recited the ode of remembrance & some minutes silence.....

Lest we forget



Victoria Cross



Sergeant Thomas Currie "Diver" Derrick

<u>Unit</u>	2/48th Battalion
<u>Born</u>	20 March 1914 in Adelaide
<u>Date of action</u>	24 November 1943
<u>Place</u>	Sattelberg, New Guinea (now Papua New Guinea)

Details

During an attack, Derrick's company was ordered to outflank a strong enemy position sited on a precipitous cliff face and then to attack a feature 150 metres from Sattelberg. The only possible approach to the town lay through an open kunai patch situated directly beneath the top of the cliffs and for the next two hours many attempts were made by the Australians to clamber up the slopes to their objective. Each attempt was, however, thwarted by the intense machine-gun fire and grenade bombardment from the Japanese above.

Just before last light the company was ordered

to retire, but Derrick requested more time in which to make an assault on the objective. Permission was granted. Derrick moved ahead of his forward section and personally grenaded a post which had halted the company's advance. He ordered his second section around on the right flank and it came under heavy fire from six enemy posts. He again went forward well ahead of the leading men of the section and threw grenade after grenade at the weapon pits above him. The demoralised enemy fled their positions, leaving weapons and grenades, and Derrick's company was able to gain its first foothold on the precipitous ground.

Derrick then returned to the first section and, together with the third section of his platoon, advanced to deal with the three posts which remained in the vicinity. Four times he dashed forward and threw grenades at a range of six to eight metres. Finally the positions were silenced. In all, he had contributed to the silencing of ten enemy posts.

Died

24 May 1944 in action at Tarakan Island

**Buried or
Commemorated**

Tarakan War Cemetery, Borneo

**Current location
of the VC**

Australian War Memorial

More Depth

In February 1944 the 2nd/48th returned to Australia, and in August Derrick was posted to an officer-training unit. On being commissioned lieutenant in November, he became one of the few second A.I.F. men promoted from the ranks who rejoined their old battalions.

MILITARY TRADITIONS

The Nickname 'Digger'

The nickname 'Digger' is attributed to the number of ex-gold diggers in the early army units and to the trench digging activities of the Australian soldiers during World War I.

The actual origin of the name has been lost in time but the Australian soldier is known affectionately around the world as the Digger.

Not Happy About the Quality of the Cue Water Supply

Phone Watercorp operations on 131375 and ask to log a complaint.

NOTHING will be done about our water unless you complain.

I have started the complaint and been advised by Watercorp they need more complaints to act.

Thanks
Carla

So please ring and validate you complaint don't just complain to your neighbour .

Thanks
Ruth Lee

Harmony Day 2016

**come and celebrate
Harmony day with us.**

When: 22 March 2016

Where: Cue CRC

Time: 11.30am - 1.30pm

**Bring a plate
of cultural food either yours
or the one you like to cook.**

Please RSVP by 17th March



TRIPLE ZERO EMERGENCY CALLS AUSTRALIA WIDE

INFORMATION PACKAGE

Thank you for deciding to participate in this petition campaigning for the Federal government to increase funding to improve mobile phone black spots and commit to a deadline by which all currently identified mobile phone black spots will be rectified.

The information package contains:

- Flyer which can be printed and handed out to people if desired (1)
- Complete wording of the petition (2)
- Form for signature collection (3) – print as many as necessary

You are welcome to place this petition in a prominent place in your local area or individually ask people to sign the petition. If leaving the petition somewhere to be signed I recommend printing the complete wording of the petition so people can read more about what they are signing.

Please note when requesting people to sign the petition providing details of their address is voluntary and can be left blank if they choose.

Signatures should be collected and returned to me by 30th April 2016.

This should enable adequate time to collate the signatures and send to the Standing Committee on Petitions for presentation to the Australian Parliament.

Please return your completed signature forms to:

Katharine Marsh
RMB 533
KOJONUP WA 6395

For further information or queries please email kathmarsh1983@hotmail.com

Thank you for your support and assistance. Remember it doesn't matter if you collect one signature or one thousand signatures – collectively we can make a difference.

Kind regards

Katharine Marsh

The petition for this will be on the front desk of the CRC



TRIPLE ZERO EMERGENCY CALLS AUSTRALIA WIDE

This petition aims to lobby the Federal government to increase funding to improve mobile phone black spots and commit to a deadline by which all currently identified black spots will be rectified.

It also aims to raise awareness that if your life is in danger you may not be able to place a '000' emergency call in Australia, irrespective of where you are located, due to mobile phone black spots.

I am campaigning for this issue after my partner, Mick, tragically passed away following a motorbike accident which occurred in a mobile phone black spot, delaying emergency assistance for 20 – 30 minutes.

My experience is not an isolated incident - others have been affected in a similar way. Recent bushfires in late 2015 - early 2016 have also highlighted the problems of mobile phone black spots preventing access to emergency services.

There are over 8000 identified mobile phone black spots throughout Australia, including near capital cities, along major highways and transport routes and in whole towns and villages.

Where there is a mobile phone black spot there is no mobile phone network coverage and you can not make a '000' call.

Ultimately if you are faced with a life-threatening emergency and are in a mobile phone black spot area you will not be able to obtain emergency assistance. Delays in seeking emergency assistance could be the difference between life and death.

In 2016, citizens of Australia should be secure in the knowledge that they will be able to access emergency services no matter where they are located. The technology exists to eradicate mobile phone black spots – it is simply a matter of further funding.

A phone call that could save a life is of far greater importance than high speed internet connection. Yet \$160 million over 3 years allocated to upgrading mobile phone black spots appears a drop in the ocean compared to \$27 billion spent on rolling out the NBN.

What use is high speed internet connection to Australians when our country does not even have the basic technology in place to ensure that every Australian has access to '000' emergency calls when their life is in danger?

Thank you for taking time to sign this petition.

Kind regards

Katharine Marsh
Kojonup, Western Australia
triple0forallaustralia@outlook.com

Further information:

Triple zero emergency calls Australia wide
<http://triple0foraustralia.wix.com/triple0foraustralia>

Mobile Black Spot Programme:
<https://www.communications.gov.au/what-we-do/phone/mobile-services-and-coverage/mobile-black-spot-programme>

Triple zero (000):
<http://www.triplezero.gov.au/Pages/Usingotheremergencynumbers.aspx>



<https://www.facebook.com/triple0foraustralia/>



Department of
Transport

Remote Licensing Services will be visiting

**Note Different day and Time
due to Easter**



When: Tuesday 15th March 2016 2pm—4pm

Where: Cue CRC

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Cicadas

Did you know?

Cicadas have 5 eyes, 2 big outside, and 3 small simple eyes in the forehead.



5 eyes! Spooky

In almost all species only the males have voices (hmmm.. no comment)

When frightened they let go water to lose weight and gain height

Each Cicada species has its own specific song

The female finds a suitable host tree, cuts a slit in a twig before inserting a bean shaped egg. After a few weeks the nymphs fall and burrow into the ground, they feed on the fine roots of trees. There they construct a clay cell and live there for **4 – 6 years**. When fully grown the nymphs tunnel up to the surface to await the ideal conditions. (good early summer rains) Then they will emerge to climb a tree where it will attach itself with its front claws. The insect then breaks out of its body emerging as its adult self. After its wings have dried, it flies off to mate.



Nymph exit holes under a Kurrajong tree.

Maori's referred to spoken English as "reo kihikihi": the cicada language
Or a noisy party as "Me kihi kei te waru": like cicadas in the 8th month

The noise is produced by a pair of thin membranes (the timbals) which lie high on the flanks of the abdomen near the front. When the muscle is contracted the tymbal pulls inward and suddenly clicks. When the muscle relaxes it clicks back.



A Cicada hangs from a Prickly Acacia branch. Watch out! They will wee on you

Bush Tucker;

In the past our indigenous peoples used to eat cicadas. They would dig them out of the ground from the high ground next to creeks and banks. Their holes are like spider holes. People would catch them while they were drying off after shedding their shell, or sometimes from the ground still in their shells. People would either eat them raw or throw them on the coals to cook them.



Cicada Nymphs, good eating? "Hey Muddy! throw another nymph on the BarB"

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Frederick (Fred) Spindler
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My name is Fred Spindler.

I have lived in Cue for many years.

I have previously served as a councillor from 2012 to 2015 during this time have help achieve many positive things for the community of Cue. Reconstruction of Brockman Park, saving Cue- Berringarra Road and our new caravan Park.

Promoting tourism, youth, disable, age and senior programmes.

I support the local business and mining companies both new and old.

Also I was caretaker of the caravan Park for 2 years and have a good understanding of tourism.

All of these are important to the success of our town.

I support accountable governance and positive strategies.

I will continue to act on your behalf on all matters of concern.

My door will be open to you all as before

2016 Council Elections

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Shire of Cue is to hold a Council Election on 8th April 2016 to elect and fill one (1) vacancy on Council.

This Local Government Election presents an opportunity for residents and owners and occupiers to vote for one(1) new Councillor.

The future of Cue hinges on a strong and independent Council providing transparent and sound governance.

Of more importance is that Cue must retain its own identity, otherwise its heritage, independence and long standing title of 'Queen of the Murchison' may well be lost over time.

Cue and its people have been given an opportunity to elect a pro-active Council which can properly function and move forward in a positive way.

To represent Cue as a Councillor is a responsibility. It requires dedication, time, and the ability to carefully analyse and interpret the decisions that affect the town and its people.

There is no room for self-interest, self-promotion, negativity or pettiness. This is not about the individual. We can only be successful as an effective Council if we work as a constructive and harmonious team.

On election day I seek your support.

Thank you

Fred Spindler

ELIZABETH HOUGHTON (LIZ ZADOW)



My family has been a part of Cue for approximately the last 90 years. I grew up and went to school here and have spent at least 40 years off and on as a resident in Cue. Over the years I have witnessed the many ups and downs of Cue and believe that I have some insight of what would be good for the town. I have been in the Chair of SafeWA in Norseman and managed to achieve a lot with the community support.

Working together with the Residents and Council to make Cue a better place for the Community with focus on the Children. I have many ideas on infrastructure for the Children and bringing the community together as one. These are areas I believe need attention and should be elected would be my priority.

I'm hoping that the community will get behind me in my endeavours.

lize1969@hotmail.com

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In here

In here inside my head
A thousand thoughts,
Run around,
In here
Inside my head
I live
An island
Hoping,
Wishing
Waiting
Yet...
for what?
Margaret Pauline Davies
16/2/16

Bob, Rob, and Robert live on the six hundredth floor of an apartment building. One day, the elevators are broken, so they have to take the stairs. To entertain themselves, they decide that for the first 200 floors, Bob will tell happy stories, for the middle 200 floors, Rob will tell funny stories, and for the last 200 floors, Robert will tell sad stories. On the 401st floor, Robert says, "Here's my sad story: I left our apartment's keys in the car."



Daily Joke

"Dentist bill"

Sunday, February 01, 2009

A woman phoned her dentist when she received a huge bill. "I'm shocked!" she complained. "This is three times what you normally charge."

"Yes, I know," said the dentist. "But you yelled so loud, you scared away two other patients."

St Patrick's Catholic Church



Liturgies for Easter and April

NB change of times

Good Friday	Friday of the Passion of the Lord	04.30 pm
Easter Sun	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord	11.30 am
Sun 24 April	Celebration of the Eucharist	08. 00 am
Sun 01 May	Celebration of the Word with Communion	10.00 am

All Welcome

St Patrick's is located on the corner of Marshall and Dowley Streets.

St Patrick's is under the pastoral care of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan of the Order of St Benedict.

Sr Gerri Boylan sgs 9963 4179

Yamatji Christian Fellowship



PLACE ! Cue Town Hall.

TIME ! 10-00 AM.

2nd SUNDAY of each Month

(starting on the 8th February)

What do we do there ?

□
Bible teaching,

children's activity

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Encouraging each other,

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Nat Broad Beringarra station.



Bush flies!

Why they pester you

The female bush flies pester you most. They want protein. They need it to develop their ovaries, to prepare eggs for the next generation of bush flies.

They get protein from your tears, saliva, the mucus in your nose -- and from blood, if you have any fresh cuts.

To be blunt, they are also hoping you might do a poo. Bush flies are programmed to stay around animals, because animal dung is their favourite place to lay eggs.

Sometimes they drink sweat. It hasn't got much protein in it -- not nearly enough. But it's useful if the flies are thirsty, and it has some minerals they can use.

Male bush flies probably hang around you mostly to be near the females! They don't need much protein.

When bush flies swarm around you, there are usually about three females for every male.



Entomologists have carried out many experiments to study the female bush-fly's need for protein. For example, if female flies are fed only sugar and water, they live a normal lifespan, but produce no eggs. They can be deprived of protein for about two weeks without affecting their fertility. After that, fertility starts to decline. By the end of five weeks without protein, the flies are infertile.

So the urge in a female bush fly to find protein is *very* strong. They can find an animal in seconds if it's upwind. They also fly immediately to fresh dung: if you scrape off the crusty surface of an old cow pad, any flies around seem to appear instantly.

Why the small bush flies pester you more

The smaller the female bush fly, the more she needs *extra* protein to produce her eggs. The small bush flies are short of protein because they've grown from larvae that haven't been able to get enough food. This happens if there are too many larvae competing for the food, or if the food quality is poor.

This is why the smallest flies are so frantic and persistent. They're desperate, protein-hungry females. They want that protein in your tears, in your nose, in your saliva.

And note this: even if little flies get all the protein they want, they don't grow bigger. They can't. They have exterior skeletons and stay the same size all their lives.

So there aren't different *types* of bush fly. Just different *sizes*. Fat ones that don't bother you too much. And little ones that act like demons.

Where they come from -- or damn those cows!

When the first colonists came ashore in 1788, they brought ashore five cows and two bulls. The bush flies watching the scene must have felt a dawning sense of unbelievable good luck.

These days, most bush flies breed in cow dung. They breed there because there's so much cow dung, and because there's been nothing to stop the fly breeding -- or slow it down.

There are more than twenty million cattle in Australia. They each drop around 12 'pads' a day. And from each cow pad, up to 2000 flies can emerge. (Mathematical readers might like to calculate whether there are more stars in our galaxy, or more bush flies bred each year in Australian cow dung.)



Before the cows arrived in Australia, the bush flies had a harder time. They bred in animal dung, but there were snags: kangaroos and other native animals didn't produce much dung per hectare, and the dung dried out quickly because it was small. So the flies had poor breeding material, and not much of it.

Bad luck for the flies.

But then the cows came and soon there was *plenty* of dung. Huge, splashy cow pads. And there was nothing much to stop flies breeding in it. In some parts of Australia, a few types of native Australian dung beetles moved into cow pads and bred there. These beetles cut down fly breeding by breaking up the pads and burying them. For example, the *Onthophagus ferox* in Western Australia, and *Onthophagus granulatus* and *Onthophagus australis* in south-east Australia. They were some help in reducing fly breeding. But not nearly enough.

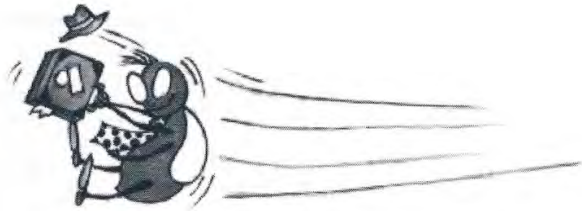
Meanwhile, the cow pads caused another problem: each pad covers a bit of pasture. If the dung beetles aren't active enough to break up the pads and bury them, the pads dry out and stop new grass from growing. (Except rank grass, which the cattle won't eat.) The old, dried-out pads can

last for years. And they add up to a big area: new pads can make 5 to 10 percent of a pasture worthless each year.

How the bush flies get into the cities

In the winter, bush flies die out in the southern part of Australia. It's too wet and cold.

But they keep breeding in the warmer north and the drier inland. The population rises and falls with rainfall and temperature.



From August to November, warm winds blow from the north. (Pretty regularly, about twice a month.) These winds lift clouds of pregnant female bush flies and carry them south. The flies come south in steps, in jumps -- sometimes hundreds of kilometres a day.

And they don't get blown back when the wind shifts to the north. The wind acts like a one-way valve: when the wind blows from the south, it's too cold for the flies to get airborne. They stay where they are. They wait for the next warm wind coming from the north.

As the flies come south, they find winter pasture covered with good-quality cow dung. The females start laying eggs, just as the air temperature is warming up fast. It's the new-bred flies from these rich breeding grounds that swarm into our southern cities.



In the east of Australia, flies start crossing the Queensland border in August. They reach Canberra in about the middle of September. By October they've reached Victoria. Sometimes they get as far as Tasmania (by December).

In the west, migration from the north-east starts in early October. By the end of October, they're everywhere in the south-west.

Bush flies are also blown out to sea. There are records of ships at sea being invaded by bush flies. (The 'Thalla Dan', to mention one case. It was invaded by flies when it was 30 km from Fremantle.) Most entomologists accept that winds blow bush flies 230 km across water to Tasmania. If the winds fail, the flies drown and become fish food.

In the southern pasture-lands, the breeding mathematics of the fly invaders are awesome. The females from the north are fat and laden with eggs. (About 55 eggs per female.) The survival rate for the eggs in the spring-pasture dung is about 30%. (The green shoots in the pastures have hardened and the cattle have produced dung with a fine fibrous structure.) Under these conditions, the immigrant flies produce about ten times their number. The new generation of flies themselves breed within a few days, and multiply their numbers again by ten. This can go on for several weeks. Ten times ten times ten times... No wonder we notice a 'sudden' fly problem.

Later, in the summer, things reverse and the fly-population numbers decline fast. The pastures dry, the cows produce dung that's coarsely fibrous, and the flies bred from it are less fertile. Each female only lays about 18 eggs, and only 1% of the eggs survive in the dry summer weather. 1000 females produce only about 18 offspring. The same applies to the next generation. So the bush flies almost disappear.

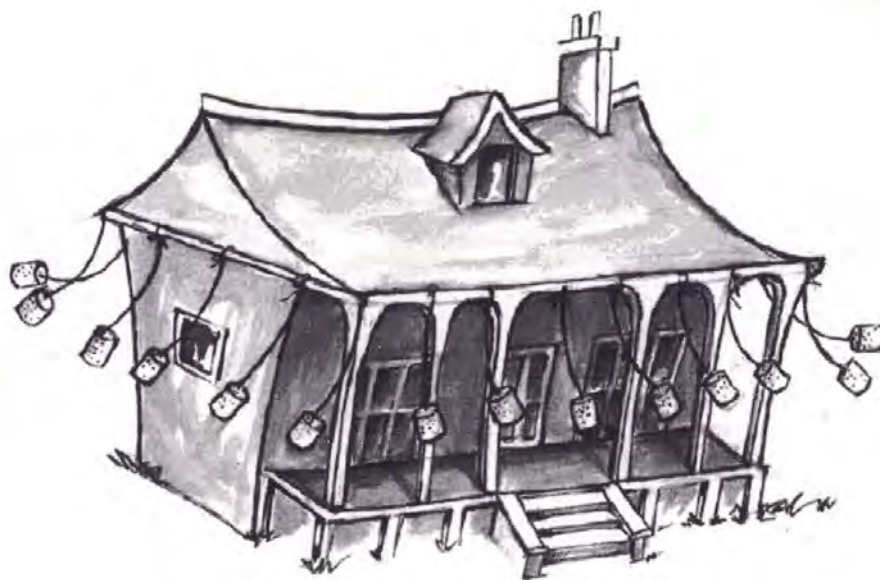
But the flies pester me here in the desert. And there aren't any cows!

There are no bush flies in the southernmost parts of Australia in the winter. As I said, it's too wet and cold, and they all die off. But in other parts of Australia, there are always bush flies around. You'll find them in the central deserts, by the sea shores, on the tops of the mountains, and on the larger inshore islands.

And contrary to what you might think, the arid parts of central Australia actually support a lot of cattle. And of course bush flies breed in other kinds of dung too.

The main point about pesky flies in the desert is this: there may be fewer flies there, but there are fewer *people* too. It's the balance between numbers of flies and numbers of targets that matters. Flies from all around will swarm to you and ignore the rocks, sands, dry shrubs and other beauties of the countryside.

The *behaviour* of the bush flies make them a pest. Not their numbers per hectare.



When to expect them

Sydney

Bush flies blow in from the pasture-land breeding areas on hot westerly winds. This means the bush-fly population in Sydney is erratic, because the winds are. Now you see bush flies, now you don't.



There are very few bush flies until October. The waves of flies grow denser and denser during November and December. The peak comes in January. The numbers then drop slowly until the end of March -- and then the bush-fly season is over.



The only sample data CSIRO has is for 1963-64. (It was gathered by a manufacturer of veterinary products and insecticides. They counted flies at eight sites around Sydney and passed the information on to CSIRO.) During the year, they caught 1,024,277 flies! Of these, 39,861 were bush flies, and most were caught in January (21,430).

If you look at these averages, only one fly in 48 is a bush fly. But the bush flies are pesky and come in waves -- so they can be a serious nuisance.

The data also show that bush flies only start appearing when the maximum day temperature reaches about 18°C. Then there's a lag, until the *average* temperature rises above 18°C -- and breeding in pasture-land really starts taking off.

Melbourne

Bush flies appear as early as September, with the numbers increasing through October and November. The peak is in December or January.

The house-fly population rises in about the same pattern.

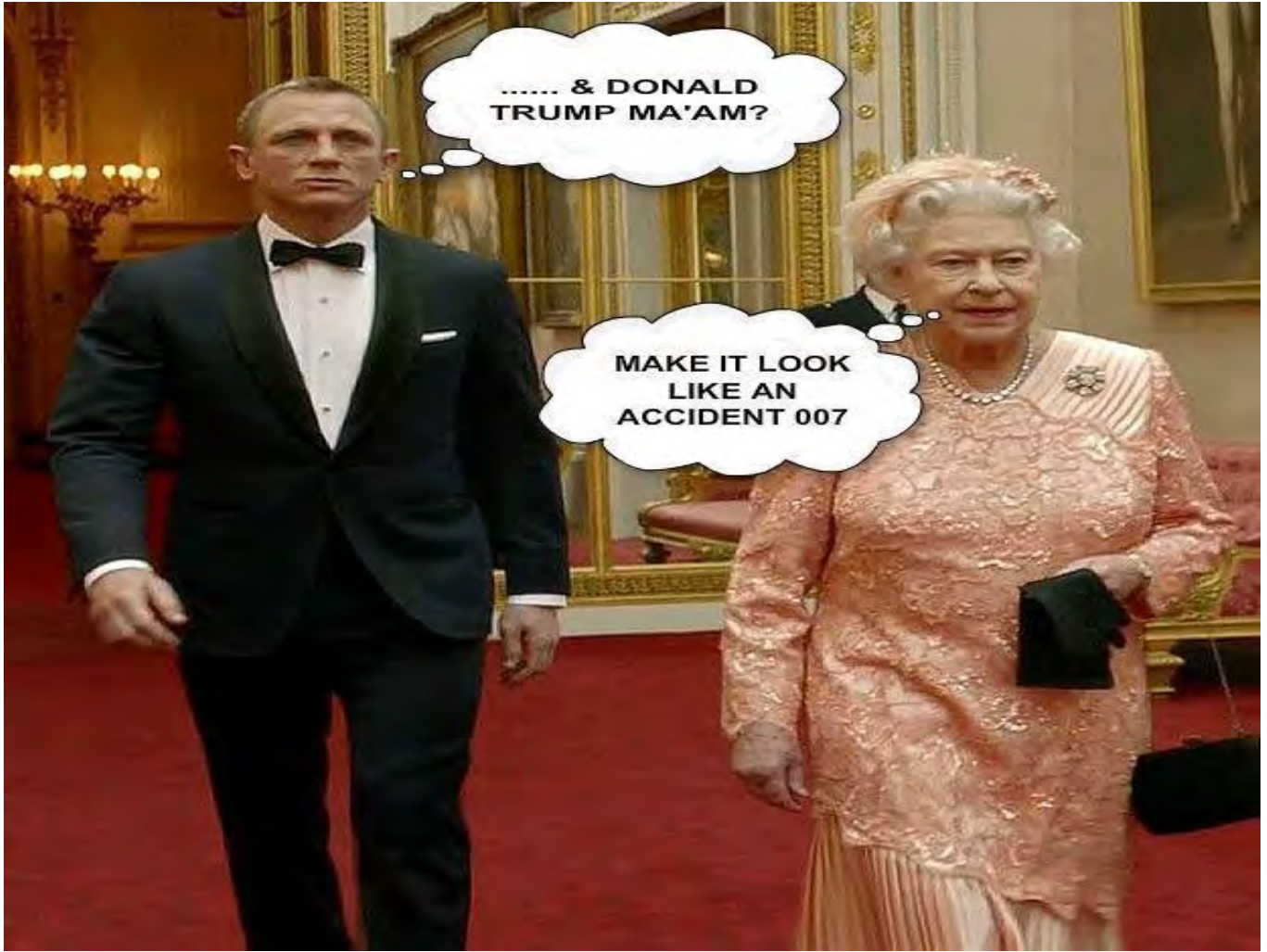
The Victorian Fly Suppression Unit describes the problem as follows:

"The bush fly has been identified as the primary outdoor pest, especially at social functions, sporting activities and other pursuits in open areas. It occurs around homes in the outer suburban areas each summer and can also be a problem in the inner suburbs and the city itself in certain 'plague' years. House flies, stable flies and blow flies are secondary problems in and around homes, particularly at backyard barbeques or other outdoor leisure activities. Unlike bush flies they usually do not travel far from their breeding source and large numbers can generally be traced to neglected plant or animal waste in the near vicinity."

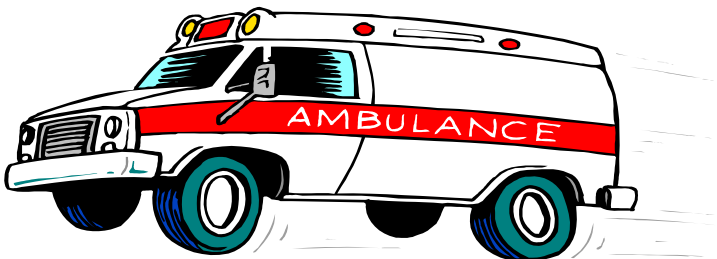
"The Fly Suppression Unit has confirmed that the bush fly does not breed in the metropolitan area but is blown in from farming areas. Its main breeding source is cattle dung and during

summer breeding takes place throughout pastoral areas of Victoria. In winter, the fly dies out in Victoria, but each spring returns from States to the north of us, carried on the northerly winds."

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Bushfires and water supplies

2015/16 Bushfire Season

Do not rely on scheme water supplies during a bushfire

Residents living in or near bushland are reminded **not to rely on public water supplies if they plan to stay and defend their homes during a bushfire.**

If you plan to defend your home, public water supply may not be available due to damaged infrastructure, extreme demand depleting supply and pressure, or a cut to power which is used to pump water.

The Water Corporation really wants to get the message out to everyone living on rural acreage blocks that they need to have an independent water supply, such as a concrete or steel tank with a minimum 20,000 litre capacity.

Some other aspects to think of:

- what to do if you lose power
- what generator you will need
- what pipes and fittings you will need as well as length and type of fire hoses

We have prepared our equipment and systems to cope with extreme conditions such as bushfires. Despite these efforts, it is likely that there will be a reduction in water pressure, and scheme water supply tanks may run empty in the event of fire.

For more information about preparing a bushfire survival plan and what you will need to actively defend your home, visit the Department of Fire and Emergency Services website www.dfes.wa.gov.au

You can also access further information from the WA Government "Are You Bushfire Ready" webpage at <http://areyouready.wa.gov.au/>

A message from the Department of Water

The Department of Water has advised people in bushfire prone areas with bores and access to surface water that they can take and store water to support bushfire plans.

For more information on how the Department of Water's rules support bushfire preparedness, visit www.water.wa.gov.au/fireplanning



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Lecture Circuit

Seamus Neenan 89 years of age was stopped by the police around 2 a.m. and was asked where he was going at that time of night .



Seamus replied, "I'm on my way to a lecture about alcohol abuse and the effects it has on the human body, as well as smoking and staying out late."

The officer asked, "Really? Who's giving that lecture at this time of night?"

Seamus replied,
"That would be my wife."

Math Teacher: "If I have 5 bottles in one hand and 6 in the other hand, what do I have?"

Student: "A drinking problem."



Patrick Bozanich	17.03.
Jim Ketteringham	22.03.
Dre Reece	29.03
Clifton Dongara	31.03.

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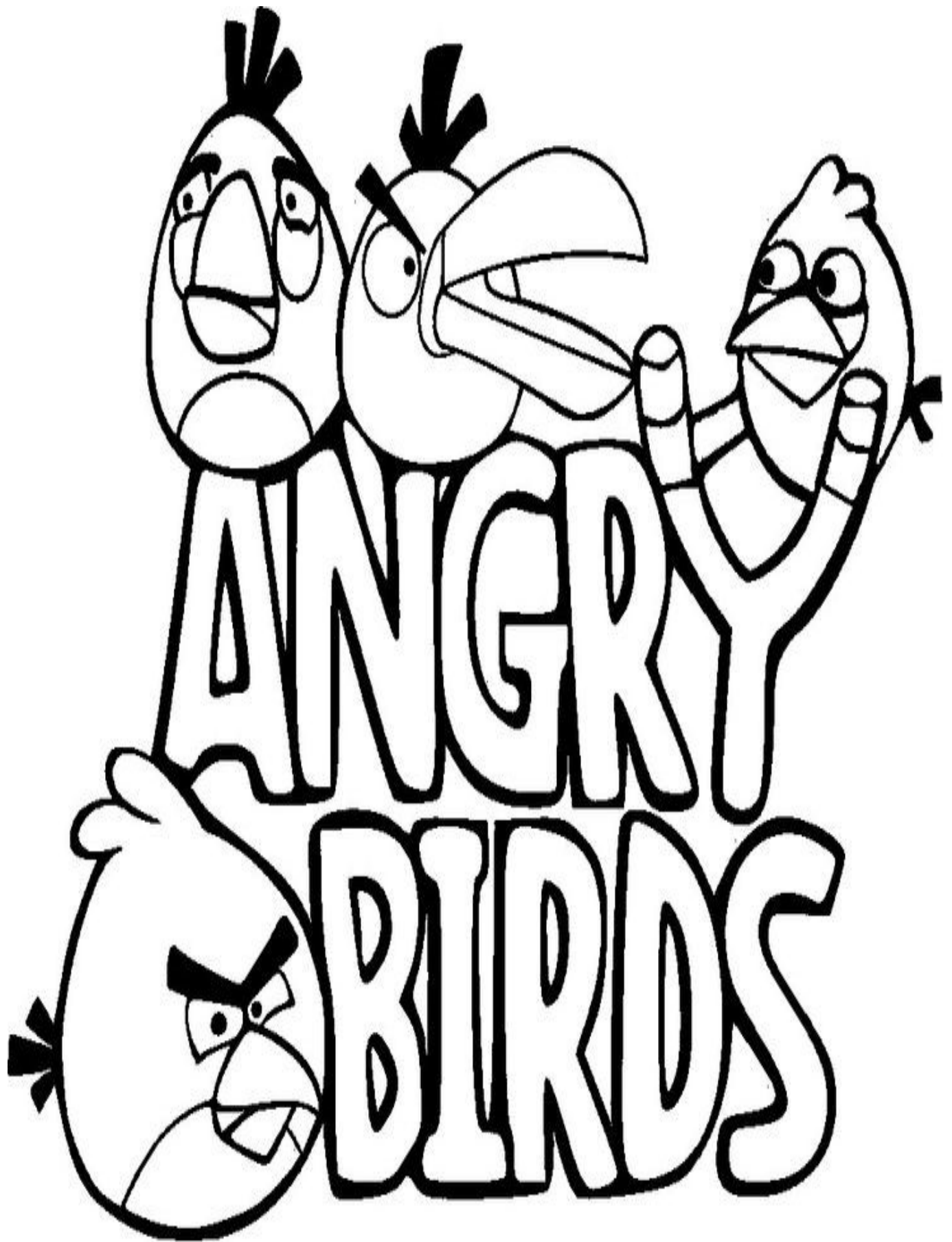
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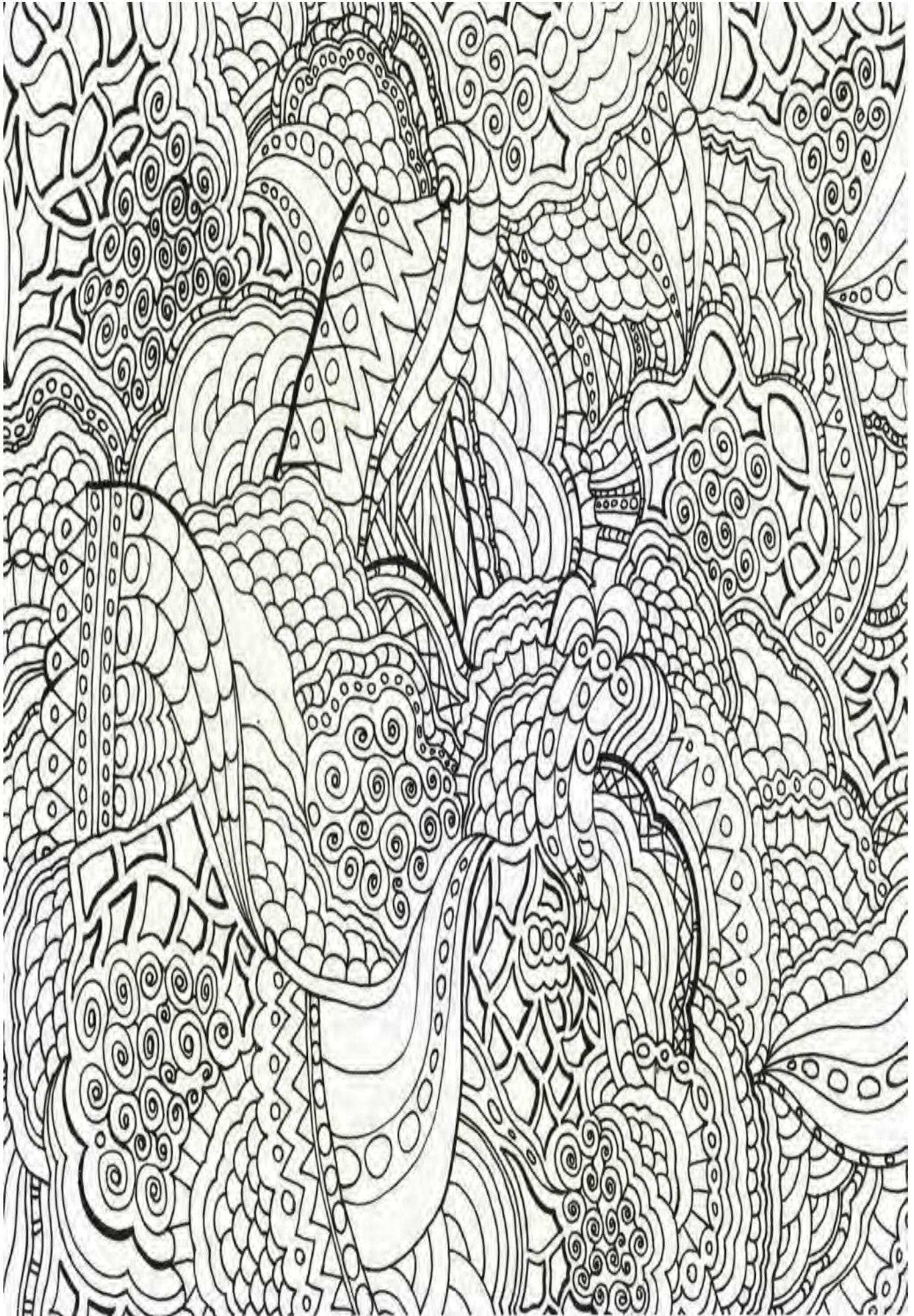
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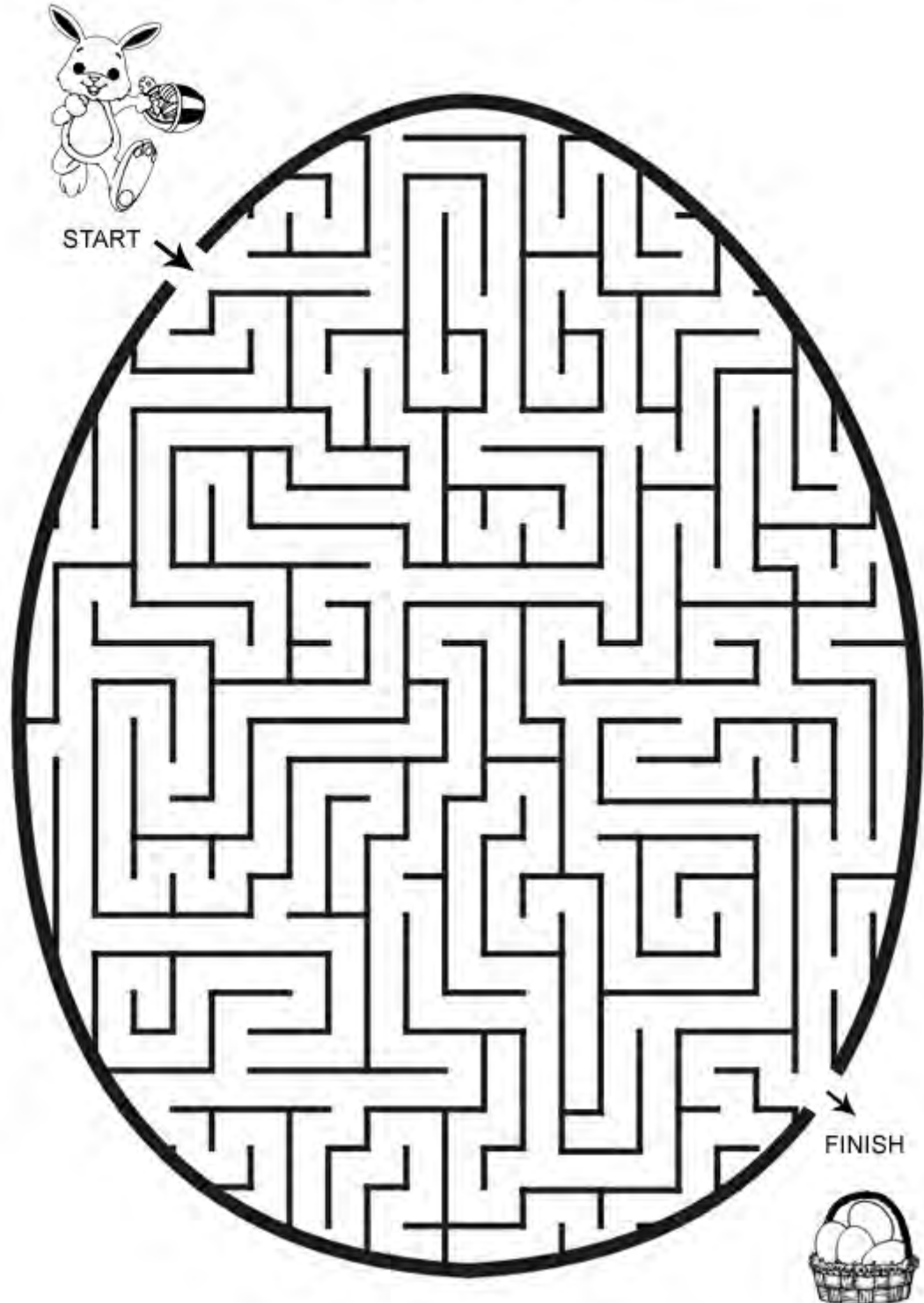
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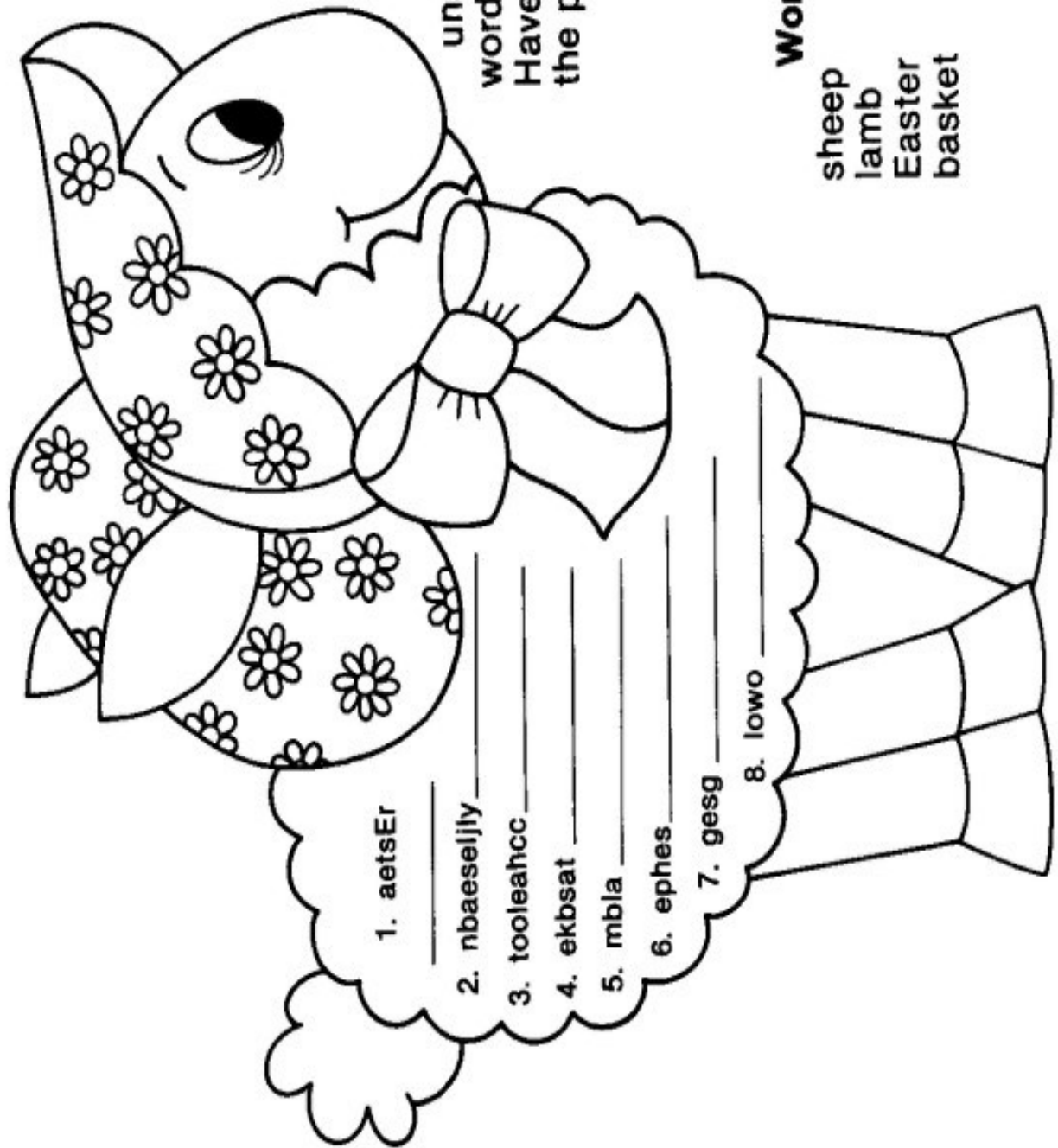




Puzzles

Help the Easter bunny find his way to his egg basket!





Use the word list below to unscramble the words on the sheep. Have fun coloring the picture.

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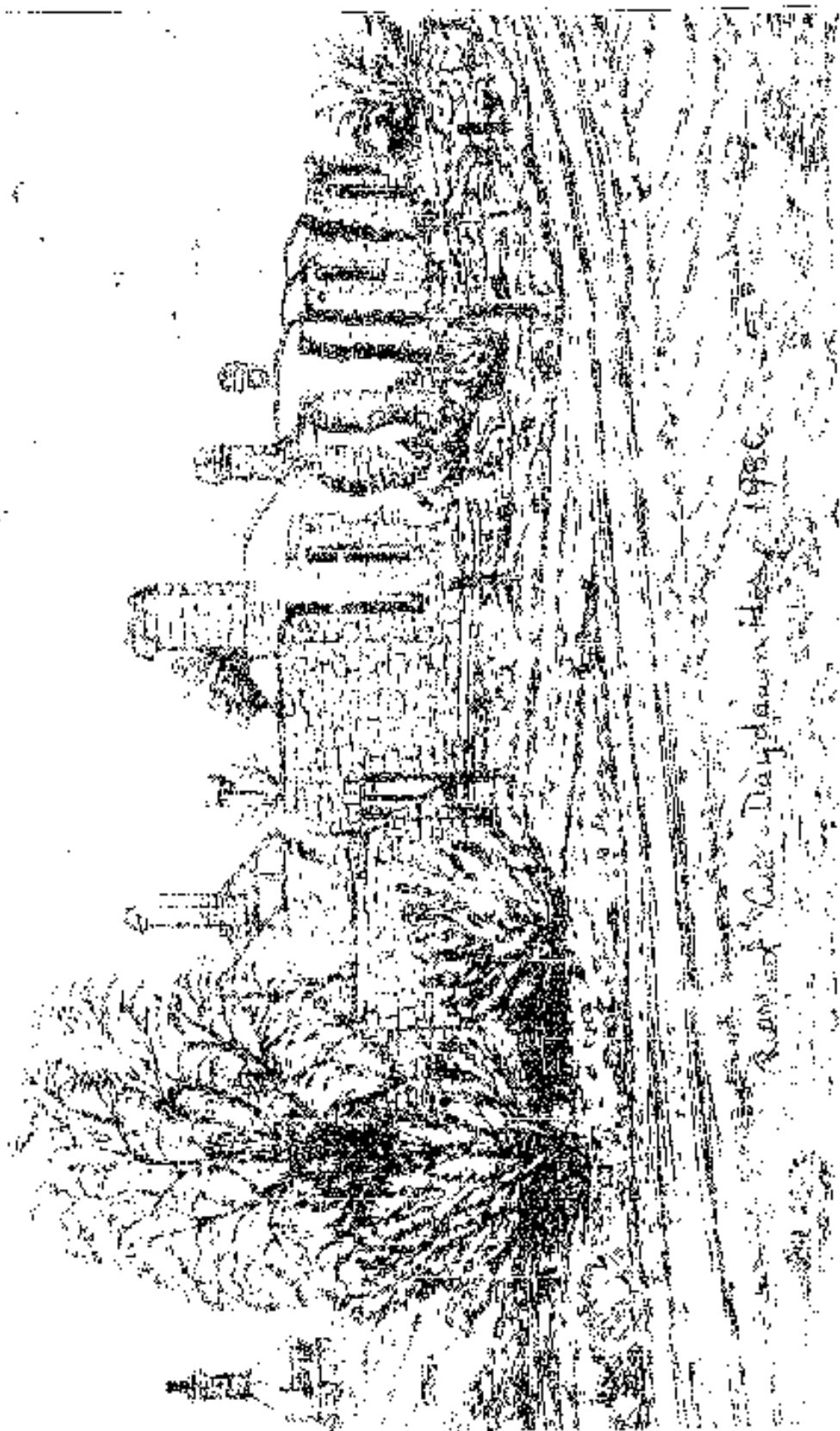
6. ephes _____

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8. lowo _____

Word List

sheep	eggs
lamb	jelly
Easter	beans
basket	wool
	chocolate



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