

Second measles scare for WA

■ Claire Tyrrell

A second measles infection scare has hit WA, with a maternity ward among the places the Health Department say may have been exposed.

A woman contracted measles while holidaying in Indonesia this month and was infectious for a week from Friday, October 21.

She travelled to 16 locations, mainly in Perth's southern suburbs, leaving susceptible people in those areas at a high risk of contracting measles.

WA Health Director of Communicable Diseases Paul Armstrong said public health staff contacted potentially exposed

POSSIBLE INFECTION AREAS

Oct 21-28 Langford Islamic College, Langford, morning and afternoon drop-off.

Oct 21 Bentley Hospital Maternity Unit, Bentley, 1pm - 2pm.

Oct 22 The Learning Bee, Applecross, 10.30am - midday

Oct 23 Kien Strawberry farm, Gngangara, 11.30am - 1.30pm

Oct 23 McDonald's Mirrabooka, 1pm, 2.30pm

Oct 23 Chemist Warehouse, Mirrabooka, 2pm - 3pm

Oct 25 Chemist Warehouse, Gosnells, 4.45pm - 5.30pm

Oct 25 Maddington Village General Practice, Maddington, 4.30pm - 5.15pm

Oct 26 Gosnells Healthcare Centre General Practice, 7pm - 8pm

Oct 27 Cannington Leisureplex Aquatic Centre and Library, 9.30am - 10.30am

Oct 27 Clinipath Pathology collection centre, Albany Hwy, Gosnells, 11am

Oct 27 Coles, Albany Hwy, Gosnells, midday - 1pm

Oct 28 Toys R Us, Albany Hwy, Cannington, 9.30am - 10.30am

Oct 28 Westfield Carousel shopping centre, Albany Hwy, 10.30am - 11.30am

Oct 28 Ar Rukun Mosque, Rockingham, 1.30pm - 2pm

Oct 28 Rockingham foreshore cafe and beach, 2pm - 3.30pm

individuals directly where they were known but it was not possible to identify and warn people who were in public places.

A Bentley maternity ward, an Applecross daycare centre and a Cannington leisure centre were among the places the woman

visited. "She wasn't as unwell as some people are with measles so she travelled quite widely," Dr Armstrong said.

People with measles will usually have headaches, a sore throat, a cough and fever and a rash. It is highly contagious and

people not immune to the disease are likely to catch it if they breathe the same air as someone with measles.

Dr Armstrong said babies of mothers who were not immune to measles would be at a greater risk of contracting the most se-

vere symptoms. "Measles is a problem for pregnant women and young children," he said.

"Most newborn babies will have antibodies from their mother. Babies who are six months old to 12 months old, before they are vaccinated, are at risk.

"We know who she visited in the maternity ward and those people have been contacted."

It follows a confirmed WA case of measles last week in a person who travelled to Perth from Tokyo via Singapore on October 20 and 21.

Dr Armstrong advised people who think they have measles to isolate themselves and seek treatment.

'Darling I do' hashtag to reality

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Jack Darling's wedding was not about the game that shapes his life — but AFL was certainly a theme.

The West Coast Eagles star forward married Courtney Braham at Caversham House on Saturday.

Team chaplain Paul Morrison was the celebrant and Eagles players Andrew Gaff and Scott Lycett were groomsmen.

Nicky Sandover, great-granddaughter of Sandover Medal benefactor Alfred Sandover, sang at the reception.

Wedding planner Mardie Rosich, of Mardie and Co, helped the couple organise their wedding through a busy football season.

"The day went beautifully," she said.

"The weather held off. It rained an hour before the ceremony and when we got to the reception and were safe and dry, it rained again.

"They are a very calm and loving couple, so it was a great fun day."

Guests, including Eagles Elliot Yeo, Mark Hutchings, Jeremy McGovern and Brad Sheppard, were lit up by a giant "Darling I do" sign on the lawn, based on the hashtag Jack Darling dreamt up for the occasion. By all reports, Darling delivered a heartfelt speech.

The newlyweds and some Eagles players kicked off after the ceremony at Crown Perth.

Josh Kennedy also married his fiancée Lauren in the South West on Saturday.

Eagle Jack Redden and Aymee Lamb are getting married this weekend.



Courtney and Jack Darling.
Picture: Erica Serena



Winners John Townsend, Andrew Probyn and Nick Evans.

Picture: Bohdan Warchomij

The West cleans up awards

■ Tim Clarke

The West Australian and Seven News dominated the major prizes at the 2016 WA Media Awards, with political reporter Andrew Probyn named the best journalist in the State.

Probyn led the Canberra media pack with his "Mediscare" scoops, and follow-up analysis — and was awarded the best news report for print and text, the Beck Prize for All Media Political Report, and the overall Daily News Centenary Prize as the WA Journalist of the Year.

The Mediscare story dominated much of the debate throughout the election campaign with the issue dogging the Federal Government and Malcolm Turnbull abandoning the plan two weeks out from the poll.

The Clarion Award for Outstanding Contribution to Journalism went to The West Australian's Nick Evans whose investigative reporting in business and political circles led to investigations into the business dealings of former transport minister Dean Nalder. Evans also uncovered an alleged multimillion-dollar Ponzi scheme in the north of the State.

The West's John Townsend won the Gilmour-Christian Prize for best sports report on his exclusive on West Coast dodging a drugs bust bullet.

Seven News reporter Jessica Page won for best TV news story and Seven cameraman Cameron Wallis won for his camera work on a story about treatment for meth addicts in Thailand.