

WATERSHED NEWS

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A fortnightly paper for the areas of
Dudinin, Toolibin, Tincurrin,
Harrismith, Yealering and Wickepin

22nd November 2022



WICKEPIN SHIRE

SENIORS CHRISTMAS PARTY

FRIDAY 2nd DECEMBER 2022

11.30am to 3.00pm

At the WICKEPIN COMMUNITY CENTRE

WATERSHED NEWS INC - COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER

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Next edition of Watershed News

Monday 5th December 2022

Christmas Windup for Watershed Team

The Watershed News ladies and their partners held their Christmas windup on Wednesday the 16th November at the home of Claire and Bernie Bayley. Claire prepared a delicious luncheon for all, which continued into the late afternoon with lots of chatter and laughter.



The Watershed team pictured:
Elaine Bushby, Ruth Bailey, Judy Lock,
Denise Corke, Claire Bayley and
Sandra Podmore (seated).

Absent Pam Carden and Daphne McKenzie

The fellas joined us: Steve Podmore,
Bernie Bayley, John Menegola and
Keith Bushby.



We also celebrated 30 years of Sandra volunteering
for the Watershed News.

Sandra Podmore is the current "Citizen of the Year"
for the Wickepin Shire having been nominated by
the Watershed team for all the time and effort she
has given to the community newspaper.

Those of us that work alongside Sandra know how
much she has contributed throughout the years.
Well done, Sandra and thank you.

A beautiful cake was made and decorated by Elaine
Bushby to mark this very special occasion.

Congratulations Sandra



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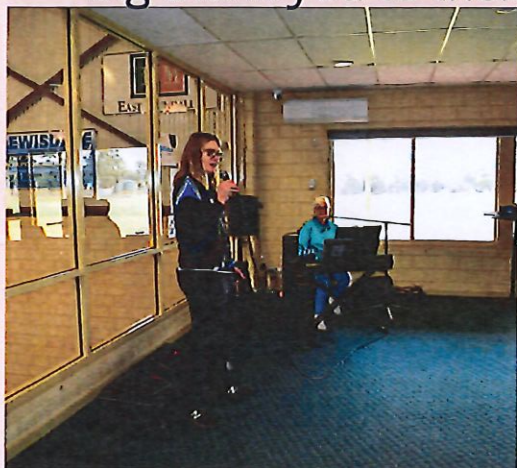
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SENIORS WEEK

Music & Morning Tea

On Saturday November 12, a small but jovial group joined us to celebrate WA Seniors Week at our 'Music and Morning Tea'. We enjoyed some delicious food and the fantastic musical entertainment provided by the talented Lyn Hilder. The attendees had a wonderful time catching up with friends and neighbours.

Thank you to everyone who helped out on the day or contributed food, it was very much appreciated! This event would not be possible without the support we received from COTA and the Department of Communities, so a big thank you to them both!



Community News

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Birthday wishes to Kathryn Hill, Julie Russell, Kelly Steere, Shaun Reynolds, Timothy Bennier and Marion Hook Jnr.



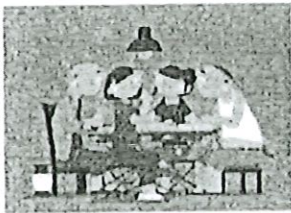
A Big Happy Birthday to Peter Williamson who turns 95 on Wednesday 23rd November

Dave and Charlotte Astbury have just returned from a trip to Sydney to visit Laurel who is Dave's sister and not in the best of health. Gary, Laurel's husband, had arranged a chartered Tesla to drive us up to Katoomba where we had our motel booking. The drive was lovely as the mountain country is very scenic. The Tesla was amazing. We were very lucky with good weather for sight-seeing and a picnic in a historic village. A lovely big family meal was shared at a very famous resort, The Mountain Heritage, with gourmet food and a grand piano. On Tuesday we were picked up by the amazing Tesla to return to our front row seats on the plane arriving in Perth, very late. Nice to travel buy nicer to be home. (Submitted by the Astbury's)



John Robertson, the author of "Sealed Souls" a book of colonial history of sealing v whaling on the southern coasts of Australasia 1798-1852, is happy to give an informative book talk if there is enough community interest. The talks are free and usually take about an hour and there is no onus on anyone to buy a book.

Contact the CRC on 98881500 or email wickepintc@westnet.com.au if interested.



A very enjoyable afternoon learning and playing Mahjong was held at the Yealering CWA on Friday the 18th November. Twelve ladies played under the tutelage of Mavis, Violet and Josie who came from Corrigin to teach us the basics of the game. These ladies enjoy playing Mahjong every Wednesday in Corrigin and were more than happy to pass on their expertise.

Although the weather outside was more like a winter's day, the room was warm and the company was great. Other community members came later for the afternoon tea. The next afternoon tea will be on the 9th December at the Yealering CWA from 2.30pm. Everyone is welcome. A donation is appreciated, with proceeds going to the Yealering Progress Association.

MORNING SWIMMING
COMMENCING TUESDAY 22ND NOVEMBER
TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAYS 5.45AM TO 6.45AM
FOR MORE DETAILS CONTACT HELEN SANDS - 0428 881 026



**THE GREATNESS OF A COMMUNITY
IS MOST ACCURATELY MEASURED
BY THE COMPASSIONATE ACTIONS
OF ITS MEMBERS.**



THE VILLAGE NEWS

...it takes a village...

The Village volunteer and buddy system

The Village is comprised of a wide range of people who are willing to support one another and receive support to enjoy living at home, safely in the community, with minimal cost, for as long as possible. The Village has 146 members across Wickepin, Cuballing, Wandering and Pingelly – and growing.

We are now about to launch The Village volunteer and buddy system. It must be safe for both the volunteer and the member receiving the assistance

Some say it has been a long time coming and they are correct.

Originally, this aspect of The Village was to operate simply between members via an app that all members could download. The app would have enabled any member to put out a call for assistance for small tasks they needed help with and other members could respond via the app indicating that they were available and would like to help.

The development of this app became too complex, costly and was taking too long so the decision was made to use the telephone. Members can call the concierge and the concierge will facilitate the connection between the member and a suitable volunteer or buddy.

In doing this, the concierge has sought additional insurance, developed policies and procedures and a Volunteers Handbook.

There is also a requirement for the concierge to take steps to ensure that all potential volunteers and buddies are registered with the concierge, have a police clearance and knowledge about The Village volunteering policies and procedures.

In the meantime, members have been surveyed about the services they need help with now and into the future, as well as how they would like to provide some volunteer service within the Village.

This information will assist the concierge to facilitate the connection between those members needing some help and those willing to provide help.

Members (and non-members) who would like to volunteer to assist people to stay living in their own homes, in the community as they age will be asked to register as a volunteer and attend a short orientation session which will be advertised in the next week or two. If they do not have a police clearance, the concierge can assist in this process.

This is not to be confused with the paid employment people are registering for under the Community Coordinated Home Support Service (CCHSS). These people are paid as contractors to provide ongoing or one off care and support to an older person who has a funded Home Care Package or Disability Plan. You can also contact the concierge if you wish to register for employment or need ongoing care and support via a Home Care Package or Disability Plan.

Members will not be able to use the volunteer and buddy system if they receive funding from the government to pay for the services they need via a Home Care Package or Disability Plan.

This service should not in any way prevent members from making personal arrangements with family, friends and neighbours. The Village volunteer system kicks in for a member without other options for the assistance required.

We aim for our volunteer and buddy system to be mutually beneficial to all – creating opportunities for new friendships to develop between volunteers and members receiving the service as they participate in social activities and events, share experiences, and discover mutual benefits.

We hope it will provide opportunities for members receiving services and volunteers alike to feel appreciated and have a pleasant, rewarding and quality experience whilst bringing enjoyment and meaning to belonging to The Village.

Helen Morton

Project officer

0418 925 861

7/11/2022.

What's On In Wickepin Shire

Mondays:

Watershed News every second Monday: last edition 14th December 2022

Fit Pursuit 6am-6.45am @ Wickepin Community Centre

Tuesdays:

Morning swimming 5.45am – 6.45am (commencing 22nd November)

She Shed He Shed ~ @ Old Recycling Shed Richter St~ 9am-12noon

Pathology Service~ Appointment Only @ Wickepin Health Centre

Yoga at Harrismith Hall 6pm – 7.30pm – all welcome

Further details: Ph Tara: 0427 333171

Wednesdays:

Morning Swimming 5.45am – 6.45am (commencing 23rd November)

Every Wednesday~ Social Arts & Crafts @ 9.30am ~ Joyner St

Thursdays:

Fit Pursuit 5.45am-6.35am @ Wickepin Community Centre

Wickepin Playgroup 9.30am – 11.30am during school term.

Local Vocals with Mazz – 6pm in Narrogin

Fridays:

Morning Swimming 5.45am – 6.45am (commencing 25th November)

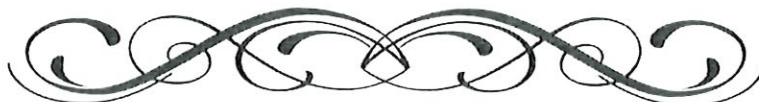
Saturdays:

Banksia Bowmen Archery~ Wickepin Community Centre @ 9am
Club Equipment Available

Sundays:

Anglican Church every 1st & 3rd Sunday @ 8am

4th December~ Christingle & Carol Service 10am





Pingelly Mo Bros Movember Update

It all happened on Saturday 5th November at the PRACC...

After months of organising and cataloguing our Auction was about to roll.

The afternoon started at 4pm with the audience rolling in early to inspect the auction items and secure a seat. A scrumptious buffet was served at 6:15pm for our hungry supporters.

After dinner, Tom Hayes, Rural Men's Health Ambassador spoke to us all of the importance of 'checking in with a mate or two' and how little effort it is for men to be involved with their own health management.

Then.. The Auction was underway with our guest auctioneer Garry Prater whose comical and tactful auctioneering was appreciated by the 150 plus crowd. The attendees were spoiled with a magnificent array of lot items from our Very generous sponsors of whom we extend another HUGE thanks, it really does mean so much to us.

At the conclusion of the Auction we had in the vicinity of \$43,000 added into 'the kitty'. The earlier fundraising efforts of fencing, shearing, stud ram sale and cash donations will lift the total further with around \$50,000 being forwarded to MOVEMBER Foundation.

This group of trusty men would like to extend our sincere appreciation to EVERYONE who contributed or assisted in ANY way to this highly successful event. A final total will be tallied when we have a debrief and pay a couple bills but our total will be added to the published amounts of \$33,742 (2020) and \$30,542 (2021) on the Movember site.

Remember !! it is only 362 days until our next event. Keep chatting to your friends, check on them and Men - Get that blood test it is that easy to know you are still healthy in the prostate department. Also we take donations all year round.

Your friendly and appreciative Mo Bros Men

Turto, Bobby, Smithy, Wilesy, Braydy, Adie



Classified

FOR SALE: ¾ Australorp & ¼ Rhode Island Red hen pullets. \$30 each. Will be ready as 12-week-olds from January 21, 2023. Pre-Order available. Ph Carmen: 0438 888 1053

FREE: Olive Egg Layer Rooster. Olive egg layer males crossed with white egg layer hens will produce offspring who will lay pale green eggs. Ph Carmen: 0438 888 1053

MISSING: 2 Brown Leather Recliner Rockers with Matching Footstool from Community Centre

To the kind person who have removed my chairs and footstool from the Community Centre can you kindly put them back. I am missing two brown leather recliner rockers with matching footstool loaned to Blaze Aid for their comfort and left at the Community Centre in case they came back. They were not abandoned, and I would like them back please. If anyone knows where they are, or where they were put for safe keeping, please contact me on 0428884065 or advise the Shire.

Many thanks Wendy Butler.

WANTED: Wickepin Football Club Fundraiser

We are looking for donations of your scrap batteries. For any reasonable amounts we are happy to collect for convenience, otherwise feel free to drop them to Tim Cowcher at Elders Wickepin.

Call or message Jordan Flavel on 0488690910 if you have anything available.

Thanks for your support.

WANTED TO BUY: "Hark! Hark! My Soul" book by V.M.Shipley
Contact Louie-Jane Gamble Ph: 0429 411 131

Rainfall registered at the Wickepin Post Office

2021	mm	Days	Total	2022	mm	Days	Total
January	4.4	2	4.4	January	0.0	0	0.0
February	37.0	3	41.4	February	5.0	1	5.0
March	49.2	5	90.6	March	20.8	6	25.8
April	34.6	2	125.2	April	15.0	4	40.8
May	115.5	9	240.7	May	43.6	6	84.4
June	28.3	9	269.0	June	60.2	8	144.6
July	146.4	21	415.4	July	53.8	12	198.4
August	58.6	10	474.0	August	79.2	11	277.6
September	20.8	8	494.8	September	35.8	10	313.4
October	42.0	10	536.8	October	30.0	7	343.4
November	6.2	3	543.0	November	6.0	3	349.4
December	0.0	0	543.0	December			

As of 21st November 2022





Media Statement

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01 November 2022

Free mammograms for women in Wickepin

BreastScreen WA's FREE screening mammogram service is coming to Wickepin
from **16/12/2022 - 21/12/2022** and the mobile clinic will be located at:

Wickepin Sports Club, Wogolin Road

Women 40 years and over with no symptoms are eligible for a FREE screening mammogram.

Breast cancer is the most common life threatening cancer for women and 1 in 7 women in Australia will develop breast cancer in their lifetime.

Having a screening mammogram (breast x-ray) every two years significantly increases the chance of a woman surviving breast cancer and reduces the amount of treatment required. More than 75% of breast cancers occur in women over the age of 50. Research shows that screening is most effective for this age group.

BreastScreen WA's Medical Director Dr Elizabeth Wylie, said screening mammography was the most effective method for early detection of breast cancer.

"Screening every two years is vitally important to increase the chance of a breast cancer being detected when it is too small to feel or be noticed. Finding a cancer at this early stage often means that the breast cancer is small and more treatable".

"A free screening mammogram is one of the best things that women can do to look after their health. Breast screening saves lives and only takes 20 minutes," said Dr Wylie.

Screening mammograms may detect 70-90% of breast cancers.

Any woman with a persistent change in a breast should contact her doctor immediately.

Dates may be subject to change. If visit dates are not suitable participants are welcome to book at the clinic in a different town or at any of our permanent clinics. For more information please visit BreastScreen WA's website www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au.

To make your free screening mammogram appointment – book online
www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au or call 13 20 50.

Early detection is your best protection.

ENDS

Media contact: Media Coordinator North Metropolitan Health Service T: (08) 6457 7300 | E: nmhs.corporatecommunications@health.wa.gov.au .

www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au
Dr Wylie is available for interview.



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mammogram every two
years. **Once is not enough.**



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Wickepin

Wickepin Sports Club, Wogolin Road

16/12/2022 - 21/12/2022

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Book online

www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au

or call 13 20 50

REPORTING A FIRE

To report ANY fire whether in a paddock, bush, townsite, house, roadside, etc you MUST

RING 000 FIRST

You will need to provide the location of the fire to the Operator who will then contact our Chief Bush Fire Control Officer who will alert the Fire Control Officers.

Download the free Emergency App to help a 000 caller provide critical location details required to mobilise emergency services.



DECEMBER 2022 COUNCIL MEETING

The December 2022 meeting of council as per resolution 171121-13, will be held the second Wednesday of the month, Wednesday 14 December 2022, commencing at 3.30pm.

ACTING CEO

Thank you to Noel Mason who has finished his time as Acting CEO with the Shire of Wickepin. Mrs Erika Clement has now been appointed Acting CEO while council continues with the recruitment of a permanent CEO.

WICKEPIN SWIMMING POOL

The Wickepin Swimming Pool will be closed Tuesday 22 November 2022.

Season passes: Family \$132
 Adult \$84
 Child \$60

SHIRE OF WICKEPIN REVIEW OF REPRESENTATION (8 TO 7 COUNCIL MEMBERS)

As a result of Local Government reform, the Shire of Wickepin is conducting a review of councillor representation and invites public participation.

A discussion paper is available online at www.wickepin.wa.gov.au and public submissions are invited by 7 December 2022.

E Clement
Acting CEO



Know someone great?

SHIRE OF WICKEPIN

2022 COMMUNITY AWARDS

**Nominate an individual or a group
for a 2022 Community Award**

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

SENIOR CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR (up to 25yrs)

COMMUNITY GROUP OF THE YEAR

PROGRESSIVE AGRICULTURE - FACEY GROUP

Awards will be presented at the Australia Day Breakfast
Thursday 26 January, 2023 in Wickpin

Nomination forms are available at www.wickepin.wa.gov.au

Nominations close Friday 2 December 2022



For further information please contact the shire office on 9888 1005 or es@wickepin.wa.gov.au

SHIRE OF WICKEPIN

2022 CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION

ENTRY FORMS AVAILABLE FROM ADMINISTRATION

OFFICE OR WWW.WICKEPIN.WA.GOV.AU

1st
\$250

2nd
\$150

3rd
\$100

ENTRIES CLOSE 4PM FRIDAY 9 DECEMBER 2022



Seniors Christmas *Lunch*

**2nd December 2022
11:30am
Wickepin Community
Centre**

Please place your name
on the lists provided at your local shops

We would love you to join us!



Having trouble getting there or need more
Information?
Please call Lorraine: 0436 109 552

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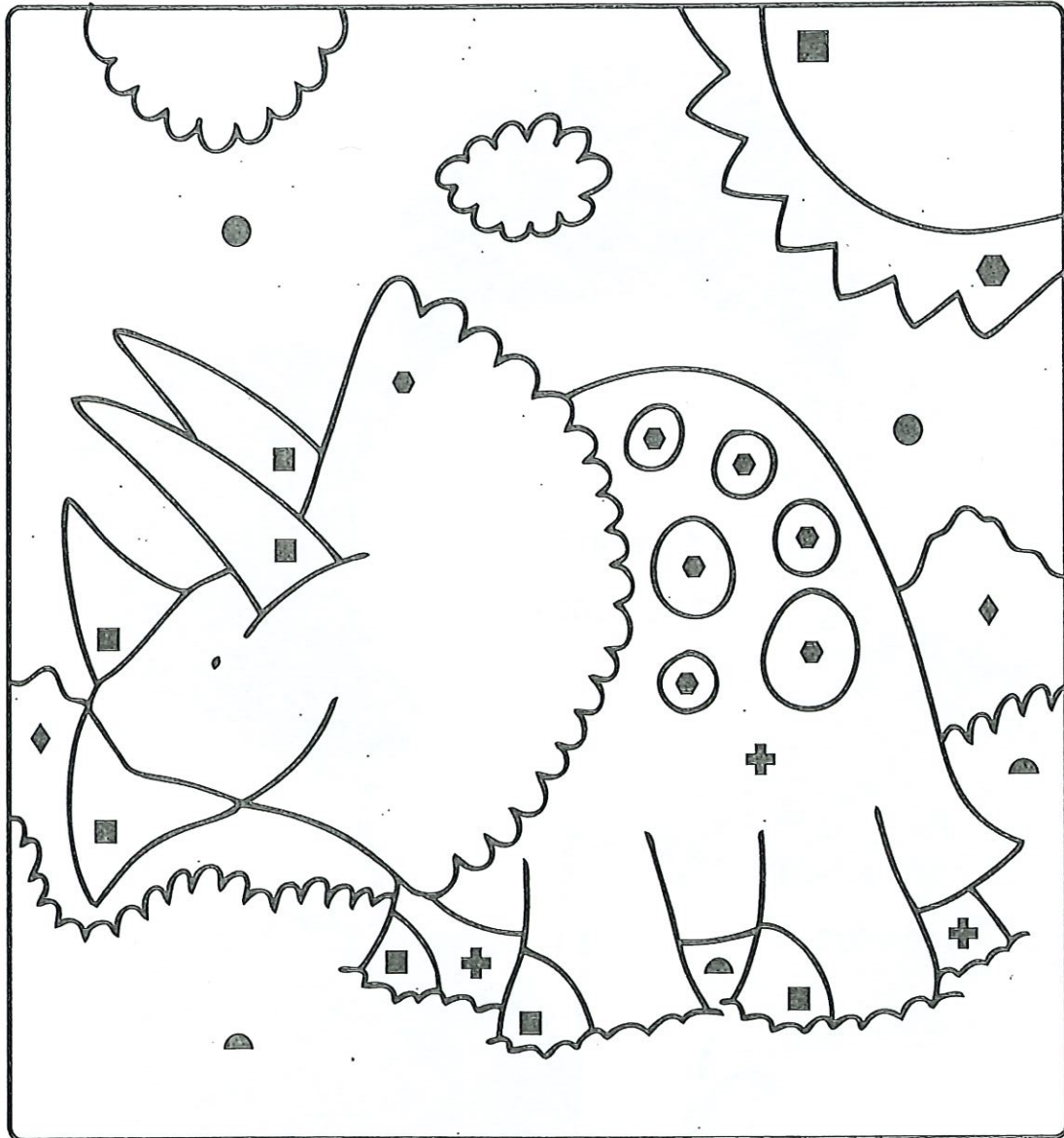
Shire of Wickepin Christmas Closure

The Shire
Administration
Office will close
4.30pm Friday
23 December
2022 and re
open Tuesday 3
January 2023 at
8.30am



KIDS CORNER

Dinosaur Colouring



Yellow



Blue



Orange



Black



Green



Purple



Red



Brown



Can you colour this picture using the key above?

Happy Birthday

Penny Martin

23/11/2016

Alice Graf

27/11/2019

Flynn Anderson

2/12/2012

Neah Stacey

5/12/2016



YEALERING PRIMARY SCHOOL



END OF YEAR Presentation Night



Start Time:

6:30pm

Where:

Yealering Town Hall

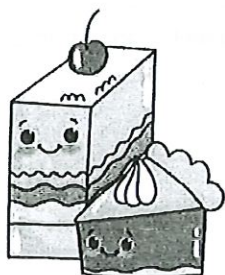
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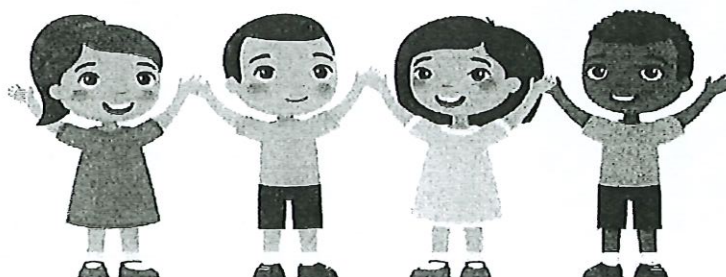
Please join us to celebrate our end of school year, with some amazing performances from our Kindy to Year 6 students.

Presentations and supper to follow!

Please bring a plate of supper to share!



Tea & Coffee will be provided.





The Wicky Weekly

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14 November 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

By the time you read this, I will have had a sleepless night and be venturing around Rottnest Island with some of your lovely children. I am looking forward to being a part of the wonderful memories the Year 5/6 students will be making.

Whole school practices have begun for the Presentation/ Graduation night. I cannot believe that it has been a year ago since we were practicing for last years. This year has certainly gone in the blink of an eye.

The school development day last Friday was a productive day, with a guest presenter coming to the school to facilitate some professional learning around preparing for our Public School Review next year. Although a date has not yet been set for our school, at this point we will be looking at Semester 2 sometime.

Projects

We have had power and lights installed in the sports shed, which I am sure Mrs Steere is very excited about - no longer having to scramble around in the dark, or with a head torch to pack all of our sports equipment for carnivals, etc.

We have also had all the school lights put on timers so that we have lights on overnight for added security and safety. The sensor light under the verandah near the staffroom has been repaired and another sensor light has been installed to provide light when staff walk along the paved path to the carpark. I am hoping this will prevent me from tripping on my way in and out of the admin building.

Congratulations

A huge congratulations to our worthy Narrogin network award recipients, Kelly Steere and Sally-Mae Downey. These ladies never hesitate to step up in all areas of the school to ensure that our students have the best outcomes. Congratulations, ladies.



Staffing 2023 Update

I would like to congratulate Michelle Hull on being offered a contract for 2023 and onwards.

Michelle was successful in applying and winning her position at Wickepin PS, in a permanent capacity. This means she is secured to stay with the school for as long as she wishes.

We are so very lucky to have such a dedicated classroom teacher at our school, organising extra-curricular activities and showing genuine concern, dedication and commitment to the students. She makes a huge difference every day. We are so pleased you are part of the Wicky staff, Michelle. Congratulations on your permanency.

Wicky Wrigglers

Our first Wicky Wrigglers session commences next Tuesday 22 November and we are looking forward to welcoming our 2023 Kindy class. Wicky Wrigglers is Wickepin Primary School's pre-kindergarten program, allowing children to develop at their own rate and follow their own interests with a strong play based foundation. The program focuses on 'learning through play' with a strong emphasis on developing the child's social and emotional independence in a fun and stimulating environment. Mrs Ewen will welcome current and new families over three consecutive Tuesday mornings.

Absentee Information

As well as calling the school office on 9888 2300 to let us know of your child's absence, you are also welcome to email us at wickepin.ps@education.wa.edu.au. This email address captures the Principal, Manager Corporate Services and School Officer. You can also send us a message on 0438 957 163. If you have not informed the school of your child's absence, then a text message will be sent at 10.00am. Please remember to let us know the reason for the absence, i.e. unwell, appointment etc.

Kind regards,
Kerriane Mills

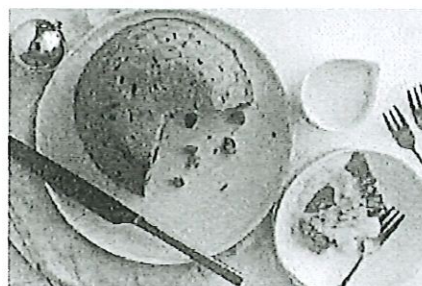
Dates to Remember

November

- 13-18 Year 5/6 Camp to Rottnest
- 22 Wicky Wrigglers
- 24 School Council Meeting 9.00am
- 25 Aboriginal Cultural Meet & Greet
- 29 Wicky Wrigglers
- 30 Year 3/4 Tennis Competition

December

- 6 Wicky Wrigglers
- 8 Presentation & Graduation Night
- 13 Reports to go home
- 14 Year 6 Graduation Fun Day
- 15 Students Last Day of Term



White Christmas pudding

Ingredients

225g (1 1/2 cups) plain flour
125g (1 1/2 cups) fresh white breadcrumbs
120g (3/4 cup) dried cranberries
100g (1/2 cup) red glace cherries
100g pistachio kernels
180g pkt white chocolate, chopped
175g salted butter, chopped, at room temperature

125ml (1/2 cup) sweetened condensed milk
100g (1/2 cup) caster sugar
3 eggs
180g white chocolate, melted, cooled
Vanilla custard, to serve

Method

In a large bowl, combine flour, breadcrumbs, cranberries, cherries, pistachio kernels and chopped white chocolate.

Use an electric beater to beat butter, condensed milk and sugar in a bowl until pale and creamy. Add the eggs, one at a time, beating well after each addition. Add the melted chocolate and beat until well combined. Use a wooden spoon to stir butter mixture into flour mixture until well combined.

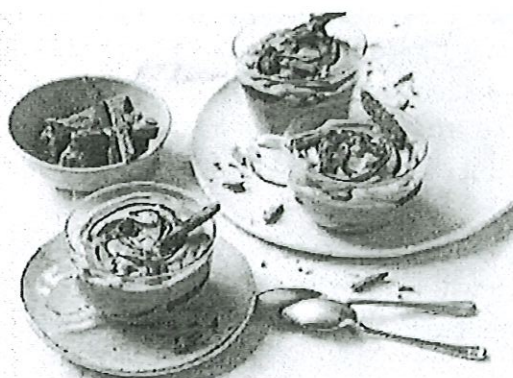
Spoon mixture into prepared pudding basin. Cover with a sheet of baking paper, then a sheet of foil, allowing paper to overhang side by 3-4cm. Secure paper and foil with a large rubber band, or tie tightly with kitchen string. Place in a large saucepan. Pour in boiling water to come three-quarters up the side of the basin. Cover. Cook over low heat for 4 hours, topping up the water when necessary, or until a skewer inserted into the centre comes out clean. Set aside, in basin, for 15 minutes to cool slightly before turning onto a serving plate.

Serve with vanilla custard.

Quick choc mousse

Ingredients

100g dark chocolate, chopped
300ml thickened cream, chilled
1/2 cup (165g) Coles Smooth Hazelnut Spread
Crumbled Cadbury Flake chocolate bar, to serve



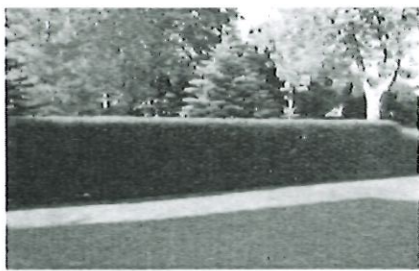
Method

Place dark chocolate in a heatproof bowl over a saucepan of simmering water (make sure bowl doesn't touch the water). Stir with a metal spoon for 3-4 mins or until chocolate just melts. Set aside for 5 mins to cool slightly.

Use an electric mixer to whisk the cream in a large bowl until soft peaks form. Add the choc-hazelnut spread and whisk until the mixture is just combined. Add the melted chocolate. Use a large metal spoon to gently marble.

Spoon the mousse evenly among serving glasses. Sprinkle with Flake bar and serve immediately.

Garden Snippets...



...Happy Hedging

Spring into Summer is the time of the year when everything is growing crazy – especially hedges and shrubs that are “hedge-types”- so now that the danger of frost (and snow) has passed, it’s time to give them a spruce up. Regular trimming and clipping helps to thicken up hedges, keeping them dense and bushy, clothed in fresh new growth and, in some cases, encourages flowering stems and brightly coloured new leaves – And (of course) it helps to keep your hedge in the nice shape that you want.

Why Clip and Trim?- Hedge clipping helps to improve the air flow through the plant, increases sunlight reaching the inner branches and stems and lets in the rainfall direct to the trunk and roots. This helps to keep plants healthy and green inside and out.

At the end of each growing shoot of your shrub is a hormone, which tells the shoot to keep growing in that direction. Once you remove the tip of a growing shoot, that growth hormone rushes backwards into the branch. The hormone has to go somewhere, and so it goes out of the sides of the branch to create new side-shoots – thus the plant becomes more dense and bushy.

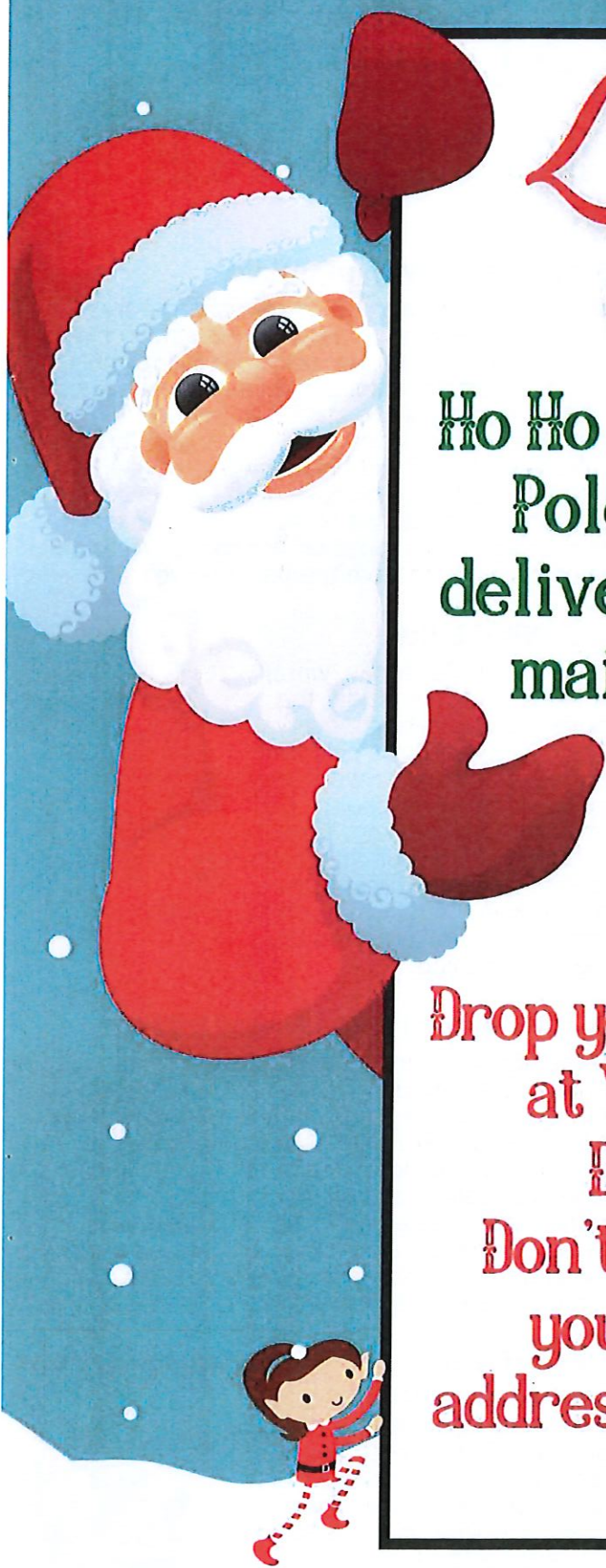
Clipping should be done with caution to avoid unsightly stumps of branches. Light trimming through the growing months will give a nice leafy finish, but over-enthusiastic clipping can leave you with a dead-looking bush for a few weeks or more. Try to choose hedging plants to ultimately suit the size that you require. If you need a 2m privacy screen, it is wise to choose a variety that reaches 2-3m fully grown and be patient. This is far wiser than choosing one that reaches 4-5m, that may reach your perfect height sooner, but always needs cutting back to size.

Hard Pruning – If you haven’t clipped your hedges in a while, if you’re rescuing a neglected garden, or if your shrubs are getting a bit overgrown, many will tolerate a heavy prune by cutting back hard into the old woody trunks and branches to help rejuvenate old bushes and bring young flowering stems down closer to eye level. If you are in doubt about hard-pruning, just look for leaf buds on your old plant then cut one branch to see if it re-generates. If it does, then you are good to prune.

Fertilize to Thrive - Your newly pruned plant is going to want to put out new shoots as a result of the pruning, which will require energy to grow, so follow pruning up with fertilising and watering to promote the new growth. Fresh mulch is also beneficial, just like a cup of hot sweet tea after a shock.

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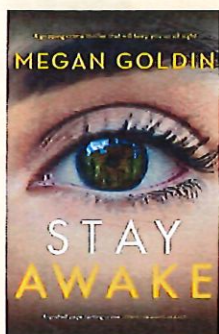
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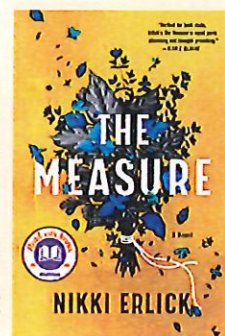
Adult Fiction Stay Awake - Megan Goldin



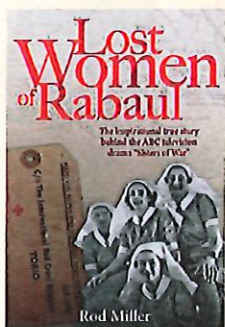
Liv Reese wakes up in the back of a taxi with no idea where she is or how she got there. When she's dropped off at the door of her brownstone, a stranger answers—a stranger who now lives in her apartment and forces her out. She reaches for her phone to call for help, only to discover it's missing, and in its place is a bloodstained knife. That's when she sees that her hands are covered in black pen, scribbled messages like graffiti on her skin: STAY AWAKE. Two years ago, Liv was living with her best friend, dating a new man, and thriving as a successful writer for a trendy magazine. Now, she's lost and disoriented in a New York City that looks nothing like what she remembers. Catching a glimpse of the local news, she's horrified to see reports of a crime scene where the victim's blood has been used to scrawl a message across a window, the same message that's inked on her hands. What did she do last night? And why does she remember nothing from the past two years?

Adult Large Print The Measure - Nikki Erlick

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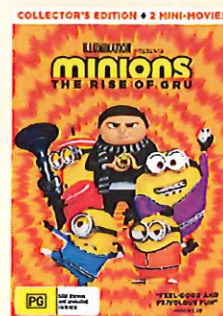
Adult Non Fiction Lost Women of Rabaul - Rod Miller



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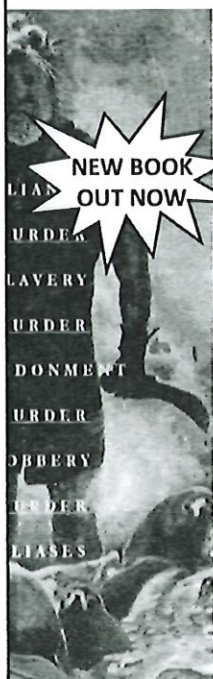
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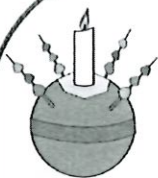


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Tim Cowcher will once again take care of the big juniors, ages Year 4 - 7, they will also train on Wednesdays at 5.00pm. We also require a replacement for Tim for next season.

The senior side which is Year 8's to 70 year old's will train on Thursdays at 5.15pm. Tangles McLean will once again be taking the reins as skipper.

Starting 26 October onwards:

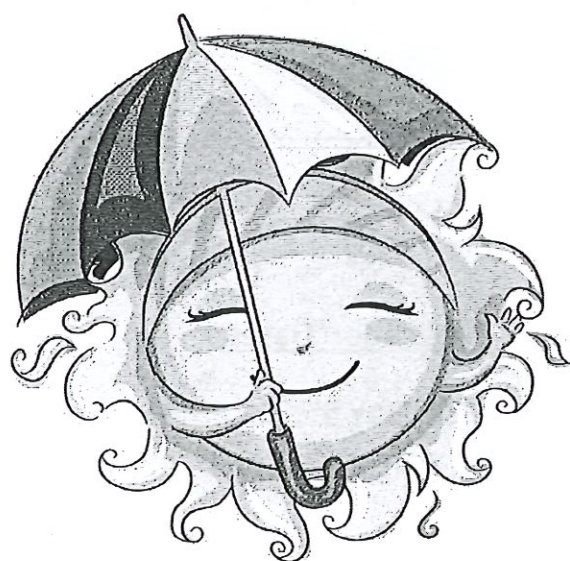
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Christmas is an exciting and magical time of year but the lead up to the big day can often be chaotic and stressful. With online shopping scams and delivery delays, Western Australian shoppers are urged to get on top of their Christmas shopping early to avoid disappointment.

Online shopping is an easy and convenient choice to buy Christmas gifts, but Western Australian shoppers should be aware of scammers looking to trick unsuspecting victims into buying a product they may never receive.

Already in 2022, WA ScamNet reports 354 Western Australians have lost a total of \$1,074,637 to online shopping scams through a range of fake websites and social media pages.

To be cyber safe when shopping online, look at the overall quality of the website or social media page. If there are grammatical errors, poorly edited images and no address for their location, it could be a scam.

Another red flag is the method of payment requested, only pay by credit card or a secure payment method like PayPal. That way, if something goes wrong, you can get your money back much easier. Don't be fooled into paying via electronic funds transfer, money order, pre-loaded money card or crypto currency as it is unlikely you will get your money back through this method if you don't receive your goods.

With record numbers of Australians shopping online, deliveries are already surging so it is recommended to do online shopping and post your Christmas gifts early. Check the guide on the Australia Post website for when to post parcels so they arrive in time for Christmas.

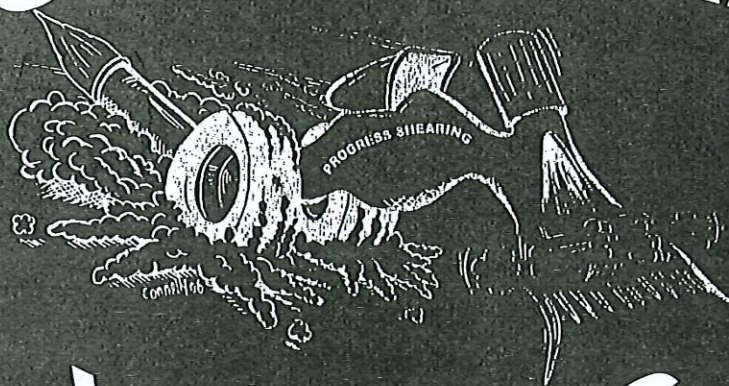
Online retailers should provide a timeframe for delivery and if your goods fails to arrive by the timeframe indicated (or within a reasonable amount of time if no timeframe was indicated), your Australian Consumer Law (ACL) rights mean you can ask for a refund or credit.

For goods that don't arrive, you can seek a chargeback from your financial institution if you paid via credit card. If you paid by PayPal you can lodge a dispute for a refund.

The best advice to ensure your Christmas gifts make it under the tree this year, is to shop in local brick and mortar stores or give preference to Western Australia online retailers.

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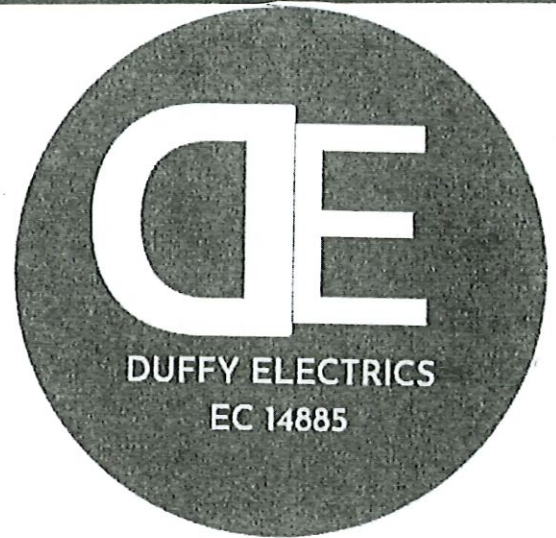
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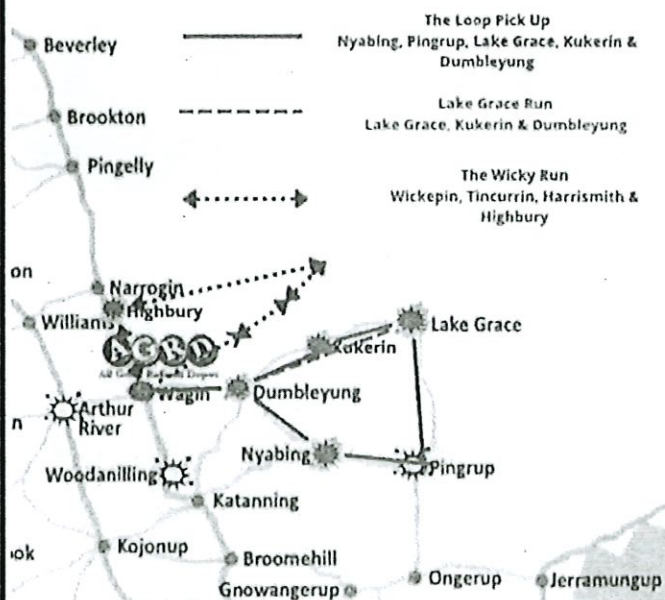
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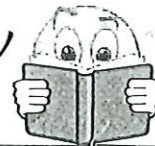
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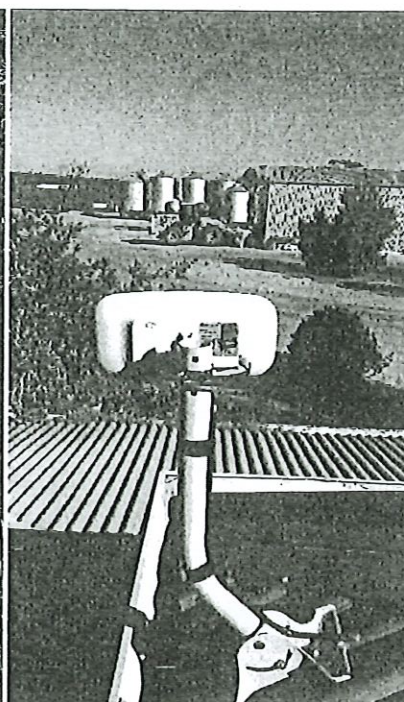
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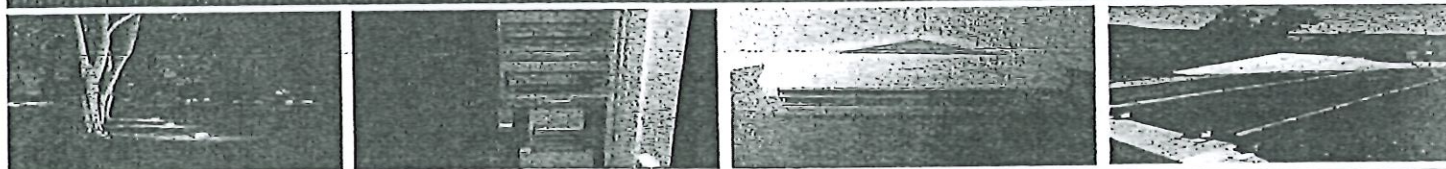
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Wickepin Bowling Club Notes

Tuesday 8th November: ladies' pennants was a good win for the club when the result was Wickepin 4 points Williams 0 points.

Aggregate: Wickepin 58 Williams 25. Pleased to hear that Wickepin are now on top of the pennant ladder – hope we can stay there!!



Wednesday 9th: Greg, Warren, Aaron and Bob enjoyed their bowls at Williams.

Friday 11th November: Marj, Beryl E, Leanne and Robyn travelled to Narembreen and played in terrible weather wind and rain before the last round was called off.

Saturday 12th November: pennant results:

1st Div: Wickepin 0 Points Williams 8 Points Aggregate Wickepin 40 Williams 122

2nd Div: Wickepin 2 Points Williams 4 Points Aggregate Wickepin 55 Williams 47

This was a very good result for 2nd Div considering two teams only had 3 players.

Thankyou to Joan from Narrogin who was a substitute for us.

Tuesday 15th Nov: pennants a double header at Pingelly

RESULTS: AM Wickepin 3 Points Brookton 1 Point Aggregate Wickepin 44 Brookton 33

PM Pingelly 4 Points Wickepin 0 Point Aggregate Pingelly 39 Wickepin 32

19th and 20th November: Marj, Beryl E and Robyn played in the ILRR Pairs at Gnowangerup.

Thankyou to Alison and Claire who are our League selectors and attended the two days.

Congratulations to Bev Davidson who played in the winning League South Central Arunga.

19th Nov: Saturday Pennants 2nd Division at Lake Yealering

Results: 2nd Div: Lake Yealering 1 Point Wickepin 5 Points Aggregate Lake Yealering 53 Wickepin 58

20th November: Wickepin hosted the League Mens Championship Fours and results were as follows:

Winners: Wickepin: Peter Bransby, Chris Moore, Colin Marsh, Alan Wyllie

Runners-Up: Williams Plate Winners: Pingelly

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WICKEPIN TEAM

Our Club Championship Triples both Men and Ladies will be held on Sunday 27th November.

Catering lists and kitchen roster have now been organised for the two Merino Fours days – there are copies on the notice boards at the club and I will also email everyone a copy of what is required and the times for work in the kitchen. If you have friends who would like to nominate a team for Merino Fours please encourage them to nominate ASAP.

Hope everyone has an enjoyable week.

LAKE YEALERING BOWLING CLUB 2022/2023 SEASON

PENNANT TEAMS: Saturday 12th November 2022 PENNANT BOWLS played at Yealering.
Darrel Sims, Todd Hill, Kevin Coxon, Sue Richards
Lois Shipley, Graeme Poultney, John McKenzie, John Sutton
Jimmy Hamilton, Kelly Cochrane, Brian Shipley, Winston Dunwell,
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WICKEPIN TENNIS CLUB

Our first junior coaching session was a great success, with the kids getting some fabulous lessons from Mr. O'Brien.

The second session is this Friday 25th November, the 6-8 year olds start at 4.45pm and the 9+ year olds start at 5.20pm. Parent help is required on court for both year groups.

On Saturday 26th November is our Junior Doubles Tournament. All members are reminded to bring a large plate of afternoon tea. Nominations are open until Wednesday 23rd November in U/10 and U/13 Divisions for Boys and Girls Doubles Teams.

Contact Stefie Green on 0428 144 802 to nominate.

Social tennis has been well attended of late, with Friday nights seemingly better suited this time of year. It was fantastic to have four courts going a couple of weeks ago, with a large number of casual players having a go at tennis.

Upcoming Social Tennis:

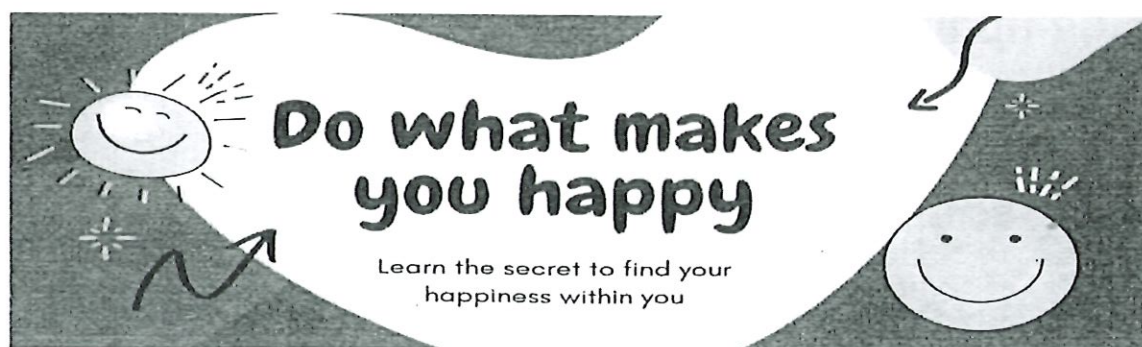
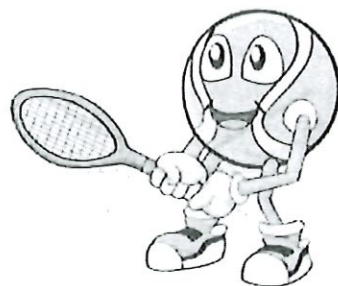
Friday 25th November – 5pm Social Tennis & BBQ (Junior Tournament Setup)

Sunday 4th December – 2pm Social Tennis

Friday 9th December – 5pm Social Tennis

Friday 16th December – 5pm Social Tennis

Friday 23rd December – 5pm Christmas Dress Up Social Tennis & BBQ





SNOWBALL

I MADE MYSELF A SNOWBALL,
AS PERFECT AS COULD BE,
I THOUGHT I'D KEEP IT AS A PET,
AND LET IT SLEEP WITH ME.
I MADE IT SOME PYJAMAS,
AND A PILLOW FOR ITS HEAD.
THEN LAST NIGHT IT RAN AWAY,
BUT FIRST, IT WET THE BED!

-SHEL SILVERSTEIN

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

DECEMBER

- Fri 2nd Shire of Wickepin Seniors Christmas Luncheon 11.30-3pm @ the Wickepin Community Centre
- Fri 2nd Nominations close for 2022 Community Awards.
- Sun 4th Christingle and Carol Service @ St Johns Anglican Church @ 10am
- Mon 5th Watershed News**
- Thurs 8th Wickepin Primary School Presentation and Graduation night
- Fri 9th Entries close Christmas Lights Competition
- Wed 14th Watershed News final edition for 2022**
- Wed 14th Letter to Santa to be dropped off to Wickepin CRC
- Wed 14th Shire of Wickepin: Ordinary Meeting of Council @3.30pm
- Wed 14th Yealering Primary School Graduation & End of Year Concert 6.30pm @ Yealering Town hall
- Thurs 15th Last day of School Term 4
- Fri 16th to Wed 21st BreastScreen WA Mobile @ Wickepin Sports Club. Appointment only.
- Fri 23rd Shire of Wickepin office closed 4.30pm.. Re-opens Tuesday 3rd Jan 2023
- Sun 25th Christmas Day
- Mon 26th Boxing Day
- Tues 27th Public Holiday for Christmas Day
- Sat 31st New Years Eve

JANUARY 2023

No Anglican church services in January

Thur 26th Australia Day Breakfast in Wickepin.

FEBRUARY

Mon 6th First edition of Watershed News for 2023

