WATERSHED NEWS

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30th August 2022



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Upper Great Southern Football League

GRAND FINAL

SUNDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER 2022 at Williams Sports Ground

Great outing for Father's Day to Support your Team

WATERSHED NEWS INC - COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER

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Next edition of Watershed News

Monday 12th September 2022

Community News



Birthday greetings to Kirralee Mallet, Rory McDougall, Philip Russell,
Matthew Thompson, Sarah Martin, Peter Arnol, Alexander Heffernan, Emily Bennier,
Graham Wyllie, Stirling Matthews, Tiffany Flood, Amelia Murray, Tayla Dunn,
Kate Wyllie, Keith Bushby, Rhys Angwin, Glenn Leeson, Dale Hill, Ammers Miley

Thank you to Paramedics Quinlan and Kelly for attending to Keith Bushby recently. A good call to take him to hospital where he was diagnosed with Pneumonia. Thankfully all is well, and Keith returned home after a couple of days.



There was a large crowd at the Wickepin oval on Sunday the 28th August as the Wickepin Football Club hosted the Preliminary Grand Final. No Wickepin teams were playing as the B & D Grades didn't make the finals. The Wickepin A Grade went straight into the Grand Final, having had a fantastic season, finishing minor premiers. They play against Boddington at Williams on Sunday the 4th September. The game starts at 2.30pm. It would be great to have a large crowd of supporters there to cheer on the team. Good luck !!!

Take a drive down to the Wagin Recreation Centre (7 Ballagin Street) on Saturday September 3rd at 1pm and cheer on the Wickepin A2 Netball Team in their preliminary final! Let's go Warriors!!!



The Yealering Lake is looking beautiful as the water is still over the jetty and water is all around the railway line and visible as you drive into town. The water that was over a few of the roads has subsided and the paddocks are starting to dry out. There were many stories about people getting bogged, even to the point that they were keeping tallies. Bring on Spring!!!!

Sunday the 4th September is Father's Day. Wishing all the dads a wonderful day.



St John Ambulance Wood Raffle

Thank you to everyone in the community who supported our recent raffle. The winner was Lyn Frawly who was very appreciative of the wood in time for one of our coldest nights.

Our sincere thanks to Stephen and Linley Rose for their very generous donation of the 750 kilos of cut, split and delivered white gum. Thank you also to Wickepin Newsagency and Ewen Rural Supplies for allowing us to put tickets on their counters, and to Janet & Pete who kindly manned the

raffle table at the Market Day on Sunday. We are very appreciative of your support.



Save the date!!!!

Fun Friday @ Yealering CWA
9th September 2022
1pm-2.30pm- games, cards, scrabble etc
From 2.30pm- join the fun for a chat and a cuppa
Donation to cover the hall hire and afternoon tea
All proceeds to Yealering Progress Association
All Welcome





29.07.1929 - 26.07.2022

West Chapel Fremantle Cemetery 11th August 2022

Celebrant Fr Gerald Tan

The pallbearers were the four grandsons, Grayden Bartlett, Jack Hewitson, Ryan Melvin and Royce Melvin who each wore one of John's ties.

Eulogy

It's an honour to be standing up here today to say a few words about the man we called DAD.

For those of you who don't know me, I am Jan, the eldest of the Melvin children.

Firstly, I'd like to thank you all for attending today, to pay tribute to Dad's life.

I'm certain he would not have envisaged such numbers. The older he got he used to often say 'by the time it comes around to my turn there won't be many left to come to my funeral'. Well Dad, on this occasion you didn't get it right.

A special thank you to those of you who have travelled from afar, particularly Aunty Maureen from NZ and I also can't go past thanking all those of you who turned up last Thursday, a week early. Rest assured Dad has had the last laugh.

JOHN EDWARD MELVIN was born in North Perth on the 29th July 1929 to Myra & Jack Melvin, farmers from Coorow. He was the second child and only son, with older sister Vera and younger sister Betty.

At the age of seven Dad went to boarding school at the Three Springs Convent. When a school bus finally began to run, Dad returned home to the farm and attended the local Coorow school.

Our Nanna thought he was a diligent student as he was always keen to get to the bus stop early, however this was only, so he had enough time to remove his shoes and socks then hide them in the bush before the school bus arrived. Being the only child with shoes and socks he wanted to be the same as all the other kids.

High school once again saw Dad return to boarding school this time to St Pat's CBC in Geraldton, where he remained until he completed his Junior certificate. It was during this time that he developed a great dislike for the wind, despite this he became a font of information about the different winds and in fact about most things that pertained to the weather. He loved the smell of the petrichor when the opening rains arrived.

As was expected back then, Dad returned home to work on the farm in Coorow.

It was December 1955 at a local Coorow dance that Dad first met mum. Mum had been given her family Christmas present early, a pair of clip-on earrings to wear. In typical Dad fashion, during the night Dad somehow managed to pinch one. His only condition of return was if he could take Mum home that night.

It was the genesis of a 67year old love story.

They were engaged in March 1957. In June that same year the Coorow farm was sold and Dad moved with his parents to the farm at Yealering, leaving behind his fiancée.

They were only to see each other three more times before marrying in February 1958.

18 months later in August 59 I came along followed by Kerry 25 months later, then Wendy 25 months later and have you guessed, yes 25 months later Kim.

Clearly a man of precision!

At Yealering Mum & Dad became active community members particularly in sporting clubs. Dad played football only ever wearing a long sleeve jumper and was part of a winning grand final not long after moving to Yealering.

He played social and pennant tennis, golf and later bowls; an all-rounder who played sport for the enjoyment.

Not to forget another favourite activity - drinking a beer with friends under those infamous Yealering pine trees either after a day of sport or during the local dance, escaping the dance floor, a place where Mum could always be found.

Testament to Dad's club involvement he was President & Captain of the Yealering Tennis and Bowls Clubs. Treasurer of the Golf Club and like many others, possibly some of you present here today, the 19th hole was his favourite ...where he enjoyed socialising with his mates.

Dad's passions were farming, travel, friends and family.

Dad had a connection to land and country. There wasn't much he didn't know about it.

Uncle Jock told us recently that when The Beers and Melvin's arrived In Yealering in the late 50's there was some scepticism around their farming abilities. Ironically those first years they produced some of the best crops in the district and this was not to be 'a one off.' One of Dad's greatest pleasures was stripping a good crop.

Dad was an accomplished farmer with one of the neatest and tidiest farms I've ever been on. He was mechanically skilled. Whether the repair of a broken part or the ability to build one. Dad always said, 'you can fix anything with 2 blocks of wood and some fencing wire'. He once repaired a guy's vehicle on the Canning Stock route good enough so he could get back to Melbourne. He rang Dad to thank him on his arrival home in Melbourne. As daughters we all have special items that Dad made for us; they will always be cherished.

The ethic of a hard day's work was never too far from Dad. This was evident when he worked longer hours to run a piggery as a sideline to earn extra to enable us all to go to boarding school, despite the fact he disliked pigs.

Once we were all educated the piggery went. We will be forever grateful for his extra hard work that allowed us the education we all had.

He enjoyed multiple trips overseas to Asia. A sheep and cattle tour to South Africa in 1978. Then the infamous cruise of the Pacific islands with the Hillers and Wickepin friends!

On a trip to the US Dad celebrated his 60th Birthday in Las Vegas. In stark contrast his 80th birthday was in a two-man tent in Alice Springs with Mum travelling with the Kerruishs. He enjoyed both equally.

Trips to the UK and Europe when Kerry and Denis were living over there and then to Austria and Egypt with Wendy & Brad. Dad had an enquiring interest in history and it was always enjoyable hearing him recount his overseas experiences.

As children we well remember the fun had camping outback in the Pilbara, Goldfields, Kimberley & South Australia with the Hillers and Whites.

Then there were the annual summer highlights of beach holidays to Rockingham, caravan holidays in Mandurah and crabbing with Uncle John. Bunbury, Denmark, Esperance and many other coastal destinations. Dad didn't need a COVID pandemic to initiate the discovery of our large diverse state, and as children we were the beneficiaries.

In later years Mum and Dad travelled up the Canning Stock Route, the Gun Barrell Highway, the Savannah Way up to the tip of Cape York via the telegraph track, to Lambert's Centre – The centre of Australia and then Old Andado station on the edge of the Simpson desert and so many more, too many to mention.

Dad always looked forward to these trips and embraced the outback.

Like all of us, he wasn't perfect.

There were times in the sheep yards when we saw a different side to Dad, often with a rogue whether coming off second best.

The sheep dogs also soon learnt that obedience was probably the best policy.

He also had an aversion to two stroke engines, Mum often retrieving a lawn mower part that Dad had hurled in frustration into the ram's paddock.

He hated cooked carrots and told us as children he was allergic to them and that the doctor had told him never to eat them, of course we believed him.

He loved a cold beer on a hot day or even on a cold day. He was the king of teasing whether it was either scaring mum with a dead snake or putting a live bobtail in the peg basket or having the dogs hop around on 3 legs after putting their front paw through the collar.

In later years the teasing attention moved to the grandchildren. Grandad teased each and every one of them in a special loving way. In recent years with the arrival of his treasured great grandson Ollie, we saw the same special connection and the teasing now refined, continued.

Nothing brought Dad greater joy than the achievements of his grandchildren, he was enormously proud of each and every one of you, being a humble man, he wasn't one to brag, in his heart he knew he had done his job.

He loved you all dearly. This was reciprocated when each one of you spoke to Dad in his final days to tell HIM just that.

So, what made him so special to us?

A Gentleman who had a twinkle in his eye - often of few words who would always consider his every response.

A man of integrity with a strong moral compass, he was generous & loyal, he imbued family values of love, respect and honesty.

He was hard working and he loved dogs.

He could mix in all circles and relate to any age group and he made lifelong friends.

He gave us the freedom to explore life, travel, challenge ourselves and dare to be different, always knowing we had his love and support.

None of this would have been possible without the partnership, love and support of Mum, the love of his life, his best friend and strongest supporter and as Dad's health declined in recent months his carer. Thank you, Mum.

Evidence to this – last year Kerry had completed another course and she asked Dad 'Do you have any regrets in life Dad?' He thought about the question (as he always did) and replied 'I can tell you one thing, I've never regretted, marrying your mother'.

Dad, so many marvellous achievements, a fulfilled life.

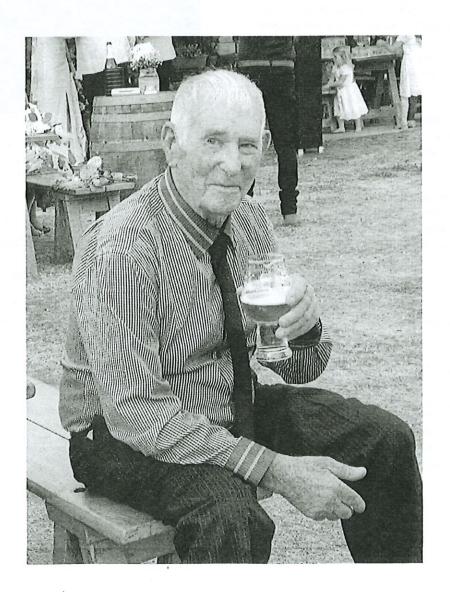
To us you were simply the best!

You have closed the gate for the last time, you'll always be in our hearts. We will be forever comforted by the fact that you knew what you meant to us –

When Mum told you 'We all loved you' your final words were 'I know'

Thank you, Dad.

Your job is done, it is now your time to rest in peace ...until we meet again. xxxx





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22 August 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Week 6 is here and we are on the downhill slope to end of term three. Wow, is the only word that comes to mind!

As glimpses of sunshine start to be seen and a touch of warmth during the day after the freezing mornings, Spring is certainly on its way.

There is lots going on around the school, cleaning out of our several sheds, we now have 3 flagpoles in place; the gardens around the gazebo are getting a make-over and new cupboards are being installed into Room 4 and the Art Room.

The students are trying to get in as much training as possible with the impending Small School Sports Carnival coming up in Week 9. The weather hasn't been favourable for practice but with the Wicky Spirit I am confident that all students will be giving their best both this Wednesday at time trials as well as on the day.

I am looking forward to seeing the array of costumes this Thursday as we have all our favourite books represented in the book week parade. This day is not only an excitable fun-filled day but also a wonderful reminder around the importance of reading. Mrs Rose does a wonderful job in our library encouraging students to discover a love of reading and uncover and explore the magic that lies between the pages of a book.

I wish you all well and hope the sun continues to shine.

Camp Planning

Camp planning is well underway and Mrs Norwell and I will be working hard to try to get a letter to you by the end of the week. This should outline activities and costing information.

Year 6 Students Enrolments

If your child is attending Narrogin SHS next year, could you please ensure you hand in your enrolment forms to the front office as soon as possible. NSHS would like to start getting to know your child and involving them in any transition days and further information sessions.

School Photos

Thursday 22 September, the last week of Term 3, is now booked for school photos with Fotoworks.

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, Kerrianne Mills Bookweek 2022 This year's Bookweek theme is Dreaming with eyes open.

This Thursday 25th will be our parade, at 9.00am in the undercover area.

Students can dress as their favourite book character.





2023 Kindergarten Enrolments

2023 kindergarten enrolments are now due!
Please call 9888 2300 or email wickepin.ps@education.wa.edu.au for an application form.

Notice of Meeting

The Wickepin Primary School Council's next meeting will be held on Wednesday 24 August. The meeting is open to parents and community members and begins at 5.00pm at the school. No RSVP required, if you would like more information, contact Carmen on 0438 881 053.

Dates to Remember

August

24 School Council Meeting

25 Book Week Parade 9.00am

September

1 Footy Colours Day

9 Road/Bike Safety Day

16 Small Schools Athletics Carnival

20 K/PP Assembly

22 School Photos

23 Last Day of School

COUNCIL NOTES



30 AUGUST 2022

BUDGET 2022/2023

Council adopted its 2022/2023 budget on 17 August 2022 and resolved to increase the GRV rates by 5% and UV rates by 5% on 2021/2022, levying a total of \$1,596,361. With properties being re-valued in 2022/23 some properties with valuation increase may have a rate rise higher than 5%. Minimums have risen to \$525.

Budget Highlights:

Construction of New Housing

4 x new aged housing units (carry over) \$836,675

Community Amenities

\$40,000 Harrismith Public Toilets (carry over)

Recreation and Culture

Replace Roller Community Centre \$10,000 Wogolin Rd Recreation Area \$415,000 \$282,772 **Upgrade Yealering Toilet Block** \$12,000 Electric Stove at Yealering Hall

Transport

Roads to Recovery

Yarling Brook Rd	\$188,136
Yealering Pingelly Rd	\$115,644
Malyalling Rd	\$65,879
Regional Road Group	
Rabbit Proof Fence Rd	\$1,257,924
Stock Route Rd	\$319,818
Wickepin Pingelly Rd	\$156,396
Bridges - Yarling Brook Rd	\$189,154
Black Spot	
Gillimanning Rd	\$329,600

Plant

2022 Isuzu Stnsdn x 2	\$10,000
2021 Isuzu DMax 4x4	\$10,000
2019 Colorado Dual Cab	\$18,000

Tourism and Area Promotion

Saleyard Walkways	\$56,000
Saleyard Ramps	\$10,000

Community Grants Scheme

The following groups have been funded for various projects;

Wickepin History Group	\$8,558
Wickepin District Sports Club	\$9,000
Harrismith Golf Club	\$9,817

RATES 2022/23

Payment of rates by the due date of Thursday 29 September 2022 will entitle you to receive 10% discount.

Should you wish to pay by instalments, the first instalment must be paid in full by the due date of 29 September 2022. The instalment option cannot be selected if the first instalment is not paid in full by the due date.

If you have not received your rates notice or are experiencing financial hardship please contact the shire office prior to the due date on 9888 1005 or email dceo@wickepin.wa.gov.au.

JOHNSTON ST INDEPENDENT LIVING UNITS

Work is progressing on the Independent Living Units.

Cladding and electrical works are currently in progress with the roofing and guttering expected to commence this week.





77 Wogolin Road, PO Box 19 WICKEPIN 6370 Phone: 9888 1005 Fax: 9888 1074

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COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER **FULL TIME POSITION**

An opportunity exists for an enthusiastic, self-motivated person to fill the position of Community Development Officer at the Shire of Wickepin 38 hours per week.

Remuneration will be based on the Local Government Industry Award 2010 starting at a Level 5 depending on qualifications and experience.

For information on how to apply, please contact the Shire Office on 9888 1005 or email eso@wickepin.wa.gov.au. Details are also available on the Shire of Wickepin website www.wickepin.wa.gov.au.

Applications will be reviewed upon receipt, the final close of application will be Friday 26 August 2022 at 4.00pm and should be addressed 'Private & Confidential.'

The Shire of Wickepin is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Noel Mason Acting Chief Executive Officer





This support is available to anyone residing in the southern Wheatbelt who has been impacted by the recent bushfires. Assistance will be tallored to your needs and will focus on exploring the challenges that you may be experiencing, and to help you to access other support services,

Holyoake has an experienced counsellor available to support you. Our counsellor has a background in broadacre wheat and sheep farming and has experienced first-hand the devastating impacts that a bushfire can have on an Individual and unity. If you're feeling the affects of the recent bushfires, please reach out for help



More information:









The next DrumMuster will be held on:

Tuesday, 6 September 2022

Collection is between the hours of 8.00am & 4.30pm by appointment only.

Bookings are essential. Contact the shire office on 9888 1005 for appointments advising of number of drums for disposal.

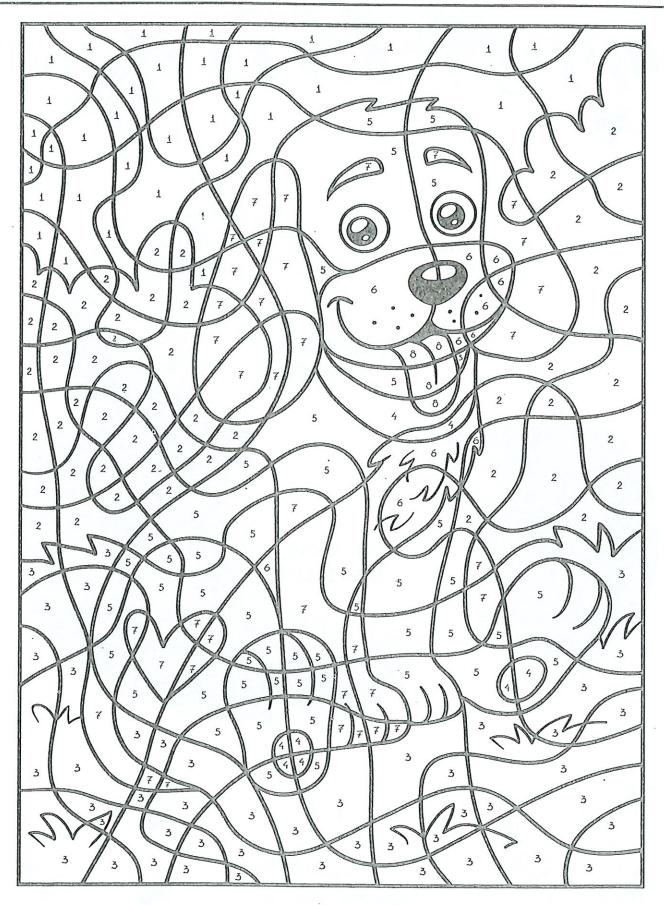




UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS 2022			
Wed 7 Sept	Townscape Mtg	9.30am	
Tue 13 Sept	BFCO Meeting	7pm	
Wed 21 Sept	Ordinary Council Meeting	3.30pm	

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KIDS CORNER



1 = Blue 3 = Light green 5 = Orange 7 = Brown

2 = Green 4 = Yellow 6 = Pink 8 = Red



Austin Ewen 30/08/2015

Hamish Stacey 2/09/2013

Dylan Miller 5/09/2011

Imogen March 5/09/2012

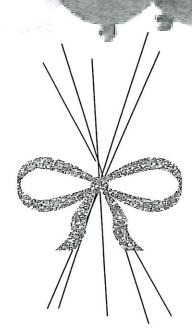
Elli Baker 5/09/2013

Dylan Green 7/09/2011

Mason Vitalone 9/09/2013

Grace Ewen 12/09/2012









WICKEPIN SUNDAY MARKETS



Our market day on August 28 was another enjoyable day, a big thank you to all of our stall holders for attending. An extra shout-out to our outside stall holders who bravely endured the wind, (that felt like it was coming straight off the South Pole) and eagerly awaited the moments when the sun would break through the clouds, providing some relief from the chill! Despite the fact that it was cold, we were very thankful that we didn't receive any rain!



It was fantastic to see some out of towners wander over from the footy prelim's; your support is very much appreciated, and we hope that you all enjoyed browsing the stalls.











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Saturday 10th September 10am to 9pm

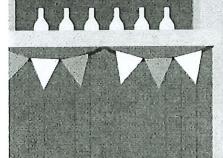
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- · yummy food · sheep dog trials
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- Rich selection of profitable soil types, red and grey loams, loam over clays and some sandy gravels
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- · Well serviced by dams and scheme water supply
- Owners will retain access and use of the homesteads and infrastructure for term of lease

Preference given to:

- ✓ Minimum 20% arable area as sheep enterprise
- ✓ No GM
- No burning of stubbles

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Preference given to:

- No burning of stubbles
- No GM

Initial term 3 year lease commencing 1st March 2023 Viewing prior to 30th September 2022, by appointment only

EXPRESSIONS OF INTERESTClosing Thursday 6th October 2022 at 2pm

All reasonable offers considered
Highest or any offers not necessarily accepted

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2022 FIELD DAY CALENDAR

Narrogin Ram Shed Tuesday, August 16
Rabobank WA Sheep Expo & Ram Sale, Katanning Thursday & Friday, August 18 & 19
Newdegate Machinery Field Days Wednesday & Thursday, September 7 & 8



2022 SALE GROUP AVERAGES: 19.6 MICRON, 99.5% CF, 110KG+ BODYWEIGHT

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Lewisdale performance and productivity drives clients' profits



> Lewisdale stud representative of 55 years John Sherlock (left) and Lewisdale stud principal Ray Lewis.



> 31kg Lewisdale dual purpose lamb carcases.



> Long-time Lewisdale clients Rebecca and Fenton Dean (37 years), Sancta Monica Farms, Tardun and Stephen Fowler (40 years), Jumbuk Plains, Boyatup via Esperance, were Elders Supreme Clip of the Sale winners for the 2021/22 wool selling season.

LEWISDALE stud principal Ray Lewis believes the two 'Ps,' performance and productivity, drive profitability in a commercial Merino sheep enterprise.

commercial Merino sheep enterprise.

He said commercial sheepman should capitalise on the true dual purpose traits of the Merino which Lewisdale has been hinging its breeding objectives on for decades.

This sees the Lewisdale Poll Merino stud, situated at Wickepin, focus primarily on fertility and high lambing percentages, quick maturity, carcase weight and heovy cutting, quality white wool to remain at the forefront of dual purpose breeding.

"This ensures our clients capitalise on sheep meat and wool

This ensures our clients capitalise on sheep meat and wool markets with a true dual purpose Merino, Ray said.

"Our breeding philosophies have been in place for a long time and positions Lewisdale well to maximise profits for our commercial clients with a high carcase and wool value

Ray said commercial sheep producers need to wean more meat and cut more wool and selecting the correct genetics is

mear and cur more woor and selecting the correct genetics is critical to maximising productivity and profitability.

"Profitability is in the number of weaned lambs and surplus sheep sold and with the right type of early maturing, dual purpose Merino, producers can wean lambs early and carry more ewes," he said.

"Lewisdale clients are achieving lambing rates up to 130 per cent and with sheepmeat prices selling at more than 650c/kg dressed weight for mutton and 800c/kg DWT for lamb in the

past 12 months, plus the value in the wool cut, the true dual purpose Merino is a valuable product.

Symbolising the dual purpose traits of Lewisdale's breeding is

Symbolising the dual purpose traits of Lewisdale's breeding is long-time Lewisdale client Joe Della Vedova, Condingup, who has been sourcing Lewisdale rams since the late 1970s.

The Della Vedova family join 12,500 Lewisdale blood ewes to Lewisdale Merino rams and Joe said the dual purpose traits of the Lewisdale sheep provide superior returns in their sheep enterprise. enterprise.

enterprise.

The operation's late April-drop wether lambs are shorn and weaned onto pastures in late September and confinement finished on pellets if and when paddock protein finishes.

The wethers are shorn again prior to being turned off as lambs to WAMMCO at target weights of 25 to 30 kilograms dressed weights.

Joe said with the lambs cutting around 3kg of wool at each shearing and the carcase value, it's a profitable part of his sheep enterprise.

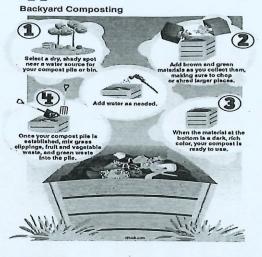
The Lewisdale genetics allow the lambs to grow out and we have found the carcase to wool gross margin outdo a prime lamb enterprise," he said.

"We have always come back to Lewisdale, their sheep shine.
"They present well and perform well and the numbers are
here, as well as the wealth of information that comes from Ray.
"It's a uniquely Australian product and we are keeping it

going into the future.



Garden Snippets...



...Trash to Treasure

Turn household waste into a garden helper with these ease composting tips...

We all know that we can do more to reduce household waste, and one ease and productive way to cut down your rubbish is by Composting. It's the natural process of recycling organic waste into a nutrient-rich fertilizer for the garden. This improves the soil and helps it hold moisture and nutrients, enhancing the overall growing conditions for your plants.

Your choice of composting system comes down to Space and the Type of waste that you have. Traditional composting involves layering food and household and garden waste into an above-ground bin or tumbler, but if you have mostly kitchen scraps, choose a worm farm or bokashi bin. A bokashi bin can be kept in the kitchen where it breaks down food scraps through fermentation, while a worm farm should be outdoors in a cool or shaded spot. Both systems are great if you are time poor, and are as easy as throwing scraps into the rubbish bin.

Above-ground compost bins are ideal if you have the space. You can process more food scraps and large amounts of garden waste. Position bins or tumblers in an easily accessible spot – a shadier setting will help the compost stay moist, while direct sun will speed up the composting process.

Recipe for Success: The type of waste added to compost bins is the key to success. You need alternating layers of nitrogen-based (green) and carbon-based (brown) materials. Greens consist of food scraps, grass clippings and fresh garden clippings. Browns consist of small twigs and branches, straw, newspaper and non-glossy paper and cardboard.

Get into the habit of tearing or cutting up the materials into small pieces as this helps increase the rate of decomposition.

Water and Oxygen are also essential. Introduce oxygen by aerating your compost regularly, which in turn promotes microbial activity, which helps break down the materials faster. Use a compost aerator to bring more air into the mix. Only a small amount of water is required – not too wet, but not too dry – in order to create the moist environment which will allow the microbes to flourish.

Balance: For the perfect compost, balancing all of the elements is important. One part Green to two parts Brown, Aerate frequently and Maintain moisture levels.

The result of this recipe will turn waste problems into garden solutions.

Maturity Timing: The time to mature varies between systems – a compost bin can take as little as four weeks, but a worm farm can take three to six months. Compost is ready to use when it becomes dark brown, crumbly and has an earthy smell. It also needs to be cool to touch. If it is hotter than ambient outdoor temperature, it needs to rest before use.

Once ready, spread it in existing pots and beds or use it to prepare new planting zones.



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Thursday
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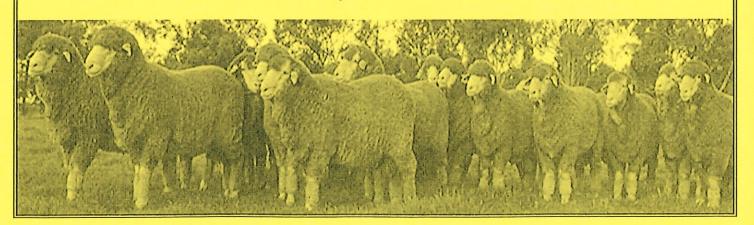
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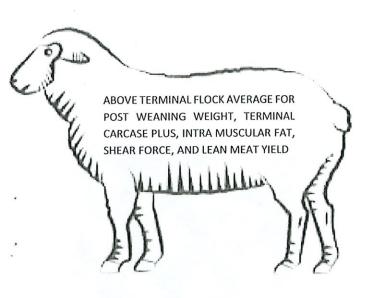


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BOW TIE PASTA

INGREDIENTS:-

2 ½ Cups Bow-Tie Pasta

6 cups chopped lettuce

1 medium Tomato, diced

4 Bacon Strips

½ cup Ranch Dressing

1 tablespoon barbeque sauce

METHOD:



In a large bowl add the lettuce, tomato bacon pieces and pasta. Stir in dressing and barbeque sauce. Season with Salt and Pepper to taste.



NO BAKE LEMON COCONUT SLICE

Ingredients

BASE

2 x 250g sweet plain biscuits crushed

1 cup desiccated coconut

395g sweetened condensed milk

200g unsalted butter melted

1/3 cup lemon juice

2 lemons, rinds and seeds removed

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3 tbs lemon juice

50g unsalted butter melted

2 cups icing sugar

Method

Line a 20 x 30cm plastic airtight container with baking paper, leaving 5cm overhang on edges.

Mix biscuits and coconut in a large bowl. Add all other base ingredients and combine well.

Press mixture evenly into container and refrigerate.

Icing: Combine all ingredients and mix until smooth

Spread evenly over slice and refrigerate until firm. Cut into squares to serve.





PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION FOR THE 2023 CALENDAR



The shire of Wickepin Through the Lens



Get your entries in by COB Wednesday 21 September

- Each applicant may enter a maximum of 4 photos.
- Photos must be landscape orientation and of sufficient resolution (generally 1MB or larger).
- Photos must be taken within the Shire of Wickepin.
- There will be a public vote to determine the winning photos.
- Winners will receive recognition of their photo in the 2023 calendar and their own free copy.
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FACEY GROUP SEPTEMBER FIELD WALK



Location: Alan Manton & Kelly Pearce's

1118 Bullaring Road, Yealering

Date:

Thursday 1st Sept 2022

Time:

BBQ Breakfast - 7:30am

Field Walk 8:00-11:00am

To RSVP: Text Amy 0409 868 514



On the Agenda:

Wheat Fertiliser Comparison Strips: 80,100,120kg/ha Vigour DAVID HULL, SUMMIT FERTILIZERS

Farmer Demonstration Barley Variety Comparison: Beast,
Commodus, Cyclops, Minitour & Scope
FLOYD SULLIVAN, AGT

Crop Safety and Efficacy of Overwatch in Barley NATHAN BUEGEE, FMC

Origo: Remote Monitoring, Automation and Control ANNIE BROX, ORIGO









Break Crop Field Walk

Tuesday 13th September 2022

7:30am BBQ Breakfast (supplied by Summit Fertilizers)

Clinton Hemley & Skye Moxham's Property
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Presentation from Mark Seymour - DPIRD on Grain Legumes

View April & June sown Faba beans, Chick Peas, Field Peas and Vetch

9:00am

Tim Fleay's Property Fleay Road: -32.7661369, 117.5719989

Presentation from Andrew Heinrich - Advanta Canola System Technology Innovation Trial

Also viewing of Canola NVT (co-located with Advanta trial)

RSVP to Amy via text on 0409 868 514





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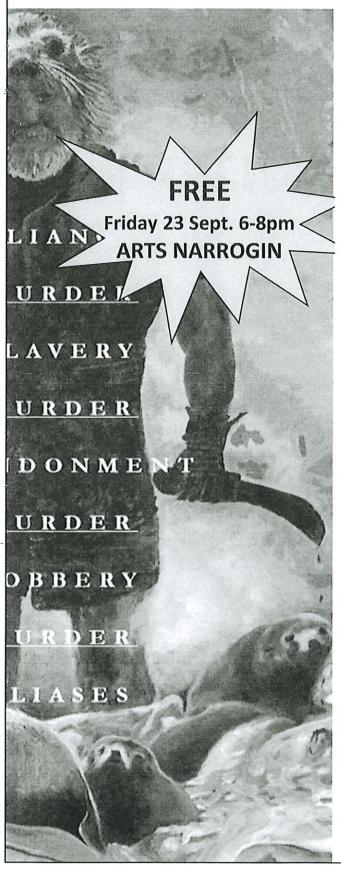




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6-8 pm Friday 23rd September 2022
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Date	Time	Location	Sites
27/09/2022	9AM	WB EVA PAVILION	BROOKTON / DALE / MT KOKEBY / ALDERSYDE
28/09/2022	9AM	WILLIAMS RSL HALL	NARRAKINE / WANDERING / NARROGIN
28/09/2022	14:30PM	WICKEPIN REC CENTRE	WICKEPIN
20/09/2022	9AM	KONDININ COUNTRY CLUB	KONDININ
20/09/2022	1PM	KULIN REC CENTRE	KULIN
21/09/2022	1PM	CORRIGIN HOTEL	CORRIGIN / BULYEE
22/09/2022	3РМ	BRUCE ROCK CLUB	SHACKLETON
27/09/2022	9AM	WB EVA PAVILION	BROOKTON / DALE / MT KOKEBY / ALDERSYDE

For more information, contact your local CBH office or visit cbh.com.au/harvest/pre-harvest-meetings

Rainfall registered at the Wickepin Post Office

2021	mm	Days	Total	2022	mm	Days	Total
January	4.4	2		January	0.0	0	0.0
February	37.0	3		February	5.0	1	5.0
		5		March	20.8	6	25.8
March	49.2				15.0	4	40.8
April	34.6	2	125.2				
May-	115.5	9	240.7		43.6	6	85.2
June	28.3	9	269.0		60.2	8	145.4
July	146.4	21	415.4	July	53.8	12	199.2
August	58.6	10	474.0	August	79.2	11	278.4
September	20.8	8	494.8	September			
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Mondays:

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Fit Pursuit 6am-6.45am @ Wickepin Community Centre

Tuesdays:

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

Pathology Service~ Appointment Only @ Wickepin Health Centre

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

Wednesdays:

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

Thursdays:

Fit Pursuit 6am-6.45am @ Wickepin Community Centre

Wickepin Playgroup 9.30am – 11.30am during school term.

Local Vocals with Mazz – 6pm in Narrogin

Saturdays:

Banksia Bowmen Archery- Wickepin Community Centre @ 9am

Club Equipment Available

Sundays:

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

Pot Club Bowls Sundays May – September @ 10am



Harvester Set-Up Workshops





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TARIN ROCK

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MERREDIN

Tuesday 20th Sept

9:00am - 1:30pm Register: trybooking.com/CBJHJ

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Tuesday 13th Sept 9:00am - 1:30pm

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BUNTINE

Wednesday 21st Sept

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CHAPMAN VALLEY

Thursday 22nd Sept

9:00am - 1:30pm

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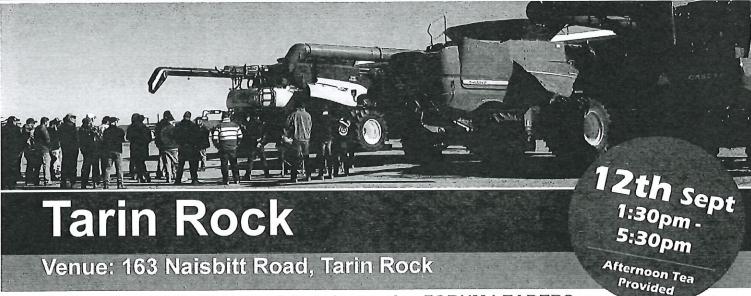


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MEASURING HARVEST LOSS - HARVEST WEED SEED CONTROL - HARVEST FIRE PREVENTION

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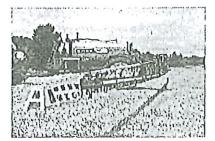
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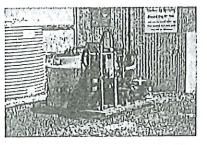
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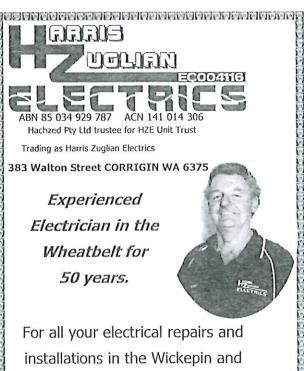
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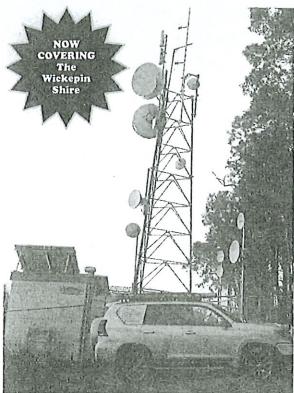
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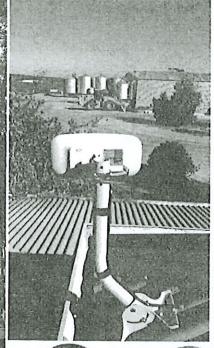
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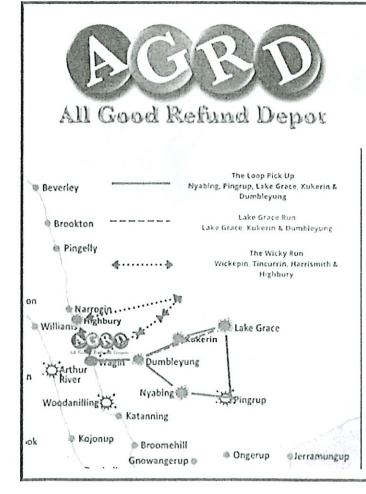




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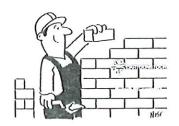






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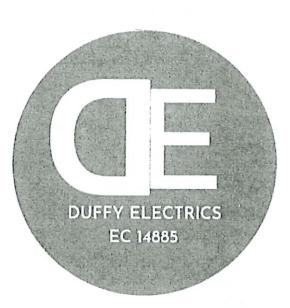
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LAKE YEALERING GOLF CLUB

The Club held its Open Day on Saturday 27th August 2022 Sponsored by HUTTON AND NORTHEY with a fantastic array of prizes to play for as well as Novelty Prizes on every hole. The field of 19 Pairs started the day with a 9.30am tee off after a hot cup of soup/coffee and a bite to eat. The weather started rather cool and blowy but improved as the day went on, to be almost perfect golfing weather after 27 holes and some great golf, as well as many miles of bush walking and ball Final results as follows searching by some.

WINNER:

T. Dowdell & P. Thompson

RUNNERS-UP:

A. Manton & D. Crombie

GROSS WINNER:

G. Poultney & A Coxon

GROSS RUNNERS-UP: A. Szczy & G. Manton

3rd NET:

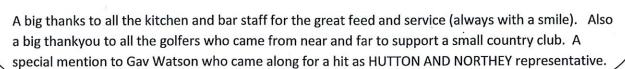
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4th NET:

S. Baker & G. Wyllie

PM WINNER:

R. Butler & H. Green



LAKE YEALERING BOWLING CLUB

POT CLUB BOWLS Sunday 21st August 2022

11 Players enjoyed the weather and pleasant company.

Rink Winners were – Lois Shipley, Spencer Davidson and Winston Dunwell

Overall Winner – Lois Shipley

POT CLUB BOWLS Sunday 28th August 2022

7 Players enjoyed play in very good conditions.

Rink Winners – Aaron Bransby and P. Stribling

Overall Winner – Aaron Bransby

CLUB OPENING DAY for 2022/2023 Season is Saturday 8th October 2022. 2.30 start.

Please bring a plate of afternoon tea to share. Casual Dress.

Wickepin Pot Club Winter Bowls News

Sunday 21st August

No bowls were played in Wickepin as some of the bowlers went to Narrogin for their triples event

Sunday 28th August

Twelve came along, it was a cool but fine morning to play and as always we enjoyed a great social morning of bowls. The Rink Winners were:- Barry McKenna, Peter Bransby, John Thompson and Daphne Tetlow.

The final play off winner was Barry McKenna and Runner-up Peter Bransby.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AUGUST

Wed 31st Fathers Day Card Making from 3pm @Wickepin CRC - 6yrs & under 3.00-.3.45pm - 7yrs & over 3.45-.4.30pm

SEPTEMBER

Thurs 1st Facey Group September Field Walk

Sun 4th Grand Final Football. Wickepin v Boddington @ Williams

Sun 4th Father's Day Mon 5th Recycle bin day

Mon 5th-8th Truck licensing & Upgrades Courses—register @ Wickepin CRC

Tue 6th Drum Muster 8am-4.30pm Appointment only.

Wed 7th Townscape Meeting @ 9.30am

Fri 9th Fun Friday @ Yealering CWA commencing @ 1pm

Sat 10th Lewisdale Stud On Property Ram Sale 1pm

Mon 12th Watershed News

Mon 12th Harvest Set-up Workshops 1.30pm—5.30pm Tarin Rock

Tues 13th Facey Group Break Crop Field Walk

Tues 13th BFCO Meeting @ 7pm

Wed 21st Shire of Wickepin Ordinary Council Meeting @ 3.30pm

Wed 21st Shire of Wickepin Photography Competition closes

Thurs 22nd Fern Park on Property Ram Sale @ 1pm

Fri 23rd School Term 3 ends

Fri 23rd Hedingham White Suffolk Stud Day

Mon 26th-Fri 7th Oct Bushfire Fuel Reductions—Yealering

Tue 27th Watershed News

Thurs 29th-30th Competent Solutions Training—Heavy Vehicle Pilot/Escort Training

OCTOBER

Sat 8th Wickepin Pre-Harvest Bash @Wickepin Oval 3pm

Mon 10th Watershed News

Mon 10th School Term 4 commences

Mon 24th Watershed News

NOVEMBER

Mon 7th Watershed News Mon 21st Watershed News

DECEMBER

Mon 5th Watershed News
Thur 15th School Term 4 ends
Mon 19th Watershed News