

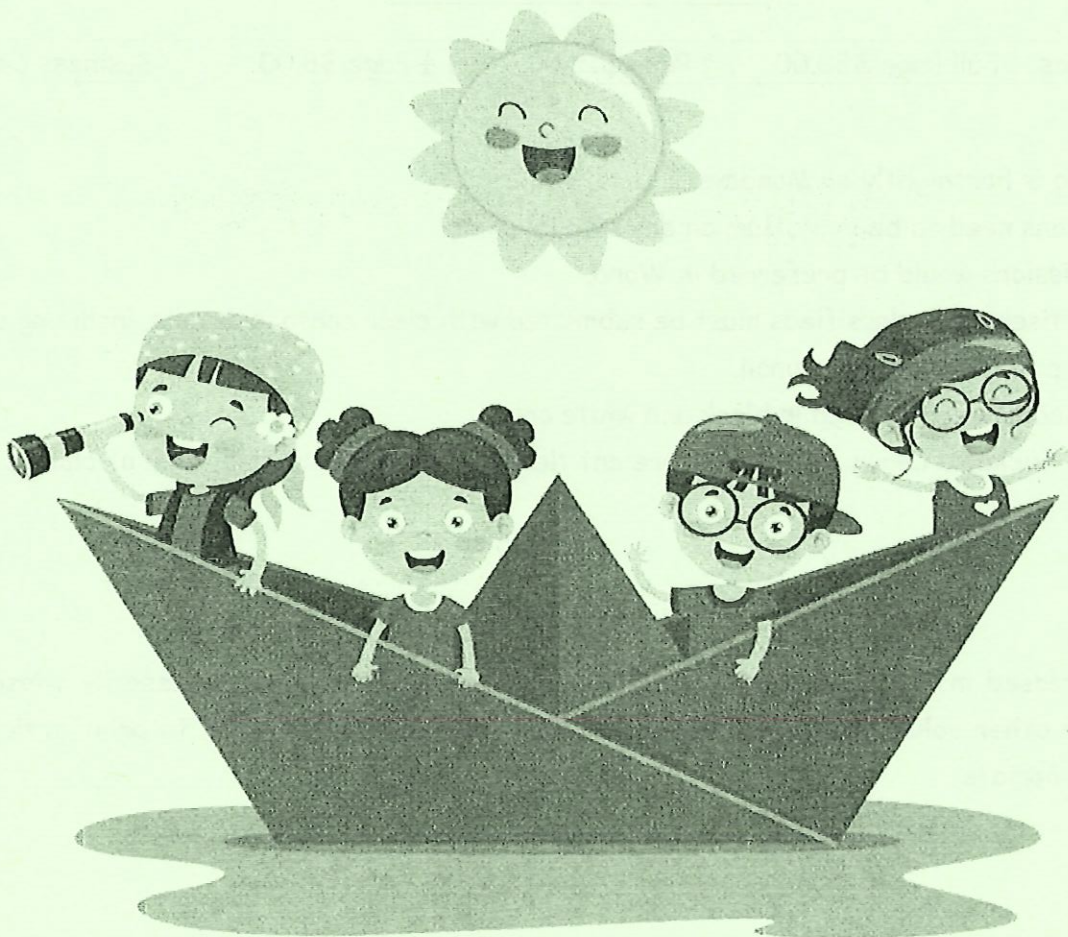
WATERSHED NEWS

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Harrismith, Yealering and Wickopin

2nd October 2023



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Next edition of Watershed News

Monday 16th October 2023



Resignation of Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

Mr Nathan Cain has tendered his resignation as Chief Executive Officer of the Shire of Wickepin and will finish in the role on Friday 6 October 2023.

In accepting Mr Cain's resignation, Shire President Julie Russell expressed Council's appreciation on behalf of the community Mr Cain's service to the Shire and extends best wishes to him for any future endeavour.

Council has appointed Mrs Erika Clement as the Acting Chief Executive Officer and will shortly be commencing a recruitment process for Mr Cain's successor.

Ordinary Meeting of Council

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday 18 October 2023, Council Chambers, 77 Wogolin Road, Wickepin.

The Shire of Wickepin welcomes community participation during public question time.

Members of the public are able to ask questions relating to the business of the Council.

For further information and guidelines regarding public question time please contact the Shire Administration Office.

Finance Officer – Fixed Term – Twelve (12) Month Contract

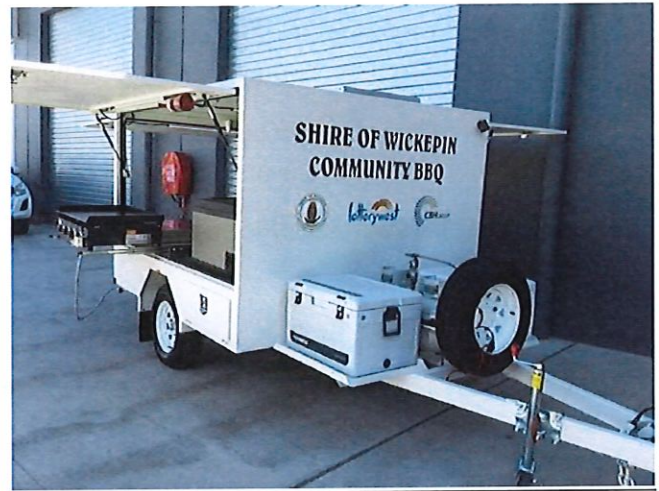
The Shire of Wickepin is seeking a competent and enthusiastic Finance Officer to join our team on a Fixed Term - Twelve (12) Month Contract – parental leave replacement until December 2024.

The position supports the efficient functions of the Finance and Administration Services of the Shire of Wickepin through the provision of payroll services, accounts payable, accounts receivable, rating services, customer services, and other general administrative support.

Further details and application package is available on the Shire's website (www.wickepin.wa.gov.au) or by contacting Mel Martin on 08 9888 1005.

Applications must be received by **4:00pm Friday 27 October 2023**.

Shire of Wickepin Community BBQ Trailer



The Shire of Wickepin Community BBQ Trailer is well equipped for use at your next local event or fund raiser and includes the following features.

- 2 x 4 Burner Flat plate BBQ
- 2 x 9kg Filled Gas Bottles
- LED Lighting (inside trailer)
- 12 volt High Density Battery and 200W Solar Panel
- 2 x 70 Litre Eskies
- 78 Litre Fridge / Freezer
- 80 Litre Food Graded Water Tank
- 2 x Fire Extinguishers

Fees are as follows:

Community Group	\$50 + \$200 (cash only is required for Bond)
Business	\$70 + \$200 (cash only is required for Bond)
Commercial	\$100 + \$200 (cash only is required for Bond)

For further details or to book the Community BBQ Trailer please contact the Shire Office.

Seniors' Christmas Lunch – Friday 1 December 2023

The 2023 Senior Christmas Lunch will be held on Friday 1 December 2023 at the Wickepin Community Centre, commencing at 11.30am.

The Seniors Christmas Lunch is an event our seniors look forward to every year.

This year we are in need of some new volunteers. Please contact the Shire Office if you can help in anyway.



Restricted Burning Period

The restricted burning season commenced on the 1 October 2023 and goes through to 13 November 2023.

This means no burning can be carried out unless you have a permit from your local Fire Control Officer.

A full list of Fire Contract Officers can be found on the shire website.

Harvest Ban Alerts

The SMS (text) alert service will again be in operation over the coming harvest/bushfire period.

If you would like to register your number to receive these messages or have your number removed from the system, please contact the office or email your details to admin@wickepin.wa.gov.au.

Bush Fire Uniforms

Bush fire uniforms and personal protective goggles and respirators for Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade officers are available from the shire administration office, with one free uniform per registered brigade volunteer.

You MUST be registered with a brigade to receive a uniform.

Townsite Properties

In the coming weeks Shire Officers will be inspecting all townsites within the Shire of Wickepin and will be issuing notices to residence of unsightly properties.

This includes but is not limited to long grass, motor vehicles, general rubbish, etc. Failure to comply with these notices will result in the land owner being issued with a fine.

Parking – Obstructing Shire Footpaths

The Shire has received a number of complaints from residents regarding vehicles parking on footpaths, to the point where footpaths are completely obstructed or impassable by pedestrians.

Footpaths provide pedestrians with a safe alternative to walking on roads. Parking vehicles on and blocking any portion of a footpath, including the crossover, could force pedestrians onto the road. For people with prams, disabilities or young children if forced onto the road places them in danger.

The Shire would like to remind residents not to obstruct footpaths and be mindful of pedestrians' access.

Dog Control

Council has recently received a number of complaints in relation to roaming dogs. It is an owners responsibility to keep their dog limited to their property unless being walked on a leash.

The Dog Act requires all dogs to be registered with the shire if it is three (3) months or older. The registration period is 1 November to 31 October, registration renewals for 2023/2024 will be issued soon.

All dogs must be microchipped before registration. Copies of microchipping papers must be provided on registration.

All dogs found roaming will be impounded and the owners fined. For the release of an unregistered dog the registration must be paid along with the fine.

Fees are as follows:

	1 YEAR	3 YEARS	LIFETIME
Unsterilised	\$50.00	\$120.00	\$250.00
Sterilised	\$20.00	\$42.50	\$100.00
Working Dog	25% of registration fee		
Pensioner	50% of registration fee		

Wickepin Swimming Pool

The pool is scheduled to open on Wednesday, 1 November 2023, 1pm – 6pm. The pool will be closed every second Tuesday commencing 7 November 2023 except during VacSwim or Education Department swimming lessons.

Season passes are available from the Shire Office -

- Family \$132
- Adult \$ 84
- Child \$ 60

2023 Community Awards / 2024 Australia Day Celebration

After careful consideration Council has concluded that the Shire of Wickepin Australia Day Celebrations will become a bi-annual event.

The next celebration is to be held at the Harrismith Golf Club in January 2025.

What's On In Wickepin Shire

Mondays:

Watershed News every second Monday:

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
Phone No 98881104

Yoga at Harrismith Hall 6pm – 7.30pm – all welcome
Further details: Ph Tara: 0427 333171

Wednesdays:

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

Chair Aerobics 9.00am – 10.00am Wickepin Health Centre

Thursdays:

Fit Pursuit 5.45am-6.35am @ Wickepin Community Centre

Wickepin Playgroup 9.00am – 11.30am during school term. Ages 0-5

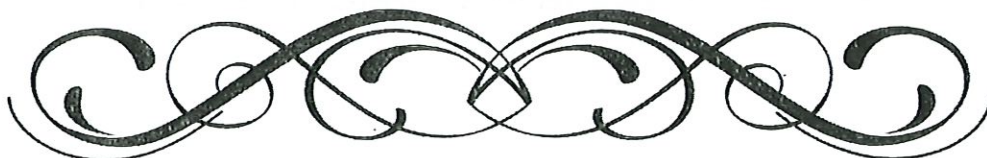
Local Vocals with Mazz – 6pm in Narrogin

Saturdays:

Banksia Bowmen Archery~ Wickepin Community Centre @ 1pm
Club Equipment Available

Sundays:

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





Eulogy for Olivia

Olivia Dawes was born Olivia Esther Jane Hull in Cottesloe on 29th May 1932. Olivia was wife to Bill for 65 years, and a loved sister, mother, aunt, grandmother great grandmother, mother in law and friend.

Growing up in Cottesloe and then Mosman Park, Olivia lived with her parents Olivia and Philip Hull, and sisters Anna, Thelma and Ivy. Older brother Georgie passed away three months before Olivia was born. We are disappointed that Ivy can't be with us today, but we know we will be in her thoughts.

Olivia's early years included the Depression and WWII. These world-wide events meant their Dad went away from home for work and there were air-raid practises at school. In everyday life the family were very much at home in the neighbourhood, walking or riding to shops, the beach and the river where a favourite place was the Nook. The sisters shared many adventures which often seemed to include getting dumped at the beach, a wayward dog and falling off bikes. Photos and stories from this time show some developing interests – cooking, family and craft and the family saying “plenty of time there goes the bus” and know better next time emerged.

Olivia loved school, although her school memories were more like tales from Matilda than the classrooms she would go on to create. The teacher who had the wooden leg of a chair to keep order must have been terrifying. Olivia went on to Perth Modern School and Claremont Teachers' College to fulfil her dream of being a teacher.

As a young woman, Olivia ventured far from her family base when she went monitoring and teaching in the Wheatbelt. Her first teaching posting was to Wongan Hills and then Yealering, where as well as following her love of teaching she met and married Louis John Dawes (Bill) in 1958. They went on to raise their five children: Russell, Maree, Terry, Tim and Whippy on Rutherglen the family farm. Olivia and Bill were rarely apart and when they were they talked on the phone every day. Olivia moved to Karinya in Narrogin in 2021 where she met up with old friends and made many new ones.

91 years is a great age, but scarcely seems enough for all the living Olivia packed in. Olivia took a traditional wife of the 1950's role and supported the growing family, farm business and sheep stud by running the household. Initially she had lamps, a wood stove, a kero fridge, a well and rain water tanks. She kept up three meals a day including cooked breakfasts, dinner and tea, and morning and afternoon tea as well. Mum used the Irish name for meals with Dinner being the midday meal and Tea the evening one, both of these always included desserts, or sweets as we called them. Workers including my cousin Vin would come to stay for seeding, and also need meals, as did the shearing teams who needed their smoko and dinner right on time, with smoko delivered to the shed. Agents and prospective buyers would also drop in, and I'm sure they timed it so they would be at Rutherglen just in time to be asked to lunch – with no warning for the cook. Once the kids were at school packed lunches were added to the mix. It's hard to remember that early on they usually had one trip a week to Yealering for groceries and the fridge only had a freezer which would take a few ice trays.

Eulogy for Olivia ...Cont'd

Hence tinned peas and some annoyance when the children ate the whole loaf of bread which was sent on the school bus while they walked home from the gate. Olivia prioritized cooking and time with children. She also enjoyed dressmaking and knitting and there was a lot of clothes mending to do. She was often off looking at pigeons, pigs or whatever a child's latest interest was. There were trials – children who stayed out mushrooming after dark, pigs that dug up the pansies, children who cooked odd birds in her oven and fires that got away.

Olivia loved Bill and the farm, but also loved travel. She connected with family in Ireland and went on a trip to Ireland and England, wore her feet out in Singapore, walked with the parrots in Binnaburra, loved the mountains in New Zealand and the beach at Yallingup. Olivia and Bill had several years when they combined the business of buying rams with a visit to Joan and Stan in Cooma. She took the children to stay with her sisters, their aunts and later visited those of her children and grandchildren who lived away from the farm including many trips to Rottnest. In one early adventure with Ivy they went to the NT together by small plane which included an emergency landing and a very delayed return.

Olivia's rural life expanded to include painting, writing and reading as well as a return to teaching as a Preschool and relief teacher which she loved. Olivia was involved in the Yealering Community through the P and C, the Guild and writing and reading groups and she made many lifelong friends, some of whom are here today. Her writing Group published an anthology and Olivia's own book is called Olivia her life in words.

Not a sporty type, Olivia did take up walking in her middle years, and had several paths around the farm for a daily walk. Later when the AFL included the Eagles she loved watching games on TV with Bill and they often watched repeats together if the team did well. She then took up footy tipping was successful in the town competition including winning. She didn't rely on advice from family members but carefully read up on post-game reports and the form every week before sending in her selections.

Never far from contact with extended family and friends she kept in contact through letter writing and long phone calls. Olivia and Bill also welcomed family, friends and their children's friends to their home for meals and extended stays. Olivia took Bill's family to her heart so there were many in laws and nieces and nephews to keep in contact with. When she and her sisters got together there was so much to say. They loved talking about "the olden days" and would often bring along a treasure from those times to share and talk about.

Olivia loved the ballet – starting out taking me to lessons and a Russian Ballet performance at his Majesty's in Perth. I think Aunty Anne may have played a part in this but Olivia would always do a few ballet moves in farewell - as we left the farm, Rottnest ... anywhere really. If you feel moved to pirouette or float into an arabesque in the next few days - go ahead I'm sure she would be pleased.

Olivia was smart and generous and kind, we were so fortunate to have her in our lives.

Easy recipes for children to cook during the holidays!

Macaroni Mince

1 tablespoon oil
1 onion, finely chopped
500g lean beef mince
Sprinkle of salt & pepper
425g can peeled tomatoes

$\frac{3}{4}$ cup tomato puree
1 teaspoon dried oregano
 $\frac{1}{4}$ teaspoon sugar
1 cup water
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups small shell macaroni

Method

Heat oil in a big pan. Fry onion until soft. Add mince. Cook stirring until brown. Add salt, pepper, canned tomatoes, puree, oregano, sugar and water. Stir altogether until it starts to boil. Turn heat to low and simmer for 40 minutes. Put macaroni into a big pot of boiling water and boil it for 10 minutes. Drain it well using a colander. Put it in a casserole dish and pour over hot mince.

Carrot cake

1 $\frac{1}{2}$ cups raw sugar
1 cup oil
4 eggs
3 cups grated carrot
2 cups wholemeal self-raising flour
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

Method

Turn oven to 180c. Grease a 20cm tin and line base with baking paper. Put raw sugar and oil in a mixing bowl. Bowl well. Add eggs and beat well. Put grated carrot into a large mixing bowl. Stir in wholemeal flour and cinnamon. Pour the egg mixture in. Mix it all well. Pour into the tin and bake for 1 hour and 10 minutes.



Patty cakes or Cupcakes

2 cups self-raising flour
 $\frac{3}{4}$ cup sugar
125g soft butter
3 eggs
 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup milk
 $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon vanilla essence

Preheat oven to 180c. set out 30 paper patty cases
Sift flour and sugar into a mixing bowl. Add butter, eggs, milk and vanilla. Beat it all in an electric mixer until it is quite smooth. Fill the patty cases until $\frac{3}{4}$ full of the mixture. Bake for 15 minutes until golden. Cool on a wire rack and then ice them.



Give mum and dad a break from the kitchen but don't forget to clean up when you have finished your baking!!

Community Notes



Birthday greetings to Alyce Paterson, Nathan Hill, Riley Spark, Kyle Angwin, Kirsty Matthews, Couper Spark, Sreven Podmore, Louise White, Irene Moore, Meg Wyllie.

The local community was saddened to hear of the recent passing of local Tincurrin/Toolibin resident Don Thomson. Sincere sympathy is extended to his family and friends. Don spent all of his working life successfully farming his property at Tincurrin. He was a most progressive farmer, contributing to many areas of agriculture. Among his many skills, locals may remember with fondness, Don's regular detailed and often amusing weather reports on the local ABC radio.



Deepest sympathy to Jean, Graham & Robyn, Keith & Sandy and families on the recent passing of their much-loved husband, father and grandfather Cyril O'Brien. Cyril and Jean have been long time farmers in the Wickepin district and have been very involved in the local sports clubs and community groups. A funeral service will be held on Thursday 12th October at 11.30am in the Wickepin Community Centre.

With a sad heart we note the passing of a former resident and business owner,



Kenneth Michael Bailey. Ken brought his wife and family to Wickepin in February 1964 to operate the Malyalling school bus service. Two years later he took on the Golden Fleece Fuel depot. Later on another truck was added to the fleet, to transport livestock to market or abattoir. Novice farming was on the agenda but there were too many other interesting things to do. Ken left Wickepin in 1978. He died on 20th September in Geraldton and was cremated on the 26th September 2023.

Thanks to everyone who came along to the busy bee on Saturday 23rd to spruce up town for the 2023 Lake Yealering Regatta on the 7th October.

38 volunteers checked in and were directed to jobs listed on a white board which included raking, whipper sipping, pruning, mulching, and cleaning. The merry crew all scattered and got stuck into getting the jobs done. Morning tea was served at the tennis club which was a welcome break and a great catch up for all. Work then continued into the early afternoon. A late lunch in the lovely beer garden of the Yealering hotel was very



pleasant and another chance to check the list on the white board which was relocated to the front bar. At the end of the day all the jobs were completed, and everyone was proud of what was achieved: raking all around the bowls club, bike track, tennis club, centenary garden, croquet garden, lake foreshore and hall. Two semi-trailer and many ute loads of leaves and debris were taken to the tip. A bobcat, loader and two ride-on mowers were busy for the day, along with whipper snippers for getting into places the mowers couldn't reach. The cricket shed was organised and thoroughly cleaned as it is to be used for the regatta. Mulch was put around the garden beds at the croquet club and rubbish was picked up along the roadside at the entrances to town.

Well done to everyone for donating their time, energy, equipment, and machinery.

It was a mighty effort and a fantastic display of community spirit.



A bit belatedly but hearty congratulations to Leanne Bransby who has become our latest grandmother. Leanne's son Taylor Bransby and his partner Danielle White who live in Narrogin welcomed a baby boy Jai David Bransby who was born on 8-8-23. Claudia, Brodie and Aaron are aunty and uncles now.

We welcome all Community Members to celebrate 60 years of the Astbury Family Service to the Wickepin Shire. John Astbury was elected in 1963. Since that date family members have served continuously on the Wickepin Shire Council. Join us for afternoon tea at the Wickepin Community Centre Friday 10th November at 2pm. Please RSVP by 31st October to **DAVE**: 0429774797 or **BILL**: 0427414513

On Sunday 24th September, St Patricks Anglican Church, Mourambine, celebrated its 150th anniversary. The service was officiated by the Bishop of Bunbury, Ian Coult, where more than 100 people attended. There were guests there on the day who had celebrated the 100 year anniversary. At the conclusion of the service, Bishop Coult unveiled a plaque beside a new olive tree. Members who had ancestors in the area were asked to place dirt around the tree. Two olive trees were planted at the consecration of the Church, 150 years ago and are still living. Following the service, guests had a delicious lunch at the PRACC in Pingelly. St John's Anglican Church in Wickepin will celebrate its 100th anniversary of consecration on Sunday 29th October @ 10.30am.

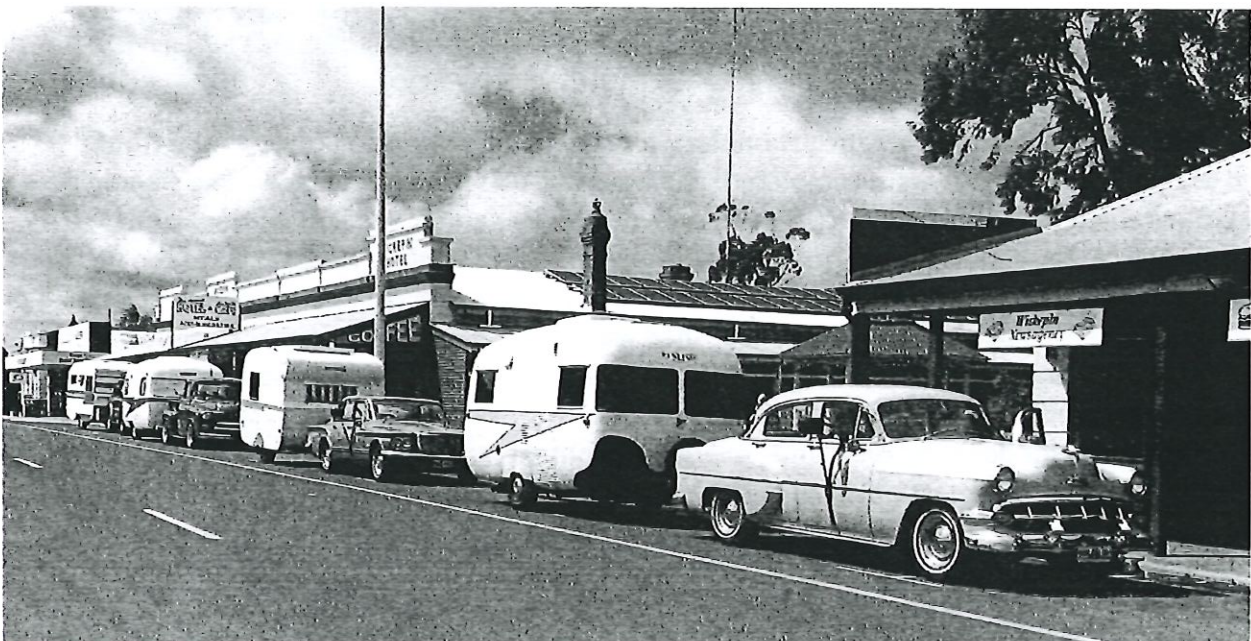
On Saturday 23rd September Mavis McColl celebrated her 70th birthday at the Cuballing Hotel which was organised by her son Owen. Mavis' sons Jeremy, Rodney and Owen with their respective children also attended. Andrew wasn't able to make it due to work commitments, however Lauren represented the family with their three children. Tatum, Rodney's partner, and Elaine & Keith Bushby also attended. It was a wonderful jolly night.



A group of people gathered at the Yealering CWA on a Friday afternoon recently to wish Betty Dicks a happy 88th birthday.



Spotted in Wickepin this morning was Gabriel Bray (dressed in period fashion) whose husband Carey, formerly lived in Wickepin till around the age of 10 years and attended Wickepin Primary School. Carey is the son of Barry (deceased) and Meryl Bray (nee Holdaway). This group of vintage cars and caravans are enjoying a spring tour visiting small country towns in the Southwest.





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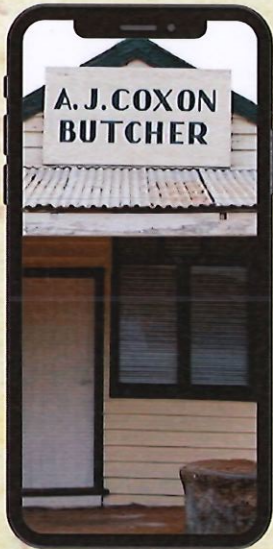
**For more information contact
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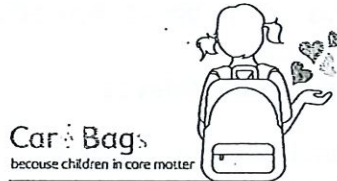
Wickepin Art & Craft

Joyner Street, Wickepin, WA, 6370

Contacts: Kathy 0416 007 164: Elaine 0428 898 025: Charlotte 0437 418 289: Irene 0437 801 026

Recently a representative of the Arts & Craft group delivered 24 Transient Teenager Toiletry 'TTT' Bags to Perth. What an eye opener to be shown the work that is done, from just two rooms of a private residence. We will continue to make and donate these bags and we express thanks to the general public who have donated fabrics for this worthy cause. We are not asking for donations of fabric as we still have plenty. Below is a brief outline of the work of Care Bags.

Please check out their website for more information.



BACKGROUND

997 protection orders were granted in 2022. On average, that's 83 children a month throughout Western Australia entering Out of Home Care (*Source: Department of Communities 2022 Annual Report*). Care Bags - because children in care matter was created in 2018, to provide Care Bags to children going into the foster care system.

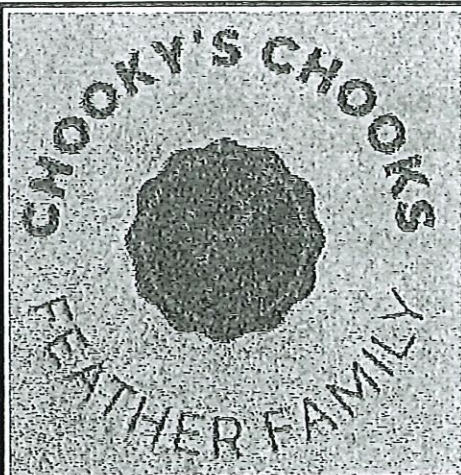
Often, the circumstances in which children enter care can be quite confusing and frightening. Just imagine you are 5 years old, picked up from school and told it's too unsafe for you to go home. You're taken to a stranger's home, with nothing but your school uniform and are now totally reliant on this carer to meet all your needs.

We wanted to give that child some belongings for their first few days in care. Some essential items to provide some measure of comfort, something they could own and have control over. We want our Care Bags to make a small yet positive impact on the journey into care and help start their journey of healing.

OUR MISSION

Our mission is to make a meaningful difference in the lives of children in care and at risk within Western Australia. We want them to feel valued, know they matter and understand the community cares about their future.

We provide Care Bags filled with essential items to support children through their first few days in care and to provide measure of comfort. We also now provide Transient Teenager Toiletry 'TTT' Bags to teenagers and young adults in care, transient or living on their own to help maintain personal hygiene and self-esteem.



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6 September 2023

With Senior Regional Officer for the South West, Annetta Bellingeri

Block your driver's licence to lock-out identity thieves

Money is not the only thing scammers are looking to steal these days – your personal identification can be just as valuable to them.

As part of their ruse, scammers posing as legitimate organisations or government service providers often pretend to need copies of your driver's licence and passport to verify your identity, when their actual aim is to steal it.

Having your identity stolen can cause devastating and long-lasting impacts, from finding unauthorised purchases on your credit card, through to having your name used to open bank accounts, take out loans and even to scam other people.

Just recently, Consumer Protection issued a [warning](#) about a fake WA Seniors Card website that was targeting seniors for both their money and multiple forms of identification. In reality, the WA Seniors Card is free of charge and applicants are never requested to pay a fee, or disclose personal identification in exchange for membership.

Aside from sending scammers your personal information, the other way they can get their hands on it is through data breaches that occur when cybercriminals hack into an organisation's system and leak their customers' details onto the dark web.

To help protect all WA consumers from identity theft, the Department of Transport has made it possible to put a [block on your driver's licence](#) to stop it being used to verify your identity online.

Putting a block on your driver's licence or learner's permit means if a scammer tries to use these documents for identity verification through the Australian Government's [Document Verification Service \(DVS\)](#), it will be declined.

You can add and remove a driver's licence block anytime using [DoTDirect](#) by navigating to the 'Protect your identity' section on the 'Driver's licence' page. Your authority to drive is not affected by having a block on your driver's licence.

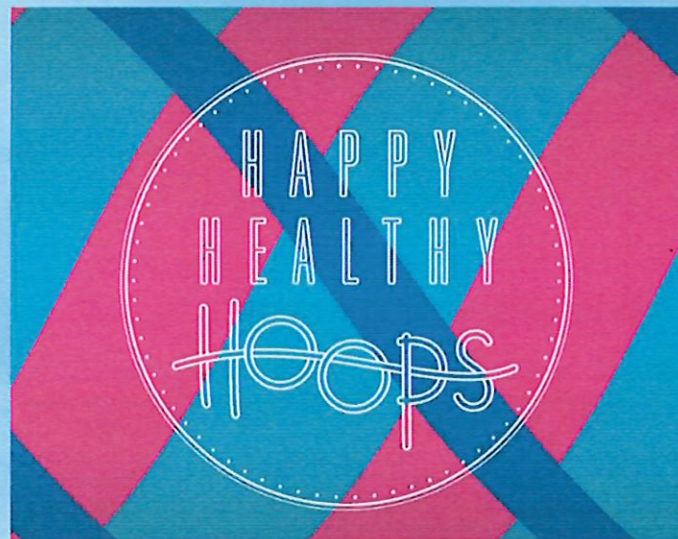
To learn more about what to do when your driver's licence has been compromised, including how to block it or apply for a new licence number, go to www.transport.wa.gov.au

If you are caught up in a data breach, or have handed over your personal identification to scammers, your first step should be to contact [IDCARE](#), a national identity and cyber support service on 1800 595 160.

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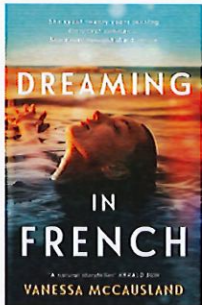
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Adult Fiction: Dreaming in French - Vanessa McCausland



Saskia Wyle spent one sultry European summer on Île de Re when she was nineteen. The bright salt flats and sun-soaked beaches are now a distant memory, and one she made herself forget after an unspeakable tragedy.

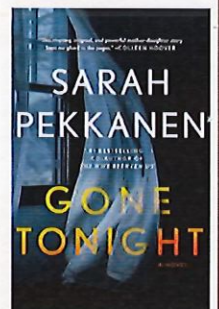
But the French heiress she befriended over twenty years ago has left half of her magnificent home to Saskia and the other half to Felix Allard, a reclusive film star living on the island. How did Simone Durant die? Was it the family curse? And why has she included Saskia in her will after all this time?

Saskia returns to find that Simone has left her another unexpected gift - a manuscript written in French. Now it's up to Saskia to figure out what Simone is trying to tell her. As she once again falls under the island's spell, Saskia must reckon with her past to save what is most precious to her.

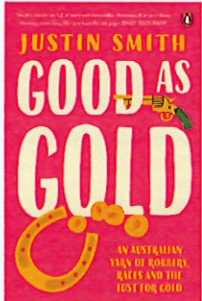
Adult Fiction: Gone Tonight - Sarah Pekkanen

Catherine Sterling thinks she knows her mother. Ruth is quiet, hardworking, and lives for her daughter. All her life, it's been just the two of them against the world. But now, Catherine is ready to spread her wings, move from home, and begin a new career. And Ruth Sterling will do anything to stop that from happening.

Ruth Sterling thinks she knows her daughter. Catherine would never rebel, and would never question anything about her mother's past or background. But when Ruth's desperate quest to keep her daughter by her side begins to reveal cracks in Ruth's carefully-constructed world, both mother and daughter begin a dance of deception.



Adult Fiction: Good as Gold - Justin Smith



It's 1861 and there are three campfires burning outside the gold-mining town of Mull Creek. At the first is Jesus Whitetree, an escaped orphan with no knowledge of his new world, not even his age or real name. He only knows he wants to find gold. Gold makes everything good.

At the second fire is the Jack Pink Gang. Jack is a little-known bushranger who is a violent criminal by day and a nervous wreck by night. His mother - a notorious felon known as Mother Pink - engages a bush poet to get Jack's name in the newspapers and make him feared and famous. And at the third fire is police constable Harry Logan with Mary, a young Aboriginal girl in his custody.

With the announcement of the first Melbourne Cup, all three parties descend upon Melbourne town. The thrilling horse race offers something different for each of them — a new beginning, a chance to be written into history, or a prize bigger than they could imagine. But only one can take the gold....

Junior Fiction: Once Upon a Wickedness - Fleur Beale

Ten-year-old orphan Dance Violet might have a short and troubled history, but it hasn't dampened her warrior spirit. And that's a good thing, because something is rotten in her village, and no one else has the courage to try put things right.

People who ask questions disappear overnight, and the village children are left to fend for themselves under tyrannical schoolteachers Murk and Misselthwaite. There are whispers that a beautiful but wicked woman, 'the golden-haired hellion', appeared at a wedding ten years ago and was the start of all the trouble.

Dance has some gifts that she's only just beginning to discover, and while she knows it's dangerous to ask questions, she is determined to find this golden-haired hellion, even if it means getting Disappeared.

And when Dance finds her, the golden-haired hellion had better look out.

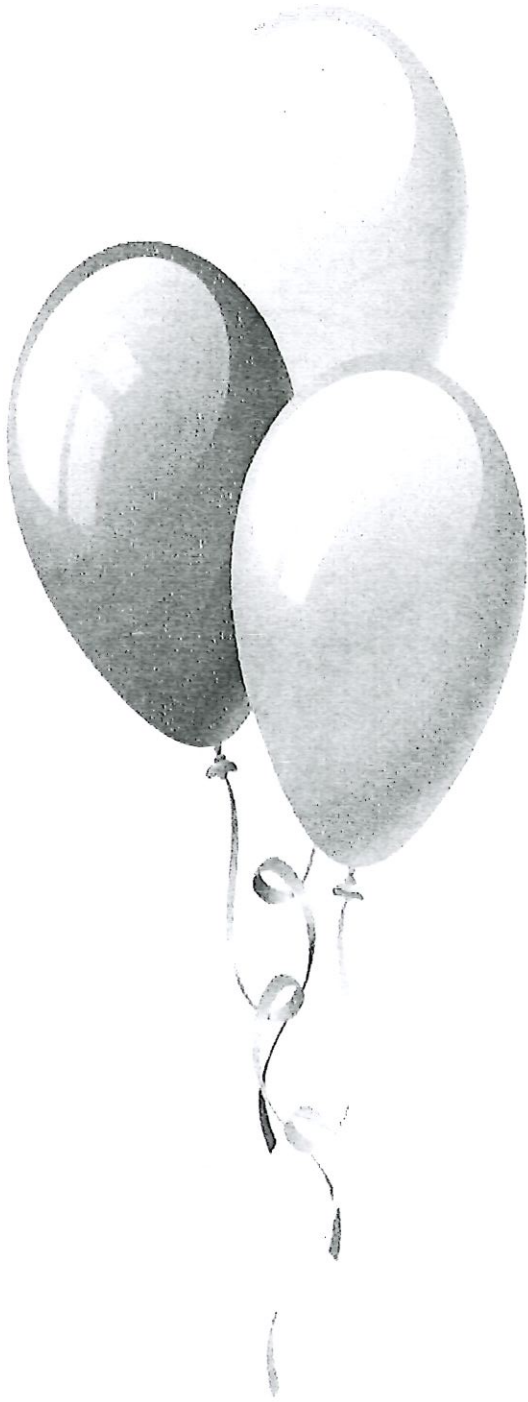


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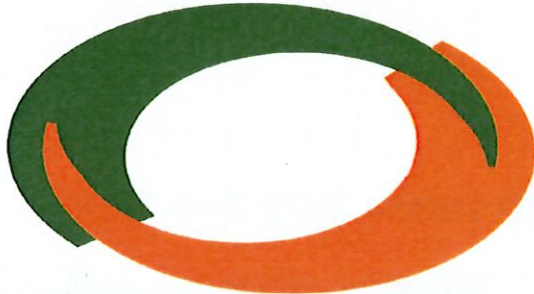


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2023 Annual General Meeting

16th October 2023 @ 6pm
Wickepin Community Centre

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Audited Finance Report for the 22/23 FY will
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2023 Annual General Meeting Guest Speakers 16th October 2023 @ 6pm

Dr Terry Rose

Dr Terry Rose worked with Facey Group in 2021 and 2022 on the Regenerative Ag Alliance project 'Investigating the Benefits of Multispecies Cover Crops in Low Rainfall Mixed Farming Systems.' He will share some of his insights from this Summer Cover Cropping project and the complexity of soil health and systems. He is a Professor and Director of the Centre for Organics Research at Southern Cross University.

He has worked as an agronomist here and in the UK and has also worked in plant biosecurity. His research interests primarily focus on organic agricultural systems, the impacts of amendments on soils and crops, and nitrogen efficiency in specific agricultural systems. We are looking forward to having Dr Terry Rose as a guest speaker at this year's AGM.



Dr Michael Young

Dr Michael Young specialises in whole farm economic modelling and is working with Facey Group on the GRDC funded RiskWi\$e Project. This project seeks to understand and improve the risk-reward outcomes for Australian grain growers by supporting on-farm decision-making. He is an experienced and dedicated agriculturalist from Kojonup who completed his PhD at UWA.

Michael uses cutting-edge techniques to understand, evaluate, and optimise farming systems and their management. This allows him to provide valuable insights and solutions to farmers, consultants, and researchers. Come and hear how Michael will deep dive into an economic analysis of relevant Facey Group projects to ensure our future research will build on the great work that has already been done.





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Monday 30 th October	Monday 11 th December
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2022	mm	Days	Total	2023	mm	Days	Total
January	0.0	0	0.0	January	3.4	2	3.4
February	5.0	1	5.0	February	0.8	1	4.2
March	20.8	6	25.8	March	37.4	3	41.6
April	15.0	4	40.8	April	83.2	8	124.8
May	43.6	6	84.4	May	5.0	3	129.8
June	60.2	8	144.6	June	74.8	10	204.6
July	53.8	12	198.4	July	32.2	13	236.8
August	79.2	11	277.6	August	38.6	5	275.4
September	35.8	10	313.4	September	28.4	4	303.8
October	30.0	7	343.4	October			
November	6.2	4	349.6	November			
December	0.4	1	350.0	December			

As of 30th September 2023

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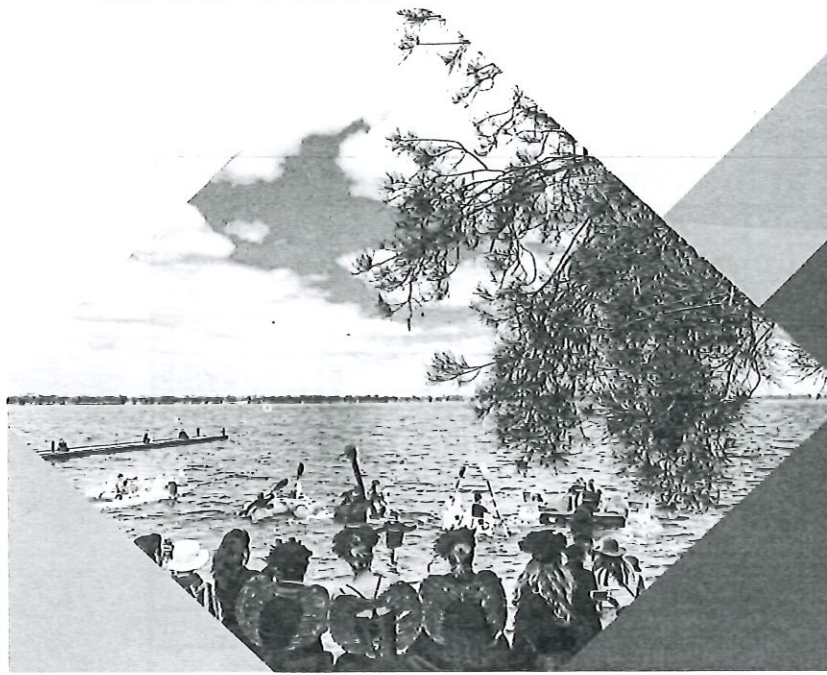
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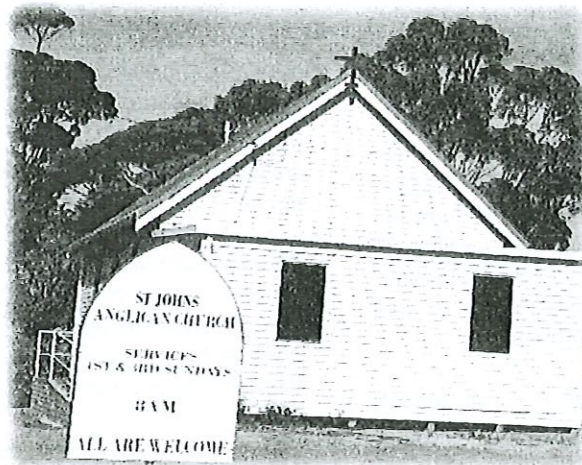
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We would also appreciate your photos and stories for our church history display. (Preferably before the 29th)

And please share this with anyone you feel would be interested in joining us..





The Wicky Weekly

Volume LXXXIX Number 15

18 September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to the last week of Term 3. While we only have five days left of the school term, there are two important events yet to take place; our Kindergarten & Pre-Primary assembly on Tuesday and Year 5/6 camp to Nanga in Dwellingup, Wednesday to Friday. This caps off an extremely busy term here in Wickepin, and I am sure by the week's end, everyone will be well and truly ready for the two week break.

As you would be aware, Wickepin PS hosted the Small Schools Athletics Carnival, last Friday 15 September. The carnival was a resounding success. Students enjoyed the chance to demonstrate their skills and compete with peers from Kondinin, Yealering, Dumbleyung and Wandering. It was terrific to witness the outstanding sportsmanship on display and the willingness of all students to 'have a go'. Congratulations to all who took part.

I would like to thank Kelly Steere for the work she put into organising and running the event. Likewise, I would like to acknowledge and thank our Sports Delegates, Ty Miller and Jess Joldescu, for their time and invaluable assistance. Thanks to Annika Milller and our awesome P&C for putting on such a fabulous BBQ lunch. To Scott Bayley, I send my personal thanks for having such great coffee available. Thanks also to the Shire of Wickepin for providing us with such an outstanding venue, marking the oval, setting up the jump pits and donating refreshments to the students.

Lastly, I am delighted to advise that my tenure at Wickepin PS has been extended. I feel extremely fortunate to be able to be able to continue to work with such an amazing school community. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your ongoing support.

Early Arrivals

Please note that Wickepin PS does not assume duty of care of students until 8.30am. Please ensure your child does not arrive before this time.

Wicky Way

The August Wicky Way award winner is Banjo Anderson. Banjo consistently displays our whole school values by being ready, resilient, respectful and safe. He shows respect for his peers and teachers by using his manners and offering his support. Banjo takes pride in his work, completing it to an excellent standard. He displays kindness towards others in the playground and is a very worthy recipient of this award. Well done, Banjo!



August's Wicky Way work is proudly displayed in our front office, congratulations to the following students;

Room 3: Katie McColl
Room 4: Konny Holmes-Park
Room 7: Flynn Anderson
Room 9: Penny Martin
Phys-Ed: Marlo Cowcher



COVID-19 and Free RAT Tests

COVID-19 is back in our community. A reminder that we have free testing kits available at school. Please call in and ask for some for your home. Students cannot take them, due to a warning label on the packaging, however, we can provide testing kits to our families.

Please test daily if your child/ren is COVID positive and keep them home until they are symptom free. Please also be reminded that Wickepin Health Service are offering free flu vaccinations for all primary school aged children. Please keep your child/ren home if they are unwell, no matter the cause, to avoid the spreading of viruses and germs.

Absentee Information

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

Kind regards,

Benjamin Parkin

Dates to Remember

September

19 Whole School Assembly - Room 4/KP
20 - 22 Year 5/6 Camp
22 Last Day of Term 3

October

9 Term 1 Commences
27 World Teachers Day
31 School Photos

November

3 School Development Day - students, do not attend



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Each binary puzzle has to be solved according to the following rules:

1. Each box should contain either a zero or a one.
2. More than two equal numbers immediately next to or below each are not allowed.
3. Each row and each column should contain an equal number of zeros and ones.
4. Each row is unique and each column is unique.

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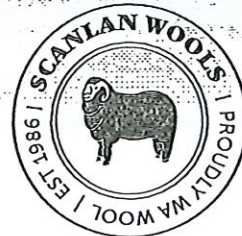
MURPHY'S OTHER 15 LAWS

1. Light travels faster than sound. This is why some people appear bright until you hear them speak.
2. A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.
3. He who laughs last, thinks slowest.
4. A day without sunshine is like, well, night.
5. Change is inevitable, except from a vending machine.
6. Those who live by the sword get shot by those who don't.
7. Nothing is foolproof to a sufficiently talented fool.
8. The 50-50-90 Rule: Anytime you have a 50:50 chance of getting something right, there's a 90% probability you'll get it wrong.
9. It is said that if you line up all the cars in the world end-to-end, someone from Essex would be stupid enough to try to pass them.
10. If the shoe fits, get another one just like it.
11. The things that come to those who wait, may be the things left by those who got there first.
12. Give a man a fish and he will eat for a day. Teach a man to fish and he will sit in a boat all day drinking beer.
13. Flashlight: A case for holding dead batteries.
14. The shin bone is a device for dinging furniture in the dark.
15. When you go into court, you are putting yourself in the hands of twelve people who weren't smart enough to get out of jury duty.



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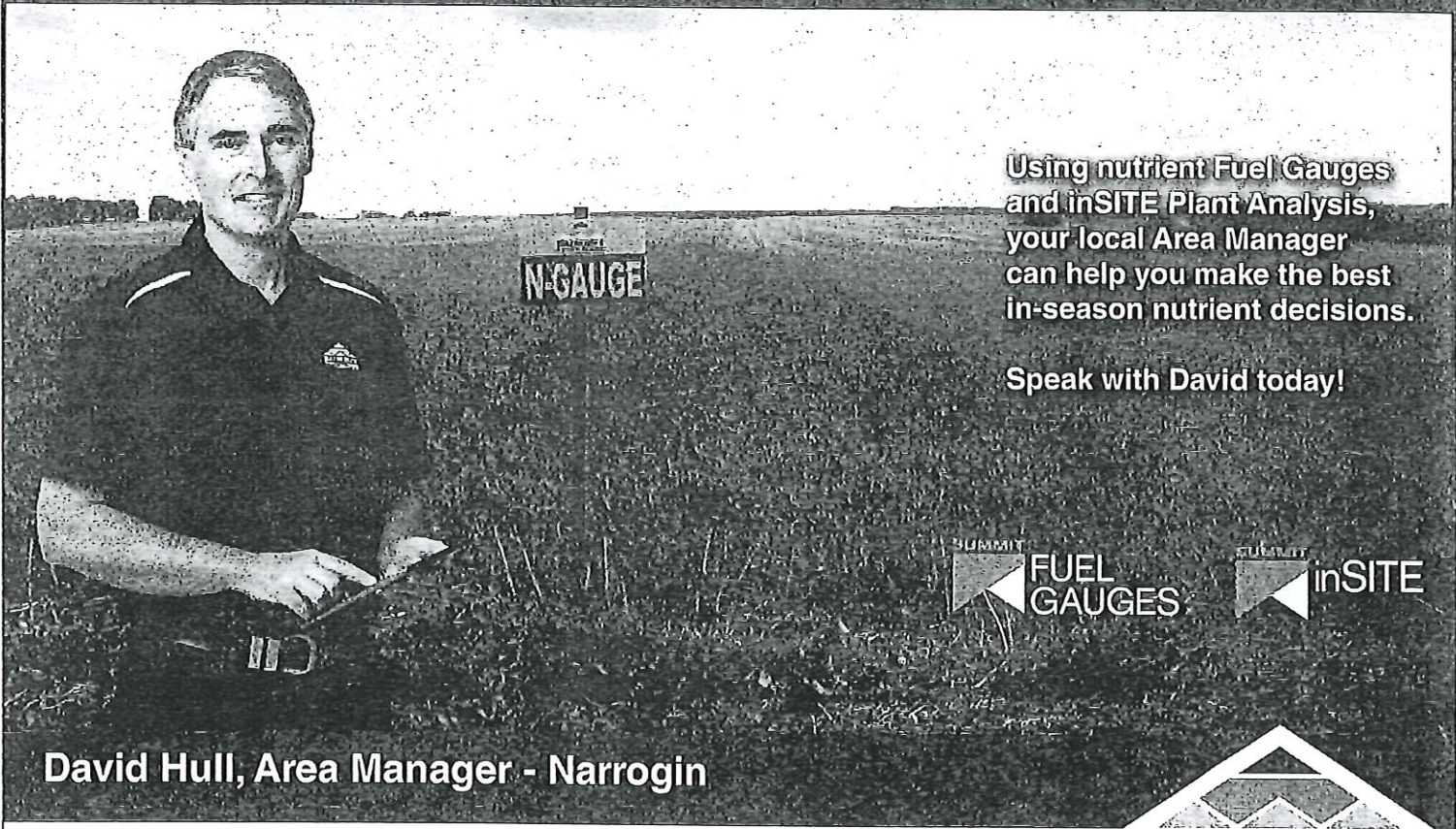


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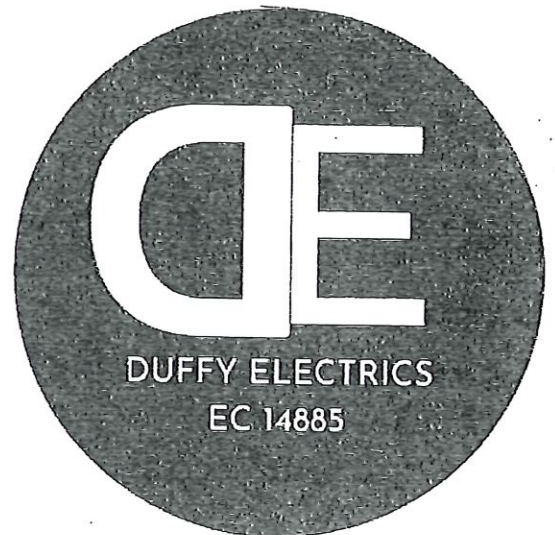
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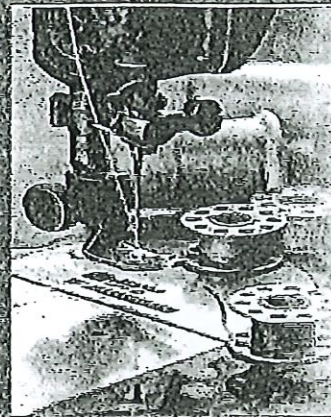
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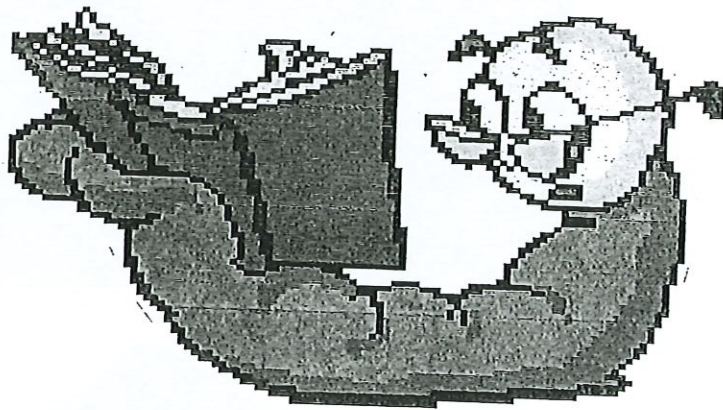
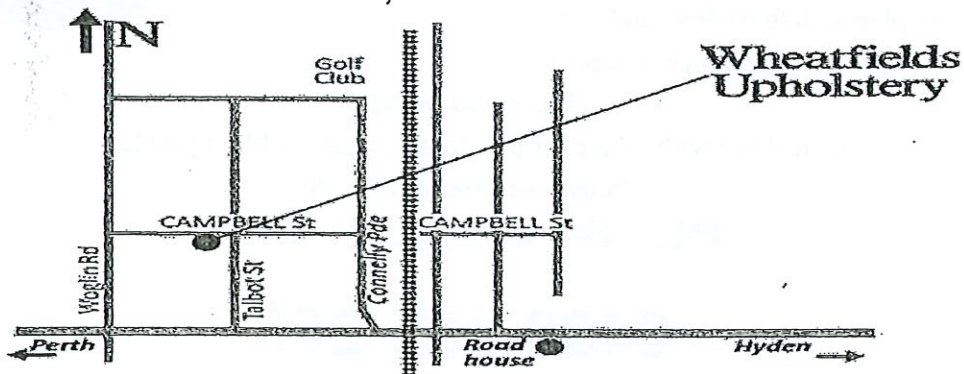
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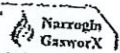
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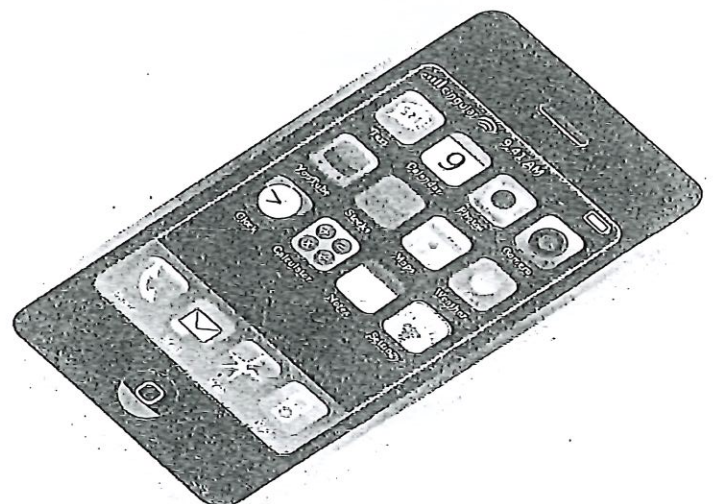


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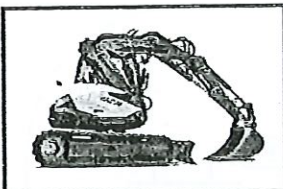
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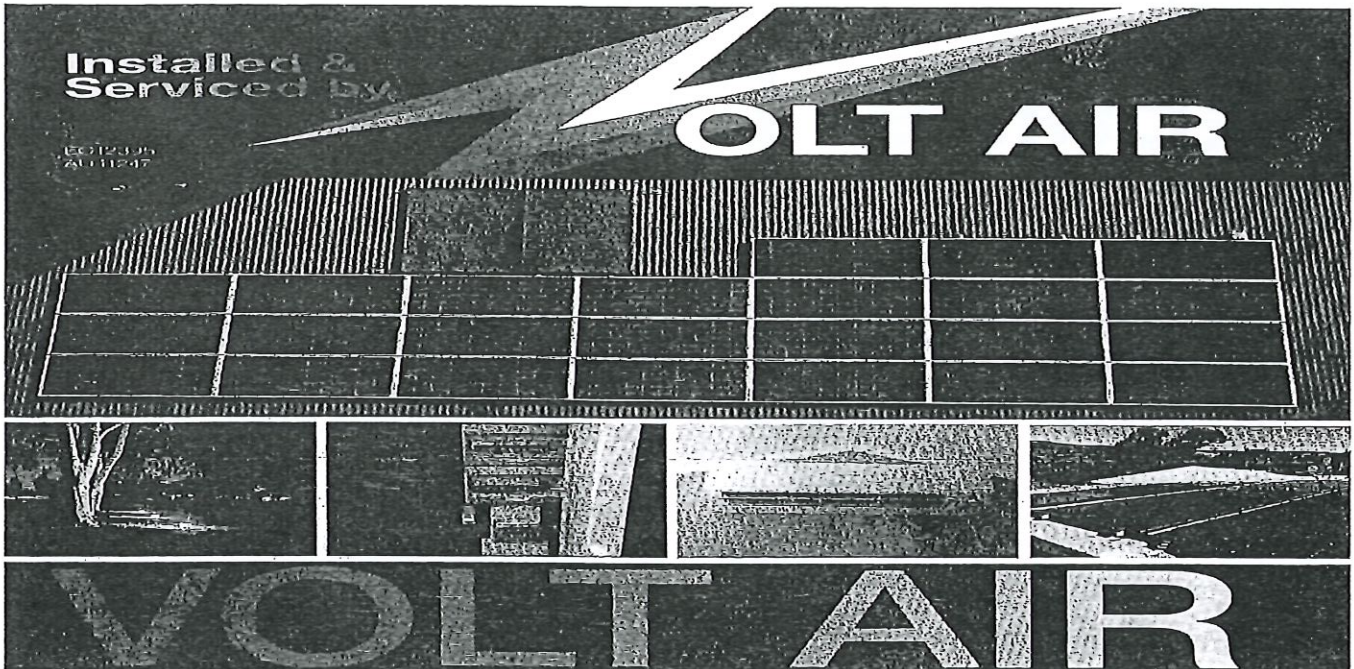
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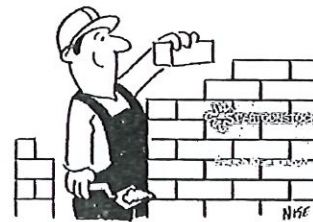


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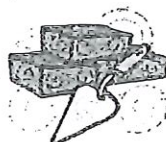
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Harrismith Golf Notes.

After a very successful golf season the Harrismith Golf Club held their Presentation Dinner recently. With many thanks to our catering manager Katrina, a sumptuous dinner was served after which presentations were made.

A highlight of the evening was the presentation of Life Membership to long serving member Tim Dowdell. Congratulations Tim.

Seasonal winners were:

Mens Champion: Tim Dowdell ; R/U Scott Bayley.

Ladies Champion: Peta Astbury ; R/U Amanda Davidson.

Mens Plate Division: Wes Astbury.

Glen Orin Winner: Tim Dowdell: R/U Caen Tayler

Minida Mug (Consistency): Scott Bayley 32.5 & Katrina Gray 9.

Eclectic: Tim Dowdell 59.5 & Peta Astbury 64.5

Most Improved: Peter Thompson -3.5 strokes & Katrina Gray - 5.4 strokes

A program of golf coaching led by Megan Henry was well attended by around 15 players over several weeks. A wonderful outcome for our club, encouraging more folk to take up the game of golf in our local area.

Many thanks go to President Arron and all the Committee for contributing to a most successful season, in particular to Alan for the many hours he spends on the mower. The course is a credit to all those involved. We look forward to another successful season next year.



WICKEPIN BOWLING CLUB

Nothing beats getting outdoors with good company, music, laughter, and a game of bowls however playing in the weather conditions on Sunday, for the first day of the season was a challenge. Not to be deterred, there was a great turnout of 21 bowlers all attempting to conquer jack.

Playing in the wind was tricky and is possibly a great argument for keeping jacks short as it was difficult to read the green and keep our bowls out of the ditch... off the bank!

Thank you to our Patrons Marj White and Dave Astbury for sponsoring the day and congratulations to the winning team of Rex Bergin, Robyn Mullan, Dennis Bransby and Leanne Smith. Congratulations also to runners-up Bev Davidson, Maureen James and Bob Read.

New members are always welcome, and we are delighted that Dave Triffitt, previously from Wanneroo bowling club and Maureen Jones from Wonthella club, now both living in Wickepin, have joined our club. If anyone is thinking about playing or would like to have a roll, you are encouraged to come along on 8th October for Sunday social.

SOCIAL EVENTS OCTOBER / NOVEMBER

08.10.23	12.30 FOR 1PM START	BAYLEYS SPONSORED FOURS
15.10.23	12.30 FOR 1PM START	VERA WATSON MEAT PACK PAIRS
22.10.23	12.30 FOR 1PM START	SOCIAL
29.10.23	12.30 FOR 1PM START	CAPTAINS SPONSORED ROTATING TRIPLES
05.11.23	12.30 FOR 1PM START	ELPHICK SPONSORED



A GREAT CLUB WITH A 'YOU ARE WELCOME' VIBE

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

OCTOBER

- Thurs 5th Wildlife in Wicky—Wickepin CRC 12pm-1pm. Bookings essential
Fri 6th Completed Scavenger Hunt Quiz due to Wickepin CRC
Sat 7th Lake Yealering Regatta
Mon 9th School Term 4 Begins
Thurs 12th Join Mable to hear about “Staying Place” @ Wickepin CRC 3pm-4.30pm
Sat 14th Referendum -The Voice Voting Day
Mon 16th Watershed News
Mon 16th Recycling and Bin Day
Mon 16th Calendar Photo Competition Voting closes Wickepin CRC
Mon 16th Facey Group AGM 6pm @ Wickepin Community Centre
Wed 18th Ordinary Meeting of Council
Sat 21st Local Government Elections
Fri 27th Children’s Week Hula Workshop @ Wickepin CRC 3.30pm-4.30pm
Sun 29th Wickepin St John’s Anglican Church 100 years of Consecration 10.30am
Mon 30th Watershed News
Mon 30th Recycling and Bin Day
Tues 31st Halloween Day

NOVEMBER

- Fri 3rd School Development Day Wickepin Primary School—Students do not attend
Fri 10th 60 years of service by Astbury Family Afternoon Tea 2pm Wickepin Community Centre
Mon 13th Watershed News
Mon 13th Recycling and Bin Day
Mon 13th Restricted Burning Season Closes
Mon 27th Watershed News
Mon 27th Recycling and Bin Day

DECEMBER

- Fri 1st Seniors’ Christmas Lunch @ Wickepin Community Centre 11.30am
Mon 11th Watershed News—Last edition for 2023
Mon 11th Recycling and Bin Day
Thurs 14th School Term 4 Ends
Mon 25th Christmas Day
Tues 26th Boxing Day
Sun 31st New Years Eve

JANUARY 2024

FEBRUARY

- Mon 5th Watershed New—First edition for 2024**
Sat 24th Ignite Wicky presents Wickepin Festival and Wickepin Car Rally