

# WATERSHED NEWS

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

*27th November 2023*



## Seniors' Christmas Lunch

FRIDAY 1st December 2023  
at 11.30am

Wickepin Community Centre



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**Next edition of Watershed News**

**Monday 11<sup>th</sup> December 2023**



# Family contribution extends to 60 years

DANIEL ROONEY

The Wickepin community has come together to celebrate the work of the Astbury family, who have contributed 60 years of continuous service to the region on the council.

The dynasty began on May 25, 1963, when John Astbury was elected to represent the South Ward and it continues today with Wes Astbury serving as deputy president of the Shire of Wickepin.

John Astbury's son Dave Astbury OAM, who served on the council from 1997-2013, said the family's dedication to local government originated from an urge to be heard.

"Harrismith is about 45km away from Wickepin, we were a bit of a forgotten area in the Shire so we had to come over here to represent the place," he said.

"That was the old days when the wards were around, it was called the south ward and it was the biggest ward in the Shire.

"It was always a bit of a competition between Tincurrin and Harrismith, we had to talk pretty loud to get a hearing. We got the jump on them because we had the bitumen road to Harrismith a long time before Tincurrin."

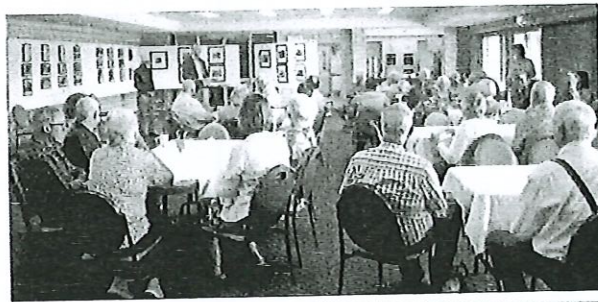
Mr Astbury said relocating the Albert Facey Homestead into the Wickepin townsite in 2000 was one of the highlights of his tenure.

"That was a big thing to have it in town and that sort of thing doesn't happen so much now," he said.

"The farms have got big-



Murray Lang with Bill and Dave Astbury. Pictures: Daniel Rooney



The community thanks the Astbury family.

ger and there's less people around to involve themselves in what's going on."

John Astbury's grandson, former Shire of Wickepin president and now Liberal Agricultural Region MLC Steve Martin, opened the celebration.

"On May 25, 1963, John Astbury was elected to the south ward around three months after I was born, so for my entire life there's

been an Astbury on the Wickepin Shire Council, at times a couple at once," he said.

"Being around the Astburys as often as I was as a kid, you do learn the ability to tell a story and to make a speech.

"The Astburys have always been able to convince people of their points of view and make a strong point of view, and I certain-

ly learnt that on the Shire council serving with them."

Mr Martin joined the council in 2001 and he thanked then-deputy president Ted Astbury for giving him an opportunity to serve the community as president, a role he held for 10 years after being elected in 2005.

Following a speech from Freeman of the Shire of Wickepin Murray Lang, Wes Astbury's father, former councillor Bill Astbury, addressed the crowd.

"Dad was always very community-minded," he said.


"To have a small community you've got to have district-minded people and I think that has flowed through all of us lot, that we're to contribute somewhere along the line."





## How to be SunSmart

Australia is the skin cancer capital of the world. Two in three Australians will develop skin cancer in their lifetime, and every year around 2,000 people die from this disease. The good news is that skin cancer is largely preventable by minimising exposure to ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun. Being SunSmart is a simple and effective way to reduce your risk of developing skin cancer.

There's more to sun protection than sunscreen. Protect yourself in **five ways**:

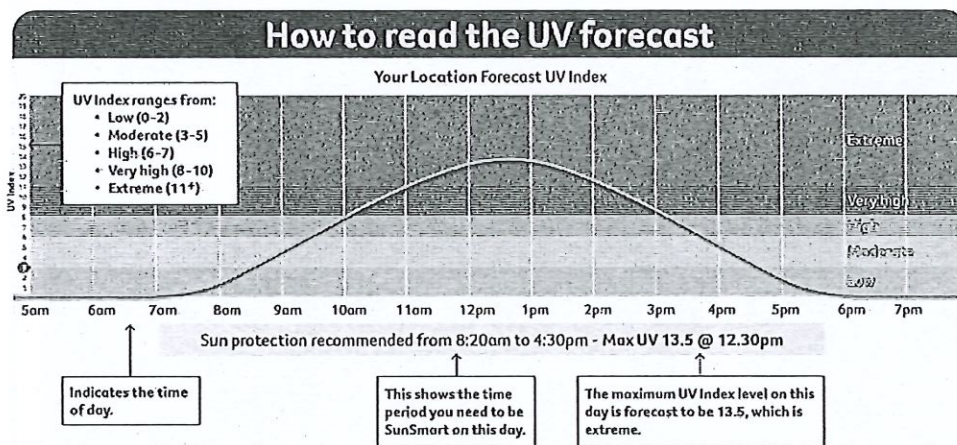
 **Slip**  
on sun protective clothing

 **Slop**  
on SPF 30 (or higher) sunscreen

 **Slap**  
on a broad-brimmed hat

 **Seek**  
shade

 **Slide**  
on wrap-around sunglasses



### Find Skin Cancer Early

Common skin cancer symptoms:

- A new spot or mole on your skin that is red, pale or pearly in colour
- A spot that is different from other spots on your skin
- Any crusty or non-healing sores
- Any spots, freckles or any moles changing in size (width), thickness (height), colour, or shape

Get to know your skin and what's normal for you, particularly if you're over 40 years of age. If you notice any of these symptoms or any other unusual changes tell your doctor without delay.

If it's skin cancer, the earlier it's found, the greater the chance of successful treatment.

Visit <https://www.findcancerearly.com.au/cancer-symptoms/skin-cancer/> for more information.

### When UV is 3 or above be SunSmart.

But how do you know when?

Use the free SunSmart Global UV App!

The sun's ultraviolet (UV) radiation is the major cause of skin cancer. UV cannot be seen or felt and can damage your skin on cool or cloudy days. The sun protection times tell you when UV is forecast to reach 3 and above, that's the time to be SunSmart.



Scan to download the SunSmart app



Download the app or go to [myUV.com.au](http://myUV.com.au)





### Council Reference Groups

Council, at its meeting held on 15 November 2023 resolved to replace the former Townscape and Cultural Planning Committee with the Townscape and Cultural Planning Reference Group and the former Albert Facey Homestead Committee with the Albert Facey Homestead Reference Group, with updated terms of reference.

Council has re-appointed all former members of the committees to the newly formed reference groups and seek additional nominations from community members to join the Townscape & Cultural Planning and Albert Facey Homestead Reference Groups. Nominations close 4pm Friday 8 December, 2023 and can be received by email to [admin@wickepin.wa.gov.au](mailto:admin@wickepin.wa.gov.au).

### Ordinary Meeting of Council

The next Ordinary Meeting of Council will be held on Wednesday 13 December 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.

### Employment Opportunity - Gardener

Further details and application package are available on the Shire's website ([www.wickepin.wa.gov.au](http://www.wickepin.wa.gov.au)) or by contacting Mr Graeme Hedditch on 08 9888 1005.

Applications must be received by **4:00pm Friday 1 December 2023**.

### Townsite Properties

Thank you to the owners/occupiers of townsite properties who have cleared their yards of debris and flammable material, your effort to keeping our community tidy and safe is commended.

Inspection of all townsite properties will continue throughout the bushfire season up until 14 April 2024 and owners are required to maintain their property in accordance with the 2023/24 Firebreak Notice. For townsite land, the following requirements exist:

*'All lots within the townsites of Harrismith, Tincurrin, Toolibin, Wickepin and Yealering are required to be cleared and maintained free of all debris or flammable material. Failure to comply with these requirements renders the owner or occupier liable to a penalty not more than \$400.'*

Thank you for being responsible members of our community. Your efforts are making the Shire of Wickepin a better place for all of us.

### Harvest Ban Alerts

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](mailto:admin@wickepin.wa.gov.au).







**Seniors' Christmas Lunch – Friday 1st 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

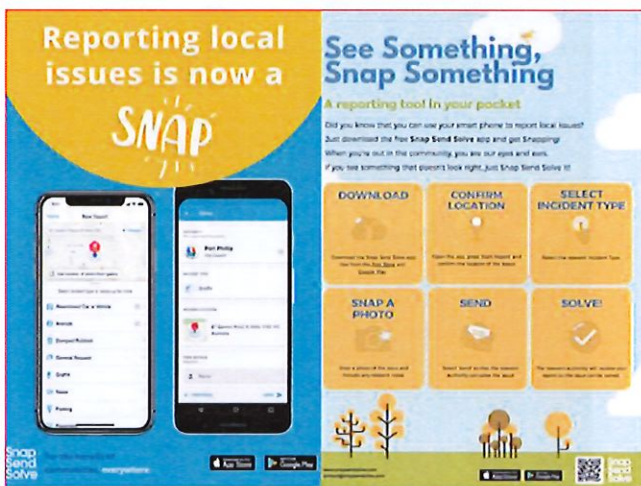
Christmas Lunch is an event our seniors look forward to every year.

This year we are in need of some new volunteers. Please contact the Shire Office if you can help in anyway. 9888 1005.

**Snap! Send! Solve!**

**Reporting A Local Issue Is As Simple As A Snap.**

You can help the Shire stay safe by alerting the Shire of any issues arising in the community as they happen! Snap Send Solve is a free app that allows you to quickly and easily report issues and provide feedback to local council and Shire. It only takes 30 seconds and a push of a button!



**Wickepin Swimming Pool**

The Wickepin Swimming Pool is now open for the 2023/24 season, 1pm – 6pm. The pool will be closed every second Tuesday commencing 7 November 2023 except during Vac Swim or Education Department swimming lessons.

Season passes are available from the Shire Office.

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



**Children under 10 must be supervised at ALL times.**

**Motorised Pedestrian Vehicles**

Motorised Pedestrian Vehicles of various types are becoming more abundant in number along our footpaths and roads within our communities, both as recreational vehicles to commute from place to place and to enable people with age or disability factors to remain independent and to be able to access such amenities as shops, essential services, recreational facilities and the like.

Council would like to raise awareness to everyone that the pathways on which the motorised vehicles commute are also shared with foot pedestrians of all ages and abilities, and would like to request:

- Those persons using motorised pedestrian vehicles to please be respectful of the shared arrangements by keeping watchful eyes out for foot pedestrians, and keeping speeds to a minimum, especially when within range of the retail business's doorways.
- Pedestrians, please also be respectful of the shared arrangements by keeping watchful eyes out for the motorised pedestrian vehicles as you are accessing the shared footpaths.

Stop; Look and Listen.

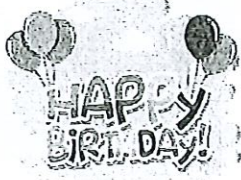
By remaining cautious and aware, you are remaining safe.

**Yealering Ablution Block**

The Yealering ablution block is CLOSED until further notice. Construction of the new amenities will commence soon.

Apologies for any inconvenience this may cause.





# Community Notes

Happy birthday Kelly Steere, Shaun Reynolds, Flynn Anderson, Timothy Bennier, Bradley Pauley, Hannah Green, Tammy Rance, Chad Russell, Coleen Thompson, Leanne Holmes-Martin, Maus Preedy, Samatha Dawes.

Deepest sympathy to Bronwyn and Rob Dew and family on the recent passing of Bronwyn's father Norm Middleton in Mandurah, formally of Corrigin where he farmed pigs. He also had the 5 school bus contracts for the Corrigin School with Norm driving many Yealering students to the Corrigin District High School.

Harvest is still in full swing so please be aware of the movement of Agricultural machinery on the roads as well as the trucks carting grain.



Missing Dog, MITZY. Small sandy Shitzu Cross Terrier, 1 eye, bad legs. Please contact Ruth 0437 701 967 or Tanya 0488 128 419

Jean from Wickepin Newsagency would like to thank CHOOK for placing the reindeers on the roof of her shop which was very much appreciated.



Watershed Team and partners celebrated another successful year of producing The Watershed News by having a superb Christmas Lunch at the Cuballing Tavern on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2023.

The Annual General Meeting for Watershed News will be held on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at Ruth Bailey's Home 2 Wogolin Road, Wickepin 10.00am. Everyone welcome.

### Respect Your Neighbours and Care For Your Pets.

Please consider your neighbours and do not leave your dogs to bark and cause distress.

Cats have also been roaming, hunting baby chicks and other bird life.

Submitted from concerned citizens.

## Rainfall registered at the Wickepin Post Office

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	0.0	0	303.8
November	6.2	4	349.6	November	4.8	3	308.6
December	0.4	1	350.0	December			

As of 27th November 2023





## Christmas Stargazing!

with Carol Redford and Donna Vanzetti, Astrotourism WA

With Christmas just around the corner, it's a hectic and crazy time. So why not take a breather, head outside and look up at the beauty of a star-filled night sky. Stargazing is awe-inspiring and yet peaceful and calming at the same time. It's bound to refresh your spirits and get you ready to tackle the Christmas preparations with renewed vigour.

This month, stargazers will be treated to a special display from the Geminids Meteor Shower. On a dark night, away from artificial light pollution, you might see up to 120 meteors (or "shooting stars") an hour!

The Geminids meteor shower is generated from asteroid 3200 Phaethon and is one of the most active and best meteor showers to see.

**When and where to look:** The best time to watch is after midnight until early morning on 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> December. Look to the northeast and north about 45 degrees above the horizon.

Throughout December the planets are also celebrating Christmas by putting on a 'Parade of Planets'! From our perspective here on Earth, as the planets continue their never-ending path around the Sun, their orbits can sometimes bring the planets together, along with the Moon, to form incredible conjunctions.

On Dec 24<sup>th</sup>, we have a special Christmas Eve treat. From 8pm, high in the north, the brightest star you can see is not a star at all – it's Jupiter! And to the east of Jupiter, a very bright moon lights up the sky!

To end our cosmic year on a high, early risers on New Year's Eve will be treated to quite a show in the low eastern sky. A bright Venus sits near to the constellation of Scorpio, while Mars and Mercury huddle together just underneath. Look from 4.30am-5.00am, 31st December.

Use the Quasar Publishing image as a guide. To find out more about what to see in the night sky, grab a copy of their latest Astronomy Australia almanac at [Quasar Publishing](#).

Have a wonderful Christmas from the team at Astrotourism WA. We will have more stargazing tips and helpful hints coming up next year! Have a star-filled Christmas!

For more stargazing tips, visit [www.astrotourismwa.com.au](http://www.astrotourismwa.com.au).

### FOR SOCIAL SHARING

**Post before 13<sup>TH</sup> December**

#### The Geminids Meteor Shower

Here comes another meteor shower! The Geminids meteor shower is generated from asteroid 3200 Phaethon and is one of the most active and best meteor showers to see.

<https://astrotourismwa.com.au/geminids-meteor-shower/>

**Post before 22<sup>nd</sup> December**

#### The Summer Solstice

It's Summer Solstice time! The summer solstice occurs on 22<sup>nd</sup> December and is the year's day with the longest number of daylight hours. The Sun will rise and set further south than any other day in the year.

<https://astrotourismwa.com.au/summer-solstice/>

**Post before 24<sup>th</sup> December**

#### Jupiter and the Moon.

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<https://astrotourismwa.com.au/christmas-stargazing/>





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## Christmas/New Year Trading Hours 2023/24:

The Wickepin CRC & Library will close at

**12:30pm Friday 22nd December**

We will reopen at

**10:00am Monday 8th January**

with reduced trading hours:

Monday 8th - Wednesday 10th January 10am - 3pm

Monday 15th - Wednesday 17th January 10am - 3pm

Monday 22nd - Wednesday 24th January 10am - 3pm

Normal trading hours will resume on Monday 29th January.



## Letters to Santa



The elves have delivered my special mailbox!

Write me a letter and drop it into my mailbox at the Wickepin CRC.

Don't forget to include your full name and address so I can write you back!





# TECHNOLOGY LESSONS



## One-on-One Tutorials

Thursday 30th November

\$10 per 30min Session

Is there something specific you would like to learn about your phone, tablet or computer? We can help!



FREE

## Apps For Smarter Travel

Thursday 7th December

12pm-1pm

Planning a trip has never been easier! Apps can help you research your next holiday and improve your travel experience. In this 1 hour live stream, we explore apps that provide travel reviews and safety advice, ways to book accommodation and access entertainment, as well as maps, rideshare and transport apps to help you get around with ease.



## Bookings Essential

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# Christmas

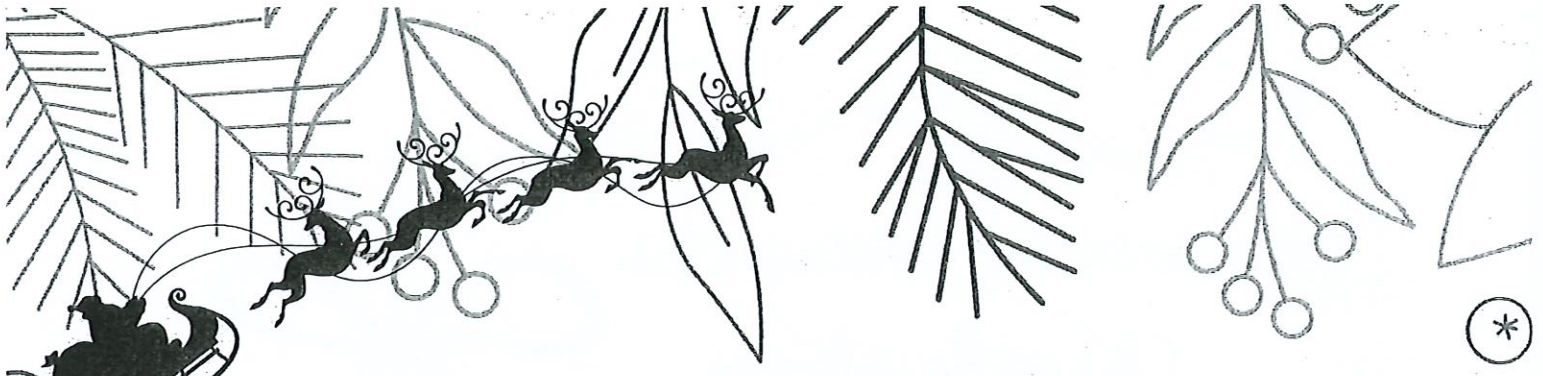
Half Price on  
Kodak Kiosk Prints  
1 - 22 December

**SALE!**

*Get in quick and share  
the memories this  
Christmas.*







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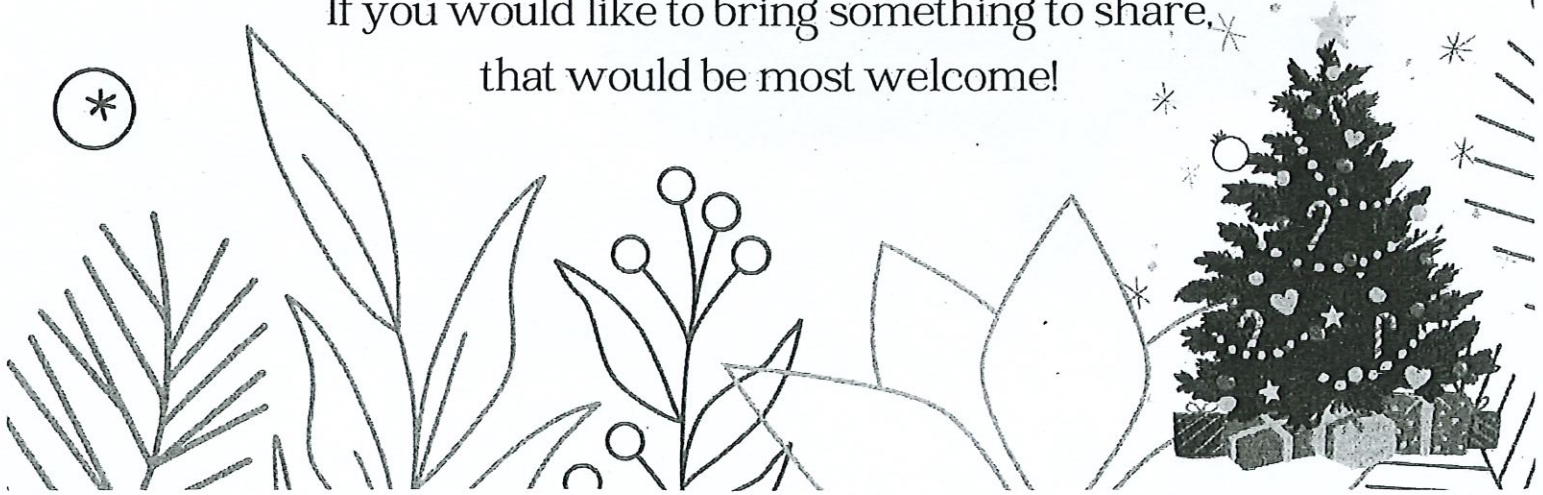
YEALERING PRIMARY SCHOOL

# End of Year Presentation Evening

DECEMBER **13<sup>TH</sup>** 6.30 PM  
WEDNESDAY

YEALERING TOWN HALL

We will enjoy a light supper afterwards.  
If you would like to bring something to share,  
that would be most welcome!

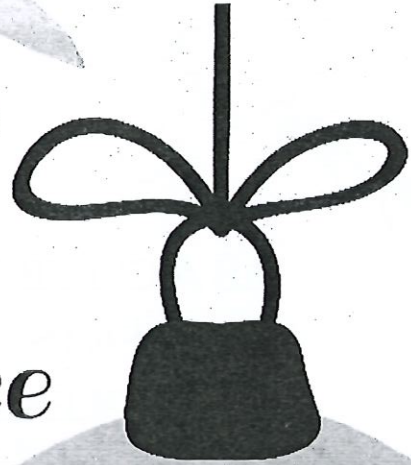






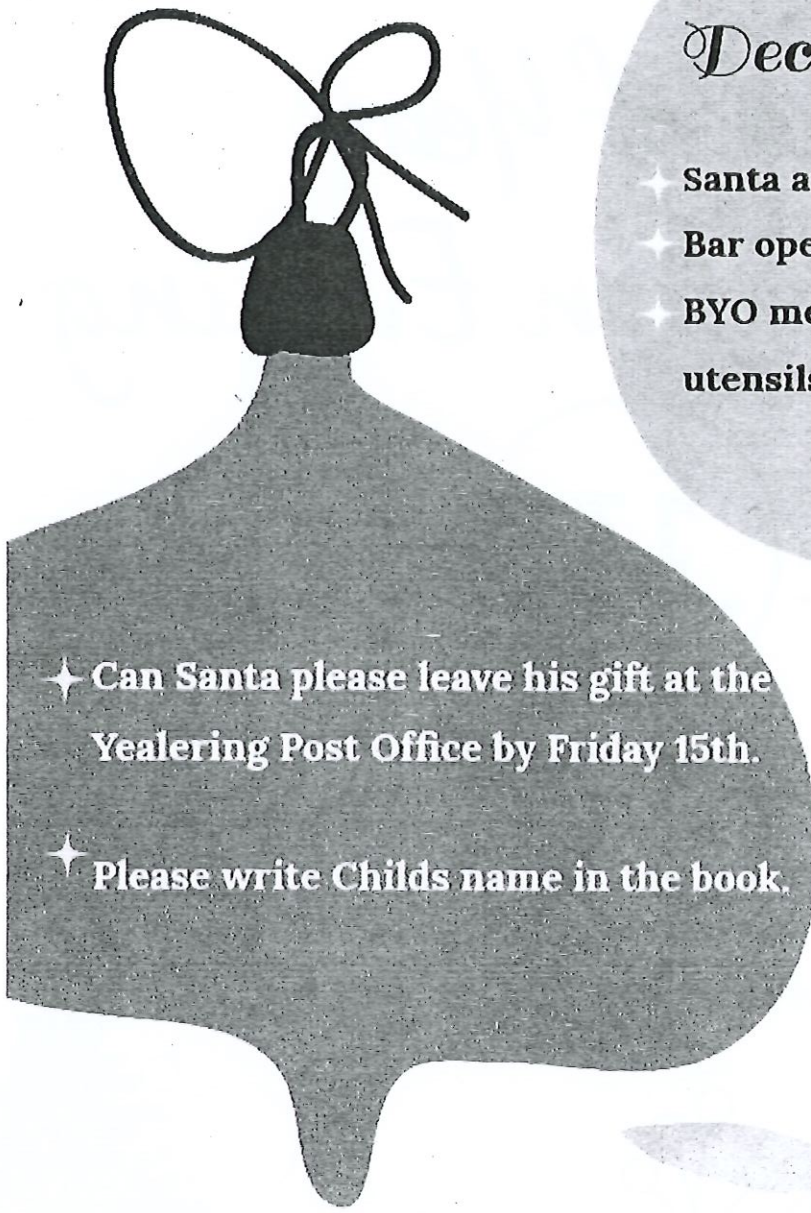
Lake Yealering Bowling Club

# Yealering Christmas Tree



*December 17th 2023*

- ✦ Santa arrives at the Lake at 530pm
- ✦ Bar opens at 530pm
- ✦ BYO meat, a salad to share and own utensils



✦ Can Santa please leave his gift at the Yealering Post Office by Friday 15th.

✦ Please write Childs name in the book.







# WICKEPIN COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Wickepin Community Centre**  
**4:30pm – Santa arriving 4:45pm**

**Sausage Sizzle available for purchase – Raffles – Face Painting**  
**Colouring in Competition – DJ RED Music**

**BYO Drinks & Nibbles**

**Registration list of children**  
**Plus colouring in competition sheets at Wickepin Newsagency**  
**\$4 per child**

**Santa's Gift – less than \$20 wrapped & labelled with name and age to be left at the**  
**Wickepin CRC by Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec with colouring in entry too please.**

**Further info – Alyce 0427 949 125 or Jo 0448 871 779**

**THANK YOU to sponsors –**



**& The Shire of Wickepin for the venue.**  
**We always welcome more support.**





# 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 @ 9am  
Club Equipment Available

## Sundays:

Anglican Church every 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday @ 8am







*A breathtaking collection of photographs, captured and handpicked by the community, showcasing our rich culture and stunning scenery.*



2024 Wickepin and Surrounds Calendar  
Available now at the CRC

\$15





The Wickepin Community Resource Centre is your one-stop hub for a wide range of services that support and enhance our amazing community.

## Wickepin CRC Membership Entitlements

Becoming a CRC Member affords you access to free and discounted services, and helps to fund the CRC, allowing us to continue to serve the community.

We have a Membership package to suit everyone. If you'd like to become a member, or would just like more information, pop in and see us, or give us a call on 9888 1500. We're always happy to chat!

	Business \$60p.a.	Community Groups & Sporting Clubs \$40p.a.	Family 2 adults & children \$60p.a.	Single \$40p.a. Concession \$30p.a.
Free computer access	✓	✓	✓	✓
Free 1 hour Internet access per calendar month (value - \$72)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Free 1 hour admin/secretarial service (value - \$34)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Discounted CRC services (printing, photocopying, room hire, etc)	✓	✓	✓	✓
Discounted Stall Holder fees on Market Days	✓	✓	✓	✓
Discounted advertising in Wickepin CRC publications (ie. Community Phonebook)	✓	✓		
Half price children's school holiday activities			✓	

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Membership Type

Business  Community Group  Family  Single  Concession

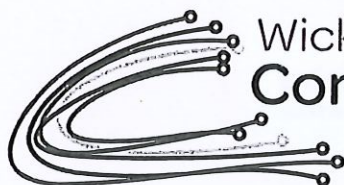
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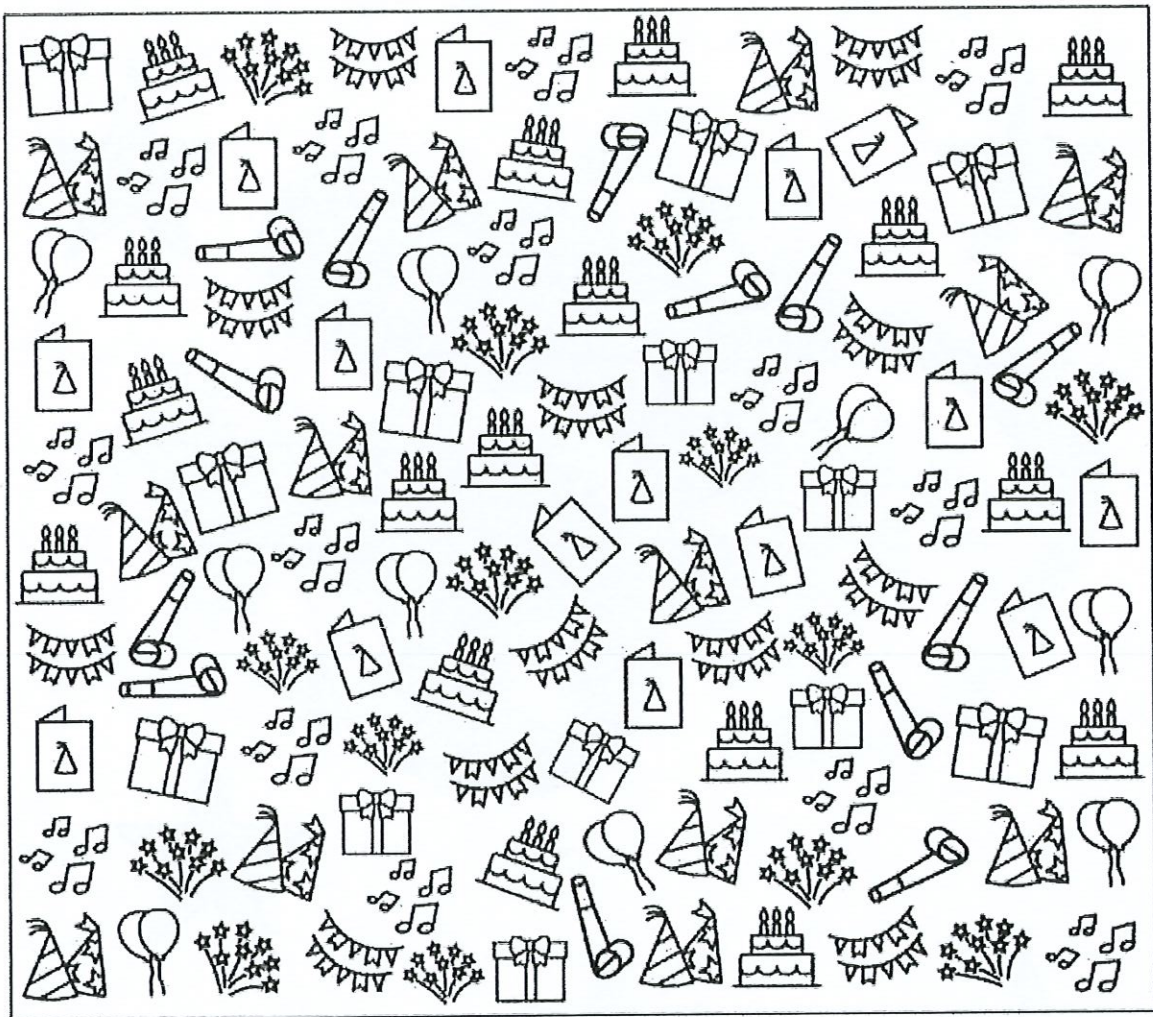
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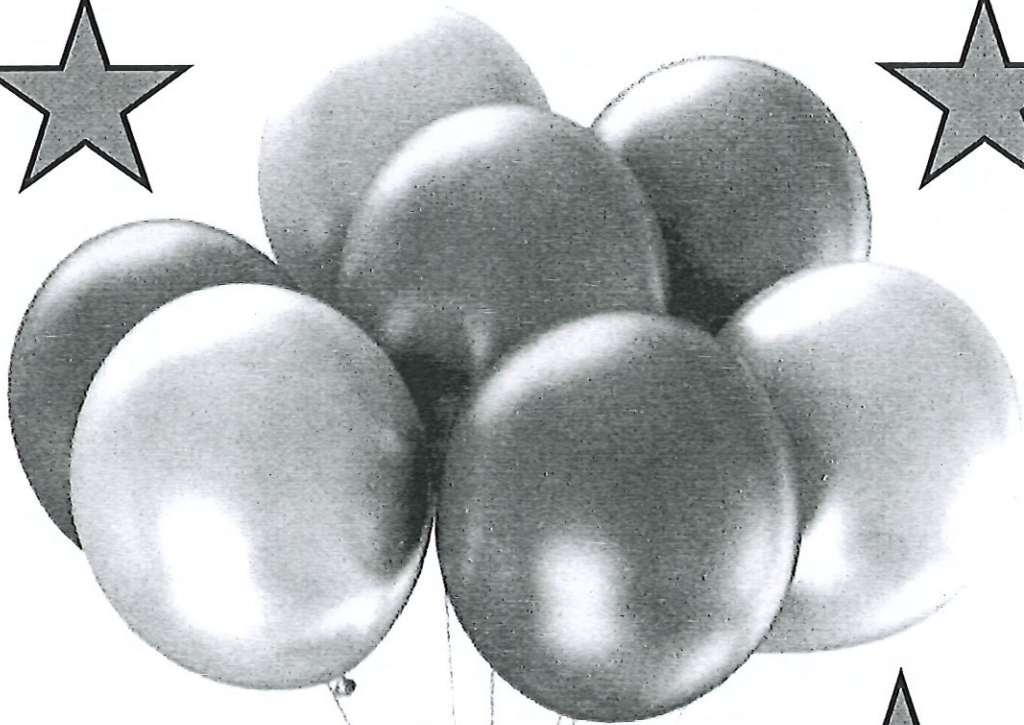
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# Happy Birthday



**Neah Stacey**

**5/12/2016**





# FACEY GROUP UPDATE



*Picture: Senior Project Coordinator, Tina Astbury, collecting harvest hand-cuts from a trial site.*

Like most farmers in our region, Facey Group has been busy with harvest. In the absence of large machinery and with our drive to get accurate, relevant data to local growers, the team has been busy getting hand-cut grain harvest yields from our trials.

To date the team has harvested and processed 116 grain samples by hand ready for quality testing.

The team look forward to revealing how the trials have gone this year at our annual Trials Review Event, to be held in March 2024.

## Facey Group Harvest Conversations

In preparation for 2024, the Facey Group Team is reaching out to all Facey Group members to have a chat.

We have a range of questions, some we must ask for various projects, and others seeking your input and advice about where the Facey Group is headed. We understand this is a busy time of year, so we will try to make this as painless and efficient as possible.

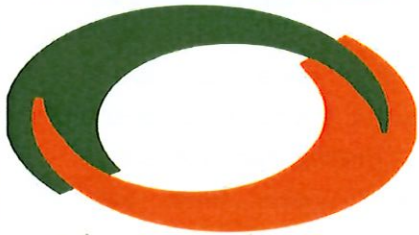
We will text or call over the next few weeks and appreciate all members who take the time to assist us with our quest for relevant information and feedback. Your continued support ensures Facey Group can continue to deliver value to its members.



*Picture: Ken Martin harvesting and catching up with Facey Group's Tina Astbury, last Friday.*



**FACEY GROUP**



*Shaping the Future*

# **2023 Annual General Meeting & Post Harvest Bash**

## **20th December 2023 @ 6pm** **Wickepin Community Centre**

Facey Group Members & Valued Sponsors are invited to attend the Facey Group 2023 Annual General Meeting which will commence at 6:00pm.

Annual Financial Statement for the 22/23 FY will be presented.

Following the AGM, Summit Fertilizers & Facey Group will provide delicious food, cold refreshments and kids entertainment for our members and their families as we celebrate the year that was and the upcoming festive season.



Please scan the QR Code to RSVP for catering purposes or visit <https://events.humanitix.com/facey-group-agm-and-xmas-party>



## Mini Christmas puddings

- 200g dark chocolate, chopped
- 700g fruit cake
- 1/3 cup orange juice (1/3 cup brandy can be substituted)
- 1/2 cup icing sugar mixture, sifted
- 250g white chocolate melts
- 40 assorted coloured mini jellybeans or glace cherries



Place dark chocolate in a heatproof bowl over a saucepan of simmering water. Stir until melted and smooth.

Crumble cake into a large bowl. Add dark chocolate, orange juice and sugar. Stir to combine. Cover. Refrigerate for 20 minutes or until firm enough to handle.

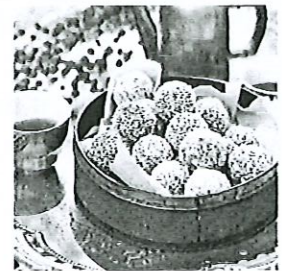
Roll level tablespoons of cake mixture into balls. Place on baking trays lined with baking paper, flattening bases slightly so they sit on trays. Refrigerate until firm.

Melt white chocolate melts following method above.. Cool for 10 minutes. Drizzle over puddings to form 'custard'. Do 10 at a time and decorate with jellybean or cherry before 'custard' sets.

Recipe from [www.taste.com.au](http://www.taste.com.au)

## Classic Rum Balls

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| 250 gram plain biscuits (such as marie) | 1/4 cup dark rum                           |
| 395 gram can sweetened condensed milk   | 1/2 cup desiccated coconut, toasted, extra |
| 1 cup desiccated coconut                |  |
| 1/4 cup cocoa powder                    |  |
| 1 teaspoon finely grated orange rind    |  |



Process biscuits until fine crumbs.

Transfer crumbs to a large bowl; add condensed milk, coconut, sifted cocoa, rind and rum.

Stir well to combine.

Roll mixture into walnut-sized balls. Toss balls in extra coconut. Place on a tray; cover, refrigerate until firm.



## Shortbread

- 250g unsalted butter, at room temperature
- 3/4 cup icing sugar, plus extra, to dust
- 1 3/4 cup plain flour
- 3/4 cup cornflour

Preheat oven to moderate, 180°C (160°C fan-forced). Line 2 baking trays with baking paper.

Using a pencil, draw an 18cm diameter circle on baking paper, then turn paper over so pencil marking faces down.

Using an electric mixer, beat butter and sifted icing sugar in a medium bowl until light and creamy. Gradually add sifted flour and cornflour. Turn out onto a floured surface; knead until dough is smooth.

Divide dough into 2 portions. Using marked circle as a guide, shape each portion on a prepared tray.

Smooth surface with a palette knife. Using fingers, crimp edges then prick surface with a fork. Using a sharp knife, score 8 wedges on each disc. Bake 10 minutes.

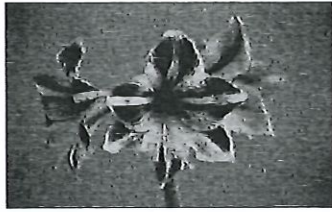
Reduce oven temperature to slow, 150°C (130°C fan-forced).

Bake shortbread a further 40 minutes, or until light golden. Cool 10 minutes on trays. Transfer to a wire rack to cool completely. Using scoring as a guide, cut into wedges. Serve dusted with extra icing sugar.

Recipes from [womensweeklyfood.com.au](http://womensweeklyfood.com.au)



## Garden Snippets...



## ...Happy Hippy's

The name *Hippeastrum* derives from hippos (a horse) and astrum (a star)-describing the shapes of the developing flower bud which resembles a horse's head, and the eventual flower which is star shaped. Many people, however, prefer the old name *Amaryllis*, named after the Roman shepherdess of legendary beauty.

Hippys take very little care. You can simply plant them into the ground or in pots - they are not fussy about the soil they are in as long as it is well drained, nor are they fussy about which way they face. They love the warm weather, but not direct sunshine (so dappled shade is best), throw a bit of water over them and as soon as the weather warms up the bulbs will kick into action. Some varieties will produce the flower spike first before the leaves, others will produce strappy leaves followed by the flower spike. Brilliant colours range from deep reds to the palest of pinks, solid colours or stripes and shadings, and there can be single or double flowering varieties – and if grown in pots they can be brought indoors for a splash of gorgeous colour when they are in bloom.

### So, How to grow Hippeastrums:

Plant with neck and shoulder of the bulb above the soil level of either the pot or the ground, so only cover about 2/3rds of the bulb with soil (planting too deep can affect the flowering). Although they are not fussy about the type of soil, it must be well drained, so put some bark chips or coal or large stones in the base of the pots to assist drainage.



Put bulbs about 20cm apart in the ground, and in pots allow about 3cm between the bulb and the edge of the pot. Water thoroughly after planting, and keep moist but not wet during growth and flowering. Flowering commences early October, and first flowers can appear before the leaves with a second flowering later in some varieties. Fertiliser of a slow release type can be applied at the beginning of the flowering season.

After flowering, remove spent or damaged foliage or flower heads after they have died down. Bulbs can be left in the ground or pots for a number of years, repot when they become too crowded.

### Troubleshooting:

Snails, slugs, thrips, grubs and slaters all love Hippeastrums, and can decimate the flowering spike, so it is advisable to keep a supply of snail pellets handy that will get rid of all of these pests.

### Why Won't They Flower?:

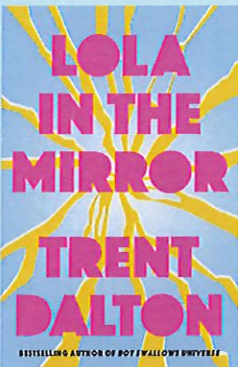
Hippy's love to be "crowded", they love a bit of a "winter nap", and when they are active, they love a bit of sunshine (albeit "dappled") – So, if they are not flowering, then check the pot they are in (you may have to repot into something smaller), turn it onto its side through winter to stop winter rain on them and enable eight weeks of "dry sleep", then place them in a sunnier spot when they are actively growing. If they are in the garden bed, then the best you can do is to give them perfect drainage and sternly refuse to water them from late autumn until spring. They will often settle, and start flowering once they multiply enough to get a little crowded.





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## ADULT FICTION: *Lola in the Mirror* - Trent Dalton

A girl and her mother have been on the run for sixteen years, from the police and the monster they left in their kitchen with a knife in his throat. They've found themselves a home inside a van with four flat tyres parked in a scrapyard by the edge of the Brisbane River.

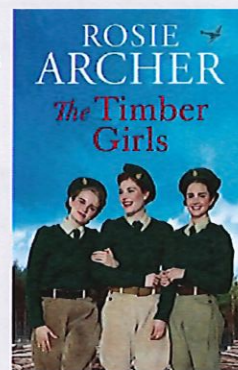
The girl has no name because names are dangerous when you're on the run. But she has a dream - vision of a life as an artist of international acclaim. A life outside the grip of the underworld drug queen, 'Lady' Flora Box. A life of love with the boy who's waiting for her on the bridge that stretches across a flooding, deadly river. A life beyond the bullet that has her name on it. And now that the storm clouds are rising, there's only one person who can help make her dreams come true. That person is Lola and she carries all the answers. But to find Lola, the girl must first do one of the hardest things we can ever do. She must look in the mirror.

## ADULT FICTION LARGE PRINT: *The Timber Girls* - Rosie Archer

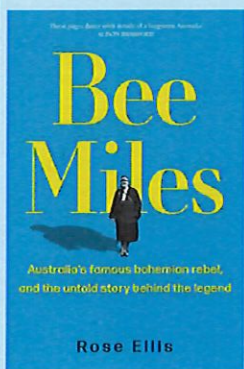
1942. Working in the greengrocer's and playing the piano in the pub isn't fulfilling 19-year-old Trixie Smith's idea of helping Britain win the war. One day she sees a poster advertising the Woman's Timber Corps and decides to sign up. Soon she is on her way to Scotland for four weeks of training to become a Lumberjill.

On her journey north she meets Cy, an American soldier on leave. Their attraction is instant, and although their time with one another is brief, they promise that they'll be together as soon as the war is over.

But training to become a Lumberjill is hard. Felling trees and hauling timber is dangerous and exhausting. Luckily Trixie quickly makes friends with three of her fellow Lumberjills. Each of them has different reasons for signing up, but running away from your problems doesn't make them disappear.



## BIOGRAPHY: *Bee Miles* - Rose Ellis



Born into wealth, Bee moved in Sydney's literary and artistic circles in the 1920's and 30's before taking up residence on the streets. A consummate performer, she caught the public's imagination with her acts of defiance - emerging from the surf with a knife strapped to each thigh, stopping a country train in its tracks, hitchhiking across Australia and drawing large city crowds with Shakespeare recitations. She was repeatedly imprisoned, placed in mental hospitals and treated brutally by authority figures, starting with her father.

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# WICKEPIN SENIORS WEEK EXTRAVAGANZA

## Explore

MONDAY 13TH NOV | PM  
TOOLSEUM JOYNER STREET

Our first Senior's Week event was held at the Wickepin Toolseum. We enjoyed a sausage sizzle, and took a trip down memory lane, exploring the old tools of yesteryear and viewing the historical photo display and sharing stories. A big thank you to Dave Astbury and Chris Moore for opening up the Toolseum!



## Create

THURSDAY 16TH NOV | PM  
WICKEPIN CRC

We had a small but enthusiastic group of budding artists join us for our second Senior's Week event...Paint Pouring! Everyone got to create a cute painted vase (they were actually little preserving jars, but they worked great!) and a matching canvas. We followed up with coffee and biscuits, and sat around chatting for quite some time. A lovely time was had by all!

## Enjoy

FRIDAY 17TH NOV | PM  
THE FACEY HOMESTEAD GARDENS

We capped off our Seniors Week extravaganza with a delightful community picnic. It was heartening to see over 25 attendees (including some not-yet-seniors!) come together to celebrate our seniors. The inclusive atmosphere made it an even more special occasion.



**A fantastic time was had by everyone who came along to one or more of our Seniors Week events. The CRC would like to extend our thanks to everyone who attended, everyone who lent a hand, and everyone who kindly brought along food. Your support and participation made this week of events truly memorable. Here's to the spirit of community and appreciation for our seniors!**

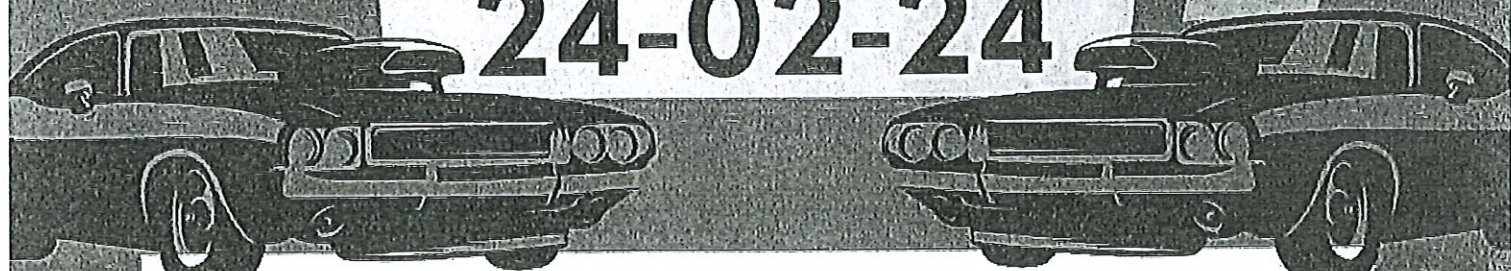


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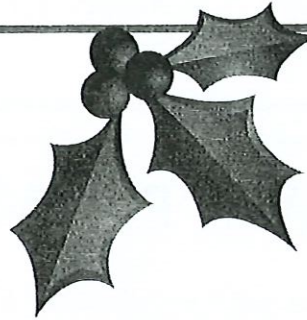


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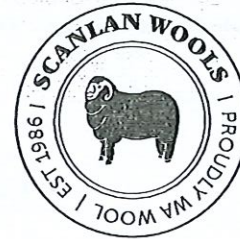






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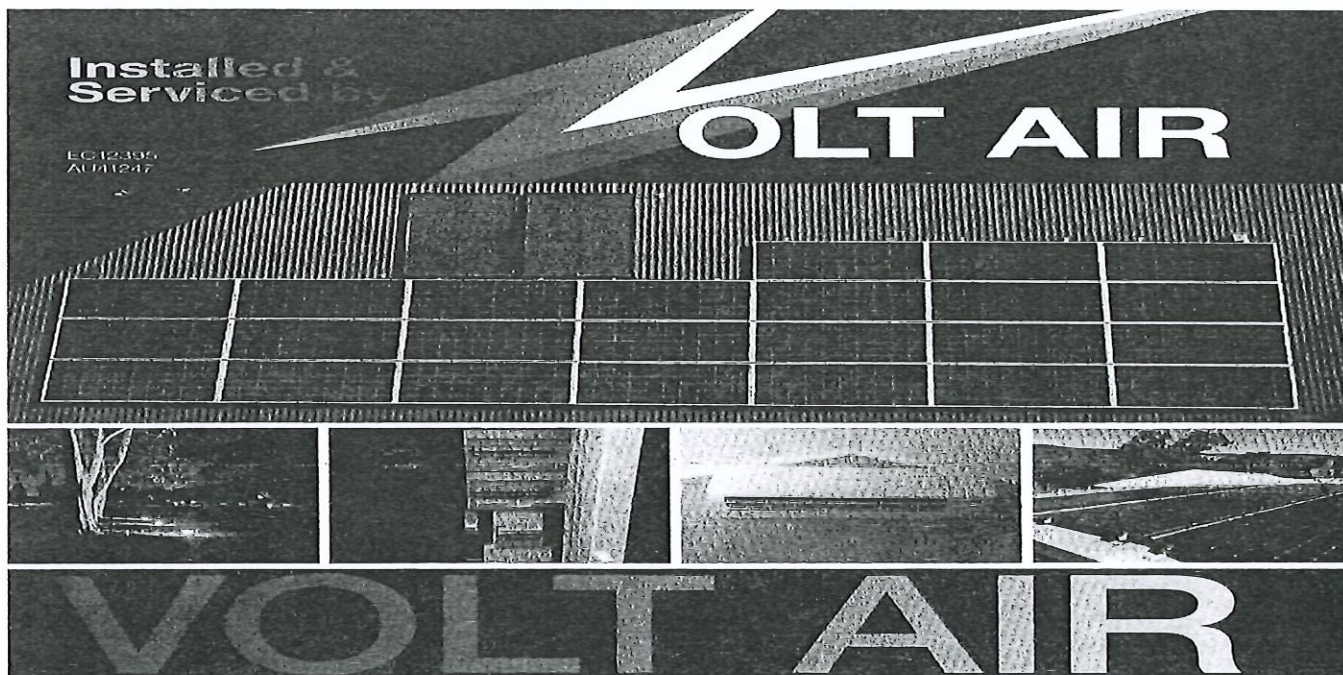
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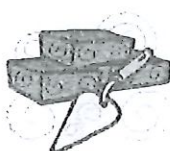
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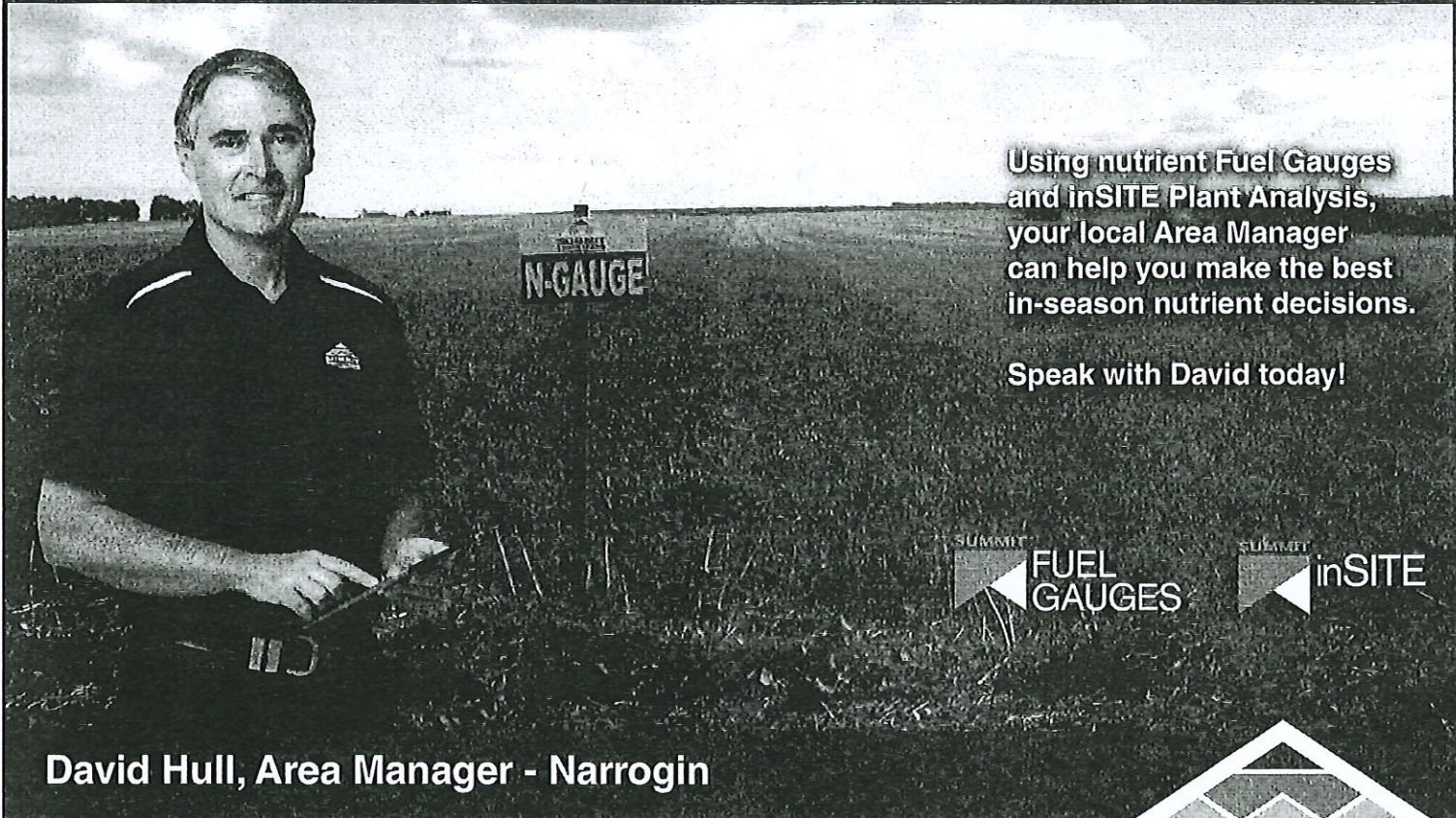
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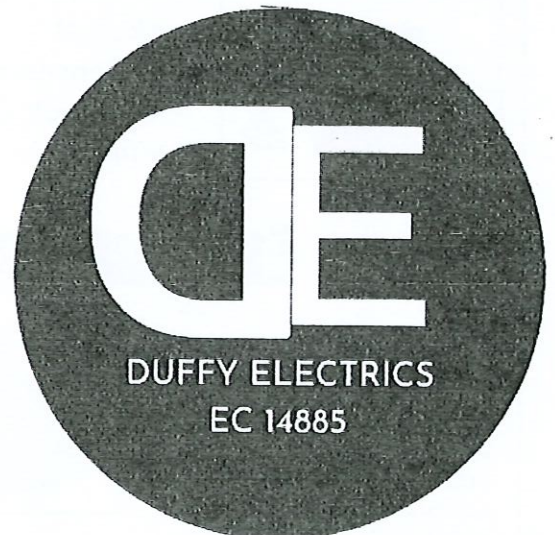
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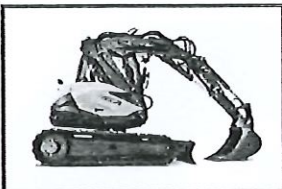
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On Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup> of November 2023, 54 children from around the district arrived at the Wickepin Tennis Club to play in our annual doubles tournament. Despite the hot forecast the weather on the day turned out to be ok and the many icy poles on offer certainly helped to keep the players' energy up. Thankyou to all the parents who brought their children along and to all the participants who played some lovely tennis and demonstrated great sportsmanship. It was fantastic to see so many children having a go and playing in their very first tennis tournament.

Thank you again to our wonderful sponsors for their continued support - **Elders Wickepin, Sunsmart, Tennis West and Ewen Rural Supplies**. A big thankyou also goes to the members of the Wickepin Tennis Club who helped on the day. As usual, a delicious spread of afternoon tea was put on. We look forward to seeing you all again next year.

Winner of the raffle was Jake Hardie.



Winners for the day were:

**Girls 10/U Winners** – Sophie Clifton & Neve Scott

**Boys 10/U Winners** – Brandon Gooding & Mitchell Gooding

**Girls 13/U Winners** – Zoe Syred & Mollie McInnes

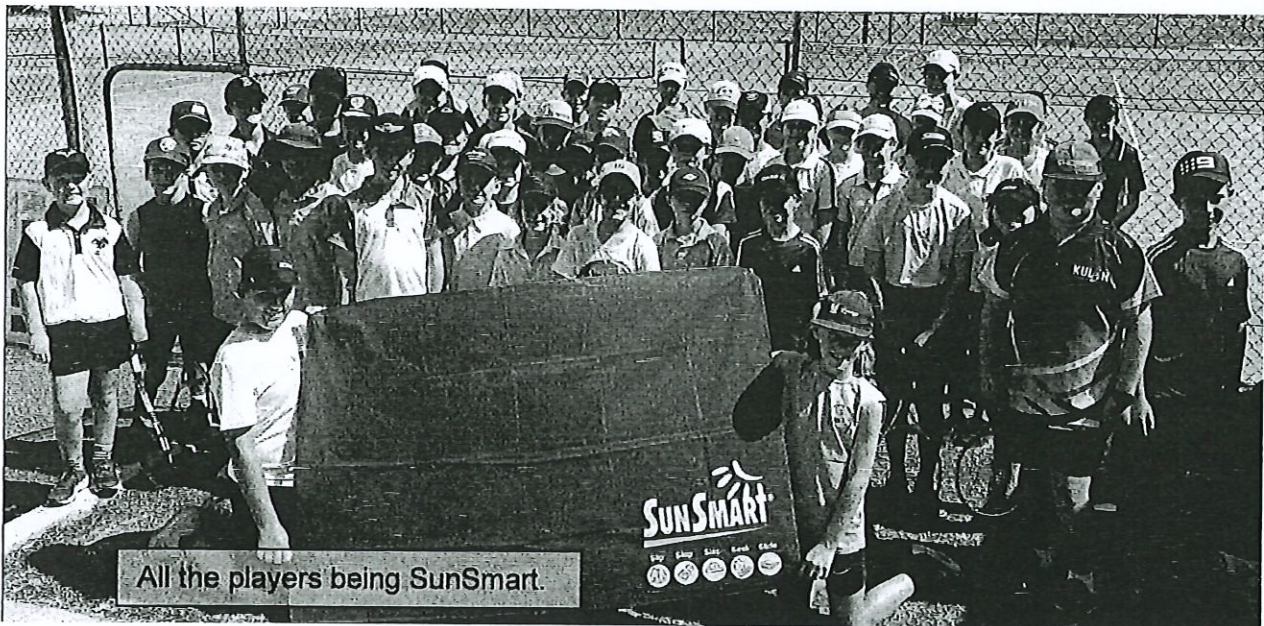
**Boys 13/U Winners** – Davd Valenta & Evan Hardie

**R/Up** – Amy Syred & Millie Young

**R/Up** – Jasper Steere & Sam Stanton

**R/Up** – Tamzyn Kirby & Grace Orr

**R/Up** – Ben Walker & Thomas Ditchburn



All the players being SunSmart.



The day's winners!



## WICKEPIN BOWLING CLUB

Saturday Pennants - Round 9. Wickepin scored a great win against Brookton Gold 5-1 ...way to go Wicki!!!. Good luck to those playing Round 10 against Pingelly Gold on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> December in Pingelly.

Four teams competed in the Men's Championship Triples on 18<sup>th</sup> November. Congrats to winners Dave Triffitt, Rex Bergin and Bob Read and runners-up Chris Moore, Lloyd Arundel & Dennis Bransby. Men's Championship Pairs will be held in Wickepin on 3<sup>rd</sup> December. On 17<sup>th</sup> December, the winners of our Men's Pairs and Triples will travel to Brookton for their Men's League Championship event.

Good luck and good bowls to everyone playing in our Men's & Ladies Championship Pairs on Sunday 03.12.23 in Wickepin.

Congratulations to Wickepin Ladies Championship Fours winners Marj White, Beryl Elphick, Claire Bayley & Leanne Smith and runners-up Robyn Mullan, Judy Lang, Maureen Jones, and Beryl Holm who also played on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November. Both teams went on to compete at the League Championship Fours held in Wickepin on 21<sup>st</sup> November 2023. Robyn Mullan, Judy Lang, Karen Jamieson (substitute) and Beryl Holm played in the major against Brookton, winning the League Championship Fours for 2023. Well done and congratulations to you all on playing an outstanding and consistent game.

Robyn Mullan, Marj White, and Maureen Jones played in the League Round Robin Pairs on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> November in Katanning. Unfortunately, due to Covid some of the ladies picked in the original team were unable to attend - and thank you to those who were able to step up for them.

Round 5 of the Ladies pennants will be at Wickepin on 28<sup>th</sup> November - remember it to BYO lunch. Wickepin are currently on 10 points, Brookton on 9, Pingelly 7, and Williams 6 and hopefully with more good bowls, we can maintain our lead.

Two Wickepin teams enjoyed a successful day at the Pingelly Ladies Gala. Beryl Elphick, Maureen Jones, Clare Bayley & Beryl Holm, and Robyn Mullan, Marj White, Judy Lang & Leanne Smith finishing in 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place respectively. Always a fabulous and fun day of bowling at Pingelly. A team will also be travelling to Corrigin Gala on Friday and we have also nominated 2 teams for the Brookton Gala.

**MERINO FOURS.** ALL MEMBERS are required to **attend the Busy Bee at 1 pm on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December** to prepare the Club House, Greens, and Surrounds for the MERINO FOURS on the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> December. This is a popular men's event requiring a large amount of preparation and it would be very much appreciated by the Club if ALL members could show their support and attend the busy bee.

Afternoon tea/kitchen roster for 9<sup>th</sup> December, is Beryl Elphick.

### EVENTS - NOVEMBER / DECEMBER

26.11.23 SUNDAY	8.45 - 9AM START	MENS CHAMPIONSHIP TRIPLES
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# The Wicky Weekly

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## Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Week Eight - Term Four. While the term is drawing to a close, school is a hive of activity with teachers finalising student reports and classes preparing for our upcoming Presentation and Graduation Night.

### Wicky Wrigglers - Kindy Orientation

Tuesday 28 November and Tuesday 5 December

A reminder to parents of students commencing school next year - our Wicky Wrigglers program is taking place Tuesday of Weeks Eight and Nine. We can't wait to see you and your child at this fun and informative event.

### Presentation and Graduation Night

Wednesday 6 December 5.30pm - 6.30pm (approx.)

We look forward to welcoming you to our Presentation and Graduation Night next week. A reminder to please bring a chair; guests of graduating students and other special guests will have a chair supplied. Please note that this is an alcohol, smoke and vape free event.

### Year Six Fun Day - Wednesday 13 December

To celebrate the important milestone of graduating from primary school, our Year Six students will be heading to the Kulin Aquatic Centre on Wednesday of Week 10. Permission notes will be sent home this week.

### 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.

### COVID-19 and Free RAT Tests

COVID-19 is back in our community. Please test daily if your child/ren is COVID positive and keep them home for five days and until they are symptom free. 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](mailto: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

### November

28 Wicky Wrigglers

### December

5 Wicky Wrigglers

5 Thank A Volunteer Day

6 Presentation & Graduation Night at 5.30pm

13 Year 6 Fun Day

14 Last Day of Term 4



Shaping the future

## Stay home if unwell



### Keep our school community safe.

If you have cold or flu symptoms or test positive to COVID-19, please stay home until symptoms resolve.

Thank you.



## WICKEPIN COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December  
Wickepin Community Centre  
4:30pm - Santa arriving 4:45pm

Sausage Meals available for purchase - Raffles - Face Painting  
Colouring in Competition - DJ Music

BYO Drinks & nibbles

Registration list of children  
Plus colouring in competition sheets at Wickepin Community Centre  
\$4 per child

Santa's list - less than \$20 wrapped & labelled with name and age to be left at the  
Wickepin CMC by Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec with colouring in entry too please.

Further info - Alyce 0427 249 125 or Jo 0441 871 778

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

## NOVEMBER

Thurs 30th One on One Tutorials @ Wickepin CRC \$10. 00 for 30 minutes.

## DECEMBER

Fri 1st Seniors' Christmas Lunch @ Wickepin Community Centre 11.30am  
Sat 2nd Narrogin Arts Group Christmas Market @ Old Courthouse Museum Grounds 8am-12pm  
Mon 4th Registration Form available for Wickepin Car Rally  
Tues 5th Thankyou Volunteer Day Wickepin Primary School  
Wed 6th Wickepin Primary School Presentation & Graduation Night 5.30pm  
Thurs 7th Apps for Smarter Travel 12—1pm @ Wickepin CRC  
Fri 8th Christmas Lights Competition entries close.  
**Mon 11th Watershed News—Last edition for 2023**  
Mon 11th Recycling and Bin Day  
Wed 13th Ordinary meeting of Council  
Wed 13th Year 6 Fun Day @ Wickepin Primary School  
Wed 13th Yealering Presentation night @ 6.30pm  
Thurs 14th School Term 4 Ends  
Sun 17th Wickepin Christmas Tree  
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Wed 20th Facey Group AGM and Post Harvest Bash 6pm @ Wickepin Community Centre  
Fri 22nd Wickepin CRC and Library closes 12.30pm  
Mon 25th Christmas Day  
Tues 26th Boxing Day  
Sun 31st New Years Eve

## JANUARY 2024

Mon 1st New Years Day  
Mon 8th Wickepin CRC and Library reopens 10am  
Mon 8th Recycling and Bin Day  
Mon 22nd Recycling and Bin Day  
Thurs 25th Watershed News AGM @ 10am at Ruth's—2 Wogolin Road, Wickepin  
Fri 26th Australia Day Public Holiday

## FEBRUARY

**Mon 5th Watershed News—First edition for 2024**  
Mon 5th Recycle and Bin Day  
Wed 14th Wickepin CRC Committee meeting  
**Mon 19th Watershed News**  
Mon 19th Recycle and Bin Day  
Sat 24th Ignite Wicky presents Wickepin Festival and Wickepin Car Rally