

WATERSHED NEWS

PO BOX 60 WICKEPIN WA 6370

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

5th March 2024



WATERSHED NEWS INC - COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER

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- Publishing is Fortnightly on Mondays.
- Submissions need to be in by 11am on day of publishing.
- All submissions would be preferred in Word.
- All advertisements, classifieds must be submitted with clear contact details, including a postal address, phone number and email.
- Watershed News is printed in black and white only.
- Shire of Wickepin Community groups are entitled to $\frac{1}{2}$ page advertising, free of charge.

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Next edition of Watershed News

Monday 18th March 2024



COMMENCEMENT OF NEW CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Shire of Wickepin's new CEO, Ms Kellie Bartley, will commence Monday 14 March 2024. Council and staff are looking forward to welcoming Kellie to the community and working to continue to deliver and maintain the high quality of service to the Shire.

TEMPORARY ARRANGEMENTS AT WICKEPIN WASTE SITE

The temporary waste area is situated within the existing waste site boundaries, specifically to the north of the current tipping area. Access to this temporary area remains unchanged, utilizing the same entrance road off the Wickepin Pingelly Road.

Conditions of Use/Rules for the Temporary Waste Area:

- All directions given by the supervisor must be fully complied with, including directives on waste disposal. Different areas are designated for various types of waste.
- Waste separation before arrival is required. Specific areas are allocated for steel, timber, mattresses, furniture, and garden waste. Only household waste is permitted in the designated waste cell (pit).
- Tyres cannot be accepted.
- Asbestos cannot be accepted; residents may dispose of asbestos at the Narrogin waste site with prior notice to the Shire of Narrogin (disposal fees apply).
- Access to the temporary waste area is restricted to Shire of Wickepin residents only. Proof of residency, such as a rates notice, driver's license, vehicle registration, or other bona fide evidence, must be presented to the supervisor at the entrance. Non-Shire residents will not be permitted access.

Opening Hours:

**Saturdays: 7.00 AM to 11.00 AM;
12.00 PM to 4.00 PM**

**Sundays: 7.00 AM to 11.00 AM;
12.00 PM to 4.00 PM**

Supervised Access:

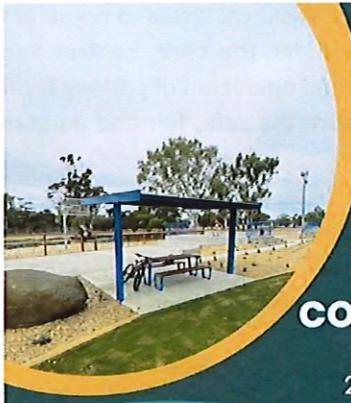
A supervisor will be onsite to direct waste disposal and ensure public safety.

Limited opening hours are necessitated by the associated costs of employing a supervisor.

WICKEPIN SWIMMING POOL

The Wickepin Swimming Pool will be closed from Saturday 1 April for the 2023/2024 Season. Thank you Pippa for another fantastic Season!





SHIRE
OF
WICKEPIN

**COMMUNITY
GRANTS
2024/2025**

**OPENING
SOON**

Applications for Shire of Wickepin's Community Grants Program will soon be open for non-profit groups, to assist in delivering projects that directly benefit our community.

To be eligible for funding, projects must be undertaken between 1 July 2024 and 30 June 2025.

We encourage community groups to plan their grant applications early.

Contact the CEO to discuss potential funding applications.

9888 1005 

admin@wickepin.wa.gov.au 



SHIRE OF WICKEPIN

PROPOSED NEW LOCAL LAWS – FENCING AND PARKING

The Local Government Act 1995 allows a local government to make local laws for the good government of its district. Recent queries from local residents has led to council determining a need for two new local laws, being for fencing and parking.

Prior to making any local law, the Shire is required to give local public notice of the draft law and receive submissions from the public for at least six weeks. Following the conclusion of the submission period, the local law will be resubmitted to Council, together with any submissions, for final consideration/adoption.

The 6 week public advertising period is to commence on 14 March 2024 with the closing date for any submissions being Friday 3 May 2024. Both draft local laws can be viewed on the Shire website. A copy of either of the draft local laws can be emailed to any interested person. Please email your request to admin@wickepin.wa.gov.au

The formal public notices for the two proposed local laws are below.

Public Notice – Proposed Shire of Wickepin Fencing Local Law 2024 and Proposed Parking and Parking Facilities Local Law 2024

In accordance with section 3.12(3)(a) of the *Local Government Act 1995*, Notice is hereby given that the Shire of Wickepin proposes to make the following local laws:

Fencing Local Law 2024

The purpose of this local law is to prescribe a sufficient fence and the standard for the construction of fences throughout the district. The effect of this local law is to establish the minimum requirements for fencing within the district.

Parking and Parking Facilities Local Law 2024

The purpose of this local law is to regulate the parking or standing of vehicles in all or specified thoroughfares and reserves under the care, control and management of the local government and to provide for the management and operation of parking facilities. The effect of this local law is to control parking throughout the district to ensure the safe, fair and equitable use of parking facilities under the care and control of the local government.

Copies of the proposed Local Laws may be inspected or obtained from the Shire's Administration office located at 77 Wogolin Road, Wickepin WA 6370 or can be viewed on the Shire's website www.wickepin.wa.gov.au

Submissions about the proposed local laws can be made by email to admin@wickepin.wa.gov.au or by mail to PO Box 19 Wickepin WA 6370 by 4pm, Friday 3 May 2024.

RATES INSTALMENTS

Final rates instalments are due by 28 March 2024.

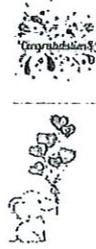
To avoid interest charges, be sure to make your payment before the due date.

Community Notes



Happy birthday wishes to Shane Cook, Judy Lang, John McDougall, Marlo Cowcher, Georgia Ellis, Jordan Dowdell, Zoe Nicholls, Renee Bransby, Asher Brown, Danielle Riley, Grayden Bayley, Jessie Davey, Shirley Elson.

A massive thank you to Libby and team (organisers) of the Wickepin Car Rally and Festival. Such a lot of organising and the day was a huge success. Congratulations.



Congratulations to Margaret and Neale on the arrival of their fifth grandchild, Jazmin Merle McLean on 26th February, 2024, daughter of Marty and Anne, a sister for Clayton.



Sunday 25th February 2024 Graeme Poultney celebrated his 80th birthday with friends at the Yealering Hotel. A very happy gathering with lots of laughs and friendly banter, capably catered for by Poultney's wife Beryl.

Save the Date

WICKEPIN BOWLING CLUB INC.

AGM and windup dinner and presentation evening.

Sunday 21st April, 2024 – 4.00pm

Classifieds

FOR SALE: Car Ramps
Lister Milk Separator
Vacuum Bucket and Cluster for milking machine Coolaroo Shade (green)
2 x 10ft x 10ft OzTrail Canvas Tents with Awning (old style, good condition) Eazy-Lift
Caravan Leveling Kit
Portable Fox Satellite Dish
Phone Allan 0417 984 226 -All offers considered

FOR SALE: Young beautiful budgies – all colours
\$20 each or 2 for \$30
Please ring Jan – 0474 957 327

WANTED: Curtain / upholstery steamcleaning machine to hire.
Louie 0429 411 131

WE WANT YOUR ADS!

To advertise any item in the Watershed Classifieds is free for two weeks,
so send in your ads!

Email your ads to watershed@wn.com.au, drop them at the Community Resource Centre or fax to 9888 1588



St John's Anglican Church

Johnston Street, Wickepin

1st and 3rd Sundays @ 8.00am

All denominations welcome

Morning tea served after service

Enquiries: Irene—0437 801 026 or Elaine—0428 898 025





Wickepin Subcentre Update

Upcoming First Aid Training

- **TINY TOTS First Aid**

Protect your toddler or infant with this concise short course that teaches you the skills to perform CPR and how to manage bleeding, burns and a range of other childhood related illnesses and injuries.

- Wednesday 20th March
- 9am – 12:30pm
- \$75pp – Booking Via : <https://stjohnwa.com.au/first-aid-training/first-aid-courses/details//2273-1/tiny-tots-first-aid>
Selecting Wickepin Sub Centre as the location.

- **FIRST AID COURSE – Expression of Interest – 19th March TBC**

We are seeking people who would be interested in completing this one day course locally in Wickepin to get in contact please via email: Wickepin.Subcentre@stjohnwa.com.au
It requires a minimum number of attendees to proceed. \$170pp

This course would benefit all those at work, home or for leisure. The course provides an excellent general grounding in first aid and will enable you to perform appropriate first aid procedures and basic life support skills. This unit satisfies training requirements across a range of community and workplace settings.

Please Note Our New Email Address - Wickepin.Subcentre@stjohnwa.com.au

Be Aware When Answering Your Phone and Emails

Steps you can take to protect yourself:

1. **STOP** – Don't give money or personal information to anyone if unsure.
Scammers will offer to help you or ask you to verify who you are. They will pretend to be from organisations you know and trust like, Services Australia, police, a bank, government or a fraud service.
2. **THINK** – Ask yourself could the message or call be fake?
Never click a link in a message. Only contact businesses or government using contact information from their official website or through their secure apps. If you're not sure say no, hang up or delete.
3. **PROTECT** – Act quickly if something feels wrong.
Contact your bank if you notice some unusual activity or if a scammer gets your money or information. Seek help from IDCARE and report to ReportCyber and Scamwatch.

ROCKMELON AND HALOUMI SALAD

Ingredients:

- ┌ 1/2 large rockmelon
- ┌ 1 tbs lemon juice
- ┌ 1/2 tsp dried chilli flakes
- ┌ 200g haloumi, sliced
- ┌ 1/2 small red onion, peeled and very thinly sliced
- ┌ 1/2 cup small mint leaves
- ┌ 1/4 cup pistachios, chopped



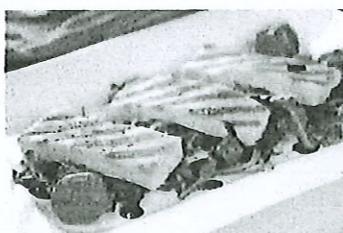
Method:

1. Peel and deseed rockmelon. Using a V-slicer or sharp knife, very thinly slice rockmelon. Toss rockmelon with lemon juice and chilli flakes in a bowl. Set aside
2. Heat oil in a large frying pan over medium-high heat. Add haloumi and cook, turning once, for 1-2 minutes until hot and golden. Drain on paper towel
3. Arrange rockmelon on a serving platter. Top with haloumi and sprinkle with red onion, mint and pistachios. Season with black pepper, drizzle with extra virgin olive oil and serve

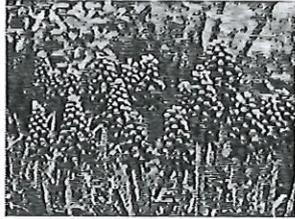
HALOUMI CHEESE

With a slightly salty flavour and firm, springy texture, halloumi (more commonly spelled haloumi in Australia) is a fantastic cheese for cooking, due to the high melting point – so you can fry it or grill it without worry!

Feel free to use Haloumi in any recipe you'd usually go for mozzarella or feta cheese. Grill it and make a vegetarian taco. Batter and fry your Haloumi cheese like mozzarella sticks for an unforgettable appetizer.



Garden Snippets...



...Autumn Bulb Time

Autumn is particularly exciting because it's time to plant Spring-flowering bulbs! Yep, All those bulbs we just can't get enough of-daffodils; freesias; ixias; jonquils; snowflakes...the list is endless. Mail-order catalogues are a popular way of sourcing bulbs and offer a very broad range. Get your order in early, as the best bulbs always sell out quickly. If you purchase from a store, make sure the bulbs you select are firm to touch and have no signs of external damage. Bulbs with wounds may rot when planted in the soil, whilst bulbs that are soft already have internal rot occurring. If you are tempted to buy the cheap bags of sprouting bulbs late in the season, be aware that there may not be enough time for them to establish themselves properly in the soil to put on a good display.

Position: Select a spot that has at least half a day of full sun and has good drainage to prevent rot from setting in. Add some well rotted compost or some sand if necessary. This is very important if you plan to leave them in the ground when they go dormant over the summer. Excess moisture around the bulb will lead to significant losses.

Chill before Planting: Many spring flowering bulbs originate from regions with very cold and long-lasting winters. As we don't have severe winters as such in Australia, you may need to place bulbs such as hyacinth, daffodil and tulips in a paper bag in your crisper for six weeks before planting. Without this "chilling" you will get unreliable flowering on shorter and/or bent stems. These bulbs are not very good "repeat performers" and are best thought of as Annuals, so you may have to order new ones each year.

Feeding: Bulbs come with built-in energy reserves, but they perform even better if fed with your regular organic fertiliser once during their growth phase and again after flowering finishes, but before the leaves start to yellow. Timing here is important as the bulb is producing the flower bud for next year and storing energy. The second feed ensures a good display the following year.

In Pots: Use a premium quality potting mix, not particularly a "bulb mix"; but if you have expensive bulbs then add a little perlite or sand to improve drainage and prevent rot.

Pot-Layering: Bulb layering is where you plant several layers of bulbs in a pot to create an impressive floral display. Start with the largest bulbs such as daffodils or tulips halfway down the pot, cover with potting mix, next put a row of smaller bulbs on top such as freesias or sparaxis, and cover. Depending on the size of your pot, you could put another layer of, maybe triteleia, before completely filling the pot with potting mix. Keep the pot out of direct sunlight until the shoots emerge to avoid "cooking" the bulbs. A liquid feed every 2-3 weeks will keep the jam-packed pot of bulbs growing and flowering to give you a mass display of beauty.



Happy Birthday

Bailey Martin
9 March 2014

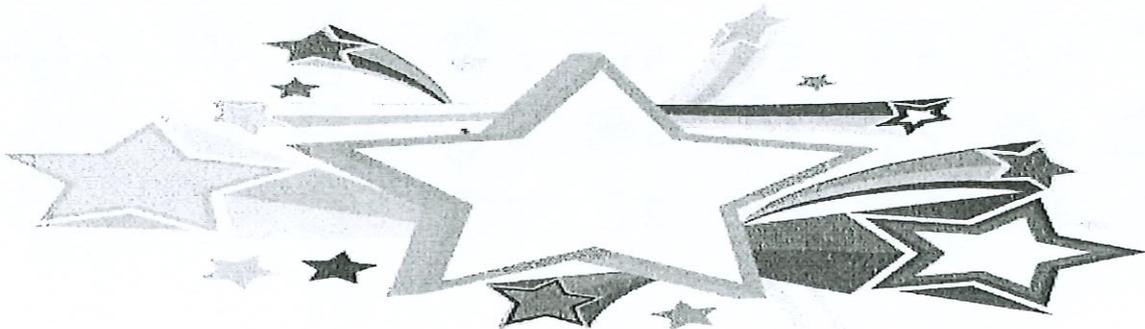


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Jakobie Bayley
12 March 2013

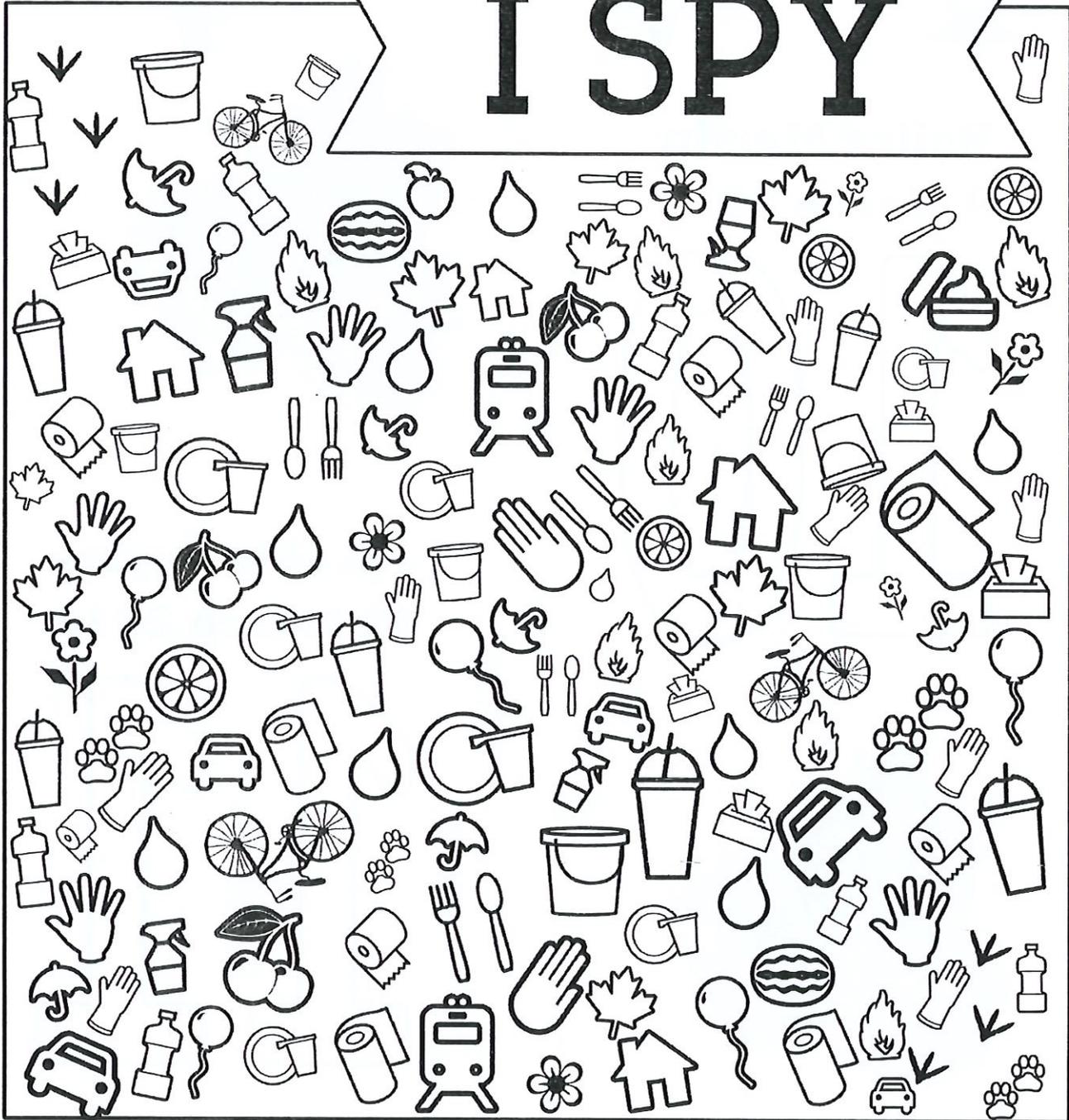


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WICKEPIN CAR RALLY



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First Place - Sellar Sisters

Sarah Hyde, Maree Dougall, Helen Wyatt, Hilary Wittwer

Second Place - Lost and Clueless

Stefie Green, Skye Moxham, Maddie Hemley

Best Dressed - PMT on Special K

Tanya Sands, Kelly Cochrane, Spencer Davidson, Maureen Preedy

Best Presented Car - Nice Nanas

Tracey Angwin, Robyn Bielby, Glenys Clark



WICKEPIN FESTIVAL AND CAR RALLY

MY FAVOURITE WHEELS WINNERS

**BEST ORIGINAL AND COMPLETE
WHEELS**

CORIE LAUERS - CHEVY

BEST WHEELS STORY

**TOM WILLIAMSON - HOMEMADE
FORKLIFT**

BEST PRESENTED WHEELS

JOHN BROWN - EH HOLDEN

**GUESS THE WEIGHT OF THE RAM
WINNER**

TRACEY - 142.5KG

**WOOL BALE ROLL WINNER
CAL SIMS - 12.6 SECS**

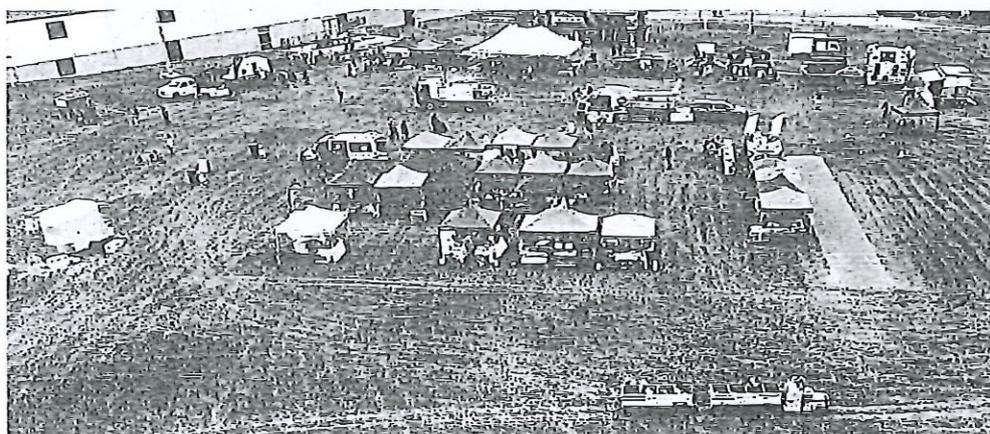
**WOOL BALE ROLL SECOND
BRENT BENNIER - 13.4 SEC**

Raffle Winners.

JOAN WYLLIE

CHRIS MOORE

KERYN BARSBY





2024 Trials Review & Pre-Seeding Catch-Up



AGENDA

- 3:30pm Registration | Afternoon Tea
- 4:00pm Welcome
Geoff Poultney | Facey Group President
- 4:10pm Agricultural Horizons: Understanding the Current Landscape of Meat & Grains Markets
Edward McGeoch | Associate Analyst | Rabobank
- 4:40pm Facey Group 2023 Trials Review & 2024 Outlook
Tina Astbury, Kaitlyn Anderson, Claire Willcocks | Facey Group AGREC Team
- 5:00pm Long Coleoptile & Deep Sowing Project
Dr. Sarah Rich | Research Scientist | CSIRO
- 5:15pm Enhancing Low Production Paddocks for Productive Sheep Systems
Dr. Hayley Norman | Senior Principal Research Scientist | CSIRO
- 5:30pm **Sam Burgess | Arthur River Farmer | #6Bs
Blokes-BBQ-Beers-Bonfires-Bonding-Bullsh*t**
- 6:00pm Sundowner

7th March 2024
Wickepin Community Centre

Scan the QR Code to Register!

Member | FREE
Non Member | \$60



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SOUTHWEST WHEATBELT DROUGHT HUB SUMMER TOUR



12th March

REGISTER NOW

\$30 includes refreshments, lunch & travel



8:00am LEAVE FACEY GROUP OFFICE - WICKEPIN

Jump on the bus with the team to visit drought-resilient projects within the South West Wheatbelt.

8:30am DROUGHT-RESILIENT LANDSCAPES WITH PROFITABLE NATIVE SHRUBS & LEGUME SYSTEMS - NARROGIN

Presentation by Hayley Norman - CSIRO, who will provide insights on how to turn low profitable landscapes into high performing drought-resilient livestock systems.

10:00am CONFINEMENT FEEDING & DEFERRED GRAZING - WILLIAMS

Facey Group's Kaitlyn & host farmer Sandra will run through Sandra's confinement feeding system & how they utilise it for their sheep enterprise.

11:30am MAKING GOOD FINANCIAL DECISIONS IN A DRYING CLIMATE - WILLIAMS WOOLSHED

While enjoying your lunch, gain insight on how to financially manage your farming business through extended dry seasons.

1:30pm WATER SMART DAMS - DARKAN

Join Icon Agriculture & visit their Water Smart Dams project which is looking at harvesting subsurface water using V Drains'.

3:30pm ARRIVE AT FACEY GROUP OFFICE

**Can't make the full day?
Give Kaitlyn a call to
personalise your trip!
0409 868 514**



Are you up to date with your bowel cancer screening?

Cancer Council WA is calling for more West Australians to complete the free lifesaving bowel cancer screening test, with figures showing only four in 10 eligible Australians are participating in Australia's National Bowel Cancer Screening Program.

Bowel cancer is Australia's second biggest cancer killer. Many people don't realise it kills more Australians each year than breast, prostate or skin cancer.

When you receive the Home Test Kit, don't put it in the cupboard and forget about it - delaying can so easily become ignoring, forgetting, and ultimately not doing the test.

The test is quick, simple and you can complete it in the comfort of your own home. Over 90 per cent of bowel cancer cases can be successfully treated if caught in the early stages.

To find out more about the National Bowel Cancer Screening Program or to order a free replacement kit, go to bowelcancer.org.au or call 1800 627 701 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

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 you 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.

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

Indoor Bowls 1pm @ Wickepin Community Centre

Wickepin Sports Club open from 5pm Happy Hour 6-7pm

Thursdays:

Fit Pursuit 5.45am-6.35am @ Wickepin Community Centre

Local Vocals with Mazz – 6pm in Narrogin

Friday:

Wickepin Playgroup 9.00am – 11am during school term. Ages 0-5

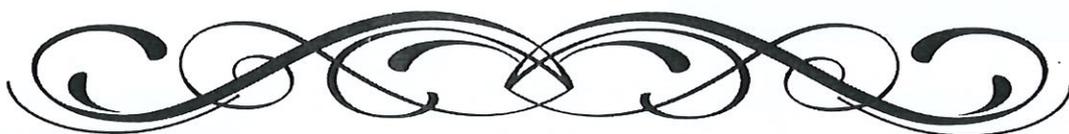
Wickepin Sports Club open from 5pm Happy Hour 6-7pm

Saturdays:

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

Sundays:

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



TECHNOLOGY TUTORIALS

One-on-One Lessons with Lynda

\$10 per 30min session

Available every Thursday



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

Do you need help navigating the increasingly digital world around you?

Are you tired of your children rolling their eyes at you when you ask for their help with your device?

Then why not book a 1-on-1 Lesson with Lynda at the CRC?

**Bookings are essential.
Call us on 9888 1500 today.**



WELCOME

TO WICKEPIN

If you're new to Wicky, what information do you think would be useful? Pop into the CRC to let us know, and register to receive a Welcome Pack when they're complete!

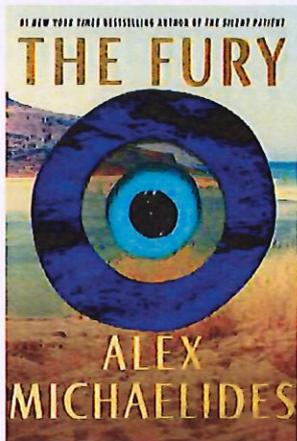
We're creating a Welcome Pack for newcomers to town, and we'd love your suggestions for what should be included. Let us know your favourite regular activities, your recommended places to eat, must-see attractions around the district, and anything else you think deserves a mention.



New books!

WICKEPIN PUBLIC LIBRARY

ADULT FICTION AUDIOBOOK : The Fury - Alex Michaelides



This is a tale of murder. Or maybe that's not quite true. At its heart, it's a love story, isn't it?

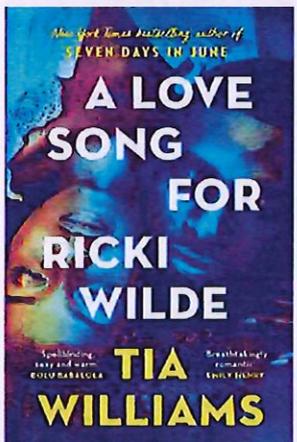
Lana Farrar is a reclusive ex-movie star and one of the most famous women in the world. Every year, she invites her closest friends to escape the English weather and spend Easter on her idyllic private Greek island.

I tell you this because you may think you know this story. You probably read about it at the time. It caused a real stir in the tabloids, if you remember. It had all the necessary ingredients for a press sensation: a celebrity; a private island cut off by the wind...and a murder.

We found ourselves trapped there overnight. Our old friendships concealed hatred and a desire for revenge. What followed was a game of cat and mouse - a battle of wits, full of twists and turns, building to an unforgettable climax. The night ended in violence and death, as one of us was found murdered.

But who am I? My name is Elliot, and I'm going to tell you a story unlike any you've ever heard.

ADULT FICTION : A Love Song For Ricki Wilde - Tia Williams



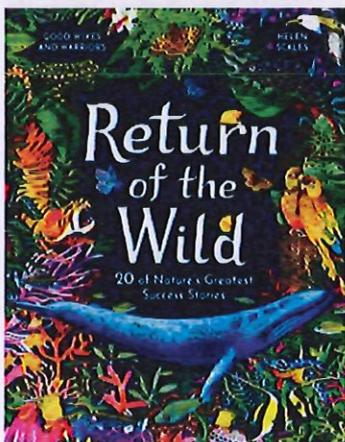
One florist. One pianist. One love story. One hundred years in the making.

Ricki Wilde has many talents, but being a Wilde isn't one of them. As the impulsive, artistic daughter of a powerful Atlanta dynasty, she's the opposite of her socialite sisters. Where they're long-stemmed roses, she's a dandelion: a bloom that's actually a weed, born to float wherever the wind blows. Ricki knows that somewhere, a different, more exciting life awaits her.

When regal Ms. Della invites her to rent the bottom floor of her Harlem brownstone, Ricki jumps at the chance for a new beginning. She leaves behind her family, wealth, and chaotic romantic decisions to realise her dream of opening a flower shop. And beneath the surface of her new neighbourhood, the music, stories and drama of the Harlem Renaissance still simmers.

One evening, as the heady scent of night-blooming jasmine fills the air, Ricki encounters a handsome, deeply mysterious stranger who knocks her world off balance in the most unexpected way....

ALL AGES NON FICTION : Return Of The Wild - Helen Scales



Discover the extraordinary ways nature has come back from the brink in this collection of 20 environmental success stories from around the world, written by Dr Helen Scales and beautifully illustrated by Good Wives and Warriors. From humpback whale populations thriving again in the freezing seas of Alaska and the recovery of kiwi populations in New Zealand, to the setting up of tiger sanctuaries and reserves in India and return of elephant seals from 'extinction', this book plants a message of hope and shows children that positive change is possible.

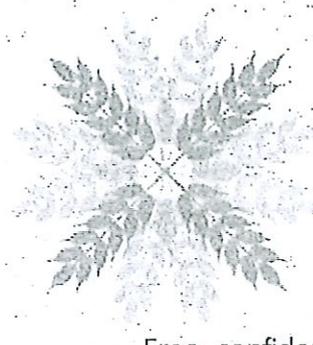
As well as the 20 recovery stories, Return of the Wild teaches children about the different habitats that animals and plants around the world call home - oceans, forests, deserts and more - and introduces them to the people supporting endangered species. Finishing off with small tips on what they can do at home to help the wild world, from wearing eco-friendly sunscreen while swimming in the sea to using less single use plastic, this book reassures children that there are many ways to protect and save our planet from environmental harm.



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Need help? Pop in to the CRC, and we can show you how!





Central Agcare

COUNSELLING

Free, confidential counselling services are available to all. We offer counselling to all age groups from 5 years of age.

Face to face counselling or by phone servicing the Corrigin, Bruce Rock, Narembeen, Kulin, Kondinin, Hyden, Quairading, Brookton, Pingelly, Cuballing & Wickepin areas.

Sand play and Art Therapy is available for children at the Corrigin office.

We are qualified Family Counsellors who can help individuals, couples and families negotiate their way through distressing experiences and bring understanding to them such as:

Anxiety

Depression

Life changes (physical & mental)

Abuse (past and present)

Loss and grief and

Relationship issues (home & work)

We are here to help.

Contact our Counsellors:

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Anne Hague: 0427 133 711

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General Meeting for all Members will be held in the Club Rooms

SUNDAY 17TH MARCH 2024 3PM

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) will be held in the Club Rooms

SUNDAY 7TH APRIL 2024 3PM

Calling on everyone interested in the future of the Bowling Club to attend this meeting. Your support will be appreciated.

Watershed News 2024 Publication Dates

Monday 18 th March	Monday 5 th August
Tuesday 2 nd April	Monday 19 th August
Monday 15 th April	Monday 2 nd September
Monday 29 th April	Monday 16 th September
Monday 13 th May	Monday 30 th September
Monday 27 th May	Monday 14 th October
Monday 10 th June	Monday 28 th October
Monday 24 th June	Monday 11 th November
Monday 8 th July	Monday 25 th November
Monday 22 nd July	Monday 9 th December

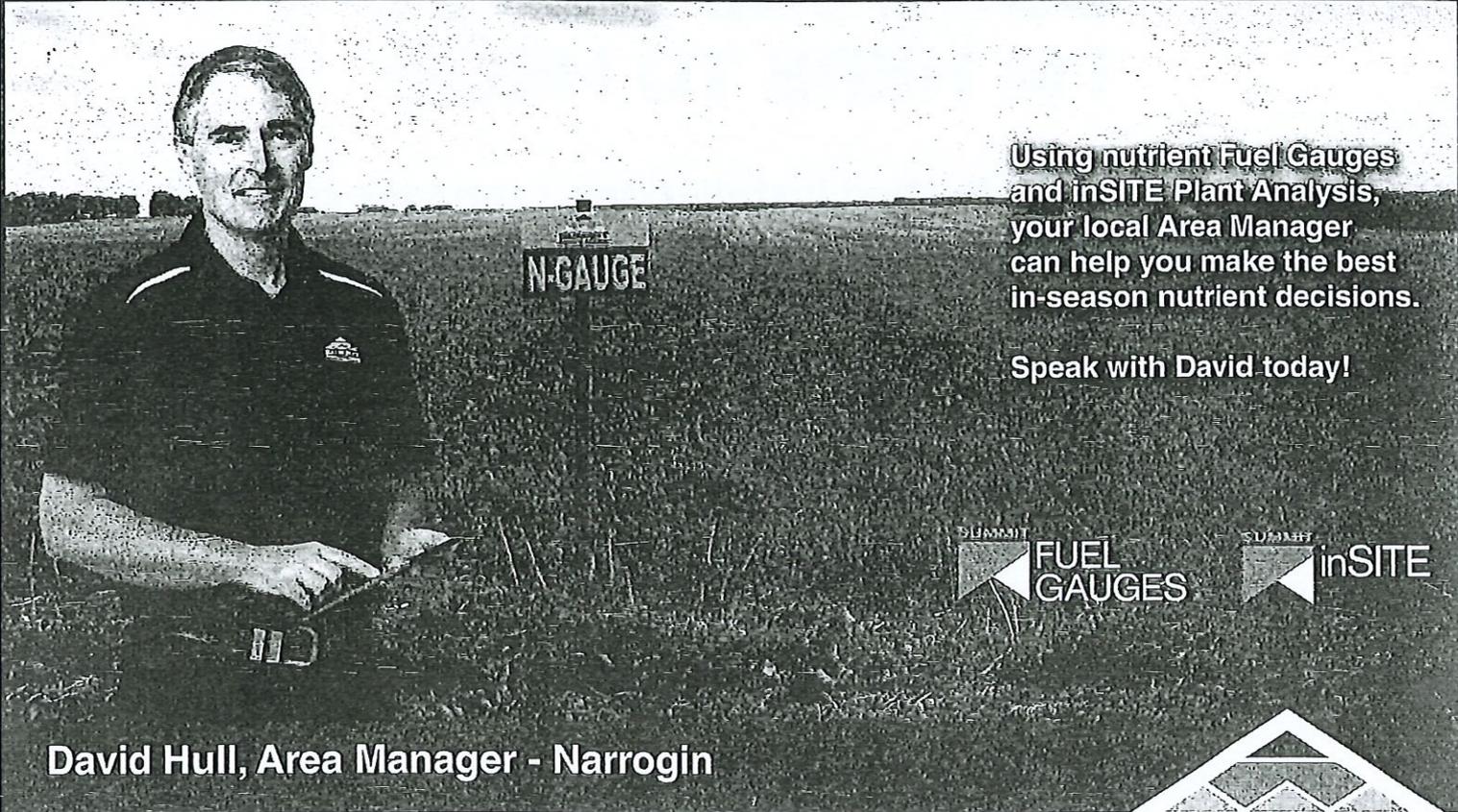
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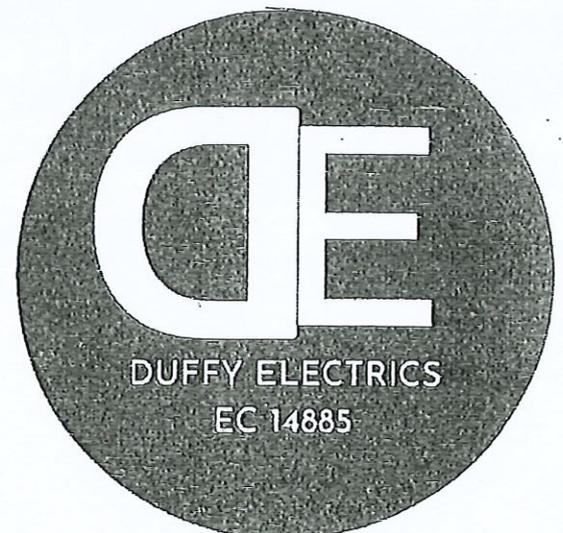
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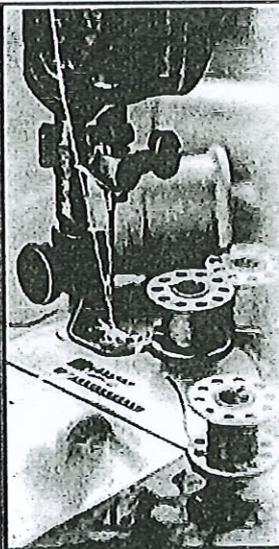
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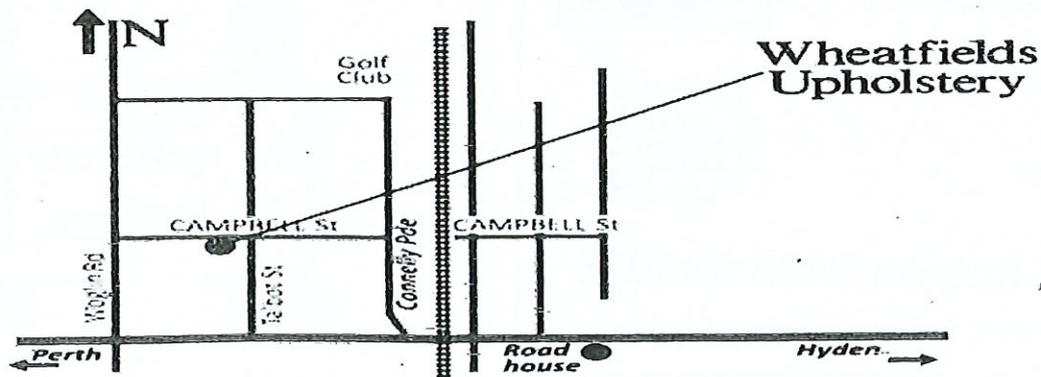
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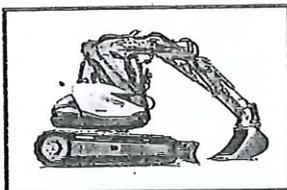
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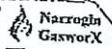
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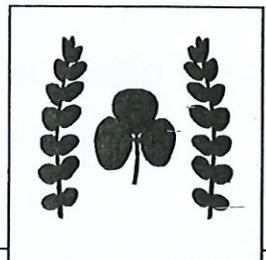
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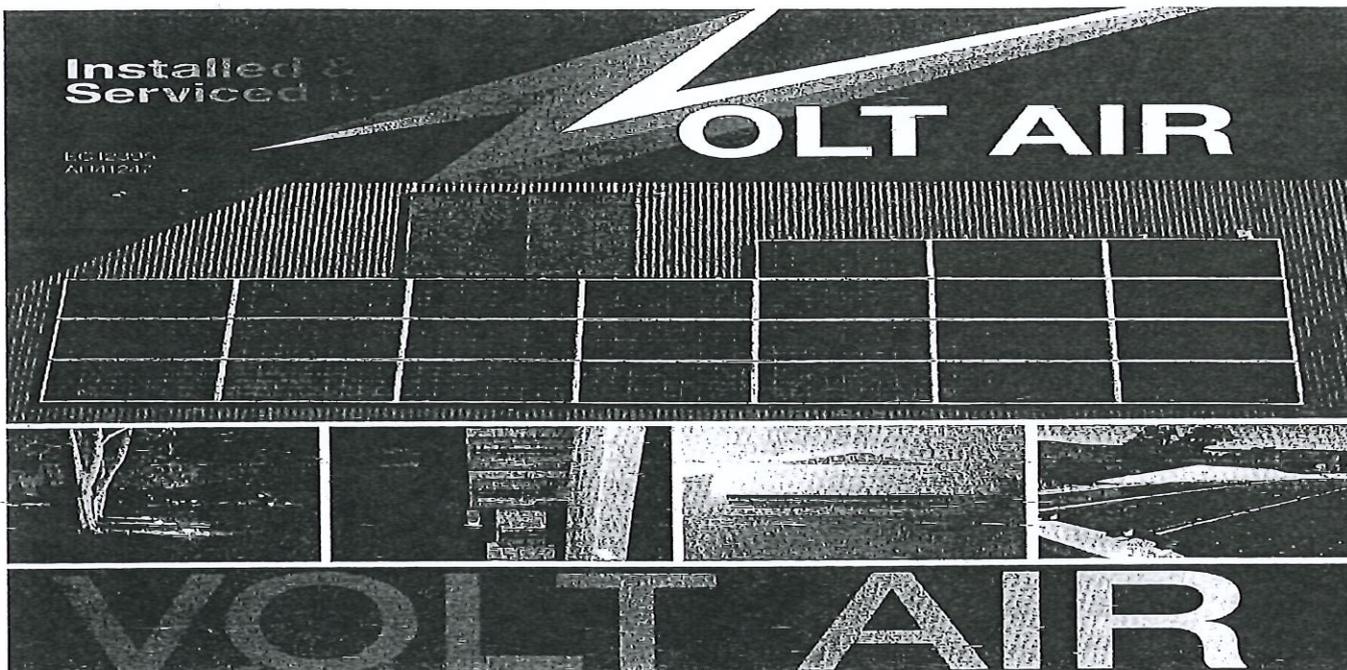
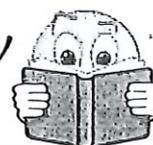
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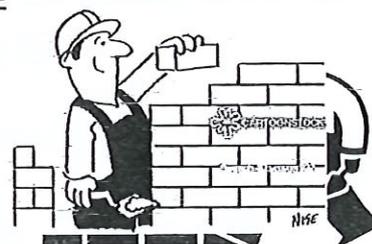


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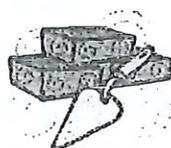
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WICKEPIN BOWLING CLUB

Wow! What a week of bowls our Club has enjoyed, so much activity and events happening and with this I shall endeavour to give you all the results and tributes!

The Men's Championship Fours were played on the 18th of February and after a countback on equal Points etc, the deciding factor was the number of ends won! The victors of this prestigious event are as follows:

Winners: Peter Bransby, Bevin Crouch, Lloyd Arundel and Bob Read.

Runners-Up: Greg White, Aaron Bransby, Peter Mullan and Alan Wyllie.

'Congratulations' to both teams who played outstanding bowls for this tournament!

On Thursday the 22nd of February the Wickepin Community Club combined its sporting bodies these being the Tennis, Golf and Bowling Club to provide 200 meat and bread rolls and 100 buttered burger buns to cater for the Lang Clearing Sale Day. This was a big ask and many members arrived at the club at 8:30 am to complete the task. It was all accomplished in no time at all with everyone working in unison with wonderful team effort. I do believe that some members were on hand at the sale day to serve the barbecue tea that evening on site at Langs property. All in all, it was a great experience, and all proceeds of the profit went to our Community Club.

On the same day at 10:30am more bowling club members arrived at the club for the fixtured Busy Bee to prepare the Club inside and out, for the Ladies Annual Gala Day the next morning. A fantastic bunch of Ladies and Men arrived, too many to name them all, they know who they are and so do we, these members are to be congratulated on their sterling performance and hard work. We do understand that some members could not assist as they were committed elsewhere on that day. The Ladies Club Members of Wickepin give thanks to all who could participate.

The Ladies Gala Day 2024 was a huge success for our club, we tribute this success to our amazing list of Sponsors our President Greg White, Secretary- Claire Bayley, Treasurer- Peter Mullan, Kitchen Co-ordinator Robyn Mullan, Captains- Warren Thompson and Beryl Elphick, Raffle Donors- Marj White and Judy Lang – Money Tree (Winner: Maureen Jones), Claire Bayley – Homeware Package (Winner: Chris Eyre), Beryl Elphick-Sundowner Hamper (Winner: Pauline Todd), Coles and Narrogin Country Fresh Meats – Meat Hamper, Chicken Treat, Narrogin Cafe' Nursery (Winner: Leonie James), Narrogin Fruit and Vegie and Bunnings- Vouchers to the value of \$150. (Winner: Robyn Narducci) and Wickepin Bowling Club members for the Treasure chest (Winner: Judy Connelly). Our Money Board 1st prize winners for the Bunnings Gift Vouchers to the value of \$50. Olive Caporn and Marj Solomon. The Money Board 2nd prize winners for the Bunnings Vouchers to the value of \$20. were Marj White and Karen Jamieson.

Many Thanks to Daphne Tetlow who has successfully run the sale of tickets for our Gala Day Raffles for the past 9 years. This is an amazing input from Daphne and a very rewarding one to our Club as it brings excellent remuneration to our financial situation on the day! Thanks again Daphne!

We also would like to sincerely thank the Community Ladies and Club Members in the kitchen who volunteered their time and energy to run the kitchen ever so smoothly and provide our guests with wonderful fresh food and service throughout the course of the day's proceedings. You did a fantastic job, and these Ladies are as follows: Jenny Hemley, Daphne Nicholas, Julie Chitty, Robin Crouch, Marg Bennier, Marj White, Maureen Jones and Judy Lang.

To all our Ladies who helped fill the 14 Teams that nominated and helped with all the running of the day we Thank you! Without you we would have had fewer nominating teams to make up the draw. These Ladies being, Robyn Mullan, Beryle Holm, Karen Jamieson, Leanne Smith, Claire Bayley and Bev Davidson.

To our Men's Captain – Warren Thomson who did a fantastic job with his assistance in recording the results of the day's events (and the deciphering of some of the score cards- lol) Thank You! To our Vice Captain- Robyn Mullan who assisted with this competition in many, many more ways than one, Thank You!

And lastly but not least to our Green Keeper – Greg White and Male members of our Club: Dave Triffitt, Peter Mullan and Bob Read, who set up the greens and flags, umpired on the day, ran the bar, assisted in the kitchen etc, etc. You all worked tirelessly without hesitation – the tournament would not have been as successful without your help! A Huge Thank You!

Now for the spoils of the day- 'Congratulations' to:

Overall Winner:

1st Quairading 2 12 Points+26 on a countback of shots up

2nd Quairading 1 12 Points+21

3rd Karlgarin 9 Points+18 on a countback of shots up

Kulin 1 9 Points+15 and Pingelly 9 Points+10

1st Round winner: Brookton

2nd Round winner: Kulin 1

3rd Round winner: Narembeen 1

4th Round winner: Katanning 1

Well done to these winning teams who obviously played excellent bowls throughout the tournament!

The Pop-Stick Lucky Draw winners are as follows: Lucy Skipper- Jean McInnes, Lucky Third – Kayleen Lansdell, Lucky Second – Moya Carne and Lucky Lead – Faye Minchin.

Saturday the 26th of February saw our men defeated by a 5-1 Rink loss for Round 16 against Narrogin Gold. I have been told you guys put up a great challenge and the final result does not respect the very good bowls played by you all.

Sunday the 25th saw the 2nd day of the competition for the Ladies Single Championships 2024. 6 members nominated for this event and two bowlers reigned supreme in 5 rounds of play. Robyn Mullan and Beryle Holm constantly rolled excellent bowls throughout the entire tournament.

Winner: Robyn Mullan 5 wins

Runner up: Beryle Holm 4 wins

'Congratulations' to both Ladies on your lovely bowling, well done! Best wishes for good bowling to Robyn and Beryle in the League Championship Singles at Pingelly on Tuesday 5th March. We would also like to thank Greg Smith, Warren Thompson, Peter Mullan, Dave Triffitt, Bob Read, Peter Bransby and Aaron Bransby for the Setting Up of our Greens, Marking our Games, Recording our Cards to the Result Sheet, Umpires Duties and the Running of the Bar for the day!

Monday the 27th of February saw our 2023-2024 Championship Pair winners Marj White and Judy Lang and Runner-up: Robyn Mullan and Leanne Smith at Williams in a play-off for the Upper Great Southern Inter League Round Robin Championships. Unfortunately, although they bowled excellent bowls, they were pipped at the post to get into the finals! The Winners of this Prestigious event was as follows:

Overall Winner 1st Place: Williams 1 Charmaine Duff - Marie Hardacre

Runner-up: Pingelly 1 Kayleen Lansdell – Jenny Wiles

Plate Winner 1st Place: Pingelly 2 Alison Horley – Barbara Wallace

Runner-up: Williams 2 Shirley Maroney – Di Kett

'Congratulations' Ladies – Well Done!

On Tuesday the 27th of February our Ladies Pennant Team successfully defeated Williams for a 4-point to 0-point win! Awesome win Ladies what a wonderful team effort! This result confirms our top position on the pennant ladder and we look forward to the finals. Wickepin 22.5 points Pingelly 15.5 Brookton 13 Williams 13

Upcoming Dates for the Bowling Club:

1-8th March Men's Country Week

5th March Ladies League Championship Singles

10th March Men's Championship Singles

10th March Social Bowls

12th March Rd 9 Ladies Pennants at Wickepin

16th March Saturday Pennants at Brookton

17th Men's Championship Singles

18 – 23rd March Ladies Countryweek

23rd March Saturday Pennants at Wickepin

24th March Social Bowls

26th March Ladies PENNANT GRAND FINAL at Williams

Please save the date for our AGM/Season Wind-up Dinner and Presentation on Sunday 21st April starting at 4.00pm. It will be a great way to end our season for another year.



The Wicky Weekly

Volume XC Number 3

1 March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Week Six - Term One. With the school holidays now a distant memory, our students are hard at work improving their swimming skills up at the Wickepin Aquatic Centre. A big thank you to the Shire of Wickepin for kindly providing us with the use of the venue for swimming lessons, at no cost to our school.

Welcome to Week Six - Term One! It is amazing to think we are already half way through the term. With terrific learning activities planned and several important events approaching over the next three weeks I am sure the holidays will be upon us before we know it.

Swimming Carnival—Friday 8 March

The swimming carnival will be taking place next Friday at the Wickepin Aquatic Centre, for students in Years One - Six. Permission notes have already been sent home and we ask that these are returned ASAP, if this hasn't already been done. While the event is being hosted by the fabulous Wandering PS Team, please do get in touch should you be able to assist on the day. This year Narrogin East Primary students will be joining Wandering, Yealering and us and placed into the combined teams. Please join me in making all visitors to our fabulous town very welcome.

NAPLAN - 15 - 27 March

Annual NAPLAN testing is taking place for Year Three and Five students over weeks Seven and Eight. Students will undertake Writing, Reading, Spelling and Mathematics tests. This provides us with valuable data and helps us assess the effectiveness of our whole-school programs. We have sent home information about NAPLAN to families of Year Three and Five students. The most important thing I have found with NAPLAN is to not place too much pressure on students, for them to go into these tests without feeling anxious or worried. We have focused this term on ensuring students are test-fit and comfortable with this type of testing. I want to thank Mrs Hull, Ms Wylie and Mrs Steere for their assistance in ensuring our students are ready and know what to expect. Thanks also to Mrs Norwell who has worked tirelessly behind the scenes ensuring our IT is ready and up to the task. Please do reach out should your child be experiencing any concerns about NAPLAN.

Student Leadership Event

Last Tuesday, Ms Wylie and I accompanied the Year Six students on an excursion to Williams for the annual Wheatbelt Student Leadership Conference. Our students engaged brilliantly on the day, with Ms Wylie and I very impressed with their behaviour and engagement with the program. We received

excellent feedback from the Williams P&C regarding the manners our students displayed and way in which they carried themselves, which makes us very proud. We look forward to working with our student leaders who have already presented to us several initiatives they would like to introduce at school. Stay tuned!

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

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. 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

March	
4	Labour Day Public Holiday
8	Swimming Carnival
April	
28	Last Day of Term

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MARCH 2024

- Thurs 7th Facey Group 2023 Trials Review & Pre-seeding Catch-up 3.30-6pm
Fri 8th Wickepin Primary School Swimming Carnival
Tues 12th Facey Group South Wheatbelt Drought tour 8am-3.30pm
Mon 18th Watershed News
Mon 18th Recycle and Bin Day
Tues 19th Swimming Pool closed
Wed 20th Facey Group—Agrimaster Webinar 10am
Thurs 28th School Term 1 ends
Fri 29th Easter Good Friday

APRIL 2024

- Mon 1st Swimming Pool Closes for Season
Mon 1st Easter Monday
Mon 1st Recycle and Bin Day
Tues 2nd Watershed News
Wed 10th Wickepin CRC Committee Meeting @5.30pm. All Guests Welcome
Mon 15th School Term 2 Starts
Mon 15th Watershed News
Mon 15th Recycle and Bin Day
Tues 16th DrumMUSTER
Thurs 25th ANZAC Day
Mon 29th Watershed News
Mon 29th Recycle and Bin Day

MAY 2024

- Sat 11th Wickepin Market Day
Sun 12th Mothers Day
Mon 13th Watershed News
Mon 13th Recycle and Bin Day
Mon 27th Watershed News
Mon 27th Recycle and Bin Day

JUNE 2024

- Mon 3rd WA Day Public Holiday
Mon 10th Watershed News
Mon 10th Recycle and Bin Day
Mon 24th Watershed News
Mon 24th Recycle and Bin Day



Sunday 17th of
March