

### WATERSHED NEWS INC - COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER

### CONTACT INFORMATION:

Watershed News is located at the Wickepin Community Resource Centre.

Address 24 Wogolin Road, Wickepin 6370

Postal Address PO Box 60 WICKEPIN WA 6370

Phone 9888 1500

Fax 9888 1588

Fmail: watershed@wn.com.au

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Advertising Rates	Full Page \$30.00	½ Page \$15.00	½ Page \$8.00	Business Card \$5.

- All advertising for the Watershed News needs to be sent to this email watershed@wn.com.au
- 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.

### Disclaimer

The views expressed in the publications of the Watershed News are not necessarily those of the editor/s or other volunteers who produce it. We reserve the right not to print articles that are inappropriate.

Next edition of Watershed News

Monday 8th July 2024



### **MOSQUITO FOGGING**

The Shire of Wickepin has commenced the fogging program from Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> of May 2024. The fogging program commenced firstly around the community oval only at this stage, this will support our local sporting teams due to the excess activity of mosquitoes on the oval. The Shire will be in contact with the sporting teams regarding their training times, so there is no interference or disruption. For any questions, contact the Shire on 9888 1005.

### RATES - END OF FINANCIAL YEAR 2024 & 2024/2025 RATES

30<sup>th</sup> June 2024 is fast approaching to the end of financial year. If you are a pensioner and have not yet paid your rates, please contact us at <a href="mailto:admin@wickepin.wa.gov.au">admin@wickepin.wa.gov.au</a> for assistance.

The 2024/2025 rates will be issued in the coming months. To ensure you receive your rates notice and to alleviate possible interest charges on late payments, please make sure we have your correct postal address on record and advise if any changes of ownership are required.

### **COUNCIL MEETING**

Council meeting was held on 19 June 2024 with Council adoption the Fees and Charges for 2024/2025 financial year. These can be inspected at the Shire Offices during normal opening hours or download from the Shire's website.

Council endorsed some Council policy changes and will continue to support the Facey Group into a new 3 year MOU arrangement.

The Shire's Depot crew has worked extensively this year to complete a series of road construction works, by completing works along Yarling Brook Road, Wickepin- Corrigin, Wickepin-Pingelly Roads and the general maintenance of grading throughout the shire.

The Shire's gardening crew have been kept busy tidying up around the townsites ready for the winter rains to come. We encourage the local community to continue to report through the Shire's website with maintenance requests or by phoning the office direct on 9888 1005.

Townscape and Albert Facey Reference Groups have met and are working on some ideas with Council in the coming financial year. Look out for these details in the coming months.



The next DrumMuster will be held on Tuesday, 16 July 2024

Collection is between the hours of 8:00am & 4:00pm by appointment only.

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

### New Customer Service Officer Appointment

The Shire of Wickepin is pleased to announce the appointment of Kiesha Thompson as our new Customer Service Officer, starting 1<sup>st</sup> July 2024. We welcome Kiesha to the team and look forward to her commencement.



### HARRISMITH LANDFILL CLOSURE

The Harrismith Landfill will be closed until further notice. This closure is in response to the illegal dumping of tyres within the premises. We apologize for any inconvenience this closure may cause and appreciate your cooperation in adhering to proper waste disposal regulations.

### YEALERING & TINCURRIN LANDFILLS

The Yealering and Tincurrin landfills are now locked on the weekdays and open 4pm Fridays for the weekend and will close at 8am on Mondays. The Shire of Wickepin will then transition to fully staffed landfills, including Wickepin landfill, later in 2024. Further details including set times will be provided closer to the time of the permanent transition.

### 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 - 11.00 AM; 12.00 PM - 4.00 PM

Sundays:

7.00 AM - 11.00 AM;

12.00 PM - 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

### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT LICENSING**

The Shire of Wickepin is an agent for Department of Transport licensing services. <u>Our open times are from 8:30am — 4:00pm, Monday to Friday</u>, offering services such as license renewals and vehicle registrations. For more information, visit during open times or contact the Shire direct on 9888 1005 for any inquiries.



# What's On In Wickepin Shire

Mondays:

Watershed News every second Monday:

Fit Pursuit 5.45am~6.30am @ 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

Choir with The Green Shoots ~ 6pm in Narrogin

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

Fridays:

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

@ 1pm Club Equipment Available

Sundays:

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

Wickepin Pot Club Winter Bowls. May to September 9.45am



# Community Notes



Happy birthday wishes to Cejay Hill, Ruth Bailey, Jacqui Martin, Kyle Flavell, Aiden White, Jade Bushby, Lucy Miller, Andrew Cooke-Bennier, Leah Taylor, Caitlin Pauley, Charlie Fulford, Aaron Bransby, Connor Bennier.

### BIGGEST MORNING TEA IS NOW UP TO \$1,500.

Pictured is the hand made patchwork quilt made and donated by Esther Fulford.





**VOLUNTEER POSITION:** 1.30 - 2.30 every second Monday to assist the Watershed News Team to assemble the already printed pages of the current issue. No experience needed but help would be welcome. Come and give it a go. If interested, please phone 0427 811 677.

**STAR GAZERS:** Early risers are in for a special treat on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. If you're up by 6am, check out Jupiter and the Moon with Taurus the Bull.



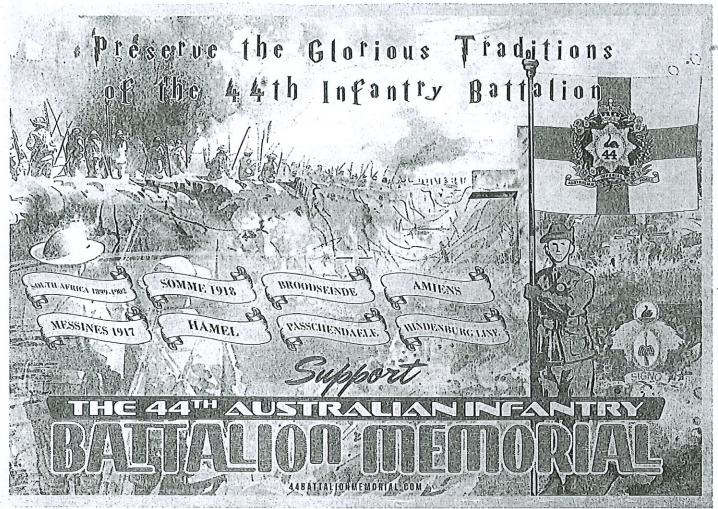
As part of our ongoing remembrance efforts, the 44<sup>th</sup> Australian Infantry Battalion Memorial is conducting a series of ceremonies across the Wheatbelt region. We are honoured to include Wickepin in our journey and would greatly appreciate the presence of your local officials at our event. About the 44<sup>th</sup> Battalion Memorial: Founded by Luca Muir Anderson, a Army Reservist, the 44<sup>th</sup> Battalion Memorial aims to honour the 2,101 soldiers who served in the local WA battalion. One of our initiatives includes a 2.101KM run spanning every LGA across WA, symbolizing the vast origins of these brave solodiers across the state.

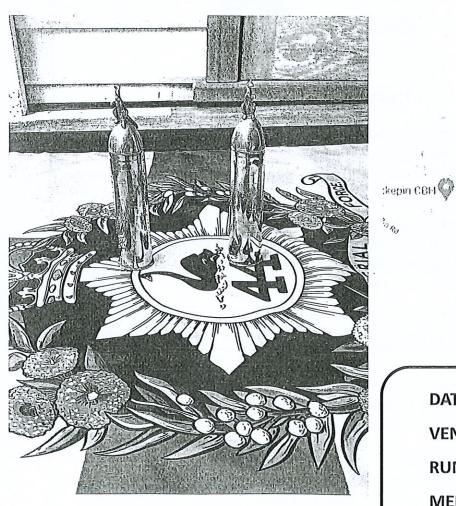
In addition to commemorating the soldiers of the 44<sup>th</sup> Battalion, our event serves as a fundraiser for key projects including a documentary, creation of a physical memorial, and educational collaborations with schools. We kindly request your assistance in spreading the word about this event withing Wickepin and encourage pariticipation in the 4KM run.

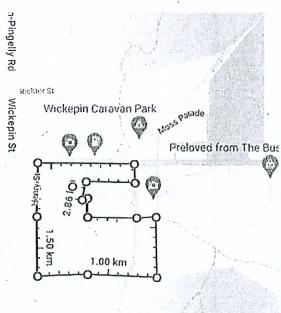
Fundraising iniative: We invite members of Wickepin to support our memorial through donations. The town in Western Austalia that contributes the most donations per capita will be honoured with a Trench Art Trophy from printing.

Thank you for considering our invitation. Should you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

For more information about the memorial, please visit our website under 44<sup>th</sup> Australian Infantry Battalion Memorial (44battalionmemorial.com) <a href="https://44battalionmemorial.com/">https://44battalionmemorial.com/</a> (See next page for further details).







DATE: 2nd July TIME: 12.30pm

VENUE: War Memorial in Wickepin

RUN START: 12.30pm

MEMORIAL SERVICE: 1pm<sup>-1</sup>

# Wickepin Art & Craft

Joyner Street, Wickepin, WA, 6370

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

Our numbers are increasing and it is wonderful to have "drop ins" from time to time.

We welcomed Doreen Lewis' sister, Rosalie to craft last week. Unfortunately she won't be a permanent member due to her residency in Perth. While making satin jewellery bags Rosalie mentioned their club makes scrunchies from similar fabric. In no time at all, we were instructed on how to make the scrunchies so we have yet another item to make for the shoe boxes.

A massive thank you to Pauline and Brian Plowman for the enormous amount of donated items for the shoe boxes – to name a few, washers, socks, pencils, hair clips, tooth brushes, etc. It was unexpected and so wonderful.

While making jewellery bags, a thank you must be extended to Jody Dunn for an extensive amount of jewellery. More than we've ever had before.

To all who contribute with fabrics and items, thank you so very much.

We miss Esther who is in care in Perth. Look forward to seeing you soon when you come to visit.



### Thank You

Thank you to everyone in the community who donated items for the raffle held at the Wickepin Winter Weekend. We really appreciated the support and generosity of our community. Ticket sales from the raffle along with profits from the event are all given back to our local St John sub centre.

Thank you to those locals who took the opportunity and went along and tried something different and enjoyed the various parts of the weekend. We are very grateful to the Playgroup girls who provided the lunch on Saturday for the visitors. It was a fantastic fundraising opportunity with so many visitors in our district.

A special thank you to the 13 people who helped at the community busy bee at the Hall on Wednesday. Your efforts were definitely noticed and appreciated by Campfire Country.



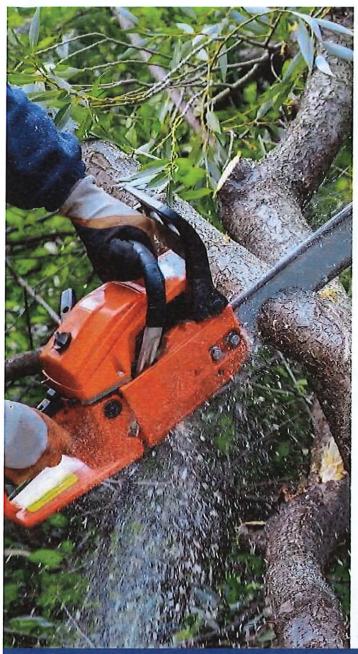
### St John's Anglican Church

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



### OPERATE AND MAINTAIN CHAINSAWS

### TUESDAY 16TH JULY WICKEPIN CRC

1 Day Course

Nationally Recognised Qualification

> \$110 per person (including Tafe fee of \$82.30)

Morning Tea and Lunch Provided

Minimum numbers required for this course to go ahead

Contact Wickepin CRC on 9888 1500 or email admin@wickepincrc.com.au





# SCAMS AWARENESS WORKSHOP

THURSDAY JULY 1 10AM - 12PM WICKY CRC nbn<sup>®</sup> ©

Regrettably, the event has been postponed due to the unavailability of the speaker. Please stay tuned for further information regarding the rescheduled date.



# Biggest Morning Tea



### Another year, another amazing Australia's Biggest Morning Tea!

On Monday June 17th, Wicky CRC hosted our annual Biggest Morning Tea. We had a lovely morning with around 35 marvelous attendees, who enjoyed delicious food, great company, and, though their endless generosity, helped us to raise

\$1200

Thankyou to all our wonderful sponsors, and everyone who contributed food, prizes, money and precious time. Without your support, we couldn't make this event happen!









# Thankyou to all our wonderful Sponsors!

Wickepin Newsagency
Wickepin Post Office
Lilly Pilly Soapery
Beryle's Gardening
Watershed News
Lewisdale
Amcal Narrogin
Goodlife Narrogin
Elaine Bushby
Chris & Irene Moore

Esther Fulford
Julie Russell
Noleen Long
Susie McDougall
Charlotte Astbury
Sue & John Mearns
Barbie Lawler
Ruth Bailey
Daphne & John
McKenzie

# Congratulations to the Raffle Winners!

Christine Hill Ringo Starr Lynda Gaull Hazel Green Ray Lewis Pam Carden Margaret Zenobia Mutton

Helen Sands
Lois Shipley
Darryl Gaull
Robyn Packer
Carole Wood
Wendy Meddings
Mavis McColl
Jean O'Brien

Chris Moore
Judy Lang
Julie Russell
Shirley Elson
Shelley Starr
Elaine Bushby
Jacqui Martin
Sue & John

And a huge congratulations to Ruth Baily who won the raffle for the beautiful quilt donated by Ester Fulford





# Hooks! WCKEPIN LIBRAR!

### ADULT FICTION: Peter James-They Thought I Was Dead



Some will know how it begins . . . Her name is Sandy. You might know her as the loving wife of Detective Superintendent Roy Grace. But there's more to her than meets the eye. A woman with a dubious past, a complicated present and an uncertain future. Then she was gone.

Some will think they know how it ends . Her disappearance caused a nationwide search. Even the best detective on the force couldn't find her.

They thought she was dead.

But nobody knows this . . .

Where did she go? Why did she run? What would cause a woman to leave her whole life behind and simply vanish?

### ADULT FICTION: Karly Lane-The One That Got Away



Alex Kelly's future is nearly sorted: she has a life she loves in London, a dream job, and plans to buy a cute cottage in the English countryside. There's just one last step: sell the family home her father left her in the small Australian seaside town of Rockne Heads. The place Alex has spent almost two decades trying to forget. Alex hopes to get in and out again as quickly as she can, however word that she's back in town instantly spreads...along with old gossip and dangerous grudges.

Sully McCoy has spent the last twenty years distancing himself from his father's reputation and has made a good life for himself and his daughter in Rockne Heads. Yet now Alex Kelly is back in town and somehow still turning his life upside down.

He thought he'd never see her again. And Alex is making it perfectly clear that she's not here to relive old memories-she's here to end them once and for all.

As old wounds reopen, Alex fears the secret she vowed to take to her grave will be exposed. And this time, she won't be able to run.

### DVD: Season 1-Muster Dogs



Muster Dogs is a warm, uplifting and highly entertaining character-driven series featuring five graziers from across the nation, each of whom has been given a Kelpie puppy from the same litter to train up to be a muster dog. Checking in with the puppies at key milestones, training gurus and mustering experts set challenges and assess the pups' progress – culminating in an ultimate working dog challenge.

Who will be crowned 'Champion Muster Dog'? And will any of the eager puppy participants graduate into the adult muster dog pack?

### JUNIOR FICTION: Ben Miller-Diary Of A Big Bad Wolf



A hilarious fairytale mash-up through the eyes of the big bad wolf as you've never seen him before! Perfect for

Thrown out of the pack for being a weakling, Laurence the Wolf is down on his luck. He knows he's strong, and brave, and cool, but nobody else seems to think so. What's more, he's STARVING. A clever plot to gobble up Little Red Riding Hood once and for all is foiled by all the creatures of the fairytale forest and just as things are getting desperate, he catches a whiff of something delicious. Could those be . . . vegetables?

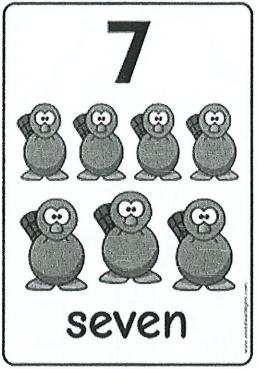
# Congratulations, Frank!

On Thursday June 13, Wicky CRC had the honour of hosting acclaimed local bush poet Frank Heffernan for a poetry reading and launch of his new book, It's Rhyme Time Again. We had a good turnout, with everyone thoroughly enjoying Frank's recitation of several of his poems, and then tucking in to a delicious afternoon tea provided by his lovely wife (and wonderful cook!), Mary. Well done on another cracking book of poems, Frank, and thankyou for your kind donation to the Wickepin Library.

If you'd like to purchase a copy of It's Rhyme Time Again, the CRC are lucky enough to have a few in stock. Pop in and pick one up before they're all gone!



# Happy Birthday



Paige Ewen

27th June 2014

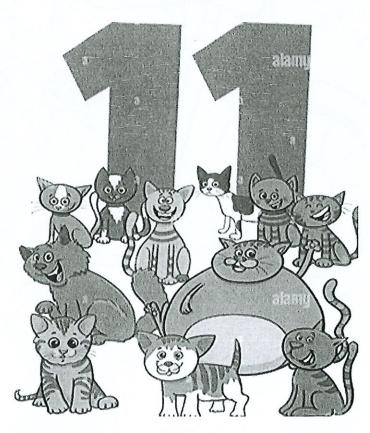




Nathan Graf 8th July 2017 Jasper Steere
28th June 2013







# KIDS CORNER Colour me



# SOCK WEEK SAVE OUR COUNTRY KIDS

24-30 JUNE

2024

A week of action to drive home road safety awareness! Let's stay safe and alert on our regional roads!

### SOCK WEEK LAUNCH MORNING TEA

A group of us gathered on the CRC Veranda on Monday, June 24th, for morning tea. We were informed about the SOCK Week campaign and discussed how we can collectively promote road safety. Many took a pledge to stay safer and more aware on our roads.





Between 2018 and 2022, there were 2,604 reported crashes on roads in the Wheatbelt region. Of these, 24% resulted in at least one person being killed or seriously injured. Between 2018 and 2022, there were 832 people Killed or Seriously Injured (KSI) in reported crashes, including 143 fatalities and 689 people seriously injured.

- 26% of people KSI were in crashes where speed was suspected to be a contributing factor
- 10% were in crashes where inattention was suspected to be a contributing factor
- 26% were in crashes where fatigue was suspected to be a contributing factor
- 8% of motor vehicle occupants KSI were not wearing a seatbelt
- 1% of motorcyclists KSI were not wearing a helmet

**#SaveOurCountryKids #SOCKWeek2024** 











# SOCK WEEK SAVE OUR COUNTRY KIDS

24-30

JUNE

2024

A week of action to drive home road safety awareness! Let's stay safe and alert on our regional roads!



### WAKE UP WEDNESDAY

Stop in at the CRC to collect your free Barista Coffee



Keep an eye out for road safety updates and details on our social media platforms and noticeboards.

JOIN IN AND WIN

Participate in any of our SOCK Week events or share our SOCK Week messages on social media for a chance to win a \$50 voucher in our free prize draw.



**#SaveOurCountryKids #SOCKWeek2024** 













# Slow-Cooker Lamb Chops Ingredients

1 medium onion, sliced 1 teaspoon dried oregano 1/2 teaspoon dried thyme 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder 1/4 teaspoon salt 1/8 teaspoon pepper 8 lamb loin chops 2 garlic cloves, minced



Place onion in a 3-qt. slow cooker. Combine the oregano, thyme, garlic powder, salt and pepper; rub over the lamb chops. Place chops over onion. Top with garlic. Cover and cook on low for 4-6 hours or until the meat is tender.

### **SERVE WITH**

# Grapefruit, Avocado and Leaf Salad Ingredients

1 cup frozen broad beans
1/3 cup frozen peas
2 ruby red grapefruit
60g baby rocket
60g baby spinach
1 avocado, halved, chopped
2 tbsp pepitas, toasted
2 tbsp extra virgin olive oil
1 tsp Dijon mustard.



Cook broad beans and peas separately following packet directions. Drain. Refresh under cold water. Peel broad beans and discard skins.

Peel grapefruit and segment. Squeeze leftover membranes over a bowl to catch the juice (you will need 2 tablespoons juice). Discard membranes.

Arrange rocket, spinach and avocado, grapefruit segments, broad beans, peas and pepitas on a serving plate.

Whisk grapefruit juice, oil, mustard and salt and pepper in a small bowl. Drizzle over salad. Serve,

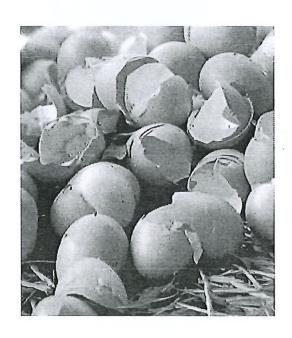
### SAVE YOUR EGG SHELLS!!!

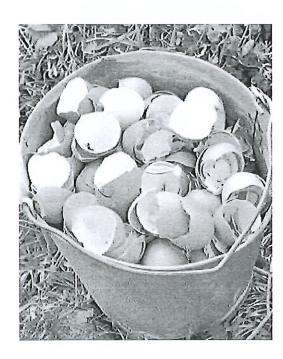
Don't throw egg shells away: plant them in the garden, they work wonders

Discover the potential of eggshells for your plants.

- 1. They provide calcium, nitrogen, and deter pests.
- Using Egg shells as Pest Deterrents:
   Crush egg shells to repel slugs and pests.
   Scatter them around plants to create a barrier.
- Incorporating Egg shells into Compost:
   Grind egg shells into powder for compost.
   Balance soil acidity and enrich compost with calcium.
- 4. Making Egg shell Powder Fertilizer:Boil egg shells in water for fertilizer.Alternatively, grind egg shells into powder and sprinkle around plant roots.
- 5. Creating Homemade Compost with Coffee Grounds: Blend egg shells, coffee grounds, and banana peel. Apply directly to plants or mix with soil for compost.
- 6. Key Points to Remember:Banana peel adds potassium for fruit growth.Coffee grounds improve soil drainage.Decomposition releases nitrogen for plant growth.Egg shells deter pests and enrich soil with calcium.









A strange old lady has moved into my house

I have no idea who she is, where she came from, or how she got in. I certainly did not invite her. All I know is that one day she wasn't there, and the next day she was.

She is a clever old lady and manages to keep out of sight for the most part, but whenever I pass a mirror, I catch a glimpse of her. And, whenever I look in the mirror to check my appearance, there she is hogging the whole thing, completely obliterating my gorgeous face and

body. This is very rude! I have tried screaming at her, but she just screams back.

The least she could do is offer to pay part of the bills, but no. Every once in a while, I find a \$5 bill stuck in a coat pocket or some loose change under a sofa cushion, but it is not nearly enough. And I don't want to jump to conclusions, but I think she is stealing money from me. I go to the ATM and withdraw \$50 and a few days later, it's all gone! I certainly don't spend money that fast, so I can only conclude the old lady is pilfering from me. You'd think she would spend some of that money to buy wrinkle cream. And money isn't the only thing I think she is stealing.

Food seems to disappear at an alarming rate-especially the good stuff like ice cream, chips, and sweets. She must have a real sweet tooth, but she'd better watch because she is really packing on the pounds. I suspect she realizes this, and to make herself feel better, she is tampering with my scale to make me think I am putting on weight, too.

For an old lady, she is quite childish. She likes to play nasty games, like going into my wardrobes when I'm not home and altering my clothes so they don't fit. And she messes with my files and papers so I can't find anything. This is particularly annoying since I am extremely neat and organized.

She has found other imaginative ways to annoy me. She gets into my mail, newspapers, and magazines before I do and blurs the print so I can't read it. And she has done something really sinister to the volume controls on my TV, radio, and telephone. Now, all I hear are mumbles and whispers. She has done other things-like make my stairs steeper, my vacuum heavier and all the knob and taps harder to turn. She even made my bed higher so that getting into and out of it is a real challenge.

Lately, she has been fooling with my groceries before I put them away, applying glue to the lids, making it almost impossible for me to open the jars. She has taken the fun out of shopping for clothes. When I try something on, she stands in front of the dressing room mirror and monopolizes it. She looks totally ridiculous in some of those outfits, plus, she keeps me from seeing how great they look on me.

Just when I thought she couldn't get any meaner, she proved me wrong. She came along when I went to get my picture taken for my driver's license, and just as the camera shutter clicked, she jumped in front of me I hope she never finds out where you live!



### Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety



#### REGIONAL COLUMN

www.dmirs.wa.gov.au www.wa.gov.au

20 June 2024

### With Senior Regional Officer for the South West Annetta Bellingeri New rules crack down on hiding a vehicle's past

Used car buyers now have more confidence that the vehicles for sale from dealers are safe and reliable, with new regulations taking effect that help protect consumers from making a purchase they may later regret.

As of 7 June, motor vehicle dealers in Western Australia must disclose to prospective buyers whether a vehicle under 15 years old is a repairable write-off.

And there will be penalty of \$2,000 coming to car dealers who fail to reveal whether they are selling written-off vehicles. They must declare this on a form that will be displayed in the window of every second-hand car they are selling.

A repairable write-off is deemed too costly for an insurer to repair but it may be repaired and re-registered subject to the vehicle passing specific safety and vehicle identification inspections. The vehicle must be assessed as roadworthy by an authorised assessor.

Even though a damaged vehicle can be repaired, it may mean there could be other unknown issues. Consumers may also struggle to get full insurance for a vehicle that has been written-off and discover it has a lower market value.

The new regulations help address the growing numbers of consumers who unknowingly purchase used cars that have been written off and repaired, with complaints to Consumer Protection tripling since 2020.

In 71 per cent of the 34 complaints made to Consumer Protection in 2023, the complainants alleged they were not advised that the vehicle they were purchasing was a repairable write off. In many of these cases, the complainants were explicitly told the vehicle had never been in a crash or written-off.

Any false or misleading statement or representation made on the form displayed in the car window may attract a fine of up to \$5,000 under the Motor Vehicle Dealers legislation.

Every used car buyer has a right to know that the vehicle they have chosen is safe, reliable, and fit for purpose. The new regulations will mean consumers can make an informed choice and this will help improve consumer trust in the dealer industry.

These changes do not apply to private car sales. There's a greater risk for buyers involved in private sales, compared to buying from a dealer.

We encourage consumers to continue to do a \$2 Personal Properties Securities Register check on a second-hand car when buying privately. In addition to revealing whether a vehicle under 15 years old is a repairable write-off – it will also confirm if it has been stolen and is free of outstanding debts.

Do this check at www.ppsr.gov.au . Do not use other non-government websites that do the same check but for a much higher fee.

To further protect consumers, there is also Consumer Protection's easy-to-follow used car buyer's checklist - commerce.wa.gov.au/publications/buying-car-buyers-checklist



# FACEY GROUP UPDATE

### **TEAM CHANGES**

They say that life can be like standing in a swiftly moving stream. The next few months at Facey Group will feel that way as some team members depart and we welcome two new recruits.

### **Old Friends**



Claire Wilcocks joined the team a little over a year ago while completing her Bachelor of Science in Environmental Management and Sustainability from Murdoch University. She was new to country living and threw herself into the challenges of project and fieldwork. She was instrumental in completing the 2023 Research and Development Results in time for Trials' Night. We will miss her

cheerful support, finely-tuned sense of humour, and capacity to assemble furniture! We feel fortunate that we have not lost Claire to the district. She lives in Kukerin with her partner and has taken a role closer to home. Good luck with your new venture Claire!

Kaitlyn Anderson joined Facey Group after completing her Bachelor in Agricultural Science at Murdoch in 2022. Her can-do attitude, networking skills, planning, and passion for the industry quickly made her invaluable to the team. She managed a wide range of projects from the ground up and was always willing to take on a challenge. She has been the Node Lead for the Wheatbelt Zone of the Drought Hub, and



this is where her capacity to network has been an asset to Facey Group and the South-West WA Drought Resilience Adoption and Innovation Hub.

We will miss her ideas, thoughtful viewpoints, and ability to remember to get her camera out and take photos. Kaitlyn has been lucky enough to gain a scholarship to study for a Master of Science in Agriculture Communication at Texas Tech University in the USA. She plans to return to Western Australia and continue her career in agricultural science. We will follow her career with interest.

### **New Faces**

With Claire and Kaitlyn departing, Facey Group introduces two new faces to the team with great pleasure!

Ravi Parmar is our first recruit and joins us with valuable experience in both Western Australia and India with a range of farming systems. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in Agriculture Science from Navsari Agricultural University and completed a Master's in Dryland Agricultural Science at Curtin University in 2022.

His dedication to well-organized research will ensure members have access to crucial information, contributing to enhancing farming enterprises within the Facey Group region. His interests in soil health, cropping timing, fertiliser management, and crop rotation will be an ongoing asset to the team and our members.

Facey Group has also secured the placement of Franco Renteria, who joined us earlier this year for work experience and impressed the team with his hard work and dedication to the ag industry. He recently completed a Bachelor's in Agricultural Science at UWA and has experience in environmental project management in Peru.



Both Ravi and Franco have hit the ground running and have been busy out in the field getting a handle on our current projects.

We look forward to what Ravi's and Franco's intellectual rigour and diverse perspectives will bring to the team. Please feel free to drop in and say hello.

Image

Facey Group new AgREC's busy out in the field,
Franco Renteria (left) Ravi Parmer (right)

# **FACEY GROUP**

Shaping the Juture

# 'Cultivating Resilience' **Presenters**

### Glenn Mitchell\* Warren Davies

Mental Health & Suicide Prevention - It's Everyone's Business!



Pingelly Mo Bro's Why we became a Bro!

Pingelly Mo Bros



The Unbreakable Farmer

**Boyd Rae** Activating Your Strength



### **FREE EVENT**

Registration Essential

Scan QR Code to register



THURSDAY 27th JUNE 2024

12:30pm Registrations & Welcome

**Chris Gibb** Well-Being During **Challenging Times** 



Department of Agriculture,

Fisheries and Forestry

Jo Drayton Building Happy, Healthy, Resilient Families & **Communities** HOLYOAKE'







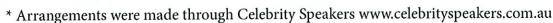














**Key Note Speaker:** 

# **NATALEE JOHNSTON**

## Royal Australian Navy Helicopter Pilot

NICOLA KELLIHER Wandering Clover Fed Beef

DARREN SPENCER
AWI & WASIA SafeSheds Program

### SHELLEY TAYLOR-SMITH

7 Time World #1 Marathon Swimmer | Motivation & Mental Toughness Performance Coach

**CARTER JOHNSON** 

Planfarm Farm Business Consultant

KAY FOSS

Founder Families

**HELEN WYATT** 

**Elders Agronomist** 

### HILLARY WITTWER

Farmworks Narrogin Director & Consultant Agronomist

Members | \$75 Non Members | \$95



lmage: © Royal Australian Navy

### Scan the QR Code to Regiser



Wickepin Community Centre

### **Event Proudly Sponsored by**



Government of Western Australia Department of Communities











# 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:

Joyce Contos: 0428 891 244

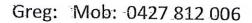
Anne Hague: 0427 133 711





### G.S & B Madej

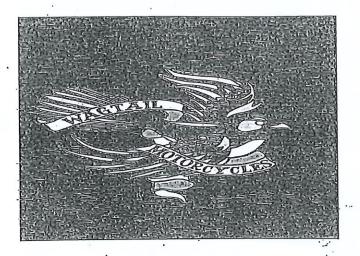
- Concreting
  - Bricklaying
    - Brick paving
      - Liquid Limestone / concrete



Email: gsbmadej@westnet-com.au



Service & Repairs
To Motorcycles & Small Engines
All-Makes Road Bikes, Trail & Quad Bikes



Peter ( Chooka ) Lewis
0409097555
Specializing in Restoration
of
American & British Motorcycles







Business, Trade & Service Directory,

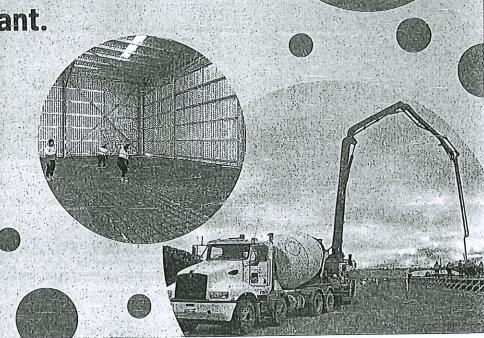




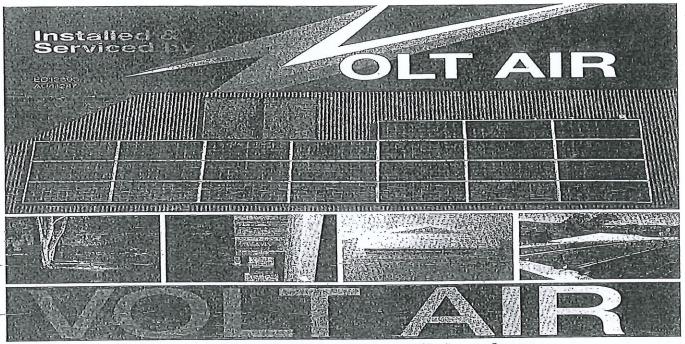
Onsite concrete with our mobile batching plant.

Got a job that needs concrete? We've got you covered, contact us today!

1300 271 414 cast-tech.com.au







Electrical, Air Conditioning, Solar Systems & TV Installation Servicing: Boddington, Peel, The Wheatbelt & The South West

call 0438 903 621



Email: admin@volt-air.com.au Post: PO Box 124 Boddington WA 6390 www.volt-air.com.au



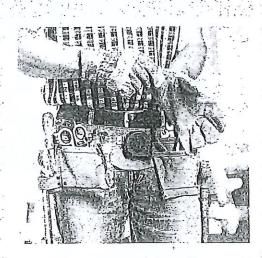
MATTERESTE

# GOT A JOB TO DO? I'M HERE TO HELP!

From home repairs to shed installations, I can take care of it all!

- Fabrication & welding
- Patio installation
- Roofing
- Fencing
- Decking
- Gyprocking
- Carpentry
- Painting
- General handyman work

Contact me today for quality and affordable services, or I can train you to undertake your own repairs!



Call Michael on 0417 914 496





- **♦**Bobcat
- **♦8 Tonne Excavator**
- ♦ Post Hole Digger
- ♦Tip Truck

# Dews Excavations

- House Pads
- Shed Pads
- Subsoil Drains
- Excavate for Septic Tanks
- Excavate for Leech Drains
- Trench for Utility Connections
- Drainage
- Yard Clean Ups
- Yellow Sand
- Gravel
- Bluemetal
- Cracker Dust
- Road Base





### Call Rob on 0428 836035

Or email bronwyndew@westnet.com.au

FOR ALL YOUR PEST CONTROL NEEDS
CONTACT CRAIG AT

# MCPest SPEST GONTROL

Ph: 9880 1152 / 0429 801 152

All jobs interior and exterior Considered at competitive prices by A local qualified technician based in Kulin

Specialising in termite inspections, Termite treatments/barriers and Reports.

### ANGWIN PLUMBING AND GAS

Do you need a plumber or gas fitter? Then call Rhys Angwin we are a friendly plumbing business operating throughout the Upper Great Southern & surrounding areas. We specialise in all types of plumbing and gas work ranging from:

- 4/7 emergency care
- Leaking taps & toilets2
- Burst pipes
- Blocked drains and pipes
- New hot water unit installations
- Ovens, hotplates, dishwashers and fridges
- Bathroom, Laundry and Kitchen reno's

And much more!!!

Call Rhys with whatever plumbing or gas problem you have.

Pensioner discounts! Call:

PL: 8498GL: 014986

0400-165-265





# Business, Trade & Service Directory



# **DUFFY ELECTRICS**

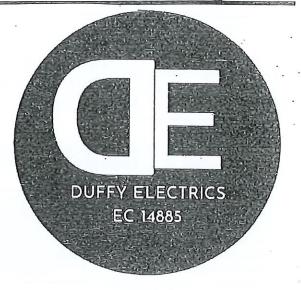
Residential

Commercial

Industrial

Tv installation

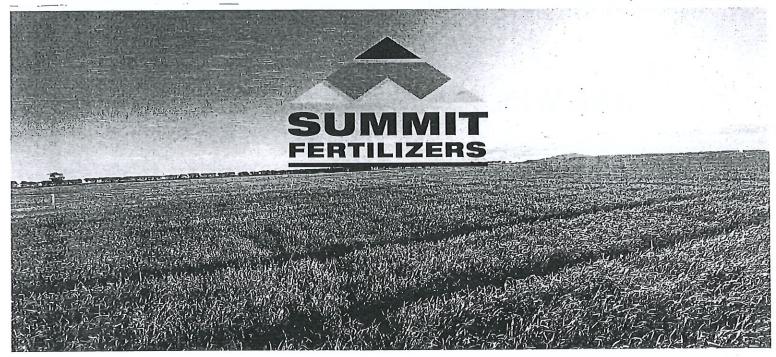
\* Air Conditioning



DUFFYELECTRICS@OUTLOOK.COM

RYAN DUFFY 0409 806 047

Servicing Wickepin and surrounds



Chat with David Hull, your local Area Manager.

0477 923 684 dhull@summitfertz.com.au

Shires of Beverley, Brookton, Pingelly, Wickepin, Kulin (West), Narrogin, Cuballing, Wandering and York.

www.summittertz.com.au

# WICKEPIN NETBALL GLUB



An amazing fight from Wickepin 1, all the girls worked hard the entire game holding a strong lead up until the last quarter when they sadly got down by 2 and lost 49-47. The girls had beautiful passages down the court and worked perfectly as a team keeping solid defence the whole way through as well as incredible attack ending with solid shooting. Definitely a game for the girls to be proud of.

Wickepin 2 also had a game to pat themselves on the back for. They adjusted to positions out of there comfort zones and played their hearts out keeping a strong lead the whole game, winning 44-30. The girls gelled so well as a team and looked out for each other on court making beautiful leads and strong passes. The defensive side was on point the whole game with intercepts all over the show making the job easier for attack who fed the ball down the court with ease so their shooters could put up amazing shots as they always do. Beautiful game girls.

### **Harrismith Golf Notes**

It has been a busy month at Harrismith Golf Club, with several sponsored days.

### 'Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June.

The Ladies Open Day sponsored by **Tincurrin Transport** and the **Farmers Centre** Men's Mid-Week were held as a combined event.

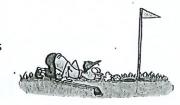
20 ladies and 52 men took part in a 4BBB on a clear sunny day.

Winners of the Ladies event was 1<sup>st</sup> Net: K Gray & D Twigg 42pts; 2<sup>nd</sup> Net: K Smith & E Rawes 41 pts; 3<sup>rd</sup> Net: A Davidson & M Ball 39 pts; 1<sup>st</sup> Gross: D Hughes & D Ibbotson 25 pts; 2<sup>nd</sup> Gross: T Wilkins & A French 24pts.

Winners of the Men's event was 1<sup>st</sup> Net: M Orchard & I Richardson 47 pts; 2<sup>nd</sup> Net: C Tayley & T Greensplade 46pts; 3<sup>rd</sup> Net: T Ibbotson & G Brain 44 pts; 4<sup>th</sup> Net: J Davidson & R Mott 44 pts. 1<sup>st</sup> Gross: T Adams & K Adams 35pts on a C/B from A Gray & D Ogley 35 pts.

### Saturday 15th June

A large field of golfers played a stroke round for the **Presidents Trophy** being the 2<sup>nd</sup> Qualifying Round. Congratulation to Aaron Quartermaine with 70-8-62 net, R/U was Scott Bayley 81-11-70 net. Ladies Winner was Katrina Gray with 107-38-69 net, R/U was Amanda Davidson 93-20-73 net. Nine-hole competition winner was Jake Martin, R/U was Danielle Bird.



Many thanks once again for the ladies for providing a yummy evening meal following play.

### Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June

A small field of golfers played a Par competition being the Captain's Choice. Rory McDougall and Aaron Quartermaine had good rounds both ending the round "all square".

Next Saturday there will be Stableford Competition.

### LAKE YEALERING GOLF CLUB

### Saturday 15th June 2024

Third Qualifying Round for the season, played in perfect conditions, with a field of 15 golfers teeing off. A warm welcome to C J Hill (who unfortunately got stung by a bee) and Braydon Fairhead (who unfortunately had a ball ricochet of the edge of a tee box and hit him in the cheek). Lets hope they are both keen to come back.!!! Also great to see Pat and Nat Manton here for a hit, increasing our female golfers to three with Tanya Sands. Always good to see a mixed field out on the course which is greening up nicely.

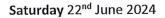
The stand out for the strong round was G. Manton with figures of 79-9-67, followed by C. Jespersen with figures of 83-11-72.

### Novelties went to:-

S. Davidson Longest Putt No 2 (Market Ag)
C. Jespersen Best Third No 16 (Yealering Shop)

C. Jespersen Nearest to Pin No 18 (Gangells)

The golf done and dusted, it was time for refreshments and a Hot Beef and Gravy Roll thanks to G. Manton and his team of helpers.



Stableford Round sponsored by Summit Fertilisers.

Day started cold and windy for the 11 players teeing off but the day soon warmed up. Best on the day was G. Manton with 35 points, followed by S. Davidson and C. Jespersen on 31 points each. Thanks to Summit Fertilisers for donating some wonderful prizes. Yet another ricochet this week with C. Nelson hitting a stroke only to have the ball come back and hit him in the cheek. (Ouch)

### Novelties went to:-

G. Haywood Longest Putt No 2 (Market Ag)
C. Jespersen Best Third No 16 (Yealering Shop)

G. Haywood Nearest to Pin No 18 (Gangells)

Day concluded with gourmet steak and salad burgers and a couple of light refreshments thanks to G. Manton and his team.

### Watershed News 2024 Publication Dates

	Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> October
	Monday 28 <sup>th</sup> October
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> August	Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> November
Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> September	Monday 9th December
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	





### Wickepin Football Club – 2024 Season Fixtures

Round	Date	Versus	Location
8	Sunday, June 30 <sup>th</sup>	Katanning	Wickepin
9 .	Saturday, July 6 <sup>th</sup>	Kukerin/Dumbleyung	Dumbleyung
		NUTRIEN AG CARNIVAL 12-14 July	1 .
10	Sunday, July 21st	Williams	Wickepin
11	Saturday, July 27 <sup>th</sup>	Brookton/Pingelly	Wickepin
12	Saturday, August 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Narrogin	Narrogin
13	Saturday, August 10 <sup>th</sup>	Boddington	Wickepin
14	Sunday, August 18 <sup>th</sup>	Wagin	Wagin
1 <sup>st</sup> Semi Final	Saturday, August 24 <sup>th</sup>	Brookton/Pingelly	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semi Final	Sunday, August 25 <sup>th</sup>	Williams	
Prelim Final	Sunday, September 1st	Boddington	
Grand Final	Sunday, September 8 <sup>th</sup>	Wickepin	

### LAKE YEALERING BOWLING CLUB

Is holding a Public Meeting (Everyone Welcome) at the Club Rooms 2pm. Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024

(This is an important meeting and any input and suggestions would be appreciated.)

Stay after the meeting for a roll up of Bowls. (Weather permitting)

<u>Please Note</u>: There will be a Busy Bee at the Club Rooms Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2024 2pm.



JOIN US IN PINGELLY!

WHAT: EXCITING EVENT FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL KIDS AGED 5-12 WHEN: SATURDAYJUNE 29TH, 2024 WHERE: PINGELLY SPORTS GROUND

BRING YOUR ENERGETIC TEAMS TO JOIN IN THE FUN! HOW TO GET INVOLVED? CONTACT YOUR LOCAL AUSKICK CENTRE

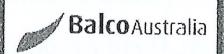


LET'S MAKE IT A DAY TO REMEMBER! WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU THERE!













**0439 908 667** 



pingellyauskick@outlook.com



# The Wicky Wookly

Volume XC Number 9

17 June 2024

### Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Week Ten—Term Two. This will be our last newsletter of the semester as school holidays commence Friday 28 June. School will reopen at 8.40am on Tuesday 16 July. Thanks for your support over the first six month of the year. It has been a productive busy first six months at school. I am sure as such, everyone will appreciate the chance to relax over the mid-year break.

#### COVID-19—Back in our Community

COVID-19 is again doing the rounds in Wickepin. 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. Unfortunately, we do not have a stock of RAT tests at school at the present time.

### Winter Carnival—Thursday 20 June

A big shout out to Mrs Steere, teachers from Wandering, Wickepin and Yealering and our fabulous army of parent helpers for assisting, preparing and accompanying our students to the Combined Schools Winter Carnival, in Narrogin. I am sure you join me in wishing all participants the very best for the day.

#### Student Reports

Reports will be emailed on Wednesday 26 June. Please contact the office should your contact details have changed in the last six months.

### Small Schools Athletics Carnival

The Small Schools Athletics Carnival is usually held on the second last Friday of Term 3. Please note a date change for this year. The carnival has been confirmed for Friday 6 September.

### **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.

### **WA Student Assistance Payment**

The WA Student Assistance Payment helps parents and carers with the cost of living pressures associated with sending their children to school. The program is now open, with payments available through the ServiceWA app.



All Western Australian school students

in Kindergarten to Year 12, with a valid WA student number, are eligible for this cost of living payment. You can claim \$250 for each secondary student and \$150 for students attending

primary school or Kindergarten. To claim the payments, parents and carers are encouraged to set up a ServiceWA account. More information is available at <a href="wa.gov.au/servicewaapp">wa.gov.au/servicewaapp</a>. All claims must be received by Friday 28 June 2024.

### **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**

June	
20	Winter Carnival
20 28	Last Day of Term 2
July 15	
15	Staff Development Day - Students Do Not Attend
16	First Day of Term 3 for Students

Parents, please remember to label your child/ren's jumpers. We have an assortment of unidentified jumpers here that need to be collected. Thank you.

