

# WATERSHED NEWS

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

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## Are you being safe in the sun?



# WATERSHED NEWS INC- COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER

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## What's Happening in and around the Wickepin Shire?

Send in your news. Others would enjoy reading about your family news, milestone birthdays, events, travels etc.

Eulogies of our local residents and the ones who have moved away, are gratefully received.

The community cherishes the chance to read their life stories

# SunSmart App

Protect the skin you're in with the free SunSmart App



UV radiation is dangerous because it's not like the sun's light which we see, or the sun's heat which we feel, so it can be damaging our skin without us knowing.

The free SunSmart Global UV app puts sun protection advice at your fingertips.

The SunSmart Global UV app provides reliable at-a-glance real-time and forecast UV levels for locations across Australia and the world from reputable and trusted agencies and translates this data into clear, evidence-based health advice from Cancer Council Victoria to recommend sun protection for your location.

## Features

- UV and sun protection alerts each day.
- Option to create unique alerts that suit your schedule and location.
- Access worldwide UV levels which can be tailored to your specific location, providing clear guidance on when sun protection is and is not required.
- Seven-day forecast of sun protection times and weather information.
- Available in eight languages including English, French, Spanish, Dutch, Chinese, German, Italian and Russian.
- Live UV levels across Australia and the world.

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## How does it work?

- Download the app and select your location in Australia.
- Set up a sun protection alert and receive daily reminders of the times of day sun protection is required.
- Select to receive the alert at the time of your choice or at the exact time the UV is forecast to reach a level that can damage your skin and eyes.

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## Skin cancer in Australia – The facts

- Overexposure to UV is the main cause of skin cancer. The skin can be damaged in as little as 15 minutes on a fine January day.
- You need to check the sun protection times – even when it's overcast – as UV levels can be just as intense on a cool or cloudy day, as on a scorching hot one.
- Select to receive the alert at the time of your choice or at the exact time the UV is forecast to reach a level that can damage your skin and eyes.
- Skin cancer is Australia's most prevalent cancer, but it is also one of the most preventable.
- More than 750,000 basal and squamous cell carcinomas are treated and 11,405 new melanomas are diagnosed in Australia each year.
- Around 2000 people die from melanoma and basal and squamous cell carcinomas in Australia each year.

## Eulogy Allan Wyllie

Thanks to everyone who has come along to celebrate the life of Trevor Allan Wyllie, affectionately known as 'Allan' or 'Slippery' to his mates.

Dad was born in Bridgetown on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> February 1938 to parents, John Allan and Bessie Elizabeth Wyllie – Dad thought he was born on the 3<sup>rd</sup> for the first 60 years but found out about being born on the 4<sup>th</sup> when he applied for a passport to travel to Ireland. He was quite devastated. It was great for us having the extra day to celebrate his birthday, we could make a phone call on the 3<sup>rd</sup> or the 4<sup>th</sup>! and not feel as guilty.

Dad was the oldest of nine children followed by ... Ian, Betty, Kevin and Keith (twins), Maureen, Robert, Christine and David. I assume the family were good Catholics as all the children were born in the space of 12 years. All the family originally lived in a 2 x 1 house in Greenbushes and added a sleep out to the house as the family grew – every room was a 'bedroom'. We are not sure that Greenbushes has ever been the same since. As you can imagine it was a very tough upbringing with Dad recalling a young boy coming over to help chop the family wood, that young boy was of the name "Polly Farmer".

At the age of 8/9, Dad and his brother Ian were sent to Benmore Children's Home in Midland, later followed by twins Kevin and Keith. Dad spent the next 6 years at Benmore. Dad always said it was difficult being away from his family for so long, but also acknowledged that he made great friendships during that time there and these continued for the remainder of life.

Dad left school at the age of 15 and returned to Greenbushes where he worked in his uncle's shirt factory but wasn't too fussed with type of work, so left after a short time. He gained a mechanical apprenticeship in Bridgetown and moved there eventually. In 1958 he met a young lady by the name of Joan Edwards from Bridgetown at a local dance, and they were married two years later. Dad and Mum were both 22 years of age when they married. Dad loved to dance and socialize so it was no wonder that this was where he would meet the love of his life!

Most people in this room probably realise that mum was the backbone of our little family and prevented a lot of chaos over the years!

For us children it can be difficult having both parents called by their second Christian names.

I realised this when Dad was in hospital last, and I walked in and asked to see Allan Wyllie and got the reply 'I have no one here by that name'. My first thought was 'Oh shit' Dads gone walkabout again and no one can find him! Fortunately, the lady behind the desk replied but we do have a Trevor Allan Wyllie, which confirmed to me that they had found him & I was at the right hospital.

Dad and Mum moved to Katanning in 1961 and worked for Katanning Stock and Trading, the local Ford Dealer. Katanning was home for 8 years and this is where I was born in 1962, followed by Graeme in 1964 and Denise 1966. We lived at Park Street Katanning.

Our memories of Dad from those years are his BIG vegetable garden, of picking corn and eating off the cob, going to football training when Dad was playing for the Australs Football Club and him been part of the local fire brigade with his brother Ian. Also, sitting in the back of the family mini moke, passing rolled up newspapers so Dad could throw them out the window. Our job was to replace the lacky band over the paper if they broke, I assumed they landed in one piece at the correct place. This was all done to earn extra money so he could support Joan & his young family as best he can.

We moved to Wickepin in 1969 as Dad and his brothers, Ian and Robert purchased the Ford Dealership, known as Wickepin Motors. In 1975 Dad and Mum took over the business with Ian and Robert moving to Mandurah. Dad operating the workshop and Mum was responsible for the business side of things.

Dad travelled a long way to see his customers – Good percentage of these were from the eastern wheatbelt with many loyal customers purchasing several vehicles over the years. Dad always thought he was special if his visit co-in sided with a fresh baked morning tea, or lunch, or a tour of the farm. They had great customer support, but life was hard as they increasingly had to compete with bigger Ford dealers in Perth. Dad was presented with many sales awards from Ford at some amazing events in Melbourne over this time. It was a chance to live it up at Crown Melbourne, a far cry from their little abode in Wickepin! Mum got to do a couple of shopping trips while Denise lived there. Dad rubbed shoulders with the Ford top brass, and as you can image fitted in like a glove.

We first lived at Sartori's house on Wickepin Street on the edge of town. We always remember some years later losing the roof of this house in a big windstorm. The event made the local newspaper, as at the time Dad was in the shower and ran outside with only a towel around him. Unsure if this is actually true, but it's now family folklore and a story Dad liked to tell his mates. Some years later, Mum and Dad purchased their first ever House @ 80 Wogolin Road, where they still live today, and mum got her license.

Dads great loves.....

Wickepin Football Club – I have been told that Dad and Stan Snow were the instigators in getting Junior Football going in Wickepin – Dad had great pride seeing young people play sport

Both Stan Snow and Dad were instigators in setting up the UGS junior football council and dad eventually become president of the Junior football Council for some 3 years. He also was very involved in Junior Cricket, being the Manager of the Wickepin Junior Cricket Team going off to Junior Country Week Cricket, whilst Graeme and I were involved.

Many Wicky locals would know that Dad was quite a loud supporter for the Warriors Wickepin Football Club .....giving plenty of advice to the umpires from the boundary in his free capacity as their Umpires Advisor - this eventually lead to a 6 month suspension. Upon his return, the Club decided to make him the League Goal Umpire – a position he took very seriously, especially on Grand Final days. Dad would have appreciated the Umpires being sponsored by 'OPSM' a few years ago, as he always believed many of them had poor eyesight and should have gone to Specsavers.

The Wickepin Bowling club also played a huge part in his life.

His achievements during his time with the club were: WON

10 First Division Pennants, 4 Club Championship Pairs, 6 Club Championship Triples, 7 Club Championship Fours, 2 UGS League Fours in 1991 and 2022, 1 Merino Fours in 1999 with Colin Fleay, Rex Bergin and Colin Plumb

He was also heavily involved in the administrative side, Club Selector for approx. 10 years. Selector for UGS League and the GS Zone for some 10 years. President of the UGS Bowls League for 3 years

Wickepin Club Grounds Committee off & on for close to 50 years with his great mate "Thomo"

Dads great ambition was to play with Graeme and myself in the Wickepin Merino Fours Competition which we were able to do a few years ago. Dad was very proud of this, but I must say Graeme and I did bring him down to our level.

Dad enjoyed it when a Moora Team came down to Wickepin to play and he loved going up to Moora to play in our Open Day and meeting the locals who made a fuss of him.

Dad was known for his quick wit and one liners..... the beauty of coming to play in the Moora Open Day was he could use them all again

**Pops Shed:** Dad showed an interest in woodwork after he retired, and he taught himself his skills through magazine subscriptions. This prized magazine gave him the idea (and measurements) for his famous outdoor chairs and tables. Our family all have a selection of these items, all perfected by making, re-making and finally re-making again! Dad kept all the 'almost perfect' items for their own outdoor area. Dad eventually was convinced to put some pieces in the local Narrogin nursery and ended up getting quite a few orders and sales. This was a great boost to his confidence and people didn't seem to mind waiting for the 'perfect' pieces. Dad loved his shed and spent hours most days in there sawing, planing, sanding or just sitting in his comfortable homemade chair in front of his pot belly heater trying to keep warm. At least mum knew where to find him.

**Vege Garden:** Another great passion was his vegetable patch - which often resembled a mini market garden. Many of what he grew are sitting over there - on his coffin :( as a testament to this passion. He sourced his favourite 'breeds' of many vegetables or saved and planted the seeds for the next year. He and Thomo often traded favourites, especially their prized tomatoes. His huge tomato crops have kept the whole family stocked with Joan's famous tomato relish over the last couple of decades.

Dad was a family man, always being there when needed and a great Pop to his 6 grandchildren and 1 great grandchild

I think it is very fitting that Allan and Joan have spent the last 55 years living in Wickepin, a place known as a 'Fortunate Place'. Dad did have a tough life in the beginning, some struggles at times, but by gee he made the most of it and loved it all the way!! We love you Dad, rest in Peace Dad.

# COMMUNITY NOTES

## November Birthday wishes to:

26<sup>th</sup> Julie Russell  
27<sup>th</sup> Kelly Steere  
29<sup>th</sup> Shawn Reynolds

## December Birthday wishes to:

2<sup>nd</sup> Flynn Anderson  
3<sup>rd</sup> Timothy Bennier  
6<sup>th</sup> Bradley Pauley  
7<sup>th</sup> Hannah Green  
9<sup>th</sup> Timothy Rance



Sympathy is extended to Keith Bushby, Judy Bransby, Mavis McColl and extended families on the passing of their cousin Georgina Jensen. Georgina has been fighting pancreatic cancer. She passed away on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November in Bethesda Hospital, Claremont, aged 70.



A sincere thanks to Libby and Linley for organising such a wonderful day at the celebration of Albert Facey's homestead 100th anniversary. A great turnout for the day and the weather was perfect - not even many flies!! The morning tea was wonderful as well as the lunch following the formal speeches and presentations.



The Hotham Cruisers motorcycle club has a "coffee run" on the 3rd Sunday of each month. Yesterday's run was to Williams to the Chatterbox Cafe in Brooking Street, Williams for morning tea. A delightful place with covered outdoor seating with tables, lounge chairs, lots of plants and a fishpond. The food and coffee were excellent. The café has only been opened for 8 weeks. There is a gallery attached but the club didn't experience this on this trip. A certainty that the club will visit there again.

Get well wishes to Murray Lang who had a fall and broke his arm.  
Best wishes for a quick recovery Murray.



## **MORNING SWIMMING**

Commencing Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2024  
5.45am to 6.45am

Please contact Helen Sands (0428 881 026) for more information





### HARVEST BAN EXEMPTION REQUEST

If you require an exemption from a harvest ban, please notify the relevant authorities by completing the **TFB and Exemption Online Notification Form** on the DFES website at [dfes.wa.gov.au/totalfirebans](https://dfes.wa.gov.au/totalfirebans). Notification must be provided at least 30 minutes before the roadwork begins and no more than 24 hours prior to the work commencing during a Total Fire Ban. Be sure to submit your notification within the required timeframe to ensure compliance.

### COMMUNITY FIRE SAFETY

It is crucial for our community to take proactive measures to mitigate fire risks. We urge residents to assess their properties, clear flammable materials, and create defensible spaces. Staying informed about local fire regulations and participating in fire safety workshops can greatly enhance our collective safety.

### 2024/2025 BUSHFIRE SEASON NOTICE

Preparing for bushfire season is everyone's responsibility. Our volunteers, Shire staff, and the Department of Fire & Emergency Services work hard to keep us safe. Property readiness is essential for effective emergency response.

Residents in rural areas should understand their bushfire risk and develop a survival plan to protect their families and livelihoods. Consider factors like weather and proximity to emergency services. Communicate your plan with family, employees, and neighbours.

### HARVEST BAN ALERTS

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

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

### REPORTING A FIRE

To report **ANY** fire whether in a paddock, bush, townsite, house, roadside, etc you **MUST RING 000 FIRST**. You will need to provide the location of the fire to the Operator who will then contact our Chief Bush Fire Control Officer who will alert the Fire Control Officers.

### PERMISSION TO CONSUME ALCOHOL ON SHIRE PROPERTIES

In recent months, the Shire of Wickpin has updated its policies regarding the consumption of alcohol in Shire-owned facilities. A new application process is now in place for anyone wishing to consume or sell alcohol at these venues.

If the hirer plans to supply or sell alcohol, they must complete the application form and submit it to the Shire. If alcohol is being sold, a copy of the appropriate liquor license must also be provided. To obtain a liquor license, hirers should contact the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries.

All required forms can be acquired at the Shire office or downloaded from the Shire's website. Once all forms and the liquor license are submitted, the application will be reviewed, and approval or denial will be at the discretion of the CEO.

These updates are designed to ensure that all events comply with regulations and are managed safely. For more information, please contact the Shire office.



## 2024-2025 RATES INSTALMENT PAYMENTS

The next due date of the 2024/2025 rates instalments is **2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024**.

### SHIRE PRESIDENT MWS FAREWELL SPEECH

It's my pleasure to acknowledge and thank Graeme Hedditch for his exceptional service as the Shire's Manager of Works and Services since joining us in August 2022.

Graeme has overseen a number of significant projects that have had a lasting impact on our community. He was instrumental in the construction of the Independent Living Units on Johnston Street, the ongoing road maintenance programs, and the completion of the Wickepin Skate Park—all vital additions to our Shire.

Additionally, Graeme has successfully managed the LRCI Phase 3 and 4 projects, which included the development of the Harrismith and Wickepin Community Centre playgrounds, as well as the installation of CCTV at the Depot for improved security. He also oversaw the construction of the carport at the Shire office and the ongoing maintenance of Shire properties.

The WSNF, RRG and Roads to Recovery programs have all been successful with Graeme at the helm. Furthermore, Graeme initiated the management of the Wickepin Tip, significantly improving its operation for greater efficiency and better service to the community.

Graeme, your hard work, dedication, and attention to detail have been invaluable. On behalf of the Shire, we sincerely thank you for all you've done. We wish you all the best in your future endeavours.

## Shire Administration Office

### Christmas & New Year Opening Hours

|                 |                           |
|-----------------|---------------------------|
| Tue 24 Dec 2024 | CLOSED                    |
| Wed 25 Dec 2024 | CLOSED FOR PUBLIC HOLIDAY |
| Thu 26 Dec 2024 | CLOSED FOR PUBLIC HOLIDAY |
| Fri 27 Dec 2024 | CLOSED                    |
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| Mon 30 Dec 2024 | CLOSED                    |
| Tue 31 Dec 2024 | CLOSED                    |
| Wed 1 Jan 2024  | CLOSED FOR PUBLIC HOLIDAY |
| Thu 2 Jan 2024  | CLOSED                    |
| Fri 3 Jan 2024  | CLOSED                    |
| <hr/>           |                           |
| Mon 6 Jan 2024  | 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM         |

**For urgent Shire matters, contact  
0429 207 855 or 0429 882 871**

*Staff and Councillors wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a  
safe and happy festive season.*

**WICKEPIN SKATE PARK OPENING**

Local school kids will be trekking down to enjoy a free afternoon of fun, food and skate board demos! Bring your skateboard or scooter to ride alongside the team from Skate Sculpture, who will be hosting demos and an interactive skate workshop.

DJ Red will be spinning tracks to set the perfect sundowner mood, making this a memorable day for families and friends. Come celebrate our upgraded Skate Park, proudly funded by the Federal Government's Local Roads & Community Infrastructure Program.

# SKATE PARK OPEN DAY



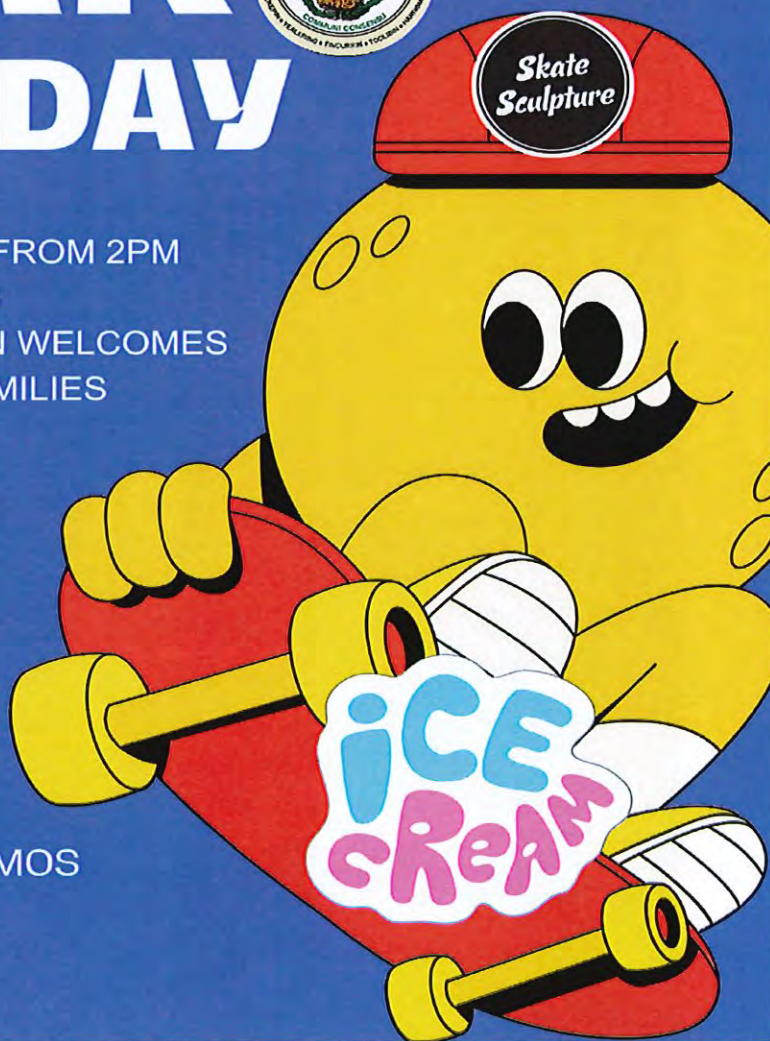
**FREE  
COMMUNITY  
EVENT**

1 X FREE ICE CREAM !  
FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE FROM 2PM  
PRIZES, DEMOS, TRICKS  
THE SHIRE OF WICKEPIN WELCOMES  
ALL RESIDENTS AND FAMILIES

**FRIDAY 29TH  
NOVEMBER  
2024,  
FROM 2 PM  
TO 5 PM**

**WICKEPIN  
SKATE PARK**

LIVE "DJ RED"  
COMMUNITY BBQ , DEMOS  
TRICKS & GAMES  
CHILL- OUT ZONE



**COMMUNITY BBQ TRAILOR AVAILABLE FOR BYO BBQ FROM 2-5PM**



BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE SHIRE OF WICKEPIN

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**SENIORS' CHRISTMAS LUNCH**

The 2024 Senior Christmas Lunch will be held on the 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024. This cherished event is something our seniors look forward to each year. This year, we are seeking new volunteers to assist with preparations and activities. If you are interested in contributing your time and support registers are available at local outlets: Ewen Rural Supplies, Wickpin Post Office & News Agency, and Yealering General Store or contact the office on 9888 1005.

The poster has a red background with white stars and a string of lights at the top. A central image shows a snow globe with a miniature Christmas scene. The text is centered and reads: 'The Shire of Wickpin invites Senior Citizens to Christmas Lunch'. Below this, the date and time are given: 'DECEMBER | 06 | AT 11:30 AM'. Further down, it says 'CHRISTMAS ROAST FESTIVITIES FROM THE WICKEPIN PRIMARY SCHOOL'. Contact information follows: 'Wickpin Community Centre Please contact the Shire for RSVP on 98881005 or admin@wickpin.wa.gov.au'. At the bottom, there is a circular seal of the Shire of Wickpin, flanked by two large candy canes, and several wrapped gifts and gingerbread men.

The Shire of Wickpin  
invites **Senior Citizens** to  
**Christmas**  
*Lunch*

DECEMBER | **06** | AT 11:30 AM

**CHRISTMAS ROAST  
FESTIVITIES FROM THE WICKEPIN  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Wickpin Community Centre  
Please contact the Shire for RSVP on  
98881005 or [admin@wickpin.wa.gov.au](mailto:admin@wickpin.wa.gov.au)

The seal of the Shire of Wickpin, featuring a central figure within a circular border containing the text 'SHIRE OF WICKPIN' and 'WICKPIN WA 1995'.

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Energetic, experienced and dedicated staff in a well-resourced school, ensure your child achieves great educational progress.



## *Community oriented*

We have a strong community focus and long-standing relationships with the Yealering community. Our values and achievements are shaped and supported by our families.



FIND OUT MORE  
**YEALERING PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
9888 7200



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# COMMUNITY NOTES

## CLASSIFIEDS

### FOR SALE

Honda generator  
EU inverter 20i. Excellent condition. Very little use.  
Can send photos from iphone.  
Phone 0427 940 615

### WANTED

Quote wanted to transport a Mazda E2000 van.  
On a trailer from Toodjay to Wickpin.  
Phone Bill 0484 501 366

### FREE

Tomato plants- Grosse lisse  
Phone Mavis 0488784357

### WANTED

Someone to do a small amount of weeding.  
Phone Mavis 0488784357

### CLEANER WANTED -URGENT

Possible regular work.  
For further information  
Phone Lorraine 0409 309 466

### SEEKING WORK

Retired gent seeking part time work  
Background in sales, marketing & finance.  
Phone Bill 0484 501 366

### FOR SALE:

2010 Jayco Discovery Pop-Top 18 Ft Caravan  
with Ensuite.  
Very good condition, hardly been used.  
\$25,000.00  
More information ring 0428 879 042  
(East Pingelly)



## Best Way to Make Hard-Boiled Eggs

For anyone that may not know, the best way to make hard-boiled eggs is in the oven!

1. Place the eggs in a muffin tray to prevent them from moving around.
2. Preheat the oven to 325 degrees Fahrenheit.
3. Pop the tray in the oven for about 25-30 minutes.
4. Remove the eggs from the oven.

Not only are the eggs tastier, but they also are much easier to peel!

| CONVENTIONAL<br>OVEN | FAN<br>FORCED<br>OVEN | AIR<br>FRYER | CONVENTIONAL<br>OVEN | GAS<br>MARK | OVEN<br>DESCRIPTION                  |
|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------|----------------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| 160°C                | 140°C                 | 185°C        | 325°F                | 3           | Moderately Slow<br>Oven (e.g., cake) |

## RAINFALL

| 2023      | mm   | Days | Total | 2024      | mm   | Days | Total |
|-----------|------|------|-------|-----------|------|------|-------|
| January   | 3.4  | 2    | 3.4   | January   | 13.2 | 3    | 13.2  |
| February  | 0.8  | 1    | 4.2   | February  | 3.4  | 3    | 16.6  |
| March     | 37.4 | 3    | 41.6  | March     | 32   | 7    | 48.6  |
| April     | 83.2 | 8    | 124.8 | April     | 0    | 0    | 48.6  |
| May       | 5    | 3    | 129.8 | May       | 40.8 | 7    | 86.6  |
| June      | 74.8 | 10   | 204.6 | June      | 34.4 | 13   | 121   |
| July      | 32.2 | 13   | 236.8 | July      | 72   | 21   | 193   |
| August    | 38.6 | 5    | 275.4 | August    | 84   | 15   | 280.2 |
| September | 28.4 | 4    | 303.8 | September | 29   | 6    | 309.2 |
| October   | 0    | 0    | 303.8 | October   | 14.8 | 4    | 324   |
| November  | 5.4  | 4    | 309.2 | November  | 22   | 6    | 346   |
| December  | 0    | 0    | 309.2 | December  |      |      |       |

Registered at the Wickpin Post Office as of 25<sup>th</sup> November 2024

# FREE ONLINE WEBINAR

## End of Year Highlights: Drought Resilience in Action

*Join us to take a closer look at the year's SW Drought Hub and Future Drought Fund Projects and their progress!*

### Episode 2:

### Water Use Efficiency and Desalinisation

Facey Group, Node of the South-West WA Drought Resilience Adoption and Innovation Hub, founded by the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund, are excited to host our End-of-Year Highlights webinar series.

Round two of this three part series sees Dr. Richard George, DPIRD and Dr. Nik Callow, WaterSmart Dams join forces to discuss water use efficiency and desalinisation.

On the agenda ... designing tools for setting up dams and how to increase runoff and retailing water as well as how to improve water quality in WA drylands and desalinisation opportunities for farming.

Tune in where ever you are ... harvester, chaser, grain bin line up or at home with a cuppa. Have questions you want answered? Email them through to [agrec@faceygroup.org.au](mailto:agrec@faceygroup.org.au) for our hosts to consider prior to the webinar!



*Shaping the Future*



**Richard George**  
Senior Principal  
Research Scientist



Department of  
Primary Industries and  
Regional Development



**Nik Callow**  
Lead Research  
Scientist



**WaterSmart Dams**  
Making dams work again



# Thursday, 28 November

## 3pm



**REGISTER NOW**



Australian Government  
Department of Agriculture,  
Fisheries and Forestry



Future  
Drought  
Fund



**GROWER  
GROUP  
ALLIANCE**  
Together we grow



South-West WA  
Drought Resilience Adoption  
and Innovation Hub



# Annual General Meeting & 2024 Christmas Party

Join us at the 2024 Facey Group  
Annual General Meeting &  
Christmas Party!

The AGM will commence at 5pm  
after which, family-friendly  
christmas celebrations will kick off  
including dinner & drinks thanks to  
**Summit Fertilizers.**

Once the sun sets, you will be  
treated to an exciting drone light  
show, thanks to Squadrone.



**Wednesday 18th Dec - 5pm**  
**Wickein Community Centre**

**RSVP by  
9th Dec**

*Scan to Register*



## Sweet Chicken Fingers

### Ingredients:

- 1Kg chicken tenderloins
- $\frac{3}{4}$  cup natural yoghurt
- 2 cups cornflakes crushed
- 1 cup grated parmesan cheese

### Method:

1. Preheat the oven to 180°C.
2. Line a baking tray with baking paper.
3. In a shallow bowl, combine the cornflakes and Parmesan.
4. Place yoghurt in a second shallow bowl.
5. Coat the chicken with the yoghurt and then roll in the cornflake mixture.
6. Place on the baking tray.
7. Bake for 15 minutes, or until the chicken is cooked through and the crumbing golden and crunchy.

Serve this with potato salad and sweet corn on the cob or mashed potato, peas and roasted cherry tomatoes.



## Warm Potato Salad



Cook 1Kg potatoes cut into 4cm pieces in a large pan of boiling water until tender but not falling apart.

Drain in a colander then transfer to a large serving bowl.

Add

- $\frac{1}{4}$  cup capers,
- 6 sweet spiced gherkins, chopped,
- 4 spring onions, finely sliced,
- $\frac{1}{3}$  bunch parsley, chopped

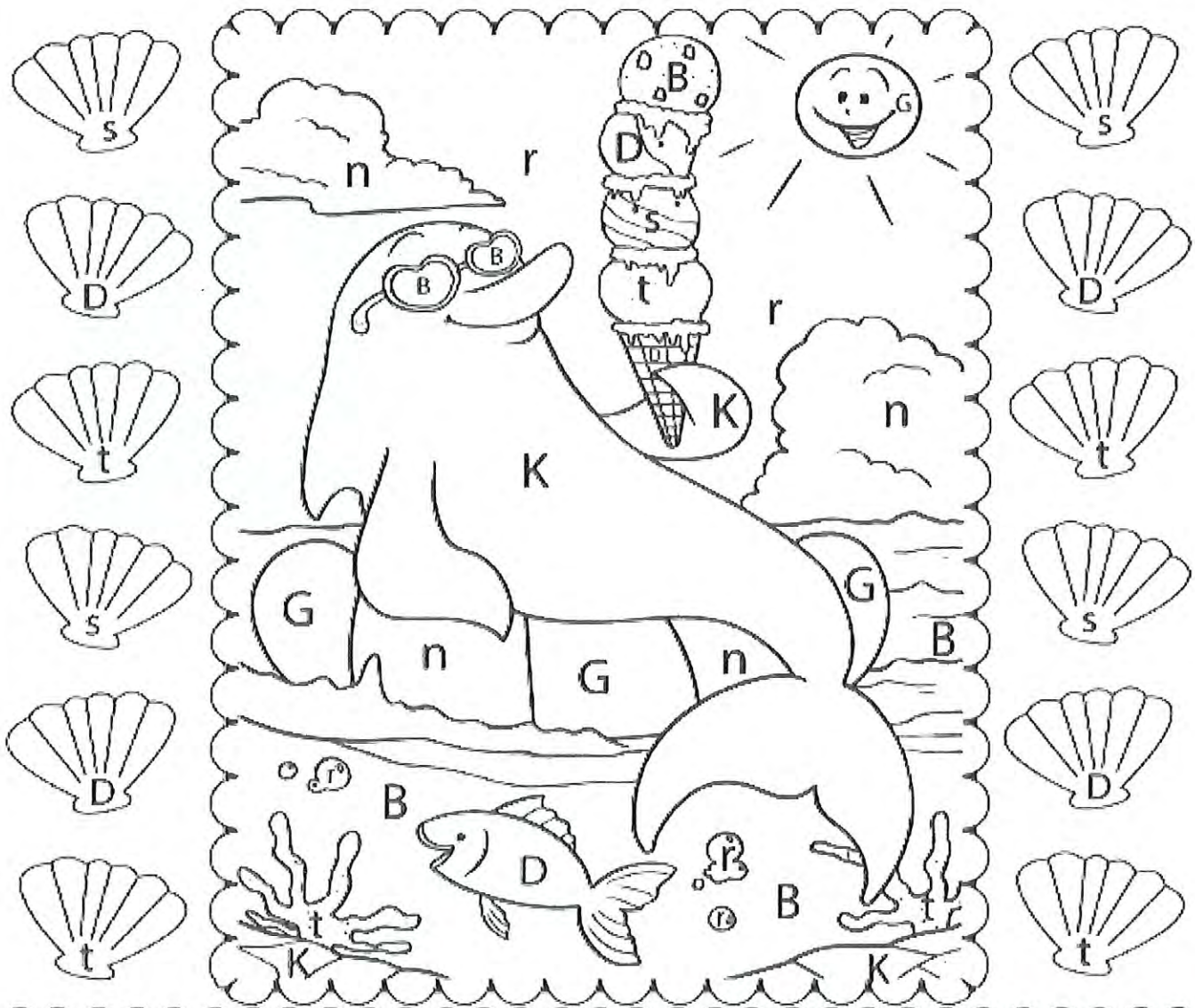
Gently turn to combine.

Drizzle over combined 3 tbsp extra virgin olive oil and 2 tbsp wine vinegar and season well with salt and pepper.

Using a large metal spoon gently turn potatoes to combine.

Cover and cool until just warm.

## KIDS PAGE



## KIDS BIRTHDAYS

**Alice Graf**

**27 November**

**5**

**2019**

**5**

**Neah Stacey**

**5 December**

**8**

**2016**

**8**

# Communi-TEA

## CHANGE OF DATE FOR DECEMBER!

Due to the Seniors' Christmas Lunch on December 6th, our last Communi-TEA for 2024 will instead be held on the second Friday of December...the 13th...at the CRC. Please bring a small plate to share!

Mark your calendar with Communi-TEA dates for 2025:



|               |               |
|---------------|---------------|
| February 7th  | July 4th      |
| March 7th     | August 1st    |
| April 4th     | September 5th |
| May 2nd       | October 3rd   |
| June 6th      | November 7th  |
| December 12th |               |



Call the CRC on 9888 1500 for more information!

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Your local connection



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Community Services Group  
*Building resilience in communities*

### ASSISTANCE MAY CONSIST OF:

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- Food hampers
- Assistance towards prescription glasses
- Gas Bottles for families with small children or clients with disabilities and/or aged.
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- Donated linen or household items (not furniture)

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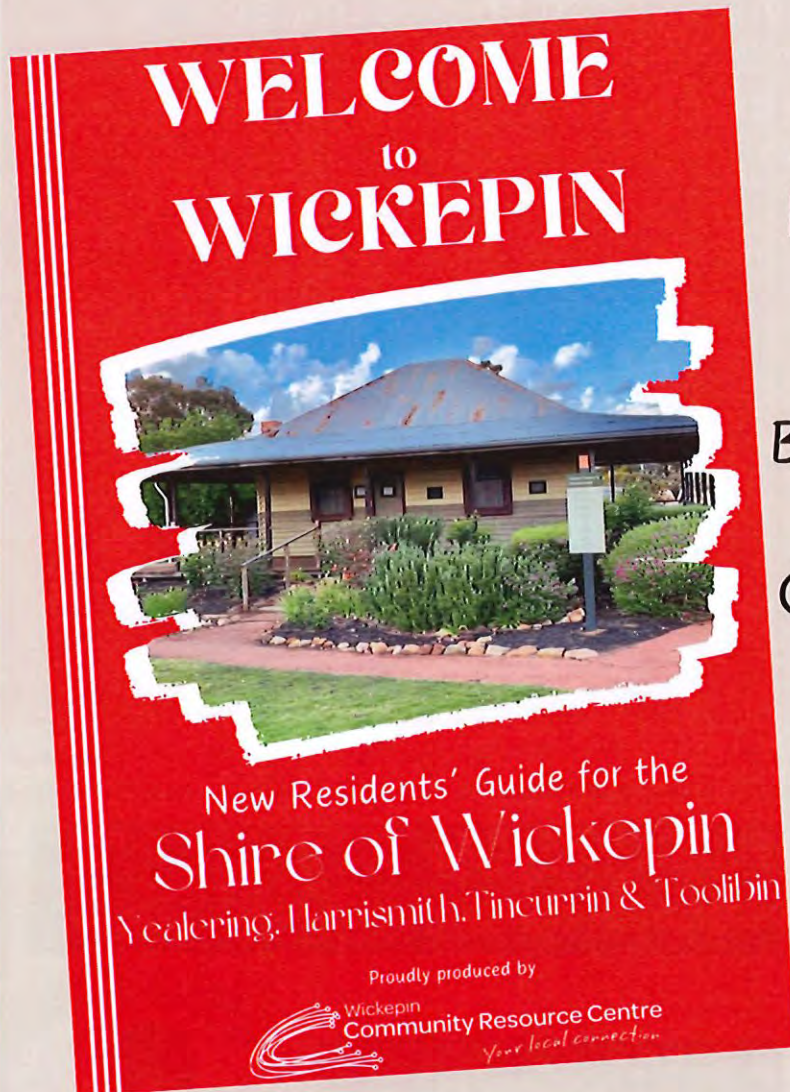


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# Introducing our New Residents' Guide



Are you new to town or have recently settled in?  
Pick up your free  
Welcome to Wickepin  
Booklet from the Wickepin  
Community Resource  
Centre! It's full of handy  
info on local services,  
events, and how to get  
involved in our  
community.

If you've been around for a while, why not test our  
local knowledge? Grab one and see if there's  
anything we missed!

Wickepin Community Resource Centre  
24 Wogolin Road, Wickepin | Phone (08) 9888 1500 | Email: [admin@wickepincrc.com.au](mailto:admin@wickepincrc.com.au)

## **Albert Facey Homestead Centenary Celebration**

Turning 100 is a big deal and when you are an Australian icon such as the Albert Facey Homestead, it's an even bigger deal when you were built in 1924 and still bring visitors from far and wide just to see you.

Members of the Facey family and Read family joined with locals and ex locals who travelled back to be part of the celebrations on Saturday. These including Len Calneggia who was CEO of the Shire of Wickpin at the time the Homestead made its journey into town on the back of a truck. About 75 people attended the celebrations including Steven Martin MLC, Deputy Leader of the WA Liberal Party who was the official guest along with the Freeman of the Shire Murray Lang. They were on hand to unveil the plaque to commemorate the 100 year milestone.

Linley Rose, Chair of the Albert Facey Homestead Reference Group spoke about the history of the Homestead and the importance of it to Wickpin. A special birthday cake was cut by a representative of both the Facey and Read families who had both lived in the Homestead at different times.

Dave Astbury was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation for his 25 years plus of service to the Homestead Group as an invaluable volunteer in so many areas of the Homestead's development and maintenance. This was particularly poignant as he was presented his award by his nephew Steven.

A delicious sit down lunch was served on the verandah of the Homestead for everyone, no small feat with no kitchen or facilities to speak of.

The afternoon was a relaxed affair with the History Group opening the Toolseum, Railway Station and Town Hall displays for all to enjoy and with the weather being made to order some opted to just sit and enjoy the stunning surrounds complete with 2 carts brought over from the Toolseum.

These events do not just happen. Thanks must go to the 20 plus volunteers who made this day possible. The many tasks included, catering, planning, co-ordinating, setting up on the day and a week prior, washing up, packing up, and so much more. We could not have done this without you, thank you. Thanks also to the Shire of Wickpin for their support and assistance.

***The Albert Facey Homestead Reference Group.***





# The Wicky Weekly

Volume XC Number

25 November 2024

## Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Week Eight Term Four. As we enter the business end of the year, students are busy preparing for the end of year presentation night and teachers finalising reports. We do have several events taking place, in addition to our end of year celebration, as follows.

### Skate Park Open Day, Friday 29 November

The Wickein Skatepark will be officially opening on Friday 29 November. We will be undertaking an excursion to the skatepark, from 1:30-2:45pm on the day. This will give students a chance to check out the facility and witness a skating demonstration. Festivities will continue at the park, from 3-5pm. Parents in attendance at this event will be able to sign their child/ren out, should they wish at 2:45pm. Children with parents not in attendance will be taken back to school in order to meet buses and ensure appropriate protocols are followed. Parents are invited to bring scooters/ skateboards for their children's use **after 3pm**, if they wish.

### Presentation & Graduation Night, Wed 4 December

Presentation & Graduation night will be held on Wednesday 4 December, from 5:30-7pm (approx.) in the quadrangle at school. We look forward to welcoming you to celebrate the year that was and farewell Year Six students heading to high school. Attendees are invited to bring camp chairs and picnic rugs to ensure their comfort. A reminder that this is an alcohol, vape and smoke free event.

### Narrogin SHS Yr. 7-12 Transition Day, Friday 6 December

Current Year Six students attending Narrogin Senior High School next year have a transition day coming up. This day will involve attending classes, ordering lunch (if desired), tours, meeting key staff, fun ice-breaker activities, and connecting with other incoming students. Parents and caregivers should arrange transport to and from NSHS. Please contact NSHS, if you wish to use their bus contractor for the transition day. Students should wear their primary school uniform and bring supplies for a regular school day. For more information, please contact Narrogin Senior High School.

## COVID-19—Back in our Community

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

## Early Arrivals

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

## 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 [wickein.ps@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:wickein.ps@education.wa.edu.au). This email address captures the Principal and Admin team. You can also send us a text on 0438 957 163. If you have not informed the school of your child's absence, then a text message will be sent to you at 10.00am. Please remember to let us know the reason for absences, i.e., unwell, appointment, etc.

Kind regards,  
Benjamin Parkin

## Dates to Remember

### November

- 26 Wicky Wrigglers, 9-10am
- 27 Science Circus, 11am-1pm (incursion—no cost)
- 29 Skate Park Opening, 1:30-2:45pm (excursion)

### December

- 2 Wicky Wrigglers, 8:40-10:30am
- 4 Presentation & Graduation Evening, 5:30-7pm
- 6 Seniors Community Lunch/ Performance: Yrs 3-6
- 11 Year 6 'Fun Day'
- 12 Students last day of Term 4



# WICKEPIN PLAYGROUP Christmas Tree!

**22**

**DECEMBER,  
2024**



**WICKEPIN  
COMMUNITY  
CENTRE**

**4:30pm**

Santa Arriving at 4:45pm

**BYO Drinks & Nibbles**  
**Sausage Sizzle available for purchase**

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

**Gift - less than \$20 wrapped and labelled with name and age to  
be left at the Wickepin CRC by Thursday 19th Dec.**

**CONTACT - Maree Dougall  
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# Counsellor

## Permanent Part-Time Position Available

Central Agcare is a Not for Profit, community based organisation based in Corrigin, Western Australia.

Central Agcare Inc. has a Permanent Part-time position for 32 hours per week for a Mobile Family Counsellor to service the Central South Region of the Wheatbelt of Western Australia.

**Qualifications:** A Registered Psychologist or possess a Degree or Diploma in Counselling.

**Salary Package:** According to qualifications and experience, under the SACS award. A vehicle is supplied for official duties. Salary Sacrifice is available and subsidised rental accommodation if required.

**Duties:** The appointee will be involved in face to face and phone counselling sessions involving families and individuals in regard to their personal, family and relationship needs and the stress associated with rural situations. Servicing the areas of Corrigin, Bruce Rock, Naremben, Kondinin, Kulin, Pingelly, Hyden, Brookton, Quairading & Wickepin.

For further details, please contact Chairperson, Janeane Mason, on 0417 095 804.

Applications in writing with personal details, resume and names of 2 x professional referees by Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> December 2024 to **Janeane Mason, Chairperson, Central Agcare Inc, PO Box 6, CORRIGIN WA 6375** or email [ceagcare@bigpond.com](mailto:ceagcare@bigpond.com)



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# **YEALERING COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE**



**Sunday 22nd of December**

**Santa will arrive at the Lake foreshore at 5:30,  
Followed by sausage sizzle at the Bowling Club.**

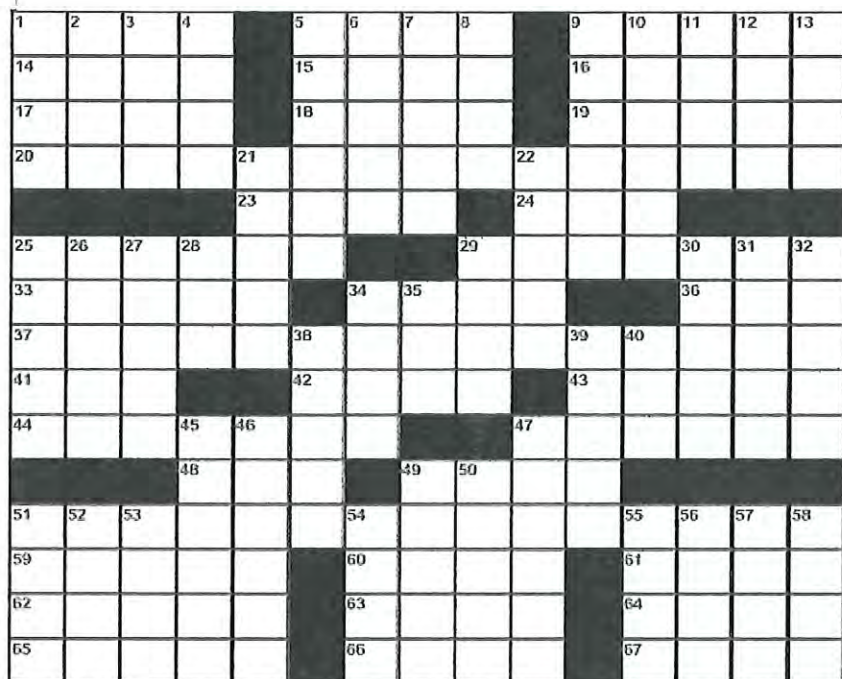
The bar will be open at the bowls club and all welcome. Please add children's names and present (approx. \$20 value) at the Yealering Post Office by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> of December.

## ACROSS

- 1) Brewery equipment
- 5) Current craze
- 9) Home run in Idaho?
- 14) Genesis twin
- 15) Oath of old
- 16) Peaceful branch?
- 17) Little brook
- 18) Scrabble piece
- 19) Festive celebrations
- 20) Three different seats
- 23) Fixes, as a carnival game
- 24) Butterfly snare
- 25) "Friends" female
- 29) Alone (with "by")
- 33) Bushed
- 34) Czech-German river
- 36) Nero's zero
- 37) Three different seats
- 41) "Caught in the act!"
- 42) Be upwardly mobile?
- 43) Cold-water shorebirds
- 44) Scammed
- 47) Toastmaster's preparation
- 48) Fond du \_\_\_\_, Wisc.
- 49) Hope-Crosby's "Road to \_\_\_\_"
- 51) Three different seats
- 59) Spinachlike plant
- 60) Claim to be true
- 61) Doing nothing
- 62) "Slowly" in music
- 63) Snub-nosed dog, briefly
- 64) Coke, for one
- 65) Fertile loam
- 66) Winter vehicle
- 67) Venetian-blind component

## DOWN

- 1) Word of action
- 2) Large section of an atlas
- 3) Nursery powder
- 4) Stew in one's own juices
- 5) Kind of outlet
- 6) Curing, in a way
- 7) Fancy parties
- 8) Where Adam lived
- 9) Molasses candy
- 10) Advisories
- 11) A Jackson 5 member
- 12) Entering overtime
- 13) Conclude one's case
- 21) Sportscastr Musburger
- 22) Architect's afterthought
- 25) Capital near Casablanca
- 26) Hawaiian greeting
- 27) Dagger companion
- 28) "To each \_\_\_\_ own"
- 29) Pastoral woodwind
- 30) Follow
- 31) Lavender flower
- 32) Bones' partner
- 34) "\_\_\_\_ Brockovich"
- 35) Abbreviated wts.
- 38) "Fanny" novelist Jong
- 39) Jelly used in molds
- 40) '50s campaign button name
- 45) Chooses by voting
- 46) Salsa go-with
- 47) Turned on a pivot
- 49) Feature of a miter joint
- 50) "Is this some kind of \_\_\_\_?"
- 51) Laze around
- 52) Lunchbox treat
- 53) Barn-topping device
- 54) Knocks firmly
- 55) Random muscle movements
- 56) An object of worship
- 57) Paella pot
- 58) Nicely arranged



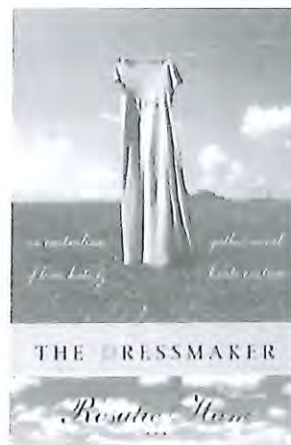
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### The Dressmaker

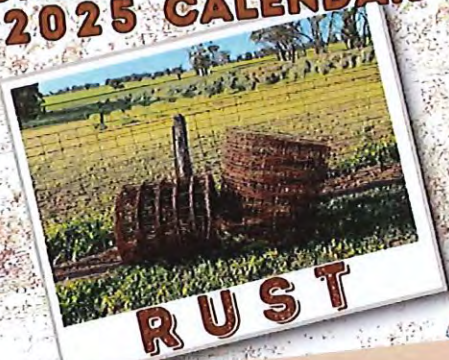
Rosalie Ham

A darkly satirical novel of love, revenge, and 1950s haute couture—now a major motion picture starring Kate Winslet, Judy Davis, Liam Hemsworth, and Hugo Weaving

After twenty years spent mastering the art of dressmaking at couture houses in Paris, Tilly Dunnage returns to the small Australian town she was banished from as a child. She plans only to check on her ailing mother and leave. But Tilly decides to stay, and though she is still an outcast, her lush, exquisite dresses prove irresistible to the prim women of Dungatar. Through her fashion business, her friendship with Sergeant Farrat—the town's only policeman, who harbors an unusual passion for fabrics—and a budding romance with Teddy, the local football star whose family is almost as reviled as hers, she finds a measure of grudging acceptance. But as her dresses begin to arouse competition and envy in town, causing old resentments to surface, it becomes clear that Tilly's mind is set on a darker design: exacting revenge on those who wronged her, in the most spectacular fashion.



## WICKEPIN & SURROUNDS 2025 CALENDAR



*A delightful collection of photographs, captured and chosen by the community, showcasing our rustic local scenery. Additionally, the calendar features important dates for local events.*



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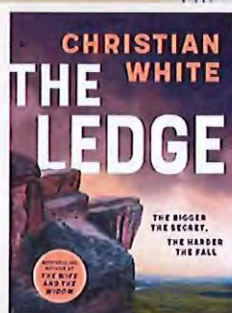
**We Solve  
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## MYSTERY THRILLER: We Solve Murders – Richard Osman

Steve Wheeler is enjoying retired life. He does the odd bit of investigation work, but he prefers his familiar habits and routines: the pub quiz, his favourite bench, his cat waiting for him when he comes home. His days of adventure are over: adrenaline is daughter-in-law Amy's business now.

Amy Wheeler thinks adrenaline is good for the soul. As a private security officer, she doesn't stay still long enough for habits or routines. She's currently on a remote island keeping world-famous author Rosie D'Antonio alive. Which was meant to be an easy job . . .

Then a dead body, a bag of money and a killer with their sights on Amy have her sending an SOS to the only person she trusts. A breakneck race around the world begins, but can Amy and Steve

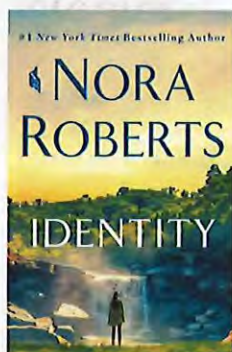


## AUSTRALIAN CRIME: The Ledge – Christian White

When human remains are discovered in the forests of regional Victoria, the police are baffled, the locals are shocked, and one group of old friends starts to panic. Their long-held secret is about to be uncovered.

It all began in 1999 when sixteen-year-old Aaron ran away from home, dragging his friends into an unforeseeable chain of events that no one escaped from unscathed ...

In The Ledge, past and present run breathlessly, tensely parallel, leading to a cliff-hanger nobody will see coming. This is a mind-bending new novel from the master of the unexpected.

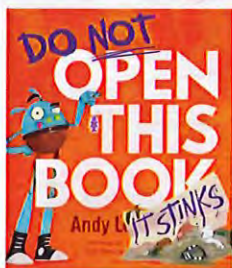


## ROMANTIC SUSPENSE LARGE PRINT: Identity – Nora Roberts

Former Army brat Morgan Albright has finally planted roots in a friendly neighborhood near Baltimore. Her friend and roommate Nina helps her make the mortgage payments, as does her job as a bartender. But after she and Nina host their first dinner party - attended by Luke, the guy who'd been chatting her up at the bar - Morgan's world is shattered. The back door glass is broken, cash and jewelry are missing, her car is gone, and Nina lies dead on the floor.

Soon, a horrific truth emerges: "Luke" is actually a con artist named Gavin Rozwell who targets a particular type of woman, steals her assets and identity, and then commits murder.

The FBI tells Morgan that Nina wasn't his type. Morgan is. Nina was simply in the wrong place at the wrong time. And Morgan's nightmare is just beginning. Soon she has no choice but to flee to her mother's home in Vermont. While she struggles to build something new, she meets another man. He isn't flashy or flirtatious, and his family business has deep roots in town. But Gavin is still out there hunting new victims, and he hasn't forgotten the one who got away.



## CHILDRENS FICTION : Do Not Open This Book It Stinks– Andy Lee

In their milestone tenth book in the series, Andy Lee and Heath McKenzie's latest work really STINKS!

Poor Wizz finds himself in some extremely smelly situations, which worsen at every turn of the page. Prepare for laugh out loud and relatable moments as Wizz attempts to cope with some of the worst smells you can experience.

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**Wednesday,  
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5:00pm - 6:30pm**

*Workshop will be held  
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# Wander the Wheatbelt

## A Member Exclusive Women's Overnight Bus Trip



Facey Group invite our lady members to 'Wander the Wheatbelt' – an overnight tour across the wheatbelt to the city and back.

This is an exciting opportunity to network with fellow women in agriculture while visiting pivotal processing facilities in Perth and enjoying 'paddock-to-plate' experiences to see first hand where our produce ends up.

Places are limited so **SAVE THE DATE** and scan the QR code to register ASAP. Full details released closer to the event.

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**Cost:** Free, incl. morning tea & a light lunch

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## What is Mental Health First Aid?

Mental Health First Aid is the help provided to a person who is developing a mental health problem, experiencing a worsening of a mental health problem, or a mental health crisis.

## What you'll learn

Topics will cover a range of common challenges and situations, including:

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- substance use
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# Wickepin Art & Craft

Joyner Street, Wickepin, WA, 6370

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

The Wickepin Art & Craft group is proud to be donors to the shoe boxes and other charities. Last week we delivered several blankets and toys to the Wheelchairs for Kids organisation. A tour of the warehouse was granted and it was a real eye opener. Special thanks to Doreen and Cherry for most of the items made by them.

*"Wheelchairs for Kids is led by a passionate, hardworking team of volunteers, the majority of whom are senior citizens. Up to 800 people currently volunteer at Wheelchairs for Kids (250 in the workshop and 550 at home).*

*Spanning the ages 55 to over 90, they donate their time and expertise to manufacture rough terrain wheelchairs for disadvantaged children living with a disability – allowing us to minimise manufacturing and administrative costs and channel 100% of our funding towards making wheelchairs.*

*From organising fundraising drives to checking and assembling the wheelchairs or knitting rugs and toys for our recipient children, our volunteers perform varied roles across our organisation, fostering a sense of purpose, comradeship and belonging for our senior volunteers, many of whom report it as a "life changing" experience.*

*Our volunteers work across three groups: Manufacturing group. Approximately 250 volunteers in shifts of 50 per day attend the workshop, together manufacturing a total of 300 wheelchairs per month.*

*Work from home group: A working group of up to 550 volunteers work from their own place of residence to cut and sew covers for the wheelchair seat back and restraint cushions, crocheting, knitting and sewing individual knee rugs and the knitting and sewing of soft toys."*

When donations for the shoe boxes are too large for this task, then the items are put aside for other charities, this time for Wheelchairs for kids.

So anyone out there who is at a loose end and would like to get knitting or sewing small or larger toys or items for our charities, please feel free to donate or come along and join our happy group of crafters.



# Business, Trade & Service Directory



## 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

Email: [ceagcare@bigpond.com](mailto:ceagcare@bigpond.com)



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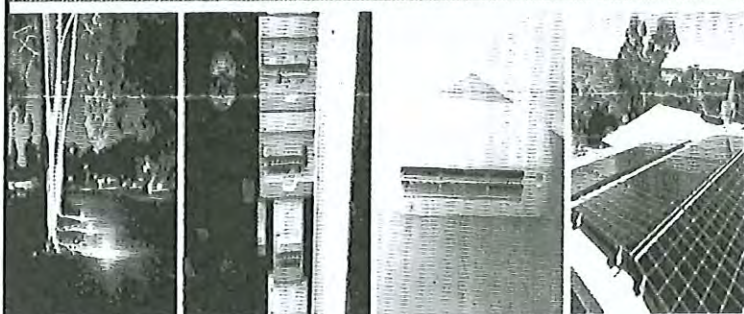
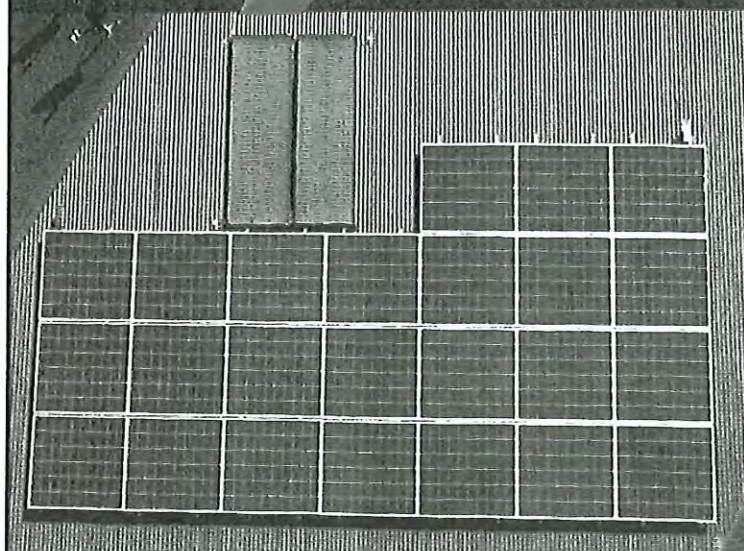
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# SPORTS NEWS

## LAKE YEALERING BOWLING CLUB

**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

Pennant Teams

|        |                  |             |             |
|--------|------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Skip   | D. Sims          | T. Hill     | L. Shipley  |
| Third  | S. Kahl/Richards | G. Poultney | B. Shipley  |
| Second |                  |             | C. Davidson |
| Lead   | J. Williams      | J. Sutton   | K. Coxon    |

Scores: Yealering lost to Pingelly

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2024**

A team of four ladies, Lois Shipley, Sue Kahl/Richards, Carol Davidson and Stacey Richards travelled to Pingelly to play in their Open Ladies Day. No wins for Yealering except Stacey won the money prize. A good day was had by all.

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2024**

Pennant Teams

|        |                  |             |             |
|--------|------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Skip   | D. Sims          | T. Hill     | L. Shipley  |
| Third  | S. Kahl/Richards | B. Shipley  | G. Poultney |
| Second | J. Williams      | J. McKenzie | J. Sutton   |
| Lead   | S. Davidson      | S. Richards | C. Davidson |

Scores: Yealering home game v Narrogin Scores Narrogin 5 Yealering 1 (67/62)

The saying goes it is better to have participated, have fun, than not to have participated at all. The atmosphere was great at the Club rooms after the game. During the afternoon some teams were up then went down and some were down and then went up. Narrogin won the day, commenting how good it was to play without the wind coming off the lake.

Next Pennant game is **Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> December 2024** at Brookton. Hope harvest goes well.

**COME AND GIVE LAWN BOWLS A GO.**



## CRICKET FIXTURES

|          |   |            |            |            |           |
|----------|---|------------|------------|------------|-----------|
| 30th Nov | 5 | Wickepin - |            |            |           |
|          |   | Harrismith | Wandering  |            | Wagin     |
|          |   | Towns      | Williams   | Cuballing  | Pingelly  |
|          |   | Lake Grace | Cuballing  | Boddington | Towns     |
| 7th Dec  | 6 | Wandering  | Wickepin - | Pingelly   | Wagin     |
|          |   | Williams   | Harrismith | Towns      |           |
|          |   | Cuballing  | Towns      | Boddington | Cuballing |
|          |   |            | Lake Grace |            |           |
| 14th Dec | 7 | Lake Grace | Wickepin - | Boddington | Wagin     |
|          |   | Towns      | Harrismith | Cuballing  | Towns     |
|          |   | Wandering  | Cuballing  | Pingelly   |           |
|          |   |            | Williams   |            |           |

**Cricket Blast**  
**At Wickepin Oval**  
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**30th Nov, 1st Feb, 8th Feb, 1st March**



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**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> - 50 UP SINGLES**

"ROBYN'S-ON-A-ROLL" WINNING ON 64

BEV DAVIDSON & DAVE TRIFFITT NOT FAR BEHIND WITH 61  
 SHOTS EACH - a RUNNERS-UP DRAW

**TUESDAY 19<sup>th</sup> - LADIES**  
**LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP TRIPLES**

RAIN STOPPED PLAY! TO BE CONTINUED ON 14.01.24

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> - ROTATING TRIPLES**

In hot conditions the tenacious trio of Greg White, Beryl Elphick and Aaron Bransby finished on a roll with 6 points but hats off also to the dynamic duo in Robyn Mullan and Dave Triffitt who doubled the action finishing on 6 points also, after teammate Gary Thompson felt the heat and left the game - well played everyone and fabulous to see you all out there enjoying our Sunday Social

**save the date - Monday 09.12.24 - 9am**

MERINO FOURS - BUSY BEE - AT THE CLUB

**BOWLERS - YOUR HELP IS NEEDED PLEASE BE THERE !!**

**WICKEPIN BOWLING CLUB**

**Pennant RESULTS**

| TUESDAY  |                                       | SATURDAY |                                     |
|----------|---------------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------|
| 12.11.24 | Wickepin (2) V Brookton (2) - FORFEIT | 16.11.24 | Wickepin - (1) 51 Narrogin - (5) 70 |
| 19.11.24 | League Champ Triples - POSTPONED      | 23.11.24 | Wickepin - (5) 5 Brookton - (1) 52  |

**Pennant Fixtures / League Events**

| TUESDAY  |                                        | SATURDAY            |                        |
|----------|----------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| 26.11.24 | Wickepin V Pingelly @ Wickepin         | 30.11.24            | Williams- B V Wickepin |
| 03.12.24 | Williams V Wickepin @ Brookton         | 07.12.24            | Pingelly V Wickepin    |
| 14.01.25 | League Championship Triples @ Williams | 14.12.24            | Wickepin V Williams- W |
| 21.01.25 | Wickepin V Brookton @ Williams         | 11.01.25 / 12.01.25 | ILRR Fours Esperance   |

**UPCOMING events**

|                             |                                     |               |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Sunday 01.12.24             | MENS CHAMPIONSHIP PAIRS             | 9.30 AM START |
| Sunday 08.12.24             | SOCIAL                              | 1 PM START    |
| Tuesday 10.12.24 / 11.12.24 | MERINO FOURS                        |               |
| Sunday 15.12.24             | League MENS CHAMP PAIRS & TRIPLES   | 1PM START     |
| Sunday 22.12.24             | CHRISTMAS BRING A FRIEND - OPEN DAY | 1PM START     |
| Sunday 05.01.25             | NORM WHITE TRIPLES                  | 1PM START     |

**GALA DAYS - GOOD BOWLING, GOOD FUN & GOOD LUCK TO OUR PARTICIPATING LADIES**

|                     |                       |                         |
|---------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 06.12.24 - CORRIGIN | 13.12.24 - BROOKTON   | 23 / 24.01.25 - KOJONUP |
| 21.02.25 - WICKEPIN | 28.02.25 - YEALERTING | 21.03.25 - WILLIAMS     |

**BIAS NOT BIASED**

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# WHATS ON WEEKLY IN THE WICKEPIN SHIRE

## Mondays

Watershed News every second Monday @ CRC.

Fit Pursuit 5.45-6.30am @ Wickepin Community Centre.



## Tuesdays

She Shed He Shed 9am-12pm @ Old Recycling Shed, Richter St.

Pathology Service-By Appointment Only @ Wickepin Health Centre, Ph 9888 2222

Yoga 6-7.30pm @ Harrismith Hall. All welcome. During school terms. Info. Ph. Tara: 0427 333 171

## Wednesdays

Social Arts & Crafts- 9.30am @ Joyner St.

Chair Aerobics 9-10am @ Wickepin Health Centre.

Indoor Bowls-1pm @ Wickepin Community Centre.

Wickepin Sports Club -open from 5pm for Happy hour 6-7pm.



## Thursdays

Fit Pursuit 5.45-6.30am @ Wickepin Community Centre.



## Fridays

Wickepin Playgroup 9-11am during school term. Ages 0-5 @ Playgroup Building in Campbell St.

Wickepin Sports Club -open from 5pm for Happy hour 6-7pm.

## Saturdays

Banksia Bowmen Archery – Summer Shoot Time 9am @Wickepin Community Centre.

Equipment available for come and try.

## Sundays

Anglican church -8am every 1<sup>st</sup>& 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday.



# COMMUNITY CALENDAR 2024/2025

## NOVEMBER

|     |                  |                                                                                 |
|-----|------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Thu | 28 <sup>th</sup> | Facey Group Online Webinar-End of Year Highlights: Drought Resilience in Action |
| Fri | 29 <sup>th</sup> | Wickepin skate park open day – 2pm – 5pm                                        |

## DECEMBER

|      |                  |                                                                                                          |
|------|------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mon  | 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | Facey Group – applications close Business Manager position                                               |
| Fri  | 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Wickepin Senior Citizens Christmas lunch – 11.30am                                                       |
| Mon  | 9 <sup>th</sup>  | <b>Watershed News Final issue for 2024</b>                                                               |
| Mon  | 9 <sup>TH</sup>  | Recycle and Bin Day                                                                                      |
| Thur | 12 <sup>th</sup> | Term 4 Ends                                                                                              |
| Fri  | 13 <sup>th</sup> | Communi-Tea                                                                                              |
| Mon  | 16-22            | Vac Swim classes                                                                                         |
| Wed  | 18 <sup>th</sup> | Facey Group AGM and 2024 Christmas Party @ Wickepin Community Centre @ 5pm including Kids Drone Workshop |
| Fri  | 20 <sup>th</sup> | Save the Date, Wickepin Hotel Community Group                                                            |
| Sun  | 22 <sup>nd</sup> | Wickepin Community Christmas Tree @ Wickepin Community Centre @ 4.30pm                                   |
| Sun  | 22 <sup>nd</sup> | Yealering Progress Association Christmas Tree at Yealering Bowling Club @ 5pm                            |
| Mon  | 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Recycle and Bin Day                                                                                      |
| Mon  | 24 <sup>th</sup> | Wickepin Shire Office Closed until 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2025                                          |
| Wed  | 25 <sup>th</sup> | Christmas Day                                                                                            |
| Thur | 26 <sup>th</sup> | Boxing Day                                                                                               |

JANUARY

|     |                                  |                                                                     |
|-----|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Wed | 1 <sup>st</sup>                  | New Years Day                                                       |
| Thu | 2 <sup>nd</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> | Wickepin Shire Office Closed                                        |
| Fri | 7 <sup>th</sup>                  | Communi-Tea                                                         |
| Sat | 8 <sup>th</sup>                  | Wickepin CRC Thank a Volunteer Live Music 5pm, Campbell Street Oval |
| Sun | 26 <sup>th</sup>                 | Australia Day, Breakfast @ Yealering                                |
| Sun | 26 <sup>th</sup>                 | Afternoon at Wickepin swimming pool, opens 1pm                      |

## FEBRUARY

|        |                     |                                                             |
|--------|---------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Mon    | 3 <sup>rd</sup>     | <b>Watershed News First issue for 2025</b>                  |
| Mon    | 3 <sup>rd</sup>     | Recycle and Bin Day                                         |
| Fri    | 7 <sup>th</sup>     | Prohibited Burning Season Ceases                            |
| Th-Fri | 13-14 <sup>th</sup> | Standard Mental Health First Aid, Wickepin CRC @ 9am-4.30pm |
| Mon    | 17 <sup>th</sup>    | <b>Watershed News</b>                                       |
| Mon    | 17 <sup>TH</sup>    | Recycle and Bin Day                                         |
| Th-Fri | 20-21 <sup>st</sup> | Facey Group- Wander the Wheatbelt                           |

## MARCH

|     |                  |                           |
|-----|------------------|---------------------------|
| Mon | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Labour Day Public Holiday |
| Mon | 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Recycle and Bin Day       |
| Tue | 4 <sup>th</sup>  | <b>Watershed News</b>     |
| Mon | 17 <sup>th</sup> | <b>Watershed News</b>     |
| Mon | 17 <sup>th</sup> | Recycle and Bin Day       |
| Mon | 17 <sup>th</sup> | St Patrick Day            |

