# WATERSHED NEWS

A free fortnightly paper for the areas of

Harrismith, Tincurrin, Toolibin, Wickepin and Yealering

31st March 2025



The Banksia Bowmen Archery Club is an Indoor Archery Club.

The club is a family-friendly, progressive, and supportive Archery club open to all genders and all ages. Based in Wickepin. New members are welcome.

Feature article and contact details in the sports section.

# WATERSHED NEWS INC- COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER

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### **Contact Information**

The Watershed News is produced at the Wickepin Community Resource Centre on dates shown below.

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- All submissions would be preferred in Word.
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# WATERSHED NEWS 2025 PUBLICATION DATES

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Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> August	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	

# 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 to not print articles that are inappropriate.

# We want your Classified Advertisements

Advertising in the Watershed Classified section is free for two weeks, so send in your ads. Email to <u>wickepinwatershed@gmail.com</u>, or drop them into the Community Resource Centre.

# 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





## **PUBLIC NOTICE** SHIRE OF WICKEPIN ADOPTION OF PARKING AND PARKING FACILITIES LOCAL LAW 2024

In accordance with section 3.12(6) of the Local Government Act 1995, public notice is hereby given that the Shire of Wickepin has resolved to adopt the Shire of Wickepin Parking and Parking Facilities Local Law 2024.

The purpose of this local law is to regulate the parking or standing of vehicles in all or specified thoroughfares and reserves under the care, control and management of the local government and to provide for the management and operation of parking facilities.

The effect of this local law is to control parking throughout the district to ensure the safe, fair and equitable use of parking facilities under the care and control of the local government.

This local law was published in the Government Gazette on 1 April 2025 and will come into operation on 15 April 2025.

A copy of the local law is available at www.wickepin.wa.gov.au. Alternatively, a printed copy can be obtained from the Shire of Wickepin Administration Office, 77 Wogolin Rd, Wickepin during opening hours.

Peter Clarke

**Acting Chief Executive Officer** 

Have you paid the Shire of Wickepin via direct deposit on the 24th March 2025? If yes, please contact us and let us know on 9888 1005.

### **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR JOHNSTON STREET UNITS**

Applications are now open for a unit at Woodland Court. If you are aged 65 or older, or 55 or older for Indigenous individuals, and are interested in housing within the Shire of Wickepin, we invite you to contact us at 9888 1005 to receive an application package. We look forward to hearing from you!

### **GRADERS & PLANT OPERATING IN WICKEPIN**

When approaching graders and plant on the road, please reduce your speed to ensure safety. Tune your radio to channel 40 to stay in communication with our drivers if needed.





# **COUNCIL NOTES**



# 31 March 2025



SHIRE OF **WICKEPIN** 

COMMUNITY **GRANTS** 2025/2026

Application package is available via www.wickepin.wa.gov.au

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

To be eligible for funding, projects must be undertaken between 1 July 2025 and 30 June 2026.

NOW **OPEN** 

Contact Us

9888 1005



admin@wickepin.wa.gov.au

APPLICATIONS CLOSE FRIDAY 23 MAY, 2025

# ANZAC DAY

# **Lest we forget**

Wickepin War Memorial Campbell St, Wickepin Commencing at 9.30am

Please bring a plate to share for morning tea - to be held in the Wickepin Town Hall following the service.



Friday 25 April 2025



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www.wickepin.wa.gov.au

# **COMMUNITY NOTES**

### April Birthday Wishes to:

1st Derek Taylor

2<sup>nd</sup> Katherine Thompson

3<sup>rd</sup> Daphne Tetlow

4<sup>th</sup> Kate Bennier

6th Isabel Avery

7<sup>th</sup> Cooper Bennier, Stacey Buttigieg, Scott Bayley

9<sup>th</sup> Baxter Cowcher

10<sup>th</sup> Zachery Rance

11<sup>th</sup> Darcy Martin

12th Zen Turner, Robert Bennier





Congratulations to Rob and Lee-Ann Mullan. Rob was honoured with a Life Membership and Lee-Ann was awarded an appreciation award by the Stub Merino Breeders Association of WA.

Condolences to the family of Michael Davey who passed away last week. The eldest son of Jessie Davey, brother to Kevin (dec), Heather & Janet. Michael grew up in Wickepin and went to the Wickepin Primary School and worked in the farming industry before leaving to reside in Mandurah.

Elaine & Keith Bushby, Ruth Bailey and Joan Wyllie attended the Dami Im concert in Narrogin last Wednesday evening, enjoying it immensely. Many varieties of genre, music and beat.

# **Community Groups**

The Watershed News team would like assistance to feature different groups/clubs on the front cover plus an article in the edition. This edition the featured club is Banksia Bowman Archery. Please email a picture or logo and an article if you want your community group/club featured. Also, please send information to add to the What's on in Wickepin Weekly Page and Community Calendar. wickepinwatershed@gmail.com

### RAINFALL

2024	mm	Days	Total	2025	mm	Days	Total
January	13.2	3	13.2	January	7	2	7
February	3.4	3	16.6	February	5.2	1	12.2
March	32	7	48.6	March	41.4	33	53.6
April	0	0	48.6	April			
May	40.8	7	86.6	May			
June	34.4	13	121	June			
July	72	21	193	July			
August	84	15	280.2	August			
September	29	6	309.2	September			
October	14.8	4	324	October			
November	22	6	346	November			
December	0	0	346	December			

Registered at the Wickepin Post Office as of 31st March 2025



Hello All,

Just a brief note to firearms holders that may have received notices, or have queries regarding new legislation coming into effect.

Please call and check Wickepin Police are on duty before travelling to the station with firearms as we may not be on dayshift, or out tasking with other matters, and we don't want people travelling into town then having to worry about firearms in the vehicle.

It also helps if we know you are attending and can meet you there, or collect items if we are out on patrol, as some people have expressed concern at going to the front of Police station with firearms and causing undue alarm to people who may not understand what they are attending for. Advance notice will help us all, and we can process matters in the most timely fashion, or if you are travelling to Narrogin, their front counter is always attended and they can assist 8-4 Monday – Friday.

It's been great to see compliance by most kids, with adults setting good examples for helmets and road safety – particularly where the playground access often involves crossing our busy roads – school holidays aren't far away and please bear in mind more children out and about on bikes and scooters... stay safe and enjoy 💮 😹 🚛 🎉 😭

# - Thanks Again, Phil MILNE and Andy SPENCER, YOUR WICKEPIN POLICE 🚗 🖺 🚍

As mentioned, the **station phone (98932800)** is diverted to Albany while we're not in the office, **leave a message and they will contact us** to return your call (or we may drop in if on patrol (a)) — but of course, **use 000 if it's a life-threatening emergency** for urgent attention, we will be recalled if not working if necessary, and Narrogin or others may assist us if required.

We are holding our first "Games and Afternoon Tea"
event for 2025 at the Yealering CWA on Friday the 4th April.
Come for a catch up, or a game of
Rummy O, Mahjong, Scrabble, Chess or cards
from 1pm or anytime for a cuppa!











Pam Carden and Bruce Dixon recently visited family in South Australia.

While there they visited the blown glass exhibition called *Chihuly in the Botanic Gardens* in the Adelaide Botanic Gardens











# Autumn Plants for Free....

Autumn is the season to start Planting. Gardeners love this time of year as it is all about Renewal and Regeneration.



With soil that is still warm, you will just need to water plants well, to get them off to a good start.

Also, with the passing of Summer, now is a great time to grow your own plants from cuttings. There is less risk of them drying out, but temperatures are still warm enough to encourage root formation and the establishment of new plants before Winter. Cuttings taken now generally use Semi-hardwood (or new season growth that has partially hardened) or Hardwood (older growth that has not fully hardened). Don't be too worried about getting it exactly right. Just look for material that seems to have "toughened up" a little, and isn't super-soft or bendy.

Step-by-Step Guide to Planting Cuttings

- 1. Water the mother plants thoroughly the day before to ensure cuttings will be fully turgid when taken.
- 2. Select strong stems that have no signs of pests or diseases. Cut 10-20cm long pieces, ensuring each piece has at lease one node under the ground, and one node above the ground. The top of the cutting should be trimmed to just above a node, and the base trimmed to just below the node (the node being the growing point from where the "roots and shoots" will develop).
- 3. Prepare the cutting by gently stripping off all leaves, except for a few at the top. If the remaining leaves are large, they can be cut in half to reduce moisture loss.
- 4. You can use honey or commercial hormone powder in which to dip the base end in to encourage faster root development.
- 5. Poke a hole into the potting mix with your finger, or a stick to avoid damage to the cutting stem, then insert the cutting into the hole (bottom, "dipped" end down.)
- 6. Water well, cover with a plastic bag and keep "just moist" until roots develop commonly 4 to 8 weeks, but some plants take much longer, so be patient, and resist the urge to pull at the cutting to "check" if the roots are forming Also, due to their nature-deciduous plants won't show any "growth" until Spring.
- 7. Open the bag to reduce humidity and "harden off" the cuttings. Water and fertilise as required, and when the cutting is big enough in spring, you will be able to plant it out in the greater garden.

Easy plants to try: Abelia; Azalea, Geranium, Hydrangea, Hebe, Indian Hawthorn, Rhododendron; Cordyline, Correa, Eriostemon; LillyPilly; TeaTree; Westringia; Lavendar, Rosemary, Citrus, Passionfruit.



# SCAM AWARENESS WORKSHOP



Join us for this CommBank information session to learn some of the ways you can protect yourself online. Rhonda will discuss the key things to know about online security and provide practical tips to help protect yourself.

When: Tuesday 29th April

**Where: Wickepin CRC** 

**Time: 1:30pm** 

**RSVP: Thursday 24th April** 



Afternoon tea provided.
Please RSVP on 9888 15800 or admin@wickepincrc.com.au for catering purposes





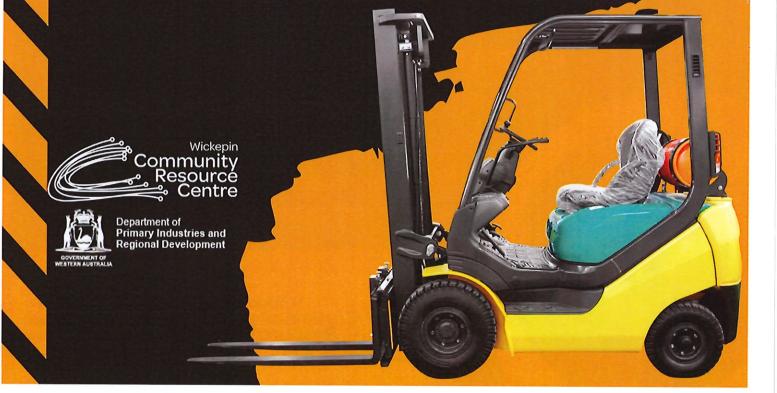
# FORKLIFT Licence Course

Wickepin CRC are aiming to run a 2-day forklift licence course in April, prior to seeding. If you or your employees need to obtain your licence, register your interest on 9888 1500 or admin@wickepincrc.com.au

Minimum numbers are required to proceed, so get in touch ASAP. Dates will be confirmed once numbers are met.

# Please note:

This is not a learn-to-drive course, but a get-your-licence course. Participants need to have previous forklift driving experience in order to attend.



# **KIDS PAGE**



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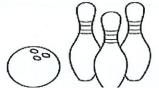
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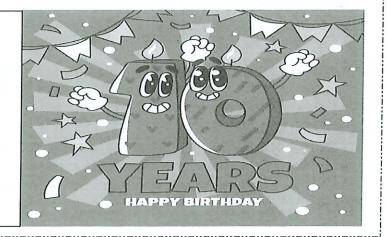


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# **KIDS BIRTHDAYS**

Charlie Marsh
7th April

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# Healthy Spanish Chicken and Beans Ingredients (12)

- 1 tsp smoked paprika
- · 1 tsp harissa paste
- 2 garlic cloves, thinly sliced
- 1 tbsp fresh lemon juice
- 4 (about 250g) chicken tenderloins
- 125g green beans, chopped
- 400g can no-added-salt cannellini beans, rinsed, drained
- 1 small zucchini, sliced
- 50g (1/4 cup) pitted Sicilian green olives, halved
- 400g can cherry tomatoes
- 1 tsp extra virgin olive oil
- Fresh parsley sprigs, to serve



## Method

Combine paprika, harissa, garlic and lemon juice in a large sealable glass or plastic container. Add chicken and turn to coat.

Place the green beans, cannellini beans, zucchini, olive and tomatoes in another large sealable glass or plastic container

Heat oil in a large frying pan. Add contents of chicken container. Cook for 2 minutes each side or until browned. Add contents of veg container. Simmer for 10 minutes or until veg is just tender. Divide chicken and veg mixture among serving plates. Top with parsley.

# **Beets in Orange Sauce**

8 whole fresh beets

1/4 cup sugar

2 teaspoons cornstarch

Dash pepper

1 cup orange juice

1 medium navel orange, halved and sliced, optional

1/2 teaspoon grated orange zest

Place beets in a large saucepan; cover with water. Bring to a boil.

Reduce heat; cover and cook for 25-30 minutes or until tender. Drain and cool slightly. Peel and slice; place in a serving bowl and keep warm.

In a small saucepan, combine the sugar, cornstarch and pepper; stir in orange juice until smooth. Bring to a boil; cook and stir for 2 minutes or until thickened. Remove from the heat; stir in orange slices if desired and zest. Pour over beets.



# HELP SHAPE THE FUTURE OF THE WICKEPIN CRC

The Wickepin Community Resource Centre is developing a strategic plan to ensure we continue to meet the needs of our community. We want your input! This short survey will take just a few minutes, and as a thank you for your time, you'll go into the draw to win a \$100 voucher!

# SCAN OR CODE TO PARTICIPATE









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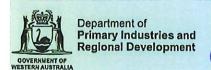
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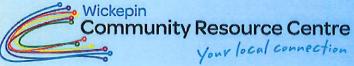
What is important to you when visiting the Wickepin CRC or participating in community events? (e.g. respect, inclusivity, friendliness, affordability)

What does the CRC do well that should be continued or expanded?

What ambitious projects could create the a positive impact in our community?

If you would like to enter the prize draw please provide your contact details:







### Crossword: March 31st

#### Across

- 1 60's hairdo
- 5 Ancient mariner
- 9 Ford flop
- 14 Hacienda hand, maybe
- 15 Fair-sized garden
- 16 Author \_\_\_ Ingalls Wilder
- 17 Halftime lead, e.g.
- 18 Exciting rodeo event
- 20 Good name for a lawyer?
- 21 Runs easily

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- 29 Cowgirls' rodeo event. -
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- 48 Rodeo contestants' special skill
- 51 Abominable Snowman

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- 66 From the top
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- 68 Very slim margin
- 69 Home of the brave
- 70 Artistic movement
- 71 Heavy reading

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- 2 Sick and tired
- 3 Moore of "The Saint"
- 4 Iron number
- 5 Capture
- 6 Visual
- 7 Folk singer Guthrie
- 8 Assist
- 9 Inventor Otis
- 10 Family member
- 11 \_\_\_ generis (unique)
- 12 Sea eagle
- 13 Time delay
- 19 Hardly modern
- 23 Japanese sash
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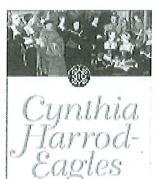
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- 30 Big Bertha's birthplace
- 31 Take a powder
- 32 Indian bread
- 33 Universal times (Abbr.)
- 34 Tarradiddle, in the UK
- 35 UN agency concerned with civil aviation
- 36 Get a wife
- 40 Muckraker Tarbell
- 43 British verb ending
- 44 Kind of acid
- 45 Chinese tea
- 46 Jar part
- 47 Expose, in verse
- 49 Forever, poetically
- 50 Picturesque
- 53 It's a no-no
- 54 Involuntary twitch
- 56 Footless animal
- 57 Mah-jongg piece
- 59 Sloth's home 60 Kind of burglar
- 61 Ripen
- 62 Napkin's place 63 "A pox on you!"
- 64 Moo \_\_\_ gai pan
- 65 Explosive initials

# RECOMMENDATIONS

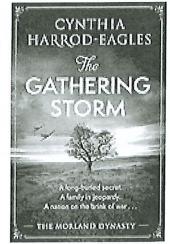
# The Morland Dynasty

The Morland Dynasty is a series of historical novels by Cynthia Harrod-Eagles, based around the Morland family of York, England and their national and international relatives and associates.



There are currently thirty-five books in the series. The first book begins in 1434 and features the Wars of the Roses; the most recent book begins in 1931 and deals with the early years of the Depression, the rise of Fascism in Europe, and culminates in the Abdication Crisis of 1936 in Britain.

> This recommendation was provided by Heather Tobin





24 March 2025

### Dear Parents and Caregivers,

#### Greetings!

What a productive and busy time here at Wickepin PS over the last couple of weeks. Our NAPLAN testing has been completed and all students in Years 3 and 5 were able to participate in a calm and supportive environment. A special thank you to Mrs Hull for all her support and work behind the scenes.

Congratulations continue for Mrs Hull and her exceptional students for an amazing assembly last week – I was able to view the video from Perth and was extremely impressed with the singing and dancing. Wonderful job Room 9!

Our assemblies have moved to afternoons after consultation with the P&C, School Council, and staff. I received thoughtful feedback indicating that moving the assembly to the afternoon would ensure a consistent morning routine for all students, protect the English blocks of teaching first thing in the morning until recess, and be beneficial for a larger number of families. I hope that with adequate notice, families will be able to make any necessary adjustments to their schedules for these few occasions. That said, the staff were able to let me know the times were not quite right on Wednesday and this caused some inconvenience for parents as the assembly finished at approximately 2.15pm. We have reflected on this and will move the assemblies to a start time of 1.45pm which will take us through nicely to the end of the day and families will be able to take their children home at 2.30pm as usual on a Wednesday.

Merit certificates will continue to be presented to children that the teaching staff (including Specialist teachers) feel should be recognised based on merit. Teachers can choose between 2-4 students at each assembly and these certificates could be awarded for demonstrating school values, attitude and behaviours, kindness, integrity, friendship, progress, or achievement.

Our students are also recognised at school in many other ways for example – positive feedback, stickers, individual classroom award systems, Wicky Way assemblies, Above and Beyond wall displays and Lunch with the Principal. I am pleased to announce that families will be invited to attend Wicky Way assemblies from Term 2 and we look forward to welcoming you to these events.

We celebrated Harmony Week across school last week and I hope you will enjoy the photographs in this newsletter and on our Facebook page. If you have not yet had the opportunity to follow us on Facebook, please consider this as we do post there frequently.

Have a wonderful week!



### **Early Arrivals**

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

#### COVID-19

Please test daily if your child/ren is COVID positive and keep them home for five days and until they are symptom free. Please keep your child/ren home if they are unwell, no matter the cause, to avoid the spreading of viruses and germs.

### Absentee Information

Please contact the school office on 9888 2300 to let us know of your child's absence. Emails regarding absences can be sent to <a href="mailto:wickepin.ps@education.wa.edu.au">wickepin.ps@education.wa.edu.au</a>. 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, Hazel Herd

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28 School Council Meeting

### April

- 2 Storytime 0-4 yrs
- 8 Leadership Conference, Year 6's in Williams
- 11 ANZAC Ceremony— 1:45pm

End of Term 1.

# SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



# EASTER BASKET GRAFT

Tuesday 15th April 10am-12pm At Wickepin Community Recource Centre

# ANZAG BISGUIT BAKE OFF

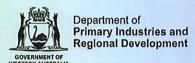
Tuesday 22nd April
10am-12pm
At Wickepin Community Centre Oval
Campbell street



Join us for plenty of laughs and bucket loads fun fun

RSVP By 14th April on 98881500 or admin@wickepincrc.com.au Spots limited Cost \$5.00 per child





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ROMANCE:The Bad Bridesmaid-Rachael Johns
When serial dater Winifred Darling – Fred – is asked to be the maid of honour at her mother's sixth wedding, she's determined to do everything in her power to stop it. As the author of a forthcoming book called 21 Rules for Not Catching Feelings, she knows better than most about the perils of falling in love.

On arrival at the island wedding destination, Fred is delighted to discover that the groom's hot muso son Leo is just as set against the wedding as she is. Together, they come up with 'Operation Break-Up' to prevent their parents from making what they believe will be a catastrophic mistake. But as Fred and Leo get to know each other better, their unexpected feelings for each other create further complications, and Fred is forced to rethink her own rigid rules about romance and family. Maybe not every relationship has to play by the book, and could Fred become the star in a romcom of her own?

A heart-warming friends-to-lovers romance about the magic and mayhem of weddings – and what happens when everything you thought you knew about love is turned upside down.



AUSTRALIAN THRILLER:Blood and Gold-Michael Trant

Someone is stalking gold hunters. Now a bushman is stalking them . . . Terry Drage is not the first amateur gold prospector to rock up to the Murchison Hotel, brag about an exciting discovery - and then vanish into thin air. But Gabe Ahern is determined he will be the

No one knows the land around the remote Western Australian town of Cue better than Gabe - a wild dog trapper who's in his element in the bush. Feeling responsible for his friend's fate, he races there to join the search.

But it won't be an easy ride. For a start the local cops seem sure Terry going missing is nothing more than a tragic accident. It's down to Gabe to spot the sinister pattern of disappearances and deaths in

Plus, the last time Gabe was in his old home town it was under the very worst of circumstances. And now, to stop a killer, he'll need to confront the ghosts from his past . . .



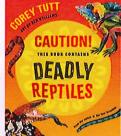
TRUE STORIES: In a HEARTBEAT-Rachel Jayne Cassidy

Author Rachel Jayne Cassidy knows firsthand what it's like to be on the brink of life and death. After surviving a critical heart attack, she understands the challenges of heart health. Cardiovascular disease is the number one killer worldwide, impacting more than 500,000 Australians. Rachel Jayne emphasises for the lucky survivors that while recovery takes time, it is crucial to learn how to live and thrive after a heart event.

In a Heartbeat delves into the emotional and physical complexities of dealing with heart disease, sharing real-life, emotionally raw stories that provide insight into the impact of this disease. From survivors to everyday heroes who, by a momentary twist of fate have saved a life, to the health professionals who work tirelessly behind the scenes to give seriously ill patients a second chance at life. This combination of insightful stories captures the full spectrum of experiences and provides a

Rachel Jayne Cassidy

Iffe. This combination of insigntful stories captures the full spectrum of experiences and provides a comprehensive understanding of heart health. This valuable guide features uplifting, inspiring accounts of human survival against all odds, along-side valuable heart health information from well-recognised cardiologists and health professionals across Australia. Inspiring stories include Strictly Ballroom star turned politician Paul Mercurio, former original yellow Wiggle Greg Page, aspiring First Nations entertainer Warrawatja Bell, little Arlo—the face of the 2023 Royal Children's Hospital appeal, former Chief Minister of the Northern Territory Michael Gunner, and many more. Rachel Jayne's journey as a heart attack survivor and heart health advocate provides her with deep personal insights and invaluable knowledge. She is dedicated to ensuring that those who have experienced a heart event find comfort and reassurance in this book, knowing they are not alone. Rachel Jayne hopes this book will spark a potentially life-saving conversation. saving conversation.



CAUTION THIS BOOK CONTAINS DEADLY REPTILES: Childrens Non-Fiction

Corey Tutt and Art by Ben Williams
As a child, Corey would run barefoot across fields, climb rocks, jump into creeks and explore red sands in search of reptiles. The only reference books he could find included European and Latin names, but as a Kamilaroi man, Corey was keen to learn reptile names in First Languages. Sharing knowledge from 20 different First Nations, Caution! This Book Contains Deadly Reptiles is a reptile book unlike any you've seen before. For each reptile featured, you'll discover its name in a First Language, plus learn about favourite feeds, breeding and babies, conservation, predators and prey, and most importantly, what makes that reptile deadly (in a good way). There are also descriptions of the landscapes where you can be reptiles, and Ben Williams' colourful illustrations will have you turning every page in wonder.

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The amazing facts in this book will astound you! Did you know that a central bearded dragon's beard can change colour to protect it from predators? Or that the temperature of a turtle egg nest determines if the baby turtles will be boys or girls? Or that some First Nations names for reptiles can be more scientifically accurate than the European names, such as the common death adder that is more closely related to a brown snake than an

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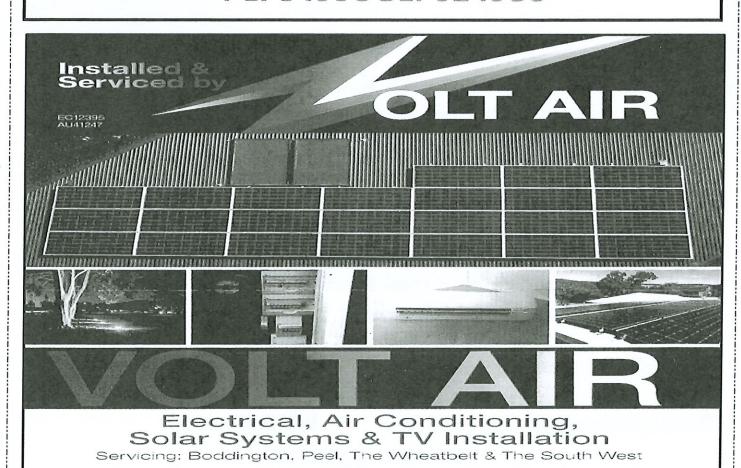
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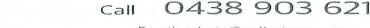


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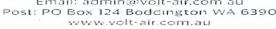




















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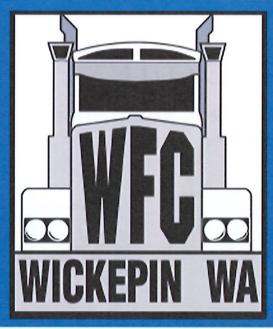
Marie is available to be contacted for counselling appointments on 0456 294 765 or email: marieagcare@outlook.com

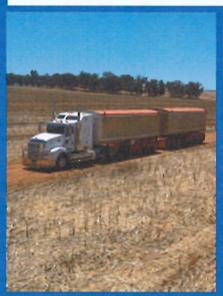
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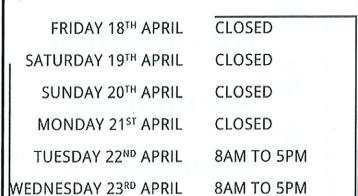
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# Community Drop in Session

Monday, 31st March Drop in anytime between 5-6pm Wickepin Community Centre. Campbell Street

Have your say... We're planning the 2026 Festival, and we'd love to hear your feedback and ideas! Drop in for a quick, commitment-free chat – just 10 minutes to share your thoughts on what you'd like to see at the festival.





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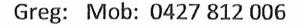
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# **SPORTS NOTES**

### LAKE YEALERING BOWLING CLUB

Wednesday 19th March 2025 SUMMIT OPEN DAY ANY COMBINATION TRIPLES





WINNERS - Pingelly Team

SECOND - Corrigin Team

Narrogin Team were the Third Place <u>Winners</u>, sorry no photos were taken. Great friendly rivalry made the day a huge success.

**Saturday** 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2025 Premiminary Pennant Final for 2<sup>nd</sup> Division Upper Great Southern Bowling League in Williams Yealering v Pingelly. Yealering Won

**Sunday** 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2025 Grand Final for 2<sup>nd</sup> Division Upper Great Southern Bowling League in Brookton. Yealering v Brookton. Brookton Won, Yealering Runner-ups. **FANTASTIC**. **Sunday** 30<sup>th</sup> March 2025 League Championship Fours & Singles at Pingelly

Friday 11th April 2025 Season Wind-up Dinner 6.30pm at the Club Rooms.

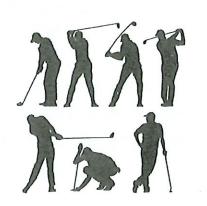
Tuesday 29th April 2025 Bowling Club AGM 7pm.

COME AND GIVE LAWN BOWLS A GO.



Wickepin Golf Club Busy Bee

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 8.30am Enquiries to Graeme 0429881032



## LAKE YEALERING GOLF CLUB

Golf season is once again on us and the Golf Club **Open day is Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2025**. Stableford Round, names in by 12.30pm for a 1pm tee off. Everyone welcome so dust off your clubs come and join us for a fun, friendly day. Probably some rusty golf to start the season.

There will also be an all day Busy Bee on **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2025** starting at 8.30am. All help welcome and greatly appreciated, to tidy the course up for Open day.

We look forward to seeing a good turn out on both days.



# **Indoor Carpet Bowls**

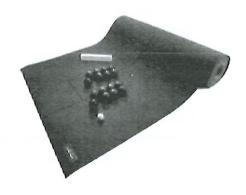
Looking for new Over 60s members.

The Shire of Wickepin has kindly waived the fee on the hire of the Community Centre, thus making it free of charge.

We really need more muscle (men) to handle the mats. (three)

From 1.00 to 3.00pm Wednesdays.

It's just a fun time.



# WICKEPIN BOWLING CLUB

GRAND FINAL WINNERS	
MEN	
1st Division - Narrogin defeated Brookton	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Division - Brookton defeated Yealering	

S	cheduled Events
31.03 - 05.04.25	Ladies Country Week
26.04.25	Brownies Day - Williams
04.05.25	AGM / Presentations / Lunch
	Norm White Day

AGM 04.05.25 – 10.30 AM
Please show support for our club
Your attendance matters
TO KEEP THE BOWLS ROLLING

## LADIES LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP FOURS

Were played in Pingelly on Tuesday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, and it was HOT in more ways than one! Wickepin 1 sizzled on the green, defeating Pingelly 1 and Brookton 2, only to then have Williams 1 douse their flames in the final match to win the championship 14-11. Congratulations Williams! In the Plate, Wickepin 2 gave it their all, but despite a huge effort - Brookton 1 just wouldn't budge! Congrats to Pingelly 1 for their plate win!

### MEN'S LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS

On Sunday 30 March, in perfectly mild conditions, Pingelly were also host to the Men's Championship Singles and Fours! Congratulations to Singles Champion Dave Harris of Narrogin and the Fours winning team from Brookton.

### LADIES COUNTRY WEEK

Wishing our fabulous ladies the best of luck at Country Week

President: Paul Taylor Secretary: Alison Johnson Treasurer: Ruth Bailey

Email:

banksiabowmem@gmail.com Contacts: Paul 0427 196 520 Address: P.O. Box 33, Wickepin 49 Campbell Street, Wickepin



We have a team of four participating in an outdoor shoot at York Club which will be quite demanding, being through the bush.
Hope to have some pictures later.





We have had many people come through our club including a family of seven from Williams. All four loved the sport but found wintertime was better for football and hockey.

At the moment we are hoping for new members as we have only one person in Wickepin, others come from Pingelly through to Nyabing. It is a great sport for all ages and genders.

Self-discipline is essential to maintain abilities, thus practise is essential.



# **Local Footy is on its Way**

Round 1 Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April Wickepin VS Narrogin Hawks at Narrogin

> Round 2 Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May Wickepin VS Wagin at Wickepin



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6 March 2025

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### Paying extra? What to know about surcharges

Have you found yourself paying \$17.45 for two flat whites on a public holiday? No, the price of your morning coffee hasn't gone up, you were most likely hit with a surcharge.

Hospitality businesses often charge a surcharge on public holidays to cover higher wage costs. Staff must be paid penalty rates on weekends and public holidays, so your favourite café, restaurant or pub may pass on these extra costs to you.

Paying a surcharge should never come as a surprise. You should be made aware of any weekend or public holiday surcharges before you decide to order or buy from a restaurant, pub or cafe.

The menu or price board must include the wording 'a surcharge of [percentage] applies on [the specified day or days]'. This statement must be easy to see and noticeable, so you know the price displayed won't be the final price charged on those specified days.

Alternatively, if the menu does not list prices, the information about the surcharge must be displayed in some other obvious way so you're aware *before* you order. This could be a large sign at the door or at the cash register.

So, if your local pub fails to let you know your pint of beer is going to cost a little more on a public holiday, this may be a breach of the Australian Consumer Law.

Another type of common surcharge is credit card surcharges. The good news is there are rules about this too. Card surcharges are permitted under the Australian Consumer Law, however the fee must only reflect what it actually costs the business to process the payment, such as bank fees or terminal costs. If a business charges a payment surcharge, it must be able to prove the costs it is based on.

If there is no other way for you to pay without incurring a surcharge, then the business must include the fee in the total cost. For example, your local café charges \$5 for a coffee, but they do not accept cash, and all card payments are surcharged. Then it is not possible for you to buy that coffee at \$5. If the surcharge is 1% then the price displayed must clearly be \$5.05 so you can easily tell how much your coffee really costs.

In the same way a hospitality business must let you know about surcharges; they must also let you know if they don't accept cash.

Remember, purchasing goods or services is entering into an agreement with a seller. You do not have to agree to make the purchase if the payment methods or final price aren't acceptable to you.

If you feel you have been misled by a business about surcharges, have a chat with them first about it and see if they can help rectify it. Otherwise, report it to Consumer Protection – 1300 30 40 54 or consumer@demirs.wa.gov.au

# WEEKLY IN THE WICKEPIN SHIRE

# **Mondays**

Watershed News every second Monday @ CRC.

Fit Pursuit 5.45-6.30am @ Wickepin Community Centre.

# <u>Tuesdays</u>

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 9.00-10.00am @ 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.

# **Sundays**

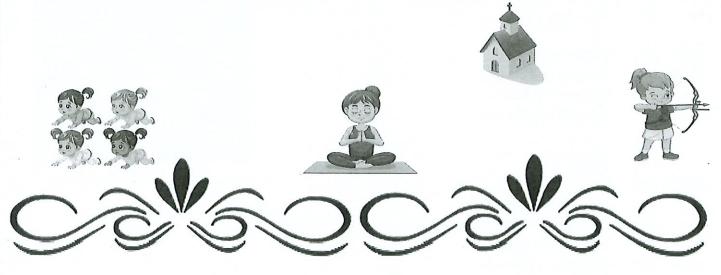
Banksia Bowmen Archery – Summer Shoot Time 9am @ Wickepin Community Centre. Commencing Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March to Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May Inclusive. Equipment is available for come and try.

Anglican church - 8am every 1st & 3rd Sunday.









# **COMMUNITY CALENDAR 2025**

# **APRIL**

		AT ME
Tues	1 <sup>st</sup>	April Fools Day
Wed	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wickepin Primary School Storytime 0-4 years 8.40am
Wed	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Wickepin Golf Club Busy Bee 8.30am
Thur	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Shire Rates, 4 <sup>th</sup> instalment due
Fri	4 <sup>th</sup>	Communi – Tea
Fri	4 <sup>th</sup>	Wickepin Bowling Club AGM
Wed	9 <sup>th</sup>	CRC Committee Meeting 5.30pm
Fri	11 <sup>th</sup>	Wickepin Primary School ANZAC Ceremony
Fri	11 <sup>th</sup>	School Term Ends
Mon	14 <sup>th</sup>	Watershed News
Mon	14 <sup>th</sup>	Recycle and Bin Day
Tue	15 <sup>th</sup>	Drum Muster, Contact Shire of Wickepin to book 98881005
Tue	15 <sup>th</sup>	School Holiday Easter Craft 10.30am Wickepin CRC
Fri	18 <sup>th</sup>	Easter Good Friday
Mon	21 <sup>st</sup>	Easter Monday
Tues	$22^{nd}$	School Holiday Anzac Biscuit Baking 10.30am Community Centre
Fri	25 <sup>th</sup>	Anzac Day. War Memorial Campbell Street @ 9.30am
Mon	28 <sup>th</sup>	Watershed News
Mon	28 <sup>th</sup>	Recycle and Bin Day
Mon	28 <sup>th</sup>	St John First Aid Course 8.30am – 4.30pm \$170.00 Wickepin Community Centre
Mon	$28^{th}$	School Term 2 starts
Tues	29 <sup>th</sup>	Scam Awareness Workshop @ 1.30pm CRC
Wed	30 <sup>th</sup> -2 <sup>n</sup>	<sup>d</sup> School Camp Woodman Point
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Fri	$2^{nd}$	Communi – Tea
Sun	11 <sup>th</sup>	Mothers Day
Mon	<b>12</b> <sup>th</sup>	<b>Watershed News</b>
Mon	12 <sup>th</sup>	Recycle and Bin Day
Mon	26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Watershed News</b>
Mon	$26^{th}$	Recycle and Bin Day

## **JUNE**

Mon

23<sup>rd</sup>

Mon	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Public Holiday WA Day
Wed	4 <sup>th</sup>	CRC Committee Meeting 5.30pm
Fri	6 <sup>th</sup>	Communi - Tea
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Recycle and Bin Day

## JULY

Mon	7th	Watershed News
Mon	7th	Recycle and Bin Day
Tue	15 <sup>th</sup>	DrumMuster, Contact Shire of Wickepin to book 98881005
Mon	21st	Watershed News
Mon	21st	Recycle and Bin Day
Thur	31st	Facey Group Annual Women In Agricultural Event