# WATERSHED NEWS

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

28th April 2025



A bouquet for those
wanting to be mothers,
those who have lost their
mothers,
those who have lost
children,
those with difficult
mother/child relationships,
those who don't know their
mothers and for
mother figures in all forms.

# WATERSHED NEWS INC- COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER

#### ABN 96 234 351 594

#### **Contact Information**

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

Address: 24 Wogolin Road, Wickepin 6370 Postal Address: PO Box 60, Wickepin, WA, 6370

Phone: 9888 1500

Email: wickepinwatershed@gmail.com

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Advertising	Full Page B&W	Full Page Colour	Half Page	Quarter Page	Business Card
Rates	\$30	\$60	\$15	\$8	\$5

- All advertising for the Watershed News needs to be sent to the following email address – wickepinwatershed@gmail.com
- Submissions need to be in by 11am on the day of publishing.
- All submissions would be preferred in Word.
- All advertisements and classifieds must be submitted with clear contact details including a postal address, phone number and email.
- Watershed News produced pages are printed in black and white. Full page colour only if requested and paid for.
- The Shire of Wickepin community groups are entitled to a half page of advertising free of charge.

# WATERSHED NEWS 2025 PUBLICATION DATES

Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> May	Monday 21st July	Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> September	Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> December
Monday 26th May	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> August	Monday 13th October	
Monday 9th June	Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> August	Monday 27th October	
Monday 23rd June	Monday 1st September	Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> November	
Monday 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> September	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	

# **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

# **COMMUNITY NOTES**

#### April/May Birthday Wishes to:

29th Danika Butler

1<sup>st</sup> Gavin Fleay, Clinton Hemley

2<sup>nd</sup> Ken Heaney, Lily Dunn

3<sup>rd</sup> Kylah Leeson, Jade Leeson

7<sup>th</sup> Georgia Dowdell

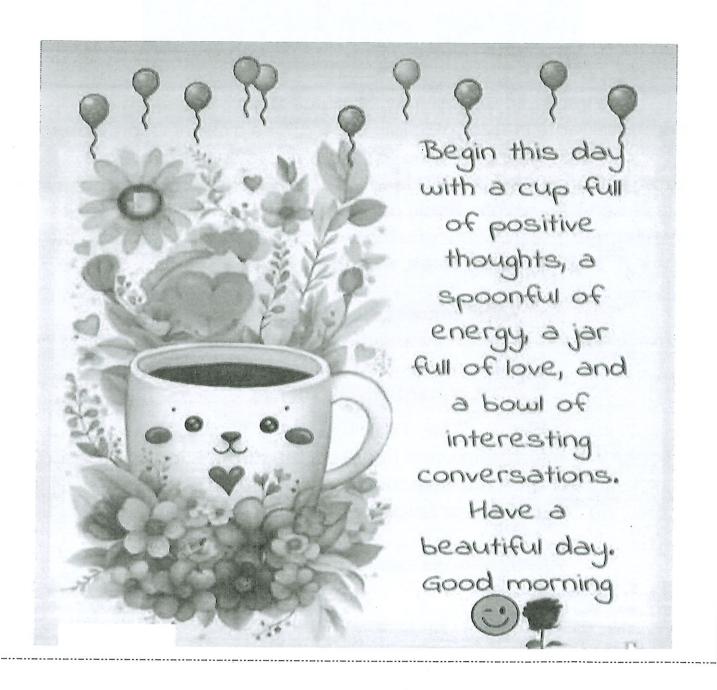
11<sup>th</sup> Mia Ewen



John Menegola is the proud Great Grandfather of a Baby Boy born on 24<sup>th</sup> April. Son of Leah's Daughter Melyssa and Husband Nathan Treacy.

Condolences to the family of Douglas Henry Halliday, formerly of Wickepin.

Remember School is back. Slow down and watch out for children who may be unpredictable, especially around playgrounds and schools.









# STAYING IN PLACE CLIENT COORDINATOR

The Wickepin Community Resource Centre is seeking a compassionate individual to join our team as a Client Coordinator. In this flexible part-time role, you will play a vital part in coordinating our Staying in Place Program's home and community care services, which enable our clients to continue living in their own homes. The position requires a commitment of approximately 6 hours per week, with flexible scheduling.

## To be successful, you will need:

Excellent communication and interpersonal skills.

Competent computer skills.

A current driver's license.

For further information and to obtain the application package please contact Executive Officer Lauren McColl Ph - 9888 1500 or Email - eo@wickepincrc.com.au

Applications close 4pm 22nd May 2024





#### SHIRE OF WICKEPIN

#### CALLS FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

#### **FOR**

#### BACKUP/RELIEF SWIMMING POOL MANAGER

The Shire of Wickepin is seeking Expressions of Interest from residents interested in the position of Backup/Relief Swimming Pool Manager during periods when the current Swimming Pool Manager is unable to act in this position due to sickness or leave of absence from their duties.

Interested applicants will need to have the following basic requirements:-

- **Bronze Medallion**
- Lifeguard Course
- Senior First Aid Certificate
- Working with Children Check

It will also be necessary for the selected applicant to undertake a 5-day Pool Operators Course externally (Perth) and to achieve a required number of work experience hours and ongoing assignments prior to gaining accreditation and membership with the Leisure Institute of WA/Royal Life Saving Society.

Council is prepared to assist the selected applicant with costs associated with attendance at the above courses.

Expressions of Interest must be submitted in writing to the undersigned either via post to PO Box 19, Wickepin 6370 or ceo@wickepin.wa.gov.au, by 4.00pm on Friday, 23 May 2025 and detailing the applicant's level of interest in the position.

Peter Clarke

**Acting Chief Executive Officer** 





### **PUBLIC NOTICE**



# DRAFT LOCAL PLANNING POLICY NO. 10.3.7 - WIND FARM AND RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITY

Notice is hereby given that the Shire of Wickepin invites comments on draft Local Planning Policy 10.3.7 - Wind Farm and Renewable Energy Facility.

The draft policy can be viewed at www.wickepin.wa.gov.au or is available for inspection during office hours at the Shire of Wickepin Administration Office.

Written submissions can be made via email to admin@wickepin.wa.gov.au, posted or in person to the undersigned on or before close of business Friday 6 June 2025.

Peter Clarke Acting Chief Executive Officer Shire of Wickepin PO Box 19 Wickepin WA 6370

# Embracing Community Growth

#### LANDFILL OPENING

#### **HOURS & DAYS**

Wickepin - Local Residents only

Days: Saturday & Sunday

Time: 7am – 11am Time:12pm – 4pm

**Yealering & Tincurrin** 

Opens: Friday – 4pm Closes: Monday – 8am

Harrismith

Opens: Tuesday Afternoon Closes: Friday Morning





# ANZAC SERVICE 2025

On Friday morning, the Wickepin community gathered in a heartfelt ANZAC Day service to honour the courage, sacrifice, and enduring spirit of our veterans.

Led with warmth and respect by President Julie Russell, the service featured a touching address from Irene Moore and a stirring performance by David Astbury, which deeply moved those in attendance.

Students from Wickepin and Yealering Primary Schools also contributed with grace and maturity, respectfully reciting poems. Special recognition to Bailey Martin, Isla Astbury, and Ruby Lee for their beautiful readings.

We were honoured by the presence of special guests Murray Lang, Freeman of the Shire, and representatives from the Wickepin Police, whose attendance added meaning and solemnity to the occasion.

Following the service, community members came together to share a morning tea. Thank you to all who brought a plate and contributed to the sense of connection and remembrance.







77 Wogolin Road, PO Box 19 WICKEPIN 6370 Phone: 9888 1005 Fax: 9888 1074



#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE TO MOTORISTS**

At recent meetings of the Wheatbelt South Regional Road Group and Central Country Zone of the Western Australian Local Government Association, it has been reported that motorists are not adhering to speed limit signs where road works are occurring. This was also confirmed by the Shire of Wickepin Road Works Crew when they recently undertook the Fence Road construction project.



For the safety of all concerned, where road works are being carried out motorists are urged to SLOW DOWN and adhere to the SPEED LIMIT SIGNS that are clearly displayed.

Motorists' cooperation in this regard would be greatly appreciated.







#### **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

# WOODLAND COURT INDEPENDENT LIVING UNITS

The Shire of Wickepin is now accepting Expressions of Interest from eligible seniors for the Woodland Court Independent Living Units in Wickepin. These modern and well-appointed units are designed to offer independent, secure living for seniors in our community.

To be eligible for these units, applicants must be 65 years of age or older. For Indigenous applicants, the eligibility age is 55 years of age or older.

Upon submitting your Expression of Interest, an application package will be provided. Once you submit the necessary documentation advised in the package, your application will undergo an assessment process to determine eligibility.

We encourage all interested individuals to apply and take advantage of this exciting opportunity to live in a supportive and vibrant community.

To enquire about the units or for further information, please contact the Executive Support Officer via email at eso@wickepin.wa.gov.au.

Peter Clarke
Acting Chief Executive Officer



#### **EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

# INDEPENDENT MEMBERS FOR AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

The Shire of Wickepin invites expressions of interest for experienced professionals to join its Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee as Independent Members, in the position of Presiding Member and Deputy Presiding Member. This committee supports the Shire in fulfilling its responsibilities for oversight in areas such as internal and external audits, financial reporting and risk management in compliance with the Local Government Act 1995 and associated regulations.

Successful candidates will need to have demonstrated understanding and experience in Financial Management and need to have strong leadership skills to guide committee discussions.

The Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee meets at least three (3) times per year. The role includes remuneration aligned by the Salaries and Allowances Tribunal for band 4 Local Governments and determined as per the Shire's annual budget. Reimbursement is available of expenses for travel and training if applicable.

For any other information regarding the position please contact Mr. Peter Clarke on 9888 1005.

Applications, including a current resume and a statement of interest, should be sent to Mr. Peter Clarke, Acting Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Wickepin, PO Box 19, Wickepin WA 6370 or by email <a href="mailto:admin@wickepin.wa.gov.au">admin@wickepin.wa.gov.au</a> marked "Private and Confidential – Independent Members for Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee" by 4.00pm, Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2025.

Peter Clarke
Acting Chief Executive Officer

# **KIDS PAGE**

# Happy Mothers Day



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# **KIDS BIRTHDAYS**

Ava Harris 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2015



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Austin Podmore 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019



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# @ home A Mothers Day

# **Cake Tin Frittata**

### Ingredients

600g sweet potato, peeled and cut into 2cm diced

1 red capsicum, cut into 2cm chunks

1 leek, white part only, cut into 1cm thick slices

2 tablespoons olive oil

Salt and pepper

60g baby spinach leaves

10 eggs

375g smooth ricotta

½ cup (50g) grated parmesan

1 cup (110g) grated cheese

1 clove garlic, crushed

1/3 cup (80ml) thickened cream

Rocket salad and spicy tomato chutney, to serve

#### Method:

- Preheat oven to 220°C/200°C (fan-forced). Grease and line the base and sides of a round 23cm (base measurement) springform cake tin
- 2. Combine sweet potato, capsicum and leek in a large roasting pan. Drizzle with olive oil and season with salt and pepper. Bake 30 minutes. Remove from oven. Toss baby spinach through warm vegetables to wilt. Set aside to cool slightly
- 3. Whisk together eggs and season with salt and pepper. Whisk in ricotta, parmesan, garlic, cream and half the
- 4. Spoon half the vegetables into prepared pan and pour over half the egg mixture. Repeat with remaining vegetables and egg. Sprinkle with the remaining cheese
- 5. Reduce oven temperature to 200°C/180°C (fan-forced) and bake for 60-70 minutes. Cover the top with foil if browning too much. Remove from oven when the centre is just a little wobbly. Stand for 10-15 minutes before removing from the tin and serving. Serve with rocket salad and spicy tomato chutney

#### Tips & Hints:

- This recipe is a great way to use up leftover vegetables from your roast dinner or clear out the crisper at the end of the week
- Use any vegetables such as potato, pumpkin, zucchini, asparagus and fennel
- Frittata can be made 2 days in advance. Cover and refrigerate. When ready to serve, warm in a low oven covered with foil until warmed through

# Vegan Avocado Cheesecake

#### Ingredients

12 (250g) fresh Medjool dates, pitted

125g pecans, roughly chopped

1/3 cup shredded coconut

1/3 cup coconut oil, melted and cooled

3 avocados

400ml can coconut milk

¼ cup maple syrup

2 large limes, finely grated rind

(reserve some for decorating) and 1/3 cup juice

1/3 cup chia seeds
Fresh raspberries,
strawberries, lime zest to
serve



#### Method

- 1. Grease and line base of a 20cm round loose bottom pan with baking paper.
- 2. Place dates, pecans, coconut and coconut oil in a food processor and pulse until finely chopped. Transfer to prepared pan and press evenly over base of pan. Place in refrigerator.
- 3. Place avocado, coconut milk, maple syrup, lime rind, lime juice and chia seeds into food processor and process until a smooth mixture forms. Pour over base and spread evenly. Place in refrigerator overnight to set.
- 4. Remove cheesecake from pan and place on a cake stand. Decorate with fruit and lime zest to serve.

TIP Cake best made day ahead with one day to set







# Mother's Day

SATURDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MAY 10am **MARKETS** 

After Dark Succulents

Bev's Jams

TK Handmade Crafty Girl

Taya Fragrances Candles & Melts

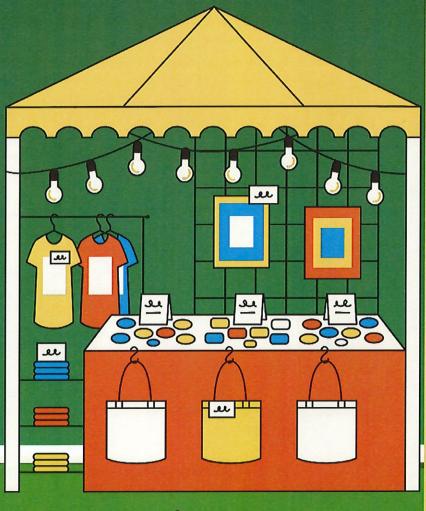
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Macrame

**Herbal Teas** 

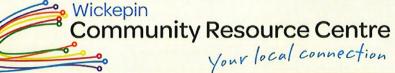
**Craft items** 

Handmade Accessories Mother's Day Hampers



We still have space available, so contact Wicky CRC on 9888 1500, or admin@wickepincrc.com.au to book your stall today!





# Wiekepin Public Library



#### ADULT AUSTRALIAN CRIME FICTION: Blood & Ink - Brett Adams

Literature professor Jack Griffen has recently suffered a nervous breakdown. His wife has divorced him and she and their adult daughter have moved to the USA. Into the void steps exchange student Hieronymus Beck, claiming to be the professor's greatest fan. But everything changes when Jack finds Hiero's list. Five sheets of paper. Five ways to commit a murder.

His student has told him he's writing a crime novel, but is that all he is doing? Caught up in his protégé's dangerous game, the mild-mannered professor finds himself asking how far will he go to save a life. As far as murder?

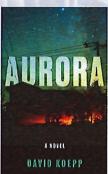


#### ADULT AUSTRALIAN FICTION: Her Time to Shine - Fiona McCallum

The tiny town of Melrose isn't where Erica thought she'd be at almost fifty. And working in a funeral home, suffering from PTSD while navigating her recent grief is not how she thought her life would look either. But she's committed to her new boss, Walter, who gave her a chance when she so desperately needed it.

Erica's friends and family in Adelaide cheer her on as she forms new friendships and immerses herself in the local community. But why is she being plagued with flashes of memories of her brother Mark who died when she was eleven? Why is there so much about him she doesn't know and can't remember? And why does it feel like it's more about her than him?

But she has to put it all aside when, despite being happy and settled, Erica is suddenly called upon to step up and face her deepest fear. If she can, what will she discover about herself and her past? And what will it mean for her future?



#### ADULT THRILLER LARGE PRINT: Aurora - David Koepp

In Aurora, Illinois, Aubrey Wheeler is just trying to get by after her semi-criminal ex-husband split, leaving behind his unruly teenage son.

Then the lights go out - not just in Aurora but across the globe. A solar storm has knocked out power everywhere. Suddenly, all problems are very local, and Aubrey must assume the mantle of protector of her neighborhood.

Across the country lives Aubrey's estranged brother, Thom. A wealthy, neurotically overprepared Silicon Valley CEO, he plans to ride out the crisis in a gilded desert bunker he built for maximum comfort and security.

But the complicated history between the siblings is far from over, and what feels like the end of the world is just the beginning of several long-overdue reckonings - which not everyone will survive . . .



### ADULT HISTORICAL FICTION AUDIO BOOK: The Vanishing at Loxby Manor - Abigail Wilson

Haunted by the assault she's kept hidden over the past four years, Charity Halliwell has a chance to return home to the village she left more than five years before. All she needs is good talk with her old friend and a chance to find a governess position. But the family who agrees to her yearlong visit turns out to be far from the one she thought she knew, particularly when her friend disappears and the man she made certain would not be at the house is forced to return.

Piers Cavanagh was branded a coward when he failed to show up for a duel he arranged. He had his reasons, but disclosing them would hurt more than continuing life as an outcast. And worse, with the mysterious departure of his sister, the strange nightly occurrences in the ruins of an old abbey, and the uncomfortable whispers of a secret organization, Piers must overcome his aversion to society and work with the last person he ever thought he would get the chance to speak to again—the girl whose heart he had no choice but to break.

# Connectivity Without Confusion

Understanding Your Internet and Phone Connection Options



Join Rachael from the Regional Tech Hub for a down-to-earth session on choosing the right connectivity for you!

WHEN: 10.30am, Thursday 5th June WHERE: Wickepin CRC

Light morning tea provided

Call the CRC on 9888 1500 or email us at admin@wickepincrc.com.au to secure your place









#### WESTERN AUSTRALIA POLICE FORCE WICKEPIN POLICE STATION 69 WOGOLIN ROAD, WICKEPIN

69 WOGOLIN ROAD , WICKEPIN Ph: 98932800 (hold & leave message if diverted)



Hello All,

We had the great honor of attending and participating in the local ANZAC Ceremonies, both at Wickepin Primary on the last day of school, and the Shire event at the memorial. It's great to be part of our community and recognize our fallen and current service people.

Firearms licence holders – If you weren't aware there has been a "follow on" buyback announced effective 14th April covering firearms surrendered from the 17<sup>th</sup> of January this year so if you had surrendered them to Wickepin or other police stations, you can use the report number we provided to fill out compensation forms from the WA POLICE website.

Amounts to be paid into your bank account are also there with a list of FAQ's... we have notified some locals eligible, but in case we missed you, or any questions, please call the hotline on 1300 171 011 or head to the WAPOL Website links. This is ongoing till 14 January 2026, and will be handy if you have firearms you no longer utilize, or may not be able to comply with new requirements, storage, medical etc. Appointments can be made to attend Wickepin when available or Narrogin Police (M-F 8-4) so you don't have to drive around town with guns in the car only to find we're not at the station.

Good news and bad...We recently surprised the owners when we recovered a stolen boat ("High and Dry") following information about suspicious activity again, and were advised of farm equipment and tools being targeted again by opportunistic thieves around less frequented rural outbuilding - It may seem insignificant, but please be vigilant and report suspicious vehicles at the time, and take registration numbers or photos to assist us stopping these crimes — don't take things into your own hands or put yourselves at risk.... - we're here to help and maintain our great lifestyle together.

Thanks Again, Phil MILNE and Andy SPENCER, YOUR WICKEPIN POLICE 🚗 🕮 🚍

For information, 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 may be recalled if not working and Narrogin or others may assist us if required.

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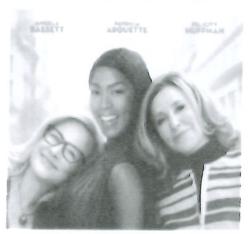
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## Mothers Days Movie Recommendation

A grounded, soulful, celebratory comedy about three mothers and their adult sons. The film explores the stage after motherhood, Otherhood, when you have to redefine your relationship with your children, friends, spouse, and most importantly, yourself

On Mother's Day, feeling marginalized and forgotten, longtime friends Carol (Angela Bassett), Gillian (Patricia Arquette) and Helen (Felicity Huffman) decide to drive to New York City to reconnect with their adult sons, and in the process, they realize their sons are not the only ones whose lives need to change. A journey to relate becomes a journey of rediscovery that forces these women to redefine their relationships with their children, friends, spouses and most importantly, themselves.





**WICKEPIN COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE PRESENTS** 



# CANVA DESIGN WORKSHOP

Date Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June Time 10.30am to 12.30pm

Unleash your inner designer!

Join us for this interactive workshop, and learn how to:

- Transform your creative visions into stunning realities with Canva's intuitive interface
- Effortlessly elevate your brand with Canva's vast library of resources.
- Create professional marketing materials and stunning visual content quickly and easily
- Empower your business to stand out and grow

Book your spot today Contact the CRC on 9888 1500, or email us at admin@wickepincrc.com.au









# FORKLIFT Licence Course

Wickepin CRC are aiming to run a 2-day forklift licence course. 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 a minimum of 10 hours forklift driving experience in order to attend.









# AUTHOR VISIT - FRIDAY MAY 2ND

Join us at the CRC on Friday, May 2nd at 1:30 PM for a delightful afternoon filled with coffee (or tea!), cake, and conversation.

This Communi-Tea is particularly special as we are thrilled to welcome Raelene Hall, talented author of "Legitimate Bush Woman" and "Legitimate Bush Woman Goes to Town." Raelene will share her inspiring writing journey and discuss her advocacy work for rural Western Australia throughout the years.



Mark your calendar with upcoming Communi-TEA dates for 2025:

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



Community Resource Centre

Wickepin
Community Resource Centre
Your local connection

Wickepin CRC will be closed during the following times to allow staff to attend Strategic Planning meetings:

Thur May 8: Close 3pm

Thur May 15: Close 3pm

Thur May 22: Close 3pm

Fri May 23: Closed All Day

Wed June 11: Close 3.30pm

Apologies for any inconvenience.

# SAVE THE DATE!









# GRAIN AUTOMATE EXPO + MACHINERY DEMO DAY THURSDAY 3RD JULY

GET YOUR FARM FUTURE READY!

Full details released soon!

Contact Facey Group office for more information 98881223

Facey Group, in partnership with GRDC, invite you to the Official Opening of the new GRDC Shed.





# SHED OPENING



Join us for an informal tour of the new shed followed by an evening of networking, food, and drinks as we celebrate this exciting milestone.

This new facility will support research, collaboration, and new opportunities for our grower community.

We look forward to celebrating with you!

Location: 42 Wogolin Road, Wickepin

Register Here





# WICKEPIN FESTIVAL

Save the Nate 21-02-2026

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	3	53.6
April	0	0	48.6	April	22	6	75.6
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 28th April 2025

# CONTRACT FENCING **YEALERING**

**RURAL FENCING** 

**SPECIALIST** 

**ALL ENQUIRES** WELCOME **CALL GREG** 

gpockran@gmail.com







ST JOHN'S ANGLICAN CHURCH

Johnston Street, Wickepin - Phone 0428 898 025

Services held at 8.00am 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays – All welcome Stay for a cuppa and chat after the service



# 2025 Influenza Vaccines

Free influenza vaccines for <u>all community members</u> will be available at the Wickepin Health Service

Upcoming clinic dates for

Adult & Child Influenza Vaccination Clinic

Wednesday 7th May: 9am - 1pm

Monday 12th May: 9am – 3:30pm

Monday 19th May: 9am - 3:30pm

Monday 26th May: 9am - 3:30pm

Appointments are encouraged to guarantee adequate supply.

Please phone the Wickepin Health Service on 9888 2222 to

make an appointment or discuss your eligibility.

#### Get in touch

Wickepin Health Service

28 Johnston St

Wickepin WA 6370

www.wacountry health.wa.gov.au

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# **Business, Trade & Service Directory**

# ANGWIN PLUMBING AND GAS

Do you need a plumber gas fitter?

Then call Rhys Angwin we are a friendly plumbing business operating throughout the Upper Great Southern & surrounding areas. We specialise in all types of plumbing and gas work ranging from

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- Burst pipes
- Blocked drains and pipes
- New hot water unit installations
- · Ovens, hotplates, dishwashers and fridges
- . Bathroom, Laundry and Kitchen reno's-



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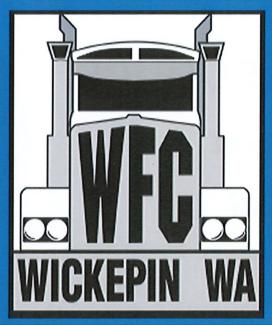
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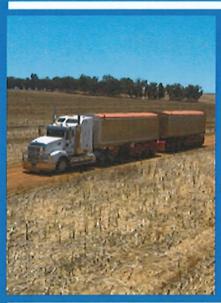
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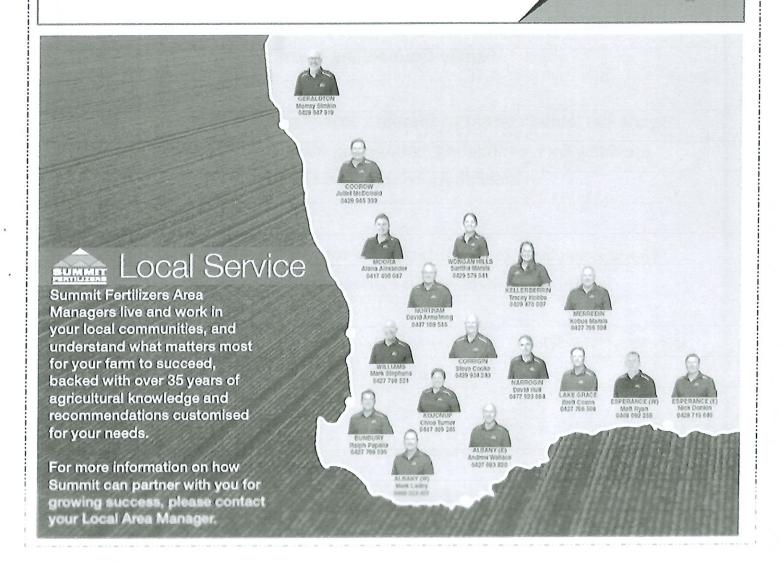


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# **SPORTS NOTES**

# **Banksia Bowmen Archery**



Our Winter Shoot time will be Saturdays 1.00pm – 4.00pm starting 10<sup>th</sup> May.

We are programming our next "Come and Try" at Popanyinning on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> or 25<sup>th</sup> May, 9am – 12noon

# **Lake Yealering Golf Club**

### 19/4/2025

6 players teed off on a Stableford round in cool but pleasant conditions Winner on the day was S. Baker on 40pt on a count back with M. Marshall runner up. Novelties went to ;- 2 longest put S. Dicks, ;-16 best 3rd S. Baker, ;-18 NTP S. Baker.

### 26/4/2025

First Qualifying round sponsored by LAKE YEALERING HOTEL.

With 11 players hitting off on a stroke round in very pleasant conditions the results were as follows. Gross winner S. Dicks with 90, with K. Manton on 91 a close second.

Net winner S. Davidson with 70 [111 / 41].

Novelties went to- No 2 longest putt M. Lee, No 16 best 3rd K. Manton, No 18 NTP S. Dicks All winners enjoyed great prizes thanks once again to THE YEALERING HOTEL.

Thanks also to Dave and Veronica Stacey for supplying buckets of fresh SA oysters for all to enjoy. The evening concluded with a wonderful meal of lasagna, chips and salad enjoyed by players, family and friends

Thanks to Tanya Sands [caterer] Who also took out best and most enthusiastic LADY player on the day.

# **Lake Yealering Bowling Club**

AGM At the Bowling Club

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April @7pm



COME AND GIVE LAWN BOWLS A GO.



https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/a2e6b1

5 – 8 Year Olds \$65 per child includes Auskick pack

Sunday 4th May 9.30am Saturday 10th May 9.30am Thursday 15th May 5.00pm Thursday 22nd May 5.00pm Thursday 5th June 5.00pm Sunday 22nd June 9.30am Saturday 28th June 9.30am

Saturday 5th July 9.30am Sunday 20th July 9.30am Sunday 27th July 9.30am Sunday 3rd August 9.30am Thursday 7th August 5.00pm Thursday 14th August 5.00pm

We don't receive any registration funds so our group is supported by the Wickepin Football Club. Please consider volunteering your time on the oval or in the kitchen to help our club throughout the season!



CONTACT CAEN 0429 831 000 OR LEAH 0457 290 028

# **Wickepin Netball Club**

The netball 2025 season kicks off this weekend, Sunday 4th May, a home game

against Wagin.

Wickepin has 3 teams this year with many new faces to the club, it's looking to be a promising and exciting season ahead.

Come along to the Wickepin netball courts for a great day of netball with 3 games back to back, with the football Wickepin vs Wagin playing next door.

A3 - 12pm

A2 - 1:30pm

A1 - 3pm



# Wickepin Football Club

# Results for Saturday 26th of April

D Grade <b>Wickepin</b>	<b>12-13</b>	<b>85</b>	AWA
Narrogin	2-1	13	
B Grade <b>Narrogin</b>	<b>14-16</b>	<b>100</b>	3 \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \
Wickepin	0-5	5	
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Narrogin	4-7	31	



# Wickepin Football Club - 2025 Season Fixtures

Round	Date	Versus	Location	
2	Sunday, May 4th	Wagin	Wickepin	
3	Saturday, May 10 <sup>th</sup>	Brookton/Pingelly	Wickepin	
4	Sunday, May 18 <sup>th</sup>	Williams	Williams	
5	Saturday, May 24 <sup>th</sup>	Boddington	Boddington	
6	Sunday, June 8th	Kukerin/Dumbleyung	Kukerin	
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7	Sunday, June 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Katanning	Wickepin	
8	Saturday, June 28th	Wagin	Wagin	
9	Saturday, July 5 <sup>th</sup>	Narrogin	Wickepin	
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10	Sunday, July 20th	Kukerin/Dumbleyung	Wickepin	
11	Sunday, July 27 <sup>th</sup>	Williams	Wickepin	
12	Sunday, August 3rd	Boddington	Wickepin	
13	Sunday, August 10th	Brookton/Pingelly	Pingelly	
14	Sunday, August 17 <sup>th</sup>	Katanning	Katanning	
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semi Final	Saturday, August 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Narrogin		
1st Semi Final	Sunday, August 24 <sup>th</sup>	Wagin		
Prelim Final	Sunday, August 31st	Dumbleyung		
Grand Final	Sunday, September 7th	Katanning		

# Garden Snippet....



# ...Soda Garden

Baking soda-Sodium bicarbonate-Bicarb soda-Carb soda — Call it what you will, but it is not only useful for many things in the family household, it is also a gardener's best friend as a helpful tool for various purposes including pest control, plant disease prevention, and soil health. It can be used to deter pests like ants and slugs, prevent fungal diseases of plants, raise soil pH, and even deter weeds. Here are some ways baking soda can be used in the garden:

**Natural Fungicide**: Mix bicarb soda with water and liquid soap to spray on plants and combat fungal diseases like powdery mildew and black spot.

Weed Killer: Directly sprinkle bicarb soda onto garden weeds, or use a solution of bicarb with soap to kill small weeds, to eradicate them without harming surrounding plants.

**Soil Amendment**: DIY Soil Test – To test your soil's pH, add a pinch of bicarb soda to a small amount of soil. If it fizzes, the soil is acidic. Add some bicarb soda to the soil to raise the pH and neutralize the overly acidic soil. This will improve the environment for plant growth and make the soil more suitable for plants that prefer more alkaline conditions.

**Tomato Sweetener**: Sprinkle some bicarb soda around tomato plants to decrease soil acidity, resulting in sweeter tomatoes.

**Compost Enhancer**: Add bicarb soda to the compost pile to speed up the composting process, and improve its quality, by making the environment more alkaline.

Odor Absorber: Neutralize odors in areas like compost bins by sprinkling in some bicarb soda.

**Tool Cleaner**: Clean gardening tools by scrubbing them with a bicarb soda paste to remove dirt and rust.

**Seed Germination**: Enhance seed germination by soaking seeds in a bicarb soda solution before planting.

Ant, Slug & Pest Repellent: Deter ants and slugs by sprinkling bicarb around the plants or along ant trails to create barriers. A mixture of bicarb soda and flour can deter pests like cabbage worms and aphids when dusted on plants.



## WEEKLY IN THE WICKEPIN SHIRE

## <u>Mondays</u>

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.

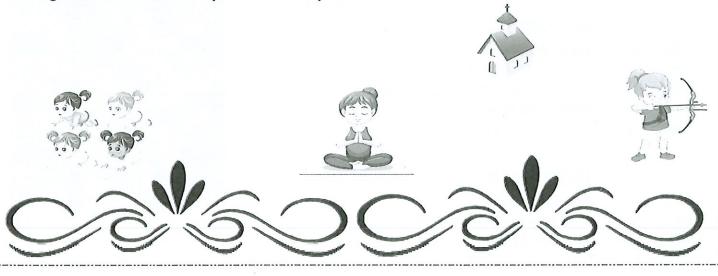
Commencing Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March to Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> May Inclusive. Equipment is available for come and try.

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









# **COMMUNITY CALENDAR 2025**

#### **APRIL**

Tues 29th Scam Awareness Workshop @ 1.30pm CRC

Wed 30<sup>th</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> School Camp Woodman Point

#### MAY

Fri 2<sup>nd</sup> Communi – Tea

Sat 10<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day Markets @ Town Hall 10am

Sun 11<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day

Mon 12th Watershed News

Mon 12<sup>th</sup> Recycle and Bin Day

Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Watershed News

Mon 26<sup>th</sup> Recycle and Bin Day

Tue 27<sup>th</sup> Biggest Morning Tea CRC

#### JUNE

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Public Holiday WA Day

Wed 4th CRC Committee Meeting 5.30pm

Thur 5<sup>th</sup> Connectivity without Confusion 10.30am CRC

Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Communi - Tea

Tues 10<sup>th</sup> Canva Design Workshop 10.30am – 2.30pm CRC

Mon 9th Watershed News

Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Recycle and Bin Day

Mon 16th Facey Group Shed Opening 5.30pm

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Watershed News

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> Recycle and Bin Day

Fri-Sun27-29th Wickepin Winter Weekend

#### JULY

Thurs 3<sup>rd</sup> Grain Automate Expo & Machinery Demo

Mon 7th Watershed News
Mon 7th Recycle and Bin Day

Tue 15<sup>th</sup> Drum Muster, Contact Shire of Wickepin to book 98881005

Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Watershed News Mon 21<sup>st</sup> Recycle and Bin Day

Thur 31st Facey Group Annual Women In Agricultural Event

#### **AUGUST**

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Watershed News
Mon 4<sup>th</sup> Recycle and Bin Day

Wed 13th CRC Committee Meeting 5.30pm

Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Watershed News Mon 18<sup>th</sup> Recycle and Bin Day

#### **SEPTEMBER**

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