

WATERSHED NEWS

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

18th of August 2025

Daffodil Day



21 August 2025

WATERSHED NEWS INC- COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER

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- All submissions would be preferred in Word.
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Monday 15 th September	Monday 27 th October	Monday 8 th December
Tuesday 30 th September	Monday 10 th November	

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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 wickepinwatershed@gmail.com , 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.

Help Us Celebrate Our Own Unsung Heros and Local Legends

We know there are many unsung heroes right here in Wickepin — past and present — whose stories are waiting to be told. Whether it's a neighbour, a volunteer, a coach, or someone who's always there when needed, we'd love to hear about them. If you have someone in mind, please send in a short story or even just their name and why they're special. Let's shine a light on those who've been keeping our community strong — quietly and humbly. **All contributions are welcome**

COMMUNITY NOTES

August/September Birthday Wishes to:

21st Caleb Leeson, Jackie O'Neil

26th Matthew Podmore, Emily Doncon, Julian Williamson

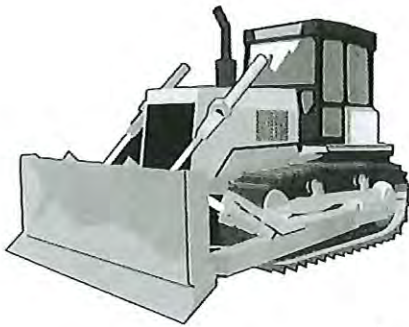
27th Mark Altham, Trent McLean

29th Matthew O'Brien

30th Kirralee Mallett, Rory McDougall

31st Phil Russell

1st Matthew Thompson, Sarah Martin, Peter Arnol



Vale Austin Fulford

Deepest sympathy to Aussies family and friends. Aussie passed away on the 14th of August. He was very well-known character and an almost a lifelong resident of Wickepin.

Aussie was known for his bulldozing business expertly creating many dams and clearing vegetation in the district. He collected vintage tractors and dozers and displayed them in town.

Holiday Travels-Christmas Island

Recently Pam and Bruce had a short holiday on Christmas Island. An interesting place to visit – if you enjoy walking, nature, bird life, very little “tourist” facilities or snorkelling. It is a mining community that is trying to reinvent itself as the mine only has a few more years to go. It is a mixed population of Chinese, Malays and European.

The main attraction is the red crab migration in December/January. They are a land based crustation that migrated to the ocean to lay their eggs before returning to land. They live on the fallen leaves of



the tropical rainforest and keep the jungle floor bare of litter. Robber crabs and blue crabs also live in the forests.



It was an enjoyable week with the temperature been 24 minimum and 26 maximum every day, and as it was the dry season very little rain.

The Watershed News

The Watershed Team welcome Amy Turner. We are pleased Amy is going to be doing the Kids Page. We would like to gratefully thank and acknowledge Julie Russell for contributing the Garden Snippets.

The Watershed Team of volunteers are:

President-Ruth Bailey

Secretary-Claire Bayley

Treasurer/Advertising-Pam Carden

Editors- Pam Carden and Daphne McKenzie

Typist- Daphne McKenzie, Margaret McLean and Lee-Ann Mullan

Photo-copier- Ruth Bailey

Collating- Elaine Bushby and the publishing team

Save The Date!

"Games and Afternoon Tea"
event at the
Yealering CWA
Thursday 28th of August.

Come for a catch up or a game of Rummy O,
Mahjong, Scrabble, Chess or cards.
If games aren't your thing bring a hand craft
project
(knitting, crochet etc.) that you are working
on or just come along from 1 pm or anytime
for a cuppa and catch up.

 Hope to see you there!
NOTE - Thursday



St John's Anglican Church

Johnston Street, Wickepin

1st and 3rd Sundays
@ 8.00am
Morning tea
served after service



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

KIDS THESE DAYS WOULD LAUGH AT THIS, BUT IT'S SO TRUE.....

When I grew up our tea time was at a regular time, Sunday's was a roast, simple as that!

Eating out was not heard of, we only had a take away on special occasions, only received a present on birthdays and at Christmas. None of this Halloween, Easter and congratulations you have a pulse day .

Fast food was fish and chips and having a bottle of coke from the shop was a real treat. We only had chicken or Turkey at Christmas.

You took your school clothes off as soon as you got home and put on your 'play' clothes. - children looked like children, we didn't pout, wear makeup or have anxiety. There was no taking, or picking you up, in the car, you walked or rode your bike!

Our house phone had a cord attached to the wall, in the hallway, so there was no such things as private conversations or mobile phones!

We didn't have Kayo, Sky or Netflix, we had only 3 channels to watch. Channel 7 and 9 were exciting additions!

We had no remotes and had to watch all of the adverts unless you switched to ABC.

We played Hide & Seek, Tag, Football, cricket, brandie, climbed trees, made mud pies, daisy chains, and rose perfume

Everyone could play ball! We used rocks for goalposts, bins as wickets, and any ball the dog hadn't chewed to bits. A wheelie and bunnyhop on your bike were standard skills and we used flickers in spokes so it sounded like a motorbike.

Staying in the house was a PUNISHMENT and the only thing we knew about "bored" was --- "You better find something to do, before I find it for you!"

We had our jobs to do for pocket money and always made our beds and tidied our own rooms.

We ate what mum made for our tea or we ate nothing at all. No desert if we didn't eat our mains.

Bottled water was not a thing; we drank water from the tap.

We watched cartoons on Saturday mornings, and rode our bikes for hours. We played outside till dark... street lights were our alarm clock.

If someone had a fight, that's what it was and we were friends again a week later, if not sooner.

We watched our mouths around our elders because ALL of our aunts, uncles, grandpas, grandmas, AND our parents' best friends were all extensions of our PARENTS and you didn't want them telling your parents if you misbehaved! Or they would give you something to cry about. We had respect for our elders, and unless they were Aunts and Uncles etc we addressed them as Mr or Mrs.

I did my research by borrowing books from the library. Internet was non existent and no Google!

We saw toys on adverts and had to wait until 'santa' came before we actually got them. Or we diligently saved our pocket money, doing extra jobs, to buy them ourselves. None of this Amazon same day crap!

These were the good days. So many kids today will never know how it feels to be a real kid Best days of our lives!

**REQUEST FOR TENDER****RFT-01-2025/2026 SWIMMING POOL MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

Description: Tenders are invited for Swimming Pool Management Services.

Tender Enquiries: The Tender Specifications and Conditions of Tender can be viewed on the Shire's Website, under "Public Notices" at www.wickepin.wa.gov.au, or on request by contacting 9888 1005 or emailing eso@wickepin.wa.gov.au.

Lodgement: Tenders will close at 4.00pm Monday 25th August 2025. Submissions are to be in written form with 2 copies and the envelope clearly marked:

"Confidential – RFT-01-2025/2026"

Canvassing of elected members, officers or their representatives will automatically disqualify applicants.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

This opportunity is also being advertised as an employment position.

David Burton
Chief Executive Officer

2025/2026 RATES

The 2025/2026 rates will be issued in the coming weeks. To ensure you receive your rates notice and to alleviate possible interest charges on late payments, please make sure we have your correct postal address on record and advise if any changes of ownership are required. Please email to admin@wickepin.wa.gov.au.

EOI - SWIMMING POOL MANAGEMENT SERVICES



Council seeks expressions of interest from qualified persons to manage the Wickpin Swimming Pool on a continual basis ranging from the 1 November – 31st March every year.

A detailed position description is available upon request by contacting the Administration Office via phone or email.

Written submissions should be clearly marked "Private and Confidential – EOI: Management of the Wickpin Swimming Pool" and sent to PO Box 19 Wickpin 6370 or emailed to eso@wickepin.wa.gov.au.

Expressions of interests close with the undersigned on Monday 25th August 2025.

This opportunity is also being advertised as Tender RFT-01-2025/2026.

David Burton
Chief Executive Officer
Shire of Wickpin

Embracing Community Growth

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**Draft Shire of Wickpin Local Planning Strategy
Available for inspection and comment**

This is your opportunity to have your say about the future of the district.

The draft Local Planning Strategy (LPS) is available for inspection and comment until 4pm Friday, 14 November 2025.

The LPS is the Council's key strategic land use planning document which has significant implications on subdivision, development, land use and influencing economic development and conservation initiatives. It provides broad direction for the future growth and development of the district for 15 years. It applies State and regional planning policies and provides the rationale for the zones, reserves and provisions in the Local Planning Scheme.

The draft LPS is available at www.wickepin.wa.gov.au, at the Shire office and at the WAPC's Perth office (140 William Street, Perth).

A community drop in session is set for 15 September 2025 between 10.00am – 3.00pm. Please register your interest and a preferred time by contacting admin@wickepin.wa.gov.au.

Submissions may be made by:

- E-mail: admin@wickepin.wa.gov.au
- Post: Writing to the Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Wickpin, PO Box 19 Wickpin WA 6370

Following the receipt of written comments, the Shire administration will review the comments and associated issues and report back to Council. Following the Council's decision in late 2025/early 2026, the WAPC will consider the submissions and the Council's final adopted version of the LPS and, in time, the WAPC will endorse the LPS.

It is highlighted that investment or associated decisions should not rely on the draft Strategy given the final endorsed Strategy may be different to the preliminary draft version. Please contact the Shire for clarification or for further information.

Should you have any queries or which to discuss matters relating to the draft LPS, please contact the Shire.

The Shire looks forward to your written comments by 14 November 2025.

David Burton
Chief Executive Officer

Local Government Elections 2025

The next Local Government Ordinary Election is scheduled for Saturday, 18th October 2025.

This year, the Shire of Wickpin will have four (4) Councillor vacancies, each for a four-year term.

Nominations for Council will open on 28th August and close on 4th September 2025.

Residents wishing to vote in the owners and occupiers roll must ensure they are enrolled by the 4th September 2025 deadline. For more details on how to nominate or enrol to vote, please visit the WA Electoral Commission website.

This 80-Year-Old Daffodil Cake Recipe Is the Perfect Lemon Dessert (If you have an abundance of eggs)

Ingredients

- 1 1/2 cups egg whites (9 to 11 large)
- 1 cup sifted cake flour or sifted all-purpose flour
- 1 1/2 cups sugar
- 1 Tbsp. vanilla
- 1 1/2 tsp. cream of tartar
- 6 egg yolks
- 1 Tbsp. lemon zest
- Nasturtium blossoms (optional)



Tangy Lemon Frosting

- 1/2 cup butter
- 5 1/2 cups sifted powdered sugar
- 1/2 tsp. lemon zest
- 1/3 cup fresh lemon juice

Method

Place egg whites in an extra-large bowl. Let stand at room temperature 30 minutes. Meanwhile, sift together flour and 3/4 cup of the sugar. Place oven rack at lowest position. Preheat oven to 350°F

Add vanilla, cream of tartar, and 1/4 tsp. salt to egg whites. Beat with a mixer on medium to high until soft peaks form (tips curl). Gradually add the remaining 3/4 cup sugar, beating until stiff peaks form (tips stand straight). Sift one-fourth of the flour mixture over beaten egg whites; fold in gently. Repeat, adding and gently folding in remaining flour mixture one-fourth at a time. Transfer half of the batter to another bowl.

In a small bowl beat egg yolks with a mixer on high until thick and a pale lemon colour, 4 to 5 minutes. Fold in lemon zest. Gently fold egg yolk mixture into one half of divided batter. Alternately spoon yellow (egg yolk) batter and the remaining plain batter into an ungreased 10-inch tube pan. Lightly swirl a metal spatula or butter knife through batters to marble.

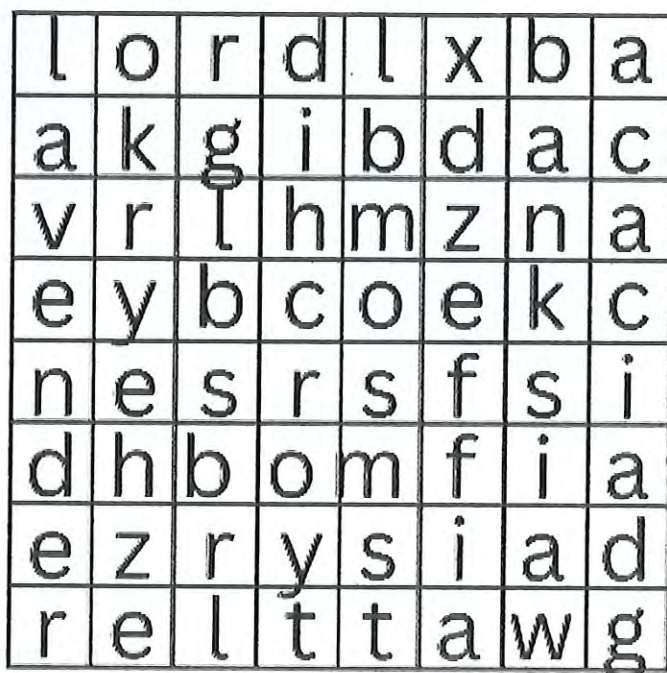
Bake until top of cake springs back when lightly touched, 40 to 45 minutes. Immediately invert cake in pan; cool completely, about 1 hour. Loosen sides of cake; remove pan. Place cake upside down on a serving plate.

Make Frosting

Beat butter with a mixer on low to medium until softened. Beat in sifted powdered sugar, lemon zest, and fresh lemon juice, adding additional lemon juice as needed to make spreading consistency.

Frost with lemon frosting. If you like, top with nasturtium blossoms and/or additional lemon zest.

Which flower is missing? From the crossword



- daffodil ☐
- banksia ☐
- daisy ☐
- lavender ☐
- wattle ☐
- lily ☐
- acacia ☐
- rose ☐
- orchid ☐

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SLIME

Edible Slime

Ingredients:

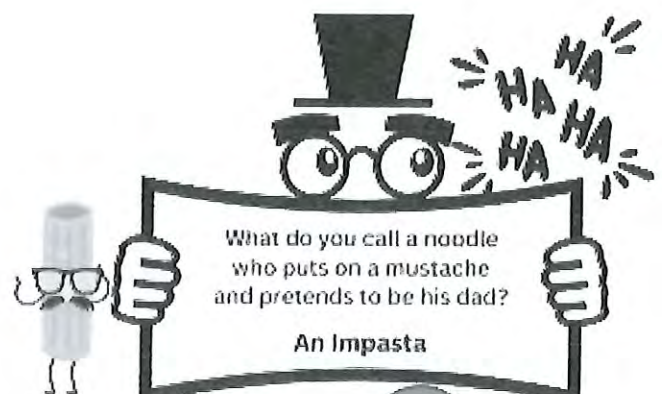
1 cup marshmallows

1 tbsp coconut oil

1½ cups icing sugar

Method: Microwave

marshmallows & oil for 20 seconds, stir, add icing sugar, knead until stretchy.



Happy Birthday
AUSTIN EWEN
30TH AUGUST 2015



Happy Birthday
ETHAN HARRIS
26TH AUGUST 2020



Garden Snippets...

...All~Year Propagation

Plants for Free can be done at any time of the year, depending on the cutting you are working with. Autumn is the ideal time for semi-hardwood cuttings (more mature growth), while winter is perfect for hardwood cuttings. In spring, take soft-wood cuttings of new growth which will give excellent results as the tips are actively growing and full of growth hormones.

Always take your cuttings from healthy "mother" plants and encourage roots to develop either in water or a suitable growing medium. Use clean tools and working surfaces to prevent the spread of diseases and consider using a rooting hormone to encourage faster and stronger root development. Be Patient! As root development happens at different times, depending on the variables and the types of plant you are working with.

Let's Go:

1. Water your "Mother" plant the day before if possible so that cuttings are well hydrated.
2. Select strong, disease-free stems and each cutting should be long enough to have one "Node" above the ground and at least one, preferably more, "Nodes" below the ground when potted. (A "Node" is the growing point from where leaves and shoots originate)
3. Trim the top of the cutting to "just above a node" and trim the base to "just below a node" making an angled cut with clean, sharp secateurs.
4. Gently remove leaves from lower half, and if the top leaves are large, then cut them in half to prevent moisture loss and force energy to the bottom to form roots.
5. You can root cuttings in water or a well-draining potting mix, such as a combination of potting soil and perlite or sand. Some plants, particularly woody ones, may be best propagated directly in soil. If you are trying water propagation, place the cuttings in a clean glass of water, ensuring the nodes are submerged. Change the water every few days to prevent rot.
6. For soil propagation, dip the base of the new cuttings in honey or hormone powder to encourage faster root development. Insert the cuttings into the prepared potting mix, using a stick to make a hole, thus preventing wounds (and infections) to the cutting by just "pushing" it in. Ensure the cut ends are in contact with the medium.
7. Water in and maintain humidity by covering with plastic bag, or a plastic water bottle with the neck cut off. This prevents drying out whilst the roots develop.
8. Place cuttings in a warm location with indirect sunlight. Avoid direct sunlight, which can scorch the cuttings. Keep the growing medium consistently moist, but not waterlogged. Roots should begin to appear in a few weeks to a couple of months, depending on the plant.
9. Once roots are established, carefully pot up the cuttings into individual containers with a suitable potting mix.



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140 William Street Perth Western Australia 6000

With Senior Regional Officer for the South West Annetta Bellingeri

Have your say: Is WA's funeral pricing code working?

Saying goodbye is never easy. The last thing families need is confusion or stress about how much a funeral will cost. Whether it's a joyful tribute or a solemn farewell, the pricing must be clear and upfront.

In Western Australia, the Funeral Pricing Code of Practice means funeral directors must publicly display their prices for all services and packages on their website and each place of business so you can compare the costs yourself in the comfort of your home or with friends and family.

A basic package of the least expensive combination of essential goods and services must also be included in the public pricing. This is so people have a better understanding of the costs for the minimum legal requirements for a burial or cremation.

Once you have decided on what sort of sendoff your loved one will have and ask for a quote, you should receive a full breakdown of prices within two business days to know exactly what the total cost will be, so there are no surprises later on.

Grieving friends and family deserve to be protected when they are at their most vulnerable.

Those consumers who decide to pay for their funerals upfront before they are needed should know they are protected by the mandatory Prepaid Funerals Code of Practice. This requires a detailed contract, prices to be fixed at the time of signing, a 30-day cooling off period and payments to prepaid funeral funds to be managed within secure investments under the name of the client until they are required.

It's important to note that prepaid funeral cover is different to funeral insurance, which should be treated with caution given ongoing payments are required for the rest of a consumer's life. This means they could pay significantly more than the actual payment their family will receive.

Funeral bonds are an investment product where you make regular payments over time and the value grows. When the time comes, the money can only be used for a funeral.

Funeral insurance and bonds are not covered by either Code of Practice, they are regulated by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) as they are financial products.

Reforms to the funeral industry began in 2022 to stamp out unscrupulous sales practices and overcharging.

Before the Funeral Pricing Code of Practice came into effect on 1 May 2023 the cost sometimes wasn't known until after the funeral was held, leading family and friends of the deceased to believe they had been overcharged.

Some people ended up with bells and whistles they didn't want or need, or couldn't afford. Confusing 'bundles' with no itemised prices meant comparing costs between funeral directors was impossible.

From time to time, State Government departments must conduct reviews of laws. That time has come for the Funeral Pricing Code of Practice and Consumer Protection would like your help by filling out the survey here:

<https://consumerprotection.wa.gov.au/funeralpricing> by the **31st of August 2025**

The purpose of the survey is to get feedback on whether the code is working and if consumers are getting upfront knowledge of the prices of funeral goods and services and other funeral information.

If you believe you have been misled about funeral costs, report it to Consumer Protection on 1300 30 40 54.

CULTIVATING PROFIT

*A workshop FOR young farmers ...
Delivered BY a young farmer!*

With **Renae Piggott** | AgAsset Farm
Consultant & Australian Grain Leader
Program Scholar.

**Wednesday,
20th August 2025
2:00pm - 5:00pm
WICKEPIN COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Cultivating Profit is a hands-on 3-hour workshop designed for early-career farmers and advisors to build a strong foundation in farm finance.

It's all about:

- 📊 Boosting financial literacy.
- 👉 Growing confidence.
- 🛠️ Developing practical skills for success in agriculture.

Led by a fellow peer, the session offers a relaxed, supportive space to ask questions, make mistakes & learn together.

Participants receive a indepth workbook plus take-home resources to keep learning going after the session.



Lets Explore Together ...

- Four key financial ratios
- Variable cost ratios
- Operating profit + gross margins
- Bank process in a business loan application

KEY BENEFITS:

**Basic Understanding of Business
Health**

Confidence When Making Decisions

**Profitable & Sustainable Family Farm
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- ✓ ENGAGE WITH GROWERS & KEY INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES
- ✓ DRIVE SUSTAINABILITY & GROWTH
- ✓ ENHANCE YOUR CAREER!!

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The **Agricultural Research & Extension Coordinator** will be involved in;

- Assisting in the development and implementation of projects.
- Participation towards Research and Development.
- Monitoring, recording and communication of data gathered from experiments and trials.
- Organise and conduct fieldwork for our annual trial program.
- Assist with project administration including budgets and reports with the support of the CEO.
- Interacting with farmers regularly to ensure Facey Group remains robust, relevant and useful to our members and wider industry.
- Organise an array of field walks in coordination with the Events Coordinator.
- Be part of a dynamic team of Agriculture and Natural Resource Management professionals who support farmers in ensuring sustainability and resilience of their business.

This position will provide a highly rewarding career and further develop networks across many sectors.

Essential prerequisites for the role include current Australian 'C' class drivers licence, high level of proficiency of computing skills and highly developed written and verbal communication skills.

Essential requirements for the role include tertiary qualifications in Agriculture or Science or similar equivalent or demonstrated relevant experience and be willing to live locally.

The successful applicant will enjoy working both in the office and out in the field with a communal company vehicle and phone allowance for work purposes, as part of an attractive base salary plus superannuation.

This position is a full-time role.

Please forward applications to **Ms Tina Astbury** via email eo@faceygroup.org.au by **4pm Monday, 1st September 2025 (WA time)**. Applications must include a cover letter, updated CV including two professional referees & details of work experience, qualifications & background along with a statement, of no more than 3 pages, addressing the selection criteria.

Caravan For Sale:

Coromal Appeal 554 Trak Pack – Built by APOLLO

Purchased new May 2021.

Senior couple saying farewell to “caravan and camping”

Wonderful memories.

One owner – stored under cover when not in use.

Serviced annually – service history available.

Bearings replaced July 25

Features:

Semi Off Road - heavy duty chassis welded DuraGal Steel

Trak-Pak: Esy Tow Independent Leaf Spring Suspension, 75mm Chassis risers, 16” All-Terrain tyres with steel rims, Pull Out Entry Step.

Free Camping Pack-Two 100AH dep cycle Batteries, two large solar panels, two freshwater tanks plus grey water tank.

Reverse cycle Air Cond – Dometic

Fridge – Dometic - three way.

Microwave.

Gas & electric cook top and grill.

Entertainment Pack 22” TV, King Jack Antenna & External Speakers.

HWS-Gas and Electric

Fiesta Roll Out Awning plus side & rear panel

Ensuite with separate toilet, vanity and shower.

Stone guard fitted.

Caravan cover to fit.

Completely fitted out and ready to go with the following included: Folding chairs and outdoor table, pots, pans and kettle, crockery and cutlery, folding clothes line.

Electric cable and many more extras so you are ready to go.

Contact: Mobile: 0427 811 677

Leave a message and I will call back asap.

\$45 000.00 or near offer



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Phone 0429 100 641



FOR SALE

Tincurrin

16 ft. Jayco Pop Top Caravan 1986 model. In good condition. Roadworthy and licensed until January 2026. 2 single beds. Working gas oven and cooktop.

3-way fridge. Recently went on a trip. No problems. \$6,000

Ring Keith 0427957607

Scam Awareness Week 25th -29th August Common Signs of a Scam

It's an amazing opportunity to make or save money

Someone you haven't met needs your help – and money

The message contains links or attachments

You feel pressured to act quickly

They ask you to pay in an unusual or specific ways

They ask you to set up new accounts or PayIDs

**STOP.
CHECK.
PROTECT.**

Anybody can be scammed but there are 3 simple, memorable steps we can all take to stay safe from scams.

1 Stop

Don't give money or personal information to anyone if unsure.

2 Check

Consider who you're dealing with and ask yourself: could the message or call be fake?

3 Protect

Act quickly if something feels wrong and report scams to Scamwatch. Your report will help us protect others.

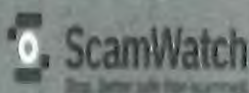
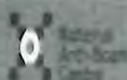
scamwatch.gov.au

BaptistCare is aware of multiple fraud/scam pages that use our name and brand to offer financial products and loans.



We want to remind all of our supporters and followers that we will never ask for banking or financial information, passwords or logins via social media. We don't advertise loans or do consultations via social media, so if you or someone you know has experienced this, please report these pages to Meta immediately.

For more information on scams and how to protect yourself, you can visit the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission website <https://www.accc.gov.au/consumers/protecting-yourself/scams>





Free Workshop!

10 September 2025

Excel for Beginners: Mastering the Basics (Free Workshop)

Event Details

Date: Wednesday, 10 September 2025

Time: 2:00pm - 4:00pm

Location: Wickein Community Resource Centre, 24 Wogolin Road, Wickein

Presenter: Ben Stangoni, Business Advisor from IPS Management Consultants

Who can participate?

All small business owners wanting to master the basics of Excel.

Main Topics covered in this workshop

- Introduction to Excel
- Data Entry and Formatting
- Basic Formulas and Functions
- Working with Worksheets
- Sorting and Filtering Data
- Creating Simple Charts
- Printing and Page Setup



Why join this hands-on workshop?

Come along to this FREE workshop to be equipped with foundational Excel skills for everyday business use! Don't miss out ... register by scanning the QR code below!

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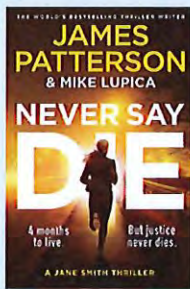
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New books at the Wickepin Public Library



ADULT FICTION THRILLER: **Never Say Die**— James Patterson and Mike Lupica

The third gripping novel in the bestselling series. Jane Smith is back in the courtroom defending a notorious client, but her time is running out. . .

Jane Smith is the best lawyer in town... but she's on a deadline.

Her repeat client, Rob Jacobson, seems to attract misfortune wherever he goes. Only just acquitted of a triple homicide is he accused of brutally killing another family. And this time, the evidence against him is even more damning.

Jacobson insists he's being framed - again. Despite the odds, Jane believes him.

Jane must now tackle the most complex case of her career whilst battling an even bigger threat. A terminal medical condition.

Will she uncover the truth before it's too late? Or will the clock run out on her final case?



ADULT FICTION DRAMA: **Summer Island**— Kristin Hannah

Years ago, Nora Bridge walked out on her marriage and left her daughters behind. She has since become a famous radio talk-show host and newspaper columnist beloved for her moral advice. Her youngest daughter, Ruby, is a struggling comedienne who uses her famous mother as fuel for her bitter, cynical humour.

When the tabloids unearth a scandalous secret from Nora's past, their estrangement suddenly becomes dramatic. Nora is injured in an accident and a glossy magazine offers Ruby a fortune to write a tell-all about her mother. Under false pretences, Ruby returns home to take care of the woman she hasn't spoken to for almost a decade.

Nora insists they retreat to Summer Island, to the lovely old house on the water where Ruby grew up, a place filled with childhood memories of love and joy and belonging. There Ruby is also reunited with her first love and his brother. Once, the three of them had been best friends, inseparable. Until the summer that Nora had left and everyone's hearts had been broken



ADULT TRUE STORY: **Through Fear And Fire**— John Taylor and Heath O'Loughlin

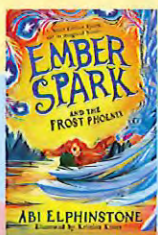
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JUNIOR FICTION: **Ember Spark and the Frost Phoenix**— Abi Elphinstone

The second title in this magical NEW series filled with adventure, wonder and edge-of-your-seat excitement, set in a world of daring dragons and magical maladies by the best-selling author of Sky Song, Abi Elphinstone . . .

Ember Spark has been working as an apprentice to Rusty Fizzbang, vet to magical creatures. When a baby frost phoenix guides her north to the Arctic circle, she soon realises that the migrating Neverwhales are at risk. And with arch-villain, Jasper Hornswoggle, tracking her, danger is afoot not just for the Neverwhales, but for ALL of the magical creatures.

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Saturday 20th September

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Spaces are limited, so booking is essential.
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WHAT'S ON @ WICKY CRC?

SEPTEMBER

Friday
5th

Communi-TEA
1:30pm



Wednesday
10th

Excel Workshop
10:00am



Thursday
18th

Connectivity Workshop
1:30pm



Saturday
20th

Spring Markets &
Educated By Nature
Kids Activities
9:00am



OCTOBER

Friday
3rd

Communi-TEA
1:30pm



Thursday
16th

Can You Spot a
Scam Webinar
12:00pm



**For more information, or to
register for any of our activities,
call us on 9888 1500. We'd love
to hear from you!**



Wickein

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Your local connection

**TEMPORARILY
CLOSED**

**Wickein CRC will be closed on
Thursday 21st & Friday 22nd August
for staff to attend the CRC State Conference.
Apologies for any inconvenience.**

Carbon Farming Outreach Program

WICKEPIN

Tuesday, 23rd September

CORRIGIN

Wednesday, 24th September

Join us to explore opportunities to enhance farm profitability through carbon sequestration with
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Delivered with funding support from the Commonwealth of Australia through the Department of Climate Change, Energy, the Environment and Water, under the Carbon Farming Outreach Program in collaboration with the Grower Group Alliance.



FACEY GROUP UPDATE

Equipment Loan Services – Available Now!

Facey Group have acquired several handy tools over the years to assist in carrying out field work and we want our members to know about these and have easy access to them. The Equipment Loan Register is packed with gear to help with on-farm tasks like tree planting, livestock data collection, hay sampling, and harvest loss checks. By borrowing from Facey Group, you save the expense of buying equipment you may only use once or twice. Take a look below for a snapshot of what's available!



Image: Tru-Test XRS2i Stick reader in action

Tru-Test XRS2i Stick Reader

A portable tag reader for scanning sheep or cattle EID tags on the go. Great for recording treatments or regulation compliance without needing a full yard setup.

Tru-Test XRP2i Panel Reader and XR5000 Weigh Scale Indicator

Use together or separately to scan and record individual animal weights and data to each EID tag. The panel reader enables hands-free scanning in the yards, while the weigh scale indicator captures live weight and links it directly to each animal — ideal for large mobs, performance tracking, and meeting NLIS requirements.

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Image: Pottiputki Tree Planters

To book equipment or find out more, contact the Facey Group office:

Phone - (08) 9888 1223 or Email - agrec2@faceygroup.org.au

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Thursday
September 25th 2025
1.00pm

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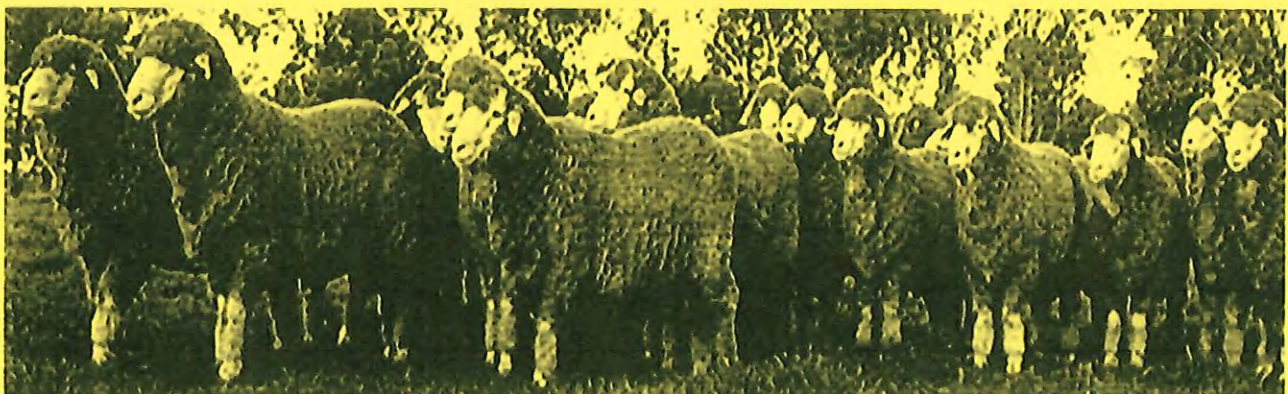
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LAKE YEALERING BOWLS CLUB

LADIES GALA DAY TRIPLES DAY

CHANGE OF DATE

**FRIDAY 26TH
SEPTEMBER 2025**

\$90.00 PER TEAM

9:00am MORNING TEA

9.30am START

FORMAT: 3 GAMES OF 12 ENDS

ENTRIES CLOSE 19TH SEPTEMBER

RSVP TO : LOIS SHIPLEY 0400542704





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Loss and grief and

Relationship issues (home & work)

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Contact our Counsellors:

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Anne Hague: 0427 133 711

Joyce Contos: 0428 891 244

Email: ceagcare@bigpond.com



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20 Kirkwood Street, CORRIGIN
(PO Box 6, CORRIGIN WA 6375)

Position Vacant

Hairdresser - Mobile Service

Narrogin Cottage Homes

Position Overview

We are seeking a qualified and compassionate hairdresser to provide mobile hairdressing services to our residents on a fortnightly basis.

**Narrogin
Cottage Homes (Inc.)**



Key Details

- **Location:** Narrogin Cottage Homes
- **Schedule:** Fortnightly visits
- **Type:** Contract

Responsibilities

- Provide professional hairdressing services including cuts, styling, and basic treatments
- Work with elderly residents in a caring and patient manner
- Maintain high standards of hygiene and safety
- Bring necessary equipment and supplies

Requirements

- Current hairdressing qualification/license
- Experience working with elderly clients preferred
- Own reliable transport
- Professional indemnity insurance
- Current police clearance (or willingness to obtain)
- Compassionate and patient approach
- 2025 Flu Vaccination

To Apply

Please contact us with your resume and brief cover letter outlining your experience.

Contact: Heather Martyka **Email:** exec.assistant@nch.org.au **Phone:** 08 98811677

RECOMMENDATIONS

Daffodils is a 2019 New Zealand musical drama film directed by David Stubbs. It stars Rose McIver and George Mason. Based on the award-winning New Zealand stage play, inspired by a true story, the film follows an indie musician who recounts her parents' bittersweet romance, after being told about it by her father on his death bed.



Big Fish



At Will Bloom's (Billy Crudup) wedding celebration, his father Edward, portrayed by Albert Finney as Old Edward and Ewan McGregor as Young Edward, shares a fantastical tale about the day Will was born, claiming he once hooked an enormous catfish using his wedding ring as bait. Will, having heard these extravagant stories throughout his life, is sceptical and ultimately distances himself from his father. However, three years later, with Edward diagnosed with cancer, Will and his pregnant French wife, Joséphine (Marion Cotillard), return to their roots in Alabama to spend precious moments with Edward.

In the movie *Big Fish*, there is a breathtaking scene of Edward standing in a field filled with daffodils. It's said that Tim Burton's crew spent a whole weekend planting the real flowers for the shot.



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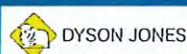
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Daffodil Day is Cancer Council's most iconic and much loved fundraising campaign.

On this day, Australians all over the country come together and, for all that cancer takes, we give hope. We give to support people impacted by cancer and we give to support cancer research that will save lives.

In 2024, Australians gave a bunch for Daffodil Day, raising over \$3.3 million towards lifesaving cancer research. This year, we would love to have your vital support once more.

We know that almost 1 in 2 people will be diagnosed with cancer by the age of 85, so it takes all of us to give hope for better treatments and better outcomes. The more hope we give, the more lives we can save. That's why we're encouraging you to give it your all by registering to fundraise or by donating this Daffodil Day.

Cancer Council
Daffodil Day

For all that cancer takes, give hope this Daffodil Day.



Donate to life-saving cancer research.
Thursday, 21 August 2025.



Daffodil Day 2025 is **Thursday, 21 August** but you can get involved and help support this special day any time throughout the month.



Label Reading Card

How to read the nutrition information panel on packaged foods and drinks
Choose foods and drinks that are lower in saturated fat, sugar and sodium.

Compare the per 100 g/mL column	Best choice 😊	OK sometimes 😐	Too high 😞
SATURATED FAT	Under 1.5 g	1.5 – 3 g	Over 3 g
SUGAR - FOOD	Under 5 g	5 – 15 g	Over 15 g
- DRINKS*	Under 2.5 g	2.5 – 5 g	Over 5 g
SODIUM (SALT)	Under 120 mg	120 – 400 mg	Over 400 mg

*Drinks without added sugar or sweetener like water and plain milk are best.

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For further details please phone Alf Baker 0419 314 283



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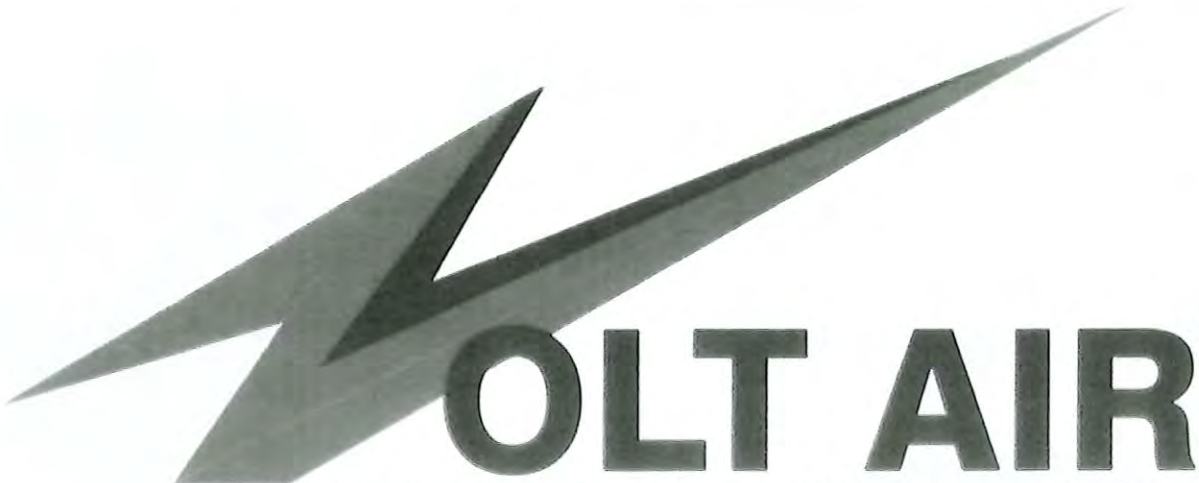
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Flavor: Crips & slightly bitter

Use: For stir-fries, stuffed peppers

Fun Fact: They are harvested early, which makes them the most affordable - but also the least sweet.



YELLOW

Ripeness: Midway ripe

Flavor: Mild & sweet

Use: Grilled or add to fresh salads

Fun Fact: They are rich in vitamin C and have a bright, citrus-like flavor - ideal for summer dishes.



ORANGE

Ripeness: Nearly fully ripe

Flavor: Mild, sweet & delicious

Use: Perfect for pasta salads or snacking

Fun Fact: They are loaded with antioxidants like lutein and zeaxanthin-great for eye health!



RED

Ripeness: Fully ripe

Flavor: Sweetest & most flavorful

Use: Roasting, making sauce

Fun Fact: They have almost 11 times more beta-carotene and twice the vitamin C of green peppers!

SPORTS NOTES

WICKEPIN FOOTBALL CLUB

Round 13 **Sunday, 10 August 2025** **Played at Pingelly Town Oval**

<u>Brookton/Pingelly Fourths</u>	35	5.5	
<u>Wickepin Fourths</u>	22	3.4	Brookton/Pingelly Fourths won by 13 pts

<u>Brookton/Pingelly Reserves</u>	70	9.16	
<u>Wickepin Reserves</u>	37	5.7	Brookton/Pingelly Reserves won by 33 pts

<u>Brookton Pingelly League</u>	37	5.7	
<u>Wickepin League</u>	146	22.14	Wickepin League won by 109 pts

Round 12 **Sunday, 17 August 2025** **Played at Katanning Town Oval**

<u>Katanning Fourths</u>	41	5.11	
<u>Wickepin Fourths</u>	16	2.4	Katanning Fourth won by 25pts

<u>Katanning Reserves</u>	153	24.9	
<u>Wickepin Reserves</u>	31	4.7	Katanning reserves won by 122pts

<u>Katanning League</u>	30	4.6	
<u>Wickepin League</u>	121	19.7	Wickepin League won by 91pts



LAKE YEALERING GOLF CLUB

Saturday 9th August 2025

The day was the Club's 5th Qualifying Round kindly sponsored by ALLIED FINANCE. 9 players braved the cold, wet and at times windy conditions (torrential rain at times). The winner on the day was C. Jespersen on 79 points. Second was B. Beck and Third was S. Dicks, both with 84 points.

Novelty prizes were as follows:-

Longest Putt No 2	M. Marshall
Best Second on No 12	C. Jespersen
Best Third on No 16	S. Dicks
Nearest to Pin No 18	C. Jespersen



Usual many thanks to Tanya and her kitchen crew for a wonderful meal.

Saturday 16th August 2025. No local golf as 6 Members attended Kulin Golf Club Open Day.

BADMINTON

Are there any groups or individuals who are interested in playing badminton? There is equipment available and a bank account to pay for shuttles.

The bank account needs closing and the money donated to someone else around town. The Shire uses a generous attitude towards the club and it only costs a few dollars to play. Play can be anytime day or evening, that the courts are available. There are three courts in the Community Centre.

A season can be arranged to suit those wishing to play.

Would those interested please ring Hazel Green on 98881156. I am not interested in organising this and will close the account in a few weeks if no interest

Dudinin Tennis Club Centenary Celebration

Sunday 28 September 2025 - 2pm until late!

Come along and enjoy a great day of reminiscing and celebrating 100 years of tennis in Dudinin!



Please share with family and friends!

- 2pm - Social tennis, club memorabilia displays and a traditional Dudinin afternoon tea
- 6pm to 8pm - Enjoy local vocalist *'Jaymie Turner'*
- 8pm to late - Dance the night away with local band *'Bale Out'*

A variety of food vans will be available to purchase the evening meal, giving everyone the chance to relax and enjoy themselves.

Camping is available on the oval with a recovery breakfast available on Monday morning.

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WHAT'S ON IN THE WICKEPIN SHIRE

MONDAY

Fit Pursuit 5.45 – 6.30am, Wickepin Community Centre

TUESDAY

She Shed He Shed 9am – 12pm, Old Recycling Shed, Richter Street

Pathology Service – By Appointment Only,
Wickepin Health Centre, Phone 9888 2222

Yoga 6 – 7.30pm, Harrismith Hall. All welcome.
During School terms. Tara: 0427 333 171

WEDNESDAY

Social Arts & Crafts 9.30, Joyner Street
Chair Aerobics 9.00 – 10.00am, Wickepin Health Centre
Indoor Bowls 1pm, Wickepin Community Centre.

THURSDAY

Fit Pursuit 5.45 – 6.30am, Wickepin Community Centre

FRIDAY

Wickepin Playgroup 9 – 11am, during school term. Ages 0 – 5,
Playgroup Building Campbell St

SATURDAY

Banksia Bowmen Archery – Winter Shoot Time Saturday 1 – 4pm,
Wickepin Community Centre

SUNDAY

Anglican Church, 8am every 1st and 3rd Sunday. All welcome

COMMUNITY CALENDAR 2025

AUGUST

Wed	20 th	Wickepin District Sports Club AGM 7pm
Wed	20 th	Facey Group Cultivating Profit 2pm - 5pm Wickepin Community Centre
Thur	21 st	Wickepin CRC closed
Thur	21 st	Cancer Council Daffodil Day
Fri	22 nd	Wickepin CRC closed
Wed	25 th	Swimming Pool Management Tender closes – Shire of Wickepin
Thur	28 th	Yealering Games and Afternoon Tea 1pm -Yealering CWA

SEPTEMBER

Mon	1 st	Watershed News
Mon	1 st	Recycle and Bin Day
Tue/Wed	2-3	Eastough's Ag Heavy Vehicle Pilot & Refresher Course Wickepin
Fri	5 th	Communi Tea 1.30pm Wickepin CRC
Wed	10 th	Excel for Beginners Workshop 2pm - 4 pm – Wickepin CRC
Mon	15 th	Watershed News
Mon	15 th	Recycle and Bin Day
Thur	18 th	Connectivity Workshop 1.30pm - Wickepin CRC
Sat	20 th	CRC Spring Market Day 10am - 2pm
Sat	20 th	Free Kids Activities 9am - 10.30am and 12.30pm - 2.30pm
Tue	23 rd	Carbon Farming Outreach Program Wickepin Facey Group
Wed	24 th	Carbon Farming Outreach Program Corrigin Facey Group
Fri	26 th	Term 3 Ends
Mon	29 th	Recycle and Bin Day
Tue	30 th	Watershed News

OCTOBER

Fri	3 rd	Communi Tea 1.30pm Wickepin CRC
Wed	8 th	Wickepin CRC AGM 5.30pm
Mon	13 th	Watershed News
Mon	13 th	Recycle and Bin Day
Mon	14 th	Term 4 Starts
Thurs	16 th	Can You Spot a Scam Webinar 12 pm – Wickepin CRC
Sat	18 th	Local Government Ordinary Election
Sun	19 th	Lake Yealering Bowling Club 70 th Anniversary Luncheon
Tue	21 st	Drum Muster Contact Shire of Wickepin to book 98881005
Mon	27 th	Watershed News

NOVEMBER

Fri	7 th	Communi Tea 1.30pm Wickepin CRC
Mon	10 th	Watershed News
Mon	10 th	Recycle and Bin Day
Mon	24 th	Watershed News
Mon	24 th	Recycle and Bin Day