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### WESSY ON THE GREEN

Woo Hoo what an Event!

Over 460 people through the gates!

Nearly \$13,880.00 to go towards the next Wessy on the Green which will be held in 2025.

Feed back has been overwhelming with everyone thoroughly enjoying the event, many visitors are wanting to come back for the next one.

Where to start! The food was fantastic. Music was suited to a huge range of ages and added to the laid back feel of the day. We couldn't have wished for better weather it was a balmy 28 during the day, which made the evening temperatures bearable. The vast range of free activities for the young'uns was impressive to say the least, The Reptile Co brought a range of creatures big and small, this was made possible through Youth Week initiatives supported by Department of Communities and WA Community Resource Network. The face painter as always goes down a treat with all ages, Sports Fun Inflatables provided endless entertainment with a horizontal climbing wall, slam dunk basketball, dodgeball, twister and soccer and for the little ones what could be better than a sand pit laden full of goodies to uncover! Once the evening set in Balls n All Arcade well and truly delivered the goods. With a selection of arcade games that kept absolutely everyone entertained ( yes even some adults were spotted lining up to have a go)

With the kiddos sorted there was time in between bands for the adults to peruse the venue to check out all the shiny grunt cars in the Car Demo ( thanks to Daimo for organising) and the Community corner which featured various stalls and held a Photo Competition which showcased a range of local talent and all that is encompassing of

Westonia (see page 3 for results)

Sealing the deal for everyone's tick of approval were the Fireworks and what a fantastic display that was, Westcoast Fireworks did an amazing job and added that extra bit of magic to the night.

#### Thank you to:

First and foremost our sponsors as always these community events are just not possible without their generosity: Westonia Progress Bitutek. Association. Mech MANICOWEST, Ramelius Resources, Wessie PTY LTD, Della Bosca Transport, Wessy Contracting PTY LTD, Hale Shearing, Merredin Farms, Westonia Tavern, AFGRI Equipment, Elders Merredin & Centek Construction. We must also mention Ramelius kindly donated the use of their lighting plant and provided a back up generator. Della Bosca Transport donated the use of their customised Golf Cart and may have delivered Uber eats on the night. Joel Corsini supplied his Golf cart which was well utilised on the day too.



Our Band's performances were incredible! First nearly had no beer! kicking off with our local lads Day & Knight, and local girls Ez & Jn'ita, The boys from "Muka" The Eastern Line, Tash, Jim & the Fella's from The Little Lord Street Band, Siobhan Cotchin (2023 winner of 4 WAM awards) her Band and support team, then finally our very own Sophie Jane Band you guys Rocked! Sophie Jane not only sang her heart out on stage, but was there for every meeting, busy bee and set up with babies in tow thank you so much! Ben from Megavision worked so hard for his money! He was on our oval at 7:30am until after midnight. From setup, through sound and lighting checks, to band performance and pack down he truly made the performances run seamlessly.

Westonia Co-op & Tavern with their Burgers and Pizza. What can I say we are so lucky to have such amazing people in our community. Joc, Pete and the Co-op crew, Cindy Ian and the Wessy Tavern staff including Sandra, Ash, Chris, Drake, Rohan, Karin and everyone who in our hour of need stepped up and worked their butts off to save our event. You guys are Legends!

for their next event.

Uncle Santos Lebanese cuisine truck-Gina and event. Good on you Uncle Santos!

Wheatbelt Coffee Time - Thanks to Brad for rearranging things to get out to Wessy. He really Joan and Bill Huxtable, Colleen and Vaughn Wallis helped us out with another outlet for food and who spent their night selling raffle tickets and also drinks.

Westonia Bowling Club Bar-well it goes with out saying what an effort this team put in! Thanks to their fearless leader Jonesy, they made sure everyone was hydrated all night and managed to keep the crowd from getting unruly. The show went on, even after a small mishap with a cool room. That could have ended in tears as the Pub/bar very

Westonia Golf Club for the loan of their two fire pits, Pizza oven and the much needed recovery breakfast on Sunday morning. It was very much appreciated, when everyone made an effort to drag themselves out of bed by 7:00am morning. To make sure the Event Attendees & Band Members were fed before heading off on their journey home. A special thank you to Liz Richter for offering her MC services and Community corner organizer. You keep things moving and the schedule running smoothly, not an easy job to stay on top it was greatly appreciated.



Creamy Cow Soft Serve from Merredin - these Our Shire works and garden crew who under a very fabulous ladies were the only food van to say yes tight time frame built a complete stage, 3 shelters, from the beginning, and followed through with their moved fire pits, wine barrels, sand for sandpits promise. Glyn and his wife Jo Doughty were a erected fences, marquees and gazebos then moved delight to work with. We need to spread the word to things around when told it wasn't quite right, pruned other community's who may need a Ice-cream van and raked every tree and bush to make the whole town sparkle. All your efforts have not gone unnoticed.

Santos were run off their feet and so happy with the Our Stall Holders and Photo Comp participants patronage. Their food was second to none! They need a special mention as they created a lovely said they love country shows like this one and atmosphere and more points of interest for event would love to come back to Westonia for another attendees, the complex gymnasium looked fabulous and showcased so much of what our area has to

> Zoe, Lani, Emilie, Chantelle, Asha, Harry and Brad who were rotating shifts on the entry table we cant thank you guys enough for helping out!!







Raffle proceeds of \$4,150.00 will go towards the next "Wessy on the Green" to be held in 2025.

#### A message from the CEO

For those who attended the Wessy of the Green Event it was a huge success for the community. I would like to commend all of the volunteers involved who worked tirelessly to make sure that the event ran smoothly. For Wessy on the Green to continue to be great, the wider Westonia community are encouraged to buy in and assist with the extraordinary amount of work that is involved to make it a success.

I would also like to commend the Council workforce for their work in setting and packing up which was no mean feat.

A special mention to Stacey Geier, our Manager for Community Services, and her band of helpers who did an outstanding job with all of the coordination of the event. Well done to all and look forward to the next event in 2025!!!!



"To Stacey and everyone who worked so hard to make Wessy on the Green such a wonderful event. Many thanks for all your hard work. The atmosphere was a very happy place and the fire work display was out of this world, as good as any you would see in the big smoke."

From one appreciative resident.

The Shire, Councilors and CRC crew, WOW what we have achieved together in such a short time falls nothing short of Amazing! It is impossible to list everything, but well done to everyone, you know who you are! Last but not least a HUGE shout out to our Volunteers! Who went above and beyond to help out prior to and on the day. Many hands make light work, as they say but it is very true, we even had people from out of town lending a hand in the kitchen, bar and on the entry gate. We will be holding a WOTG Debrief for all the Volunteers, Organisers to attend on Thursday the 4th of May, 5pm at the Wanderers Stadium. See you there.





ONCE AGAIN, WE WOULD LIKE TO SAY A BIG THANK
YOU TO ALL THAT PARTICIPATED IN THIS RAFFLE AND
OUR FANTASTIC SPONSORS.

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#### PHOTO COMPETITION WINNERS

#### Kids and Animals

1st Place: Sophie Jane Crees

2nd Place: Celia DuPlessis

#### Farming and Mining

1st Place: Sophie Jane Crees

2nd Place: Kasey Dunkley Cooper

#### Flora ands Fauna

1st Place: Asha Geier

2nd Place: Jasmine Geier

#### **Drone**

1st Place: Mitch Hunter

2nd Place: Jasmine Geier

#### **Peoples Choice**

Crees

2nd Place: "The Kitten Driver" Sophie Jane Raffle Permit # LS219646523

Crees

#### FIREWORK BUTTON PUSHER RAFFLE

Joint winners Lincoln Gibbs 13yrs and sister Blythe Gibbs 8yrs.



There is still plenty of merch available at the Shire office!



TRUCKER CAP \$15



marl slouch beanie \$15



BUCKET HAT \$20



STURBY HOLDER

#### 1st Place: "Little Girl in the Puddle" Sophie Jane Results of the BP Fuel Gift Card Pack Raffle

Drawn, after the 7:30pm ticket sale cut off, on Saturday 22/4/23.

Thank you to Siobhan Cotchin for drawing our two ticket random draw.

Prize Draw 1, \$2500.00 BP Fuel Gift Card Pack Winner Koby Scarrott ticket number 347.

Prize Draw 2, \$2500.00 BP Fuel Gift Card Pack Winner - Paul Thompson ticket number 122.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR WINNERS!!























## NOTICE OF INTENTION TO LEVY DIFFERENTIAL RATES 2023/2024

PURSUANT TO SECTION 6.33 AND 6.36 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1995, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO RATEPAYERS OF THE INTENTION OF THE SHIRE OF WESTONIA TO IMPOSE THE FOLLOWING DIFFERENTIAL AND MINIMUM RATES FOR THE 2023/2024 RATING YEAR. THIS RATE IS TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION COUNCIL'S DECISION AT APRIL MEETING TO IMPOSE A 5% RATE INCREASE.

THE OBJECT AND REASONS FOR EACH PROPOSED RATE MAY BE INSPECTED AT THE SHIRE OFFICE, WOLFRAM STREET, WESTONIA DURING NORMAL BUSINESS HOURS OR BY VISITING OUR WEBSITE WWW.WESTONIA.WA.GOV.AU. ALL SUBMISSIONS IN WRITING WITH REFERENCE TO THE PROPOSED DIFFERENTIAL RATES OR MINIMUM PAYMENTS SHOULD BE FORWARDED TO THE SHIRE OF WESTONIA NO LATER THAN 4.00PM MONDAY 22 MAY 2023.

BILL PRICE
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
SHIRE OF WESTONIA

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#### **ANZAC DAY CEREMONY**

A beautiful ceremony was held on the Tuesday 25th of April at the Old Miners hall to honour those who fought for our country. 40 people came to pay tribute to those who have served and sacrificed. Thanks to Kerry, Doug, Jasmine and Heather for your efforts.









#### **Underground Fuel Tank**

The Westonia Progress Association has a 30,000L (2 x 15,000L compartments) underground Fuel Tank for sale as it is surplus to needs. The tank has been refurbished, cleaned, pressure tested, new fittings (including Dura underground pipe to connect tank to bowser and line to vent) and repainted with rubber compound. Asking Price is \$10k

Contact Bill on 0427 467 063









Do you have an idea for a project in need of funding?

Scan the QR code to take the survey, or head to the website.

Submission Deadline: 10th Mau

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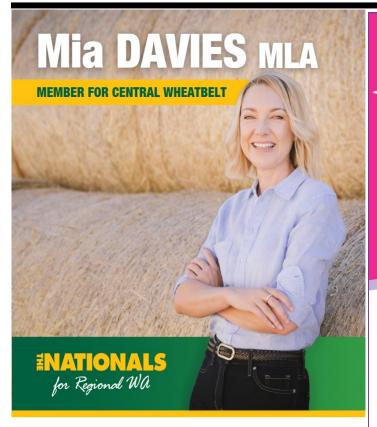


On-site accommodation with electricity, water & WIFI is offered. Our caravan park offers a relaxed atmosphere, wide open spaces in a quiet country wheatbelt town.

If you think this position would suit you and are interested in more information please either call Stacey Geier on (08) 9046 7063, email community@westonia.wa.gov.au or please visit the Shire Website

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Women 40 years and over with no breast symptoms are eligible for a **FREE** screening mammogram.
BreastScreen WA's mobile will be at:

#### **Bruce Rock**

Bruce Rock Memorial Hospital, 35 Dunstall Street

22/05/2023 - 25/05/2023

Dates may be subject to change. If visit dates are not suitable, participants are welcome to book at the clinic in a different town or at any of our **permanent clinics**.

# Book online www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au or call 13 20 50



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9 APRIL: JOHN MCDOWALL

10 APRIL: MICHAEL IBURG

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17 APRIL: SHARON BRIGHT

27 APRIL: APRIL NICOLETTI

30 APRIL: PATRICIA RULE

### Westonia Co-Op & Cafe & Post Office



**Don't forget Mother's** Day - May 14th Come in and browse our selections of gifts and gift cards.

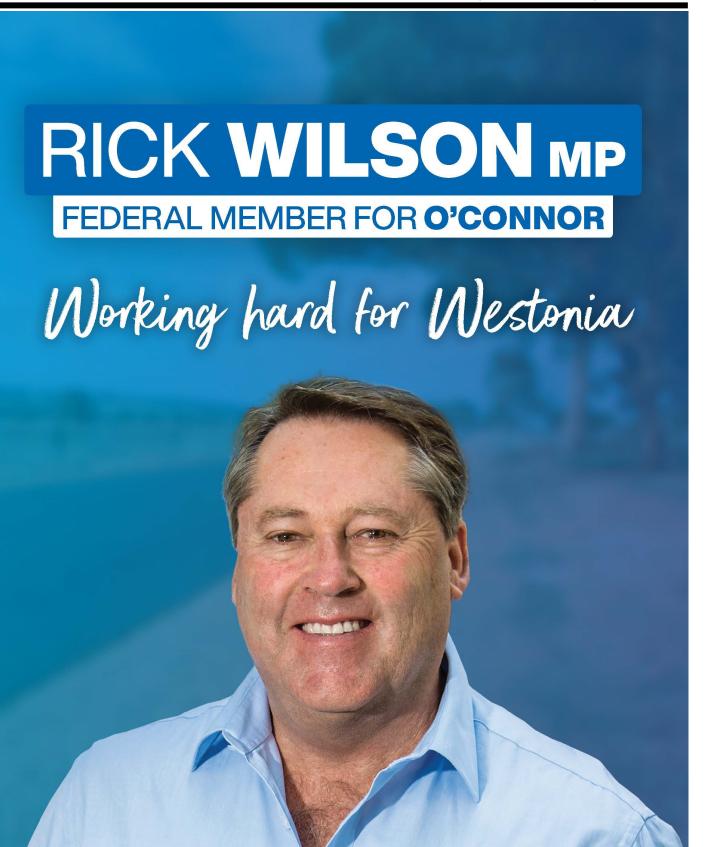


Cafe Open Monday to Friday 8.30am to 2pm Hot chips, Burgers, Seafood, Fish & Chips **Order ahead : 90467222** 

**Opening Hours** Mon 8.30am - 5.00pm Tue 8.30am - 5.00pm Wed 8.30am - 6.30pm Thur 8.30am - 5.00pm Fri 8.30am - 5.00pm Sat 8.30am - 12.00pm



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SATURDAY	29 APRIL	6 MAY	13 MAY	20 MAY	27 MAY
FRIDAY	28 APRIL Bring your own project to the sewing room 9AM-12:30PM	5 MAY  Making may day baskets at the old CRC 10:00AM – 12:30PM.  Please bring morning tea to share	<b>12 MAY</b> Mothers day morning tea at old CRC 10:30AM	19 MAY	26 MAY
THURSDSAY	27 APRIL Sit down exercises at the Rec Centre 10AM-11AM Bingo at old CRC 1PM-4PM	4 MAY BINGO at the Rec Centre 1:00PM— 4:00PM	11 MAY Sit down exercises at rec centre 10:00AM-11:00AM Carpet bowls at rec centre 1:00PM-4:00PM	18 MAY COUNCIL	25 MAY
WEDNESDAY	26 APRIL	3 MAY  National foster care day  Trip to DCP, Merredin for informative talk.  Bus leaves at 10:15 at old CRC. Chinese for lunch. Please RSVP to shire	10 MAY Beyond blue Meet at old CRC at 10:30AM Please bring morning tea to share	17 MAY	24 MAY
TUESDAY		2 MAY Sit down exercises at the rec Centre 10AM-11AM Scrabble in old CRC 1PM Laura Black	9 MAY SCRABBLE 1:00PM- 4:00PM old CRC	16 MAY (**) Laura Black	23 MAY  Laura Black
MONDAY		1 MAY HAPPY MAY DAY  DR Olga Ward	8 MAY	15 MAY	22 MAY
SUNDAY		30 APRIL	7 MAY	14 MAY	21 MAY