

Shire of Westonia Council News

6 March 2019

fortnightly information from us to you

Wheatbelt Medical Student Immersion Program

The Shire of Westonia in conjunction with Rural Health West, Country WA Primary Health Network & Wheatbelt East Regional Organisation of Councils (WEROC). Medical students from Curtin Medical School and The University of Notre Dame Australia Fremantle School of Medicine will participate in a rural immersion experience in Westonia between the Monday 11 to Friday 15 March 19

The program aims to build student understanding of a rural life. During their stay, students will experience a farm safety course and visits to local general practices, hospitals and schools, Community events and Town Specific opportunities. We acknowledge many of the students will become metropolitan doctors in the future, however this program will give them an understanding of what a country patient experiences when travelling to/from Perth for treatment. If a student is influenced by the program to consider a rural career, that will be the cherry on top.

Community Thank you Dinner

🕒 Thursday, March 14, 2019 at 6:30 PM – 9:30 PM

📍 Wanderers Stadium Diorite St, Westonia



Davies congratulates Merredin St John Ambulance on their new Sub Centre

Local MP Hon Mia Davies MLA joined St John Ambulance and locals on Saturday to celebrate the official opening of the newly built facilities at the Merredin Sub Centre.

Ms Davies congratulated all the volunteers that had given up their own time to give back to their community.

"Our regional St John volunteers work hard and at times face challenging situations, they deserve to have modern facilities to work out of," she said.

****Please see below website link for complete release****

<http://www.nationalswa.com/davies-congratulates-merredin-st-john-ambulance-on-their-new-sub-centre>



South Walgoolan Road Closure

Please be advised that **South Walgoolan Road** between Goldfields Road and 6 Mile/Clothier Roads will be closed to Heavy Vehicles (above 4.5 tonnes) effective immediately and will remain closed until remedial works are undertaken.

For further information please contact the Shire of Westonia on (08)90467063

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NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next Council Meeting will be held on **Thursday 21st March 2019**, from 3.30pm. The meeting will be held at the Westonia CRC Building (Old Administration Building). The meeting's agenda will be published on Council's website from 5.00pm on **Friday 15th March 2019**.

For more info:  (08)9046 7063

 www.westonia.wa.gov.au/council-meetings



The podiatrist will be back in town on the following dates appointments are available starting at 9am

29th March 2019

Please call the Shire Office on **(08) 90467063** for more information or to make an appointment.

Primary Care Nurse Practitioner

Laura Black

19th March 19 @ Westonia Shire Office

9.00am—2.00 pm

Booking made through

WESTONIA SHIRE ADMIN on (08) 9046 7063



DR OLGA WARD

**MBBS, FRACGP, GDRGP, FARGP
Procedural Surgical GP Westonia**

Consulting Dates 2019 (Monday's)

21 January 2019	25 February 2019
25 March 2019	9 April 2019
10 June 2019	22 July 2019
27 August 2019	23 September 2019
28 October 2019	2 December 2019

Our Strategic Community Plan 2018-2028

Now that five years have passed since the Strategic Community Plan 2013-2023 was adopted, back in April 2018 Council engaged Caroline Robinson from the Wheatbelt Business Network to complete the community consultation to develop a New 2018-2028 Strategic Community Plan. Which was developed using feedback received by the community, staff and Councillors of the Shire of Westonia.

You can let Council know your thoughts, the New Strategic Community Plan is available on our website www.westonia.wa.gov.au/documents/general or collect a hard copy from the Shire Administration office/Library. Your feedback will help guide our direction.



Our Strategic Community Plan 2018-2028

Review For Comment





www.ewbg.com.au

NOTICE OF BAITING PROGRAM FOR WILD DOGS

The Eastern Wheatbelt Biosecurity Group advises that from January 1st 2019, heavy baiting programs (using 1080 meat baits) to control wild dogs will be carried out by Licensed Pest Management Technicians on Unallocated Crown Land to the east of the State Barrier Fence. In addition to 1080 baiting programs, technicians will be using foot hold traps treated with Strychnine to remove Wild Dogs that are currently impacting the livestock industry in the Eastern Wheatbelt Biosecurity Group region.

From January 1st 2019, the standard wild dog control methods will be ongoing and this may include setting of traps and dispersing of 1080 meat baits in the groups operational area.

The poison baits will remain toxic for a number of months or until substantial rainfall is received. People are advised to take care when working within or visiting these areas.

Warning signs have been placed where applicable on Unallocated Crown Land and main access roads.

Picnic sites and recreational reserves are **not** included within the baiting program; however, baiting may take place adjacent to such areas and domestic pets should be kept close and under control at all times.

1080 baiting is an integral part of the wild dog pest management program to protect livestock from death and injury caused by wild dogs.



**Exercise caution to
prevent your pets from
being poisoned by 1080
baits.**



**If a wild dog is sighted,
please report to the
Eastern Wheatbelt
Biosecurity Group
immediately.**



**If poisoning occurs,
contact a doctor or
Poisons Information
Centre (phone 13 11 26).**



CARRABIN ROADWORKS —GREAT EASTERN HIGHWAY UPDATE

Over the March long weekend we will be sealing through the Carrabin Townsite, including intersecting side roads. During this time traffic will be taken through the site under escort. Sealing of the intersections is particularly difficult and there will be some delays during this time. Please continue to abide by the traffic management and drive to the conditions, we will do our best to get you through the worksite safely and with minimal delay.



**For further details please contact, the Eastern
Wheatbelt Biosecurity Group on 0455 724 848 or
ewbg@outlook.com.**

Kondinin - Kulin - Lake Grace - Merredin - Mt Marshall - Mukinbudin - Narembene - Nungarin - Trayning - Westonia - Yilgarn

Works Around Our Shire



The construction crew have been diverted from its scheduled roads program to repair extensive damage to the South Walgoolan Road caused by recent truck activity in the area. Work will involve scarifying the existing surface and extensive water binding of the gravel to restore the hard running surface. Twinkarri Tree Pruning Services have completed tree and scrub pruning on Carrabin South, Clothier and South Walgoolan Roads. The roads crew have completed a 3km section of gravel re-sheeting on Boodarockin Road just north of the Sandford Rocks reserve. The crew will be mobilising to the M040 to undertake a 2km reconstruction of the old bitumen surface between Warralakin and Echo Valley Roads. Road users are asked to take care and show courtesy obeying speed zones whilst construction crews are working.

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