



WESSY XMAS MARKETS 2023

This year we held our Christmas Markets on Sunday the 15/10/23. A little earlier than we hoped, but with harvest already on our doorstep it enabled stallholders and visitors to attend. To incorporate local business and the beautiful atmosphere of our streetscapes, we decided to make the move from the Complex and Oval, to the Old Miners Hall, new and existing Verandahs on Wolfram and Cement Streets. It was a very warm day and plenty of ice creams were making the round thanks to Creamy Cow soft serve. The Moroccan Food Station, Westonia Gallery Café and the Daily Grind were there to deliver delicious cuisine and drinks. We had over 30 stallholders, it was great to see so many new stall holders and to have the continued support of previous stall holders, who come to this event every year. They did a roaring trade from 10am until the heat got the better of the crowd.

photography and MC the entire day. Truly a wonder woman!



There was plenty of entertainment on offer for the Crowd with raffle prizes, Santa dash, a visit from Santa and an impromptu fashion parade added a new point of interest. As always our Stall holders displays were so amazing we could not pick between you all so instead we did a double prize draw and two lucky stallholders went home with gifts.



Sophie Jane amazing as ever brought the whole event together. A huge amount of her time volunteering in preparation of the day, Insta campaign @wessyxmasmarkets and her kids brought the cute factor to our advertising. Then to provide music, equipment,



We had so many volunteers this year, who with a “Many hands make light work” attitude, we managed to transform the streets into a market place in a matter of hours. Our volunteers every year assist with raffles, kid wrangling for races, getting the Bigman out and about, fueling up generators and helping solve all the in-between and unforeseen obstacles during the day. A special mention to Ainslie who kept the Museum open all day allowing over 190 people to visit our little gem. We are so lucky to have so many community minded people in our little town of Westonia.

Wessy Tavern hosted the Sundowner from 3pm. The crowd enjoyed Pub classics that all the family could enjoy, from Freo Band M8 who sung non stop for five hours straight. It was the perfect way to end a great day.

To our visitors and patrons who make the effort to support these local micro businesses and events, we are eternally grateful to you! It simply means that with your continued support we can create events where many local businesses can thrive.

With moving our location to the main street, we encourage you valuable feed back, to improve this event in the future. Please email feedback to community@westonia.wa.gov.au

Thank you and we hope your 2023 hunt for Christmas goodies was successful.

See you next Year!



Happy Birthday



1st October: Kevin Paust

2nd October: Tim Della Bosca, Kila Scotland

12th October: Lizzie Townrow

13th October: Gary Angwin

14th October: Josh Lindley

15th October: Halle Crees

16th October: Jasmine Geier

17th October: Brittany Antonio

24th October: Sophie Jane Crees

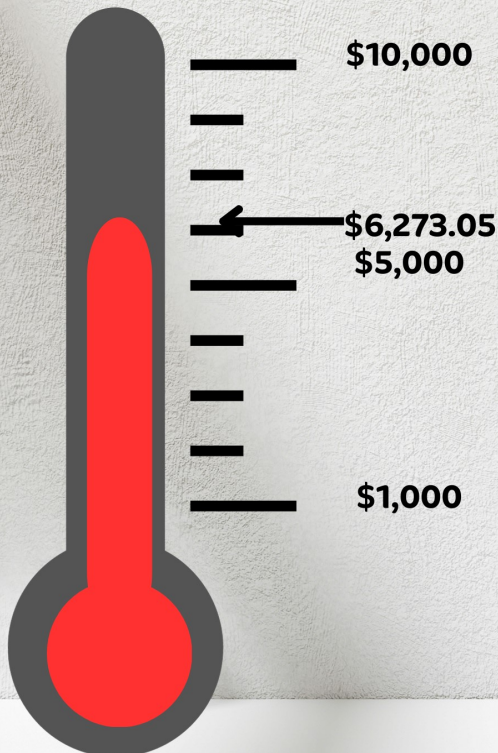
26th October: Bradley Geier





HYDROTHERAPY POOL FUNDRAISING PROGRESS

GOAL: \$10,000



The hydrotherapy fund raising group worked hard over the Christmas market weekend.

The sausages and onions sizzled outside the Shire, creating an inviting smell for all our voters.

Our cake and raffle stand at the Markets was a great success and our gun Scratchy raffle lady was out to sell up a storm. A huge thank you to all the wonderful people that cooked for the Christmas Stall, manned the stall and sausage sizzle and helped set up an carry cakes and slices into the hall. Another big thank you for all the donations for our raffles. The giant raffle was a huge draw card and everyone wanted the wheelbarrow. The Tapps (Carol and Greg) cleaned up winning the Giant raffle and the Rustic table with condiments. Kasey Townrow won the Wine and Dine raffle and Blanche Streich has some beautiful garden art for her garden. Lucky Lesley Pascoe has a bit of scratching to do winning the Scratchy raffle.

Over our two days fundraising, we raised \$2,526.45. Well done everyone!! Our next fundraiser will be the Melbourne Cup Luncheon, so get your tickets from the Shire Office or the Co-op.



State Cup Highlights Future Netball Talent

Congratulations to Westonia's very own Makayla Geier who had been selected to represent Wheatbelt Goldfields at the 2023 Origin State Cup Netball held at the Gold Netball centre in Perth over 6th – 8th October playing for the Metro South 1 Team Fever in Time.

The Netball WA (NWA) State Cup Competition provides the opportunity for identified players, coaches and umpires in the Fever In Time (FIT) Programs to compete against each other, The State Cup sits within the NWA Competition Pathway and is one of the selection points for athletes, umpires and coaches into next level of programs and pathways.

Netball action got underway on Friday afternoon with games continuing on Saturday and Sunday. A fantastic weekend for all involved!

Makayla and her Metro South 1 Team was unable to secure the grand final win going down to the undefeated Metro North 1 Team winning the final 42-17.



Westonia Caravan Park

The caravan park has been very busy over the last few months and has been booked out most nights. We have had a lot of feedback, especially about how tidy and well kept the park is and the town overall. A big thanks to Jodie and the gardening crew for doing such an amazing job! Quote from one group;

"I just wanted to say how much everyone enjoyed their stay last night. They loved the town and they loved the caravan park.

A bit of background....8 couples who are members of the caravan and motorhome club in England have come over to join us on a tour of WA. We have 33 nights in the motorhomes and Westonia was night 6. Today we are off to Kalgoorlie then Norseman, Esperance, Bremer Bay, Albany then working our way back up to Perth. They fly home on 18th November." Jacqui Groom



The Wanneroo Wanderers stayed at the caravan park over the weekend and were very impressed with Wanderers Stadium as well as the whole town!



Walgoolan Wagon Launch

The Walgoolan Wagon which has been beautifully restored by Mr Robert Murray and is displayed in an open shed at the Walgoolan memorial site, was officially recognized with a visit from Mr Bill Henderson & Mrs Leslie McNee, who are inaugural members of the Walgoolan Memorial Committee. They were all very impressed with the workmanship of Mr Murray and the excellent condition of the wagon from its original poor state.

An appreciation lunch was held at Poppies Café in Merredin following the reminiscing visit with the Shire President & CEO whereby the committee members took the opportunity to thank both Mr Murray and the Shire for making the project such a success.



Leslie Mcnee, Bill Henderson and Robert Murray

TELEHEALTH APPOINTMENTS

Your telehealth appointments can now be booked at the Shire Office. For more information, contact Lani on 9046 7063.

Application via zoom, teams or facetime.



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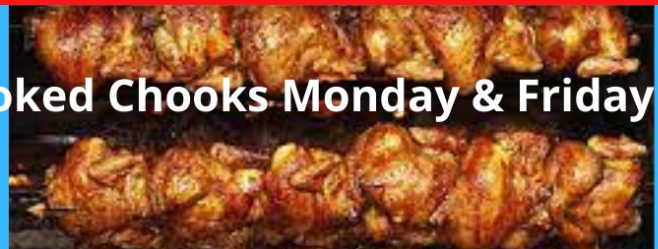


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**Melbourne cup day 7th Nov the
shop will only be open between
8.30am to 11.30am**

Thank you for your understanding



**A fresh meat order will be going in soon
for Xmas & ham orders will be out soon**

MELBOURNE CUP LUNCH

Tuesday 7th November



Best Hat prize
Male and Female

Thanks to Ian and Amy, Westonia Tavern for supporting this Community fundraiser for a Hydrotherapy pool in Westonia.

The Tavern will not be catering a Melbourne Cup Lunch in support of this fundraiser

Watch the race on the big screen in good company. **SWEEPS DOOR PRIZES**

AND LOTS MORE



Wanderers Stadium

**\$25.00 PER HEAD FOR 3 COURSE MEAL
AND GLASS CHAMPAGNE**

11am—4pm

**Tickets Limited. Must be purchased
by 1st November .Shire Office**



Can you accommodate a couple of medical students for three nights?



Wheatbelt Medical Student Immersion Program

TUESDAY 12 TO FRIDAY 15 MARCH 2024

Share what living in the Wheatbelt is like with doctors of the future

More than one hundred medical students will be coming to the Wheatbelt in March 2024. During their stay, they will visit local farms, industry, general practices, hospitals and schools, and participate in community activities.

We need you to provide real-life experiences that will give them an understanding of what it is like to live in the Wheatbelt and perhaps inspire them to become rural doctors.

The students will visit the following towns:

- Bruce Rock
- Cunderdin
- Kellerberrin/Tammin
- Merredin
- Narrogin
- Southern Cross
- Westonia

As a host, we will ask you to provide accommodation for two or more students, be able to assist with transporting them to/from town, and share what it is like to live in your town with the students. You are invited to come along to a Thank You Dinner with the students on the Thursday night.

Why host?

Even if you need the students to roll out a swag in the living room, we want to hear from you if you can host.

This is a life-changing experience for the students, with many having no previous exposure to rural life or the Wheatbelt.

By providing these rural immersion opportunities early in their degree, it has been proven that students are more likely to explore rural career opportunities.

Some students, who have previously been hosted through this program, continue to keep in touch and visit their host families, some return to do seasonal work and placements, others have joined mentoring programs, some have inspired host family members to pursue tertiary studies in health and medicine, and some students are now doctors in the Wheatbelt and other parts of rural/remote WA and Australia.

For further information, contact **Rural Health West:**

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VacSwim

Enrolments now open! Places are limited, so get in early.





NUNGARIN

Wheatbelt Markets
Sunday 5th November 2023
8am to 12noon

Lots of stalls in the main street & the hall.
Lurl's Train will be running to entertain the children.

Markets Ice Cream Van on site.

Sausage Sizzle - bacon & egg burger or sausage in a bun.

Light lunches in the hall.

Call 90465174 or email

nungarinwheatbeltmarkets@gmail.com to book a stall.

Come along and browse for that something special -
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You never know what you will find!

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Something for everyone at the Nungarin Wheatbelt Markets!!!



Enrolments for 2024 are now open.
Places are limited!



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29 OCTOBER	30 OCTOBER Book Club 2PM at Wanderers Stadium	31 OCTOBER  Laura Black	1 NOVEMBER Lunch at the gallery and movie 'Heart of a champion' at 1PM at the Old Miners Hall	2 NOVEMBER BINGO 10AM—12:30PM at the Medical Centre Water Aerobics with Emilie at the Swimming pool 2:30PM—3:30PM	3 NOVEMBER Hydro pool meeting, 10AM at Wanderers Stadium	4 NOVEMBER
5 NOVEMBER	6 NOVEMBER  DR Olga Ward	7 NOVEMBER Melbourne cup Luncheon—Wanderers Stadium, 11AM, \$25 per head. Please book at the Shire Office	8 NOVEMBER	9 NOVEMBER BINGO 10AM—12:30PM at the Medical Centre Water Aerobics with Emilie at the Swimming pool 2:30PM—3:30PM	10 NOVEMBER Plonk and Donk Crotchet 6PM—9PM at the Medical Centre	11 NOVEMBER
12 NOVEMBER	13 NOVEMBER	14 NOVEMBER  Laura Black Scrabble at the Medical Centre 1PM—4PM	15 NOVEMBER Recycling chat with Pauline Guest at the Medical centre 10AM -11AM	16 NOVEMBER  COUNCIL BINGO 10AM—12:30PM at the Medical Centre Water Aerobics with Emilie at the Swimming pool 2:30PM—3:30PM	17 NOVEMBER	18 NOVEMBER
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