

WHEATBELT MEDICAL STUDENT IMMERSION PROGRAM 2025



7 students from Notre Dame university arrived on Tuesday the 11th of March. After a long bus trip from Perth, they did a tour of the town and helped deliver Meals on Wheels to some of our locals. They then met their billet families at the Stadium after a refreshing swim in the pool.

Wednesday, they were all up bright and early to have a tour of the Wind farm with the Shire President, Drake Crees. They split the rest of the day between Dr Olga Ward, Ruth, our Physiotherapist and visiting home care clients. We then travelled out to Karin and Rohan Days

farm for the students to cook dinner and it was enjoyed by all!

On Thursday, the students travelled to Moorine Rock Primary School to complete a teddy bear hospital then headed to Southern Cross hospital for the afternoon whilst there they were able to sit in on an Emergency Telehealth to see how it works in rural WA. Thursday night was a BBQ thank you dinner where the students held a Westonia Quiz the winner was Karin Day and runner up Chantelle Pedrotti. As always thank you to our billet families Liz, Rohan, Karin, Chan, Mitch, Jas and Daimo, without your support this program would not be possible and lastly thank you to all that participated on Wednesday's clinic day and home visits, this was insightful for the students.





RAMELIUS MINE CLOSURE

As you are all aware the mining operations at the Edna May Mine site is nearing a care and maintenance period after a 16 years. The Council and Ramelius management have been in negotiations for the last 12 months on an exit strategy which has involved addressing areas such as;

- Lease agreement extensions on the camp, Industrial Shed and carpark areas.
- Conversion of the WWTP to accommodate the Caravan Park and house effluent.
- Contribution towards a mining display at the Museum
- Demolition and clean up of the old farm house site on the corner Warrachuppin and Settineri Roads
- Negotiation for lease land for the use by Westonia Progress Association for future cropping purposes.
- Handover of housing assets
- Farewell/Celebration Dinner

This is an opportunity for the Council on behalf of the community and local business to extend their appreciation to Ramelius and those involved in the Mining operations as the place will be a lot quieter without all of the activity of the past. Your legacy will form part of Westonia's history forever.

Also a mention to MLG who have donated a large screen television which will remain as a caravan park asset for visitors to enjoy.

PROJECTS

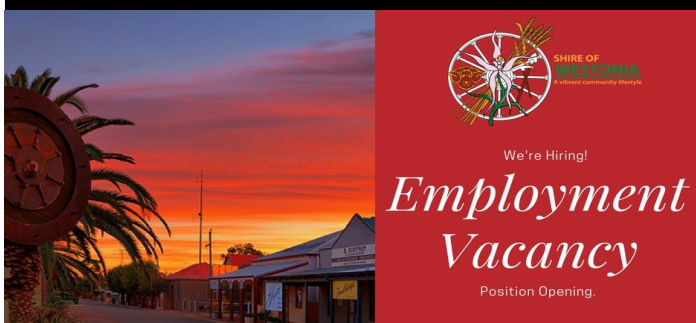
The new round of projects are progressing well with the siteworks, pre-lays and the concreting of the Museum space taking place early next week.

Excavation of the warm water pool has been completed with Infinity Pools being onsite to commence the formation and pre-lay works in readiness for a concrete pour in the very near future.

The final landscaping at the Pool kiosk entrance will commence next week as well.



Tara from Bendigo Bank Mukinbudin will be visiting Westonia on Thursdays and is taking appointments. To book in with her, give her a call on 0499 460 635.



**SHIRE OF WESTONIA
LIBRARIAN / ADMINISTRATION OFFICER
6- Months Maternity Leave Cover**

Applications are sought from an enthusiastic and motivated person for the Librarian/ Administration Officer position based in the Shire of Westonia office.

The position entails management of the Shire of Westonia Library, as well as carrying out the day to day finance & customer service functions of the shire, including cashiering, daily banking, transport licensing, processing of incoming accounts & mail, etc. The role is an integral part of the finance and administration function at the Shire of Westonia.

The successful applicant will be a self-motivated individual who is looking at commencing or expanding their career in Local Government. The person will have verbal & written communication skills as well as sound computer and keyboard skills.

Salary and conditions will be in accordance with the Local Government Officers (Western Australia) Award 2025.

Council is an equal opportunity employer and provides a smoke free work environment.

Interested persons should obtain an information package by contacting Jasmine Geier at the Shire Office on 9046 7063. Applications addressing the selection criteria should be sent to the undersigned at Shire of Westonia, Wolfram St, Westonia 6423, by 4.00pm Tuesday 1st April 2025.

Jasmine Geier

DEPUTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

MERREDIN SHOW ART EXHIBITION

We are reaching out to invite your school or community group to contribute to this year's Exhibition Hall by creating a display. This is a fantastic opportunity to showcase your group's talent, creativity, and unique contributions to the community. Past displays have included student artwork, craft projects, educational presentations, historical exhibits, and more.

Display Details:

- **Theme:** Back to Our Roots; focusing on our agricultural heritage
- **Display Area:** Each group will have a display area of roughly 3 x1.5m (hanging space) and some table space in front of your area.
- **Setup Date and Time:** Friday 28th March, 9 -4pm

Pack-Up Date and Time: 4pm Saturday 29th March (unless arranged otherwise)

How to Participate:

Please confirm your interest by **Friday February 28th** by contacting us at merredinshow@gmail.com. Once your participation is confirmed, we will provide further details regarding setup, display guidelines, and logistics.

We believe your involvement would greatly enrich the Exhibition Hall and inspire attendees. If you have any questions or need assistance in planning your display, please do not hesitate to reach out and contact Terri Clark – Exhibitions Co-ordinator on 0438 228 530.

Thank you for considering this opportunity to be part of the 2025 Merredin Show. We look forward to the possibility of collaborating with your group to make this year's event a memorable one for our community.

Happy Birthdays



1 March: Scarlett Crees	9 March: Des O'Rafferty	23 March: Steve LeMoignan
2 March: Narelle Millington	11 March: Stephen Werner	24 March: Joel Corsini
3 March: Lani Hale	13 March: William Day	25 March: Ian Mahoney
4 March: Dave Price	14 March: Lorna Crews	26 March: Jo Millington
5 March: Pam White, Phil Read	16 March: Olga Ward, Ben Millington	29 March: Robert McDowall
8 March: Brad Penny	18 March: Aaron Smith	



Want to help out with the planning of future events in Westonia? Come along to our working group meetings which are held regularly.
Next Meeting: Wednesday 16th April @ 2PM, At the Old School



PUBLIC NOTICE CHANGE OF COUNCIL MEETING DATE

*Local Government Act 1995 Section 5.25(g)
 Local Government (Administration)
 Regulations 1996 12(3)*

Public Notice is hereby Given the March Ordinary Meeting of Council scheduled for Thursday 20th March 2025, will now be held on **Thursday 27th March 2025** commencing at 4.00pm. Public Question time will commence at 4.05pm and limited to 15 minutes.

Members of the public are welcome to attend the Council Chambers located on Wolfram Street, Westonia.

For further information, please contact Jasmine Geier, Deputy Chief Executive Officer at the Shire of Westonia on (08) 9046 7063 or by email at dceo@westonia.wa.gov.au.

Apologies for any inconvenience.

Bill Price
Chief Executive Officer

Welcome

TO WESTONIA

Council would like to welcome Joe and Les who have been around the area for quite some time now but have officially moved into town.



STREETSCAPE

The white rail fence is an added feature driving through the main street dressing up a dull area of the town. Also kudos to Possum and Cindy who are gradually dressing up the old shed and post office precinct after many years as being a eyesore in the middle of town.



ROADWORKS

The construction crew have been busy out on the roads again, this time they were sealing a section of Warralakin Road.



FIRST RESPONDER/PARAMEDIC

The community may be aware that Westonia currently does not have their St Johns Ambulance parked locally as we do not have any volunteers since the retirement of Karin & Rohan Day.

We are still serviced by the St John Ambulance sub centre of Southern Cross and Merredin but there is obviously a time delay in response. Council believe that this is really unacceptable

Council at its February meeting have resolved that we advertise an Expression of Interest (EOI) for a practicing and/or retiring health professional who may be able to fill this void. Subsidised housing, monetary retention payment and other incentives are being offered. The Council intend to hold a public meeting with the community to discuss the outcome of the EOI as well as the different options of funding this position which is likely to include contributions from the Council, Westonia Progress Association, Corporate sponsorship and individual community memberships.

A recruitment drive will also be initiated to get more volunteers to assist with the operation of the ambulance.

WESTONIA BOWLING CLUB

Westonia Bowling Club

Congratulations to our men's team of Bob Lockyer, Shaun Crees, Peter Antonio and Fred Faithfull who got into the last 16 in the Men's Country Week fours. Matty France from the Merredin Club also won his fourth Country Weeks singles finals.



Our men's pennant teams traveled to Merredin on the 15th March but were defeated by Merredin Club 86 shots, 7 points, to Westonia 66 shots, 1 point. The team of Bob Lockyer, Pat Alvaro, Greg Tapp and Arthur Mather being the only Westonian team to win a rink 25 to 13 shots. Civic travelled to Westonia on the 16th March. With the gallery fan club on their side our teams managed to pull off a draw with Westonia 71 shots, 4 points to Civic 71 shots and also 4 points. A fitting last game to this year's Pennant season.



The ladies Played their last game of pennants on Wednesday 5th March when they were hosts to the Tammin Ladies. A wonderful finish for the year on a positive note with Westonia winning both games 53 shots, 4 points to Tammin 29 shots, 0 points. Well done to all our players and supporters for the 2024/2025 season.

Westonia hosted the Ladies Champ of Champions singles finals on the 15th and 16th March. Congratulations to Cheryl Auld from Yilgarn who did not lose a game on her way to being crowned the Singles Champ of Champion for 2024/2025. Runner up was Ainslie Faithfull narrowly beating Christine Stapely from Civic Club by shots up. Thank you to Ada, Marg Penny, Helen, Gayle, Diane, Zeta and everyone else you helped out in the kitchen. The lunch and morning and afternoon teas were delicious. Thank you to Liz and Kay for running the day and Kylie for being the umpire. Not to forget our Heather and all the ladies from the other League Clubs who attended to mark or just cheer on their champions.



SOUTH EASTERN BOWLING LEAGUE
CHAMPION OF CHAMPION SINGLES 2024 / 2025
SATURDAY/SUNDAY 15/16 MARCH 2025
VENUE: WESTONIA RAAF HALL

NAME	15 th MARCH 2025				16 th MARCH 2025				TOTAL	POINTS	ADD
	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4			
Cheryl Auld	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	10	+30	(1st)
Ainslie Faithfull	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	6	+20	
Christine Stapely	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	6	+7	
Heather	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	2	-20	
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CONDITIONS OF PLAY
Round Robin Competition, 17 UP
1 POINTS FOR A WIN
Final winner decided on shots and shots up
CLUBS: & COUNTRY

WINNER: Cheryl Auld

WESTONIA BOWLING CLUB

The next big event on the calendar will be the men's Champ of Champion singles to be played at Civic on the 29th and 30th March. We are cheering on our champion Bob Lockyer who we are hoping can make it as Champ of Champions two years in a row.



The Westonia Club will also be hosting the men's Champ of Champions pairs on April 6th. Spectators are more than welcome to come down and cheer on our champion pair of Bob Lockyer and Pat Alvaro.



THE WESTONIA SWIMMING POOL WILL BE CLOSING FOR THE SEASON ON THE 31ST OF MARCH



WARM WATER LEISURE POOL DONATION SAUSAGE SIZZLE

THE DONATIONS (BOTH PRODUCE AND TIME ON THE DAY) FROM THE FOLLOWING LADIES - KERRYLYNE FRENCH, PRISCILLA STEPHENS, ZETA MATHER, JUDY LINDLEY, SANDRA WEST, CAROL TAPP, PAT RULE, AINSLIE FAITHFULL AND LIZ RICHTER, ENABLED AN AMAZING AMOUNT OF \$638.10 TO BE RAISED TOWARDS THE WARM WATER POOL.

SPECIAL MENTION MUST ALSO BE MADE OF THE KIND DONATIONS THAT MANY LOCAL RESIDENTS MADE ON THE DAY. A BIG THANK YOU TO ONE AND ALL.



**POT
PAINTING
WORKSHOP**

**WEDNESDAY
9TH & 23RD APRIL
10AM - 2PM**

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BYO LUNCH
.....

**OLD SCHOOL
CONTACT SANDRA FOR MORE
INFORMATION
0488 106 020**



WESSY ON THE GREEN

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FOR OVER THE COUNTER PURCHASE

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DURING "WESSY ON THE
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For all "Wessy on the Green" enquiries please contact the Westonia CRC & Shire office on (08) 9046 7063

Thank you!

Thank you for your support, it's an honour and privilege to represent Central Wheatbelt in the State Parliament.

How to keep in touch.

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Northam Office

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LACHLAN HUNTER MP
MEMBER FOR CENTRAL WHEATBELT

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Further Council information is available at Shire of Westonia 41 Wolfram Street, Westonia 6423
Telephone: 08 9046 7063 Email: shire@westonia.wa.gov.au Web: westonia.wa.gov.au



WESSY ON THE GREEN

5/4/25

Ticket Prices:

Adults \$30

Child (5-17yrs)/Senior (64+) \$15

Family 2x Adults & 2 x Children \$75.

(Kids under 5 FREE)

MUSIC FESTIVAL

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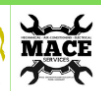
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Brother & I
Adele Oliver
Billy Higginson and
the Pale Moon Riders
Sophie Jane Music

FOR ALL ENQUIRIES: 90467 063 or
community@westonia.wa.gov.au

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WESTONIA COMMUNITY ART PROJECT



ART EXHIBITION



FRI 28TH MARCH 2025 6PM-8PM

WESTONIA OLD MINERS HALL

Showcasing local artists, photography and the unveiling of our community art project 2025. FREE ENTRY. This is a BYO event, light refreshments and charcuterie will be provided.



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Westonia Co-Op & Cafe & Post Office

OPENING HOURS

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Tues - 8:30am- 4:30pm
Wed - 8:30am- 4:30pm
Thurs - 8:30am- 4:30pm
Fri - 8:30am-4:30pm
Sat - 8:30am - 12pm
Sun - Closed



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are being delivered on
Friday**



2025 March

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
24	25	26	27	28	01	02
03	04  D S C R A B B L E Y	05 Plonk and Donk, 6PM @ Old school - Community Art Project	06 	07 Hydro Pool, bus leaving Med Centre at 8:30am	08 State Election Day. Voting at the Westonia Old School	09
10	11  D S C R A B B L E Y 	12 Plonk and Donk, 6PM @ Old school - Community Art Project	13 	14 Morning Melodies, bus leaving Medical Centre at 9:45am. Please RSVP	15 Mrs McDowall's Memorial Service at the Old Miners Hall @IPM	16
17	18  D S C R A B B L E Y	19 Plonk and Donk, 6PM @ Old school - Community Art Project	20 	21 Hydro Pool, bus leaving Med Centre at 8:30am	22	23
24	25 Chiropractor Visit  D S C R A B B L E Y	26	27 	28 Hydro Pool, bus leaving Med Centre at 8:30am Westonia Art Exhibition 6-8PM	29	30
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