

## WESSY ON THE GREEN

Woha what an Event!

**Over 560** people through the gates

Just over \$16,000 in profit which brings our WotG event sustainability pool just over \$29,000 to go towards future "Wessy on the Green" music and community festivals.

Feedback has been overwhelming with everyone thoroughly enjoying the event. We had a large increase in visitors to our town this time around, who made the most of the entertainment on the night, frequenting the pub the night before/after and making a weekend of it, look out 2027!

Wessy on the Green 2025 was proudly supported by Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal through the funding from the Australian Government's Future Drought Fund. Helping regional communities prepare for drought through its small network grant initiative.

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. The weather was questionable but didn't deter too many. We lost sports fun inflatables, but Bumper cars and the Topsy Turtle pulled us through. Again, we had plenty of free activities for the young'uns, with Birds of Prey who brought a great range of Birds and expert knowledge, which made this display a popular tent for visitors young and old. Merredin artist Sheree Lowe brought her plaster painting workshop to engage the children's creative sides, and for the little ones what could be better than a sand pit full of toys to play with! Once the evening set in Balls n All

Arcade well and truly delivered the goods. With a selection of arcades games that kept absolutely everyone entertained and the boys were on hand to fix any breakdowns, so the kids were never disappointed for long. Lastly there was Sideshow Amusements BUMPER CARS what a showstopper the biggest question is who enjoyed them more, the oldies or the young'uns? My money would be on the oldies!

With the kiddos sorted there was time in between bands for the adults to peruse the venue to check out all the shiny grunty cars in the Car Demo, a huge thanks to Daimo for organizing again this year it is getting bigger and bigger each year. Thanks to FRRR we were able to create our pop up community information and engagement hub, with Regional men's health initiative "Talk to a Mate", Independent flavorista, TJT photography, wheatbelt wardrobe (recycled clothing), Warm Water Leisure Pool fundraising, Snap on Tools & Micky Thompson Tyres, Paint the Town, Thermomix, Brookes Fidgets & Figurines, TJT photography, WotG \$5,000 fuel card raffle and our art exhibition which showcased a range of local talent and recent WESTONIA "WHERE OLD IS GOLD" community art project.



## Results of the BP Fuel Gift Card Raffle

Raffle Permit # LS222845825

Drawn, after the 7:30pm ticket sale cut off, on Saturday 5/4/25.

Thank you to Ben from Megavision for drawing our two-ticket random draw.

Prize Draw 1, \$2500.00 BP Fuel Gift Card Winner - Nooky Ridgeway Ticket #176

Prize Draw 2, \$2500.00 BP Fuel Gift Card Winner - Maddy Boyd Ticket #47

## Fireworks Button Pusher Raffle

Winner - Lani Hale and we didn't know she was excited about it at all!!!

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 grant providers & sponsors as always these community events are just not possible without their support and generosity: Foundation for Rural & Regional Renewal, Westonia Progress Association, Mukinbudin Community Bank, Bitutek, Edna May Operations Pty Ltd Ramelius Resources Ltd, Westonia Tavern, Centek Construction, MACE, Merredin Freightlines, MLG, Nutrien Merredin, Out West Mechanical, WCS Concrete Pty Ltd, Westrac Pty Ltd and Z Shearing. We must also mention Ramelius kindly donated the use of their lighting plant thanks to Daimo Geier for setting up, Westonia Tavern who provided large Chest Freezer so the bar ice could be kept at Premo temp and had a backup generator on standby. Also, to Karin and Rohan Day without you we would be well and truly in the manure.

Our Band's performances were incredible! First kicking off with the fabulous Ez & Jn'ita, then the knockout vocals of Jade and Duane with Brother & I, WACM Award winning Adele Oliver,

what a top lady she is! Next up after the Fireworks was the boys from "Muka" and WACM Award winners The Eastern Line, Billy Higginson and the Pale Moon Riders and then it was finally the much-anticipated 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 Kids in tow thank you so much! Ben from Megavision worked his magic again! He was here by Friday night on the oval first thing Saturday morning, until after midnight. From setup, through sound and lighting checks, to band performance and pack down he truly made the performances run seamlessly.



No-one could fault the amount of food options and availability this year with vendors opening from Friday night and from lunchtime on Saturday till midnight. Thank you to Bona Pizza, Uncle Diesel's Smoke n Grill, Mi Familia Flavours, & Wheatbelt Coffee Time, you all did such an amazing job, and we are so grateful for your support.

Westonia Bowling Club Bar—well it goes without 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 becoming unruly. Along to support our bar this year, there were the flamboyant Topsy Turtle gals, who made a beautiful array of cocktails for a little bit of sparkle.



Westonia Golf Club and Shire Pres. Drake for the loan of the two fire pits. The much needed recovery breakfast on Sunday morning was well patronized, Liz, Zeta from the WWLP fundraising group did a roaring trade from 7am until 10am with over 80 orders and were very pleased to have been assisted by Adele Oliver and her mum Terri it was greatly appreciated, 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 to MC early on and taking the time to glean facts and information that she could pass on to event goers. You kept things moving and the schedule running smoothly, not an easy job to stay on top of.



Our Shire works, garden and cleaning crew who again made the event area a place of magic, moved fire pits, wine barrels, sand for sandpits, erected fences, rolled out bunting for miles delivered marquees, gazebos, pallets tables, pruned, raked every tree and bush, and kept the facilities in tip top condition, to make the whole

town sparkle. All your efforts have not gone unnoticed.

The Shire, Councillors and CRC crew, WOW what we have achieved together 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 attend working group sessions, helped prior to WotG25, from decision making, to set up (the whole week prior), all day of the event and the next day clean up. From lighting towers, porta loos, decorations, assistance with entry, raffles, merch selling, runners, bar staff (some even getting their RSA that week so they could help). Many hands make light work, as they say, but the volunteers of Westonia take it to the next level. So please give yourselves, a pat on the back, because you make us proud to be Westonian's!

We will be holding a WotG25 debrief, for all the volunteers and organisers in the coming months when we catch our breath.



# Happy Birthday


**St John**

**Make a difference for your community.  
Become an ambulance *volunteer*.**

**Calling all Westonia residents.... We need your help!**

**We need people passionate about helping their community.**

**We need you to become an Ambulance Volunteer.**

- Full training provided in a friendly, supportive environment.
- No medical experience required – all you need to get started is a police check, a clean driver's licence, and a can-do attitude.
- Not all callouts are emergencies – you can help with routine transport.
- Commit to being available at times to suit your schedule – a minimum of 60 hours per annum.
- Uniforms and ambulance cover provided free of charge.

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search St John Volunteer



**3rd April: Di Jones**

**9th April: John McDowall**

**10th April: Michael Iburg**

**17th April: Sharon Bright**

**27th April: April Nicoletti**

**30th April: Patricia Rule**



## ANZAC DAY

LEST WE FORGET - 25 APRIL

**SERVICE AT BOODALIN SOAK  
5:45AM FOR A 6AM START  
FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE FOR A  
SHARED BREAKFAST**

**A BUS WILL BE LEAVING TOWN AT  
5:30AM, PLEASE CALL OFFICE TO  
BOOK YOUR SEAT**

**PLEASE NOTE TO ANYONE WISHING  
TO LAY A WREATH IN MEMORY OF  
LOVED ONES, ARE MORE THAN  
WELCOME TO BRING THEIR OWN  
ALONG, PLEASE NOTIFY THE SHIRE  
SO TIME CAN BE ALLOCATED  
DURING THE SERVICE.**

At the recent Wessy on the Green, the Warm Water Fundraising Ladies had a very successful weekend.

To **EVERYONE** who helped contribute to the great success of the "Wessy On The Green's cake stall, Thank you so much for all your help, which enabled us to raise \$590.85. A wonderful effort.

Then on the Sunday morning a couple of our ladies tackled the task of cooking in excess of 80 bacon and egg toasties. A special thank you to Ernie Douglas and Helen Barnett for the generous donation of the eggs, Also the most welcomed assistance of Terri and Adele Oliver who unselfishly rolled up their sleeves and helped out for an hour. We were truly grateful. An amazing amount of \$656 was added to our fundraising giving us a total of \$1246.85 for the weekend. Well done ladies.







Southern Cross Sports Complex  
GRAND REOPENING  
Cnr Spica St and Canopus St, Southern Cross

**Saturday 26th April 2025**

**FREE LIVE MUSIC FROM 5.30PM.**



**"Brother and I"**

**the  
murphy  
&  
brothers**



**FOOD VANS**

**CAMPING AVAILABLE**

\*Registration required - [yilgarn@yilgarn.wa.gov.au](mailto:yilgarn@yilgarn.wa.gov.au)





# WESTONIA BOWLING CLUB

The Barnett Trophy and Award Presentation night was held on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April. Another season of bowls is coming to an end. We had 18 players for the Barnett Trophy with an extra group of 12 from the caravan park adding to the numbers and filling up all the rinks on the green. The winners of the Barnett day were Bill Price, Shirley Johnston and Diane Jones. Runners up were Ainslie Faithfull, Graeme Bright, and Lesley Downsborough, with Drake, Keith Downsborough and Liz Richter taking out third place. Thank you again to Ada Barnett for her continued sponsorship of our closing day.



After nibbles and a few social drinks, the president Mark Crees then began the presentation to all our winners during the year. Winner of the Ladies Fours were Ainslie Faithfull, Kylie Gibson, Helen Barnett and Heather Lockyer. The ladies also took out the League Champ of Champions Fours. The men's MVP top four, voted by their peers, were Bob Lockyer, Stephen Lunn, Shaun Crees and Bill Price.

The ladies Club Championship Pairs was won by Ainslie Faithfull and Kylie Gibson. They also were runners up in the League Champ of Champions Pairs.



The Men's Club Champion pair was Bob Lockyer and Drake who also completed the double of being the League Champ of Champions pairs runners up.



The Ladies Club Champion Singles player and runner up League Champ of Champions Singles was Ainslie Faithfull. Our true Bowling Champion Bob Lockyer won the Men's Club singles and also won the League Champ of Champions singles for a consecutive year.





## WESTONIA BOWLING CLUB

Voted the Most valuable player by the members was taken out by Bob Lockyer for the men and Heather Lockyer for the women to cap off a very successful year for the Lockyer family. The evening was finished out with pizzas and hot chips.



The Bowling Club wishes to thank all those who volunteered over the year. Special notice to Damon and Jasmine Geier who have slaved away either on the BBQ or the pizza ovens whenever we have had a special night such as the presentation night.

Special thank you to our sponsors. Della Bosca Transport. Mech Tech Diesel Service. Westonia Community Co-Op. Westonia Tavern. Mace Services. Ancor Electrical. Outwest Mechanical. MR/AC. Roadbend. Also a thankyou to our family sponsors, the Crees family, The Simmonds Family, The Johnston Family and last but not least, the Barnett family.

Congratulations to all members. Bowls will continue with scroungers and social bowls over the winter with times and dates to be verified once the Golf Club Fixtures are out.

*Westonia Tavern*



**EARL COLE**  
**LIVE @ WESTONIA TAVERN**  
**SATURDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> MAY**  
**7PM-10PM**

BRING MUM DOWN FOR A MOTHERS DAY TREAT!!  
 LISTEN TO HITS FROM ARTISTS SUCH AS THE BEATLES, THE EAGLES  
 ERIC CLAPTON, NEIL DIAMOND, CCR, QUEEN, VAN MORRISON, JAMES  
 TAYLOR AND DIRE STRAITS JUST TO NAME A FEW

**PLEASE NOTE THE SHIRE OFFICE AND  
 PUBLIC LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED ON  
 THE FOLLOWING DATES;**

**FRIDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**  
**MONDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> APRIL**  
**FRIDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> APRIL**

**SORRY FOR ANY INCONVENIENCE**

**THE MUSEUM WILL BE OPEN  
 BETWEEN 10AM-12PM**







# Get a Flu Shot

Over 65 Free Flu Vaccinations are now available. Call the Office on 9046 7063 to make an appointment with Nurse Practitioner Laura Black

*BreastScreen WA*

coming soon to

## Narembeen

Women aged 40 years and over, make your appointment now for a **FREE** screening mammogram.

**13/05/2025 - 16/05/2025**

(Dates may be subject to change)

Bookings open now!  
phone 13 20 50



BreastScreen WA's mobile will be located at:

**Narembeen District Hospital, 29 Ada Street**



Book your free screening mammogram online  
[www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au](http://www.breastscreen.health.wa.gov.au)  
or phone 13 20 50



*We would like to thank everyone who helped out with the catering and the setting up for Mrs McDowalls' Memorial, it didn't go unnoticed.*

# Thank You



# Australia's Biggest Morning Tea

WESTONIA..

Every dollar raised helps support those impacted by cancer.

When: SUNDAY 1ST JUNE 2025  
Where: REC CENTRE - WESTONIA  
Time: 9-30am - 12-00  
Details: RAFFLES - MONEY BOARD  
"DELICIOUS MORNING TEA"  
SERVED 10-30  
\$5.00 (CASH ONLY EVENT)

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# POT PAINTING WORKSHOP

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

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







JOIN US FOR THE  
**GRAND  
REOPENING**

*Celebration*

WE ARE THRILLED TO ANNOUNCE  
THE UNVEILING OF

*The Southern Cross Sports Complex*

Enjoy an evening filled with festivities.  
Formal opening at 5.15pm followed by  
live music from **Brother and I** and **The Murphy Brothers**, and food vans

**SATURDAY 26 AT 5.00 PM**  
**APRIL**

Cnr Spica St and Canopus St, Southern Cross







# FIRE INFORMATION



## FIRE BREAKS

Fire breaks and all mandatory property maintenance ( See Fire Breaks & Hazard Reduction Notice for details) to be installed and maintained between  
**1 NOVEMBER—30 APRIL**

## CAMPING AND COOKING FIRES

Camping and woodfire cooking fires may be lit at a persons permanent home or residence provided it is contained within a purpose built structure and the Fire Danger Rating for the District is not "High" or above.  
**Refer to Shires Campfire Information found on the Shires website for all terms and conditions.**

## RESTRICTED BURNING PERIOD

A permit is to be obtained from a Fire Control Officer prior to burning  
**16 SEPTEMBER—31 OCTOBER**  
**15 FEBRUARY—31 MARCH**

## PROHIBITED BURNING PERIOD

STRICTLY NO BURNING  
**1 NOVEMBER—14 FEBRUARY**

## TOTAL FIRE BANS

During a Total Fire Ban (TFB) you must not light any fire in the open air, conduct hot works such as welding or grinding, operate an internal combustion engine on or near vegetation, or conduct any activity likely to start a fire.  
  
 Some exemptions may apply to business or agricultural industries— **Visit the Department of Fire & Emergency Services Website for more information**

## MORE INFORMATION

For more information refer to the annual Fire Break & Hazard Reduction Notice, Shire of Westonia website or call 90467063  
**See smoke or Fire ?**  
[www.emergency.wa.gov.au](http://www.emergency.wa.gov.au)  
 To view all active incidents, warning, Total Fire Bans and Fire Danger Rating for your area.  
**TO REPORT ALL FIRES CALL 000**

# WESTONIA COUNTRY CAMPOUT MUSIC WEEKEND

**MAY 31ST - JUNE 2ND 2025**





**Cancer Council**  
**\$10 ENTRY FEE**  
 SUPPORTING CANCER COUNCILS  
 "BIGGEST MORNING TEA"



**WALK UP MUSICIANS, RAFFLES & FUN!**

## COME VISIT OUR 'HIDDEN GEM'

- HOOD PENN MUSEUM TOUR
- THE WELL KNOWN ROCKS
- PLAY A GAME OR TWO OF BOWLS UNDER THE NEW ROOF

**BOOK INTO OUR CARAVAN PARK, SITES ARE \$25/NIGHT**



**TICKET**

**INITIAL ENQUIRIES: CONTACT LIZ RICHTER ON 0419 199 716**

## WHEATBELT AGCARE

Community Support Services Inc. (est. 1991)

### INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY COUNSELLING SERVICE

*people Helping people*



**CLARISSA PANIZZA:** Phone 90 465 091 or Mobile 0488 465 081  
 Serving the Shires of: Kellerberrin Mt Marshall Mukinbudin Nungarin Tammin Trayning Westonia & Yilgarn

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 Serving the Shire of Merredin

**A Family Counsellor can assist you with:**

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- Coping with Grief and Loss
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- Learning to Manage Anxiety, Depression and Stress
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- Suicide Prevention
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**19/05/2025 - 22/05/2025**

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Bookings open now!  
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**Bruce Rock Memorial Hospital, 35 Dunstall Street**



Book your free screening mammogram online  
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 or phone 13 20 50

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





# Westonia Co-Op & Cafe & Post Office



## Easter eggs are in!

DROP IN AND BROWSE OUR SELECTION OR  
PLACE AN ORDER 90467222

**Cafe Open Monday to  
Friday 10.00am to 2pm**

**Hot chips, Burgers,  
Seafood, Fish & Chips,  
Meat & Salad Bowls**  
**Order ahead : 90467222**

## Easter opening Hours

**Good Friday - Closed**

**Saturday -9:00 -10.30**

**Sunday - Closed**

**Monday - Closed**

**Papers out the Front**

**Sunday & Monday**

**Closed Friday 25<sup>th</sup>**

**April**

**Cooked Chooks Monday & Friday**



# 2025 April



| Monday  | Tuesday   | Wednesday                               | Thursday          | Friday  | Saturday  | Sunday |
|---|---|---|-------------------|---|---|--------|
| 31  | 01<br>D<br>S C R A B B L E<br>Y<br>LAURA DAY  | 02                                      | 03<br>B O O N G O | 04<br>Hydro Pool, bus<br>leaving Med Centre<br>at 8:30am <b>WOTG</b><br><b>Busy Bee @10AM</b>   | 05<br> | 06     |
| 07<br><b>DR Olga Day</b><br>Westonia Craft<br>Group, 9AM    | 08<br>D<br>S C R A B B L E<br>Y<br>LAURA DAY  | 09<br>Pot painting<br>workshop @ School | 10<br>B O O N G O | 11<br>Hydro Pool, bus<br>leaving Med Centre<br>at 8:30am  | 12  | 13     |
| 14  | 15<br>D<br>S C R A B B L E<br>Y<br>Laura<br>Away<br> | 16                                      | 17<br>B O O N G O | 18<br>Good Friday<br><b>SHIRE OFFICE</b><br><b>CLOSED</b>   | 19  | 20     |
| 21<br>Easter Monday<br><b>SHIRE OFFICE</b><br><b>CLOSED</b> | 22<br>D<br>S C R A B B L E<br>Y<br>LAURA DAY  | 23<br>Pot painting<br>workshop @ School | 24<br>B O O N G O | 25<br><br>6AM Service @ <b>ANZAC DAY</b><br>Boodalin Soak<br><b>SHIRE OFFICE</b><br><b>CLOSED</b> | 26  | 27     |
| 28<br>Westonia Craft<br>Group, 9AM                          | 29<br>D<br>S C R A B B L E<br>Y<br>LAURA DAY  | 30                                      | 01                | 02  | 03  | 04     |
| 05  | 06<br>Notes:  |   |                   |   |   |        |