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At this last week's Regional Seminar John 'Simmo' Simmonds was presented with his Life Membership award of LIWA Aquatics — becoming just the twelfth person to receive this prestigious honour in the organisation's 55-year history.

Established in 1969 as the Swimming Pool Managers Association of WA. Aquatics recognises Life Membership as its highest accolade, awarded only to those who have provided outstanding service to their communities, the Institute, and the broader aquatic industry. John's contribution over more than three decades epitomises that spirit of service and leadership.

Congratulations Simmo on such a great award, it is very well-deserved.



Is your pet Registered?

Registration Renewals are Odue by the 31st of October 2025

> Dog & Cat registrations have been sent out and will be hitting your post boxes soon





The construction road crew are undertaking road contract works with two of our neighboring shires in Mukinbudin and Nungarin. A total of 7.5km reconstruction of the Nungarin-Mukinbudin Road is being completed between the two jobs. It is expected that this work will be completed by mid to end of November.

Peter Antonio has nearly completed the extension passageway that will link the administration area to the new Coopers Garage Museum in readiness for its official opening on Saturday 8th October.



Possum's Tree Stump and Fence Removal business is off to a flyer with destruction works commencing at his shed property

It looks like the forklift gets a bit tired like possum and needed a little lay down for a while???



A luncheon was held at Scrabble to celebrate Blanche Streich's 92nd birthday. Blanche is an absolute whiz at Scrabble, always thinking 3 moves ahead. We hope you enjoyed your birthday lunch and had a great day Blanche.



ON FRIDAY NIGHT WE HELD OUR QUIZ NIGHT FUNDRAISER FOR THE WESSY PLAYGROUND. WE HAD AN AWESOME TURNOUT AND A NIGHT FULL OF LAUGHS. I'D LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE FOR THEIR SUPPORT AND SHOWING UP FOR US, IT'S AMAZING TO SEE WHAT OUR LITTLE COMMUNITY CAN DO FOR EACH OTHER. ACROSS THE WHOLE NIGHT WE MANAGED TO RAISE JUST UNDER \$2500 AND EVERY DOLLAR IS APPRECIATED. EVERYONE ENJOYED THE QUESTIONS THAT REALLY MADE THEM THINK AND SEE IF THEY COULD REMEMBER WHAT THEY LEARNT IN THEIR YEAR 7 MATH AND SCIENCE CLASSES. CONGRATULATIONS TO THE WINNERS OF THE NIGHT AND CAROL TAPP WHO WON OUR RAFFLE WE HOPE YOU HAVE SOME LUCK WITH YOUR SCRATCHIES! WE LOOK FORWARD TO THE NEXT FUNDRAISER AND HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!

Thank you

Happy Birthday

1st October: Kevin Paust

2nd October: Tim & Kila Della

Bosca

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

31st October: Brenda Newbey

BROUGHT TO YOU BY WESTONIA COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE AND THE SHIRE OF WESTONIA

COOPER'S GARAGE



SATURDAY 8TH November at 10AM



THE SHIRE OF WESTONIA ARE PROUD TO ANNOUNCE THAT IT WILL BE OFFICIALLY OPENING ITS SECOND REMARKABLE MUSEUM TO BE ENJOYED BY THE COMMUNITY AND VISITORS ON CHRISTMAS MARKET DAY.

A STUNNING RANGE OF FULLY RESTORED ANTIQUE FUEL BOWSERS AND ASSOCIATED GARAGEANALIA COLLECTABLES





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 19th NOVEMBER @ 9:30AM, At the Old

The Shire of Westonia are very excited to share our very own

Emilie's big news Coming in November Active Farmers @ Westonia

Emilie has been extremely busy behind the scenes, in between wrangling a rambunctious toddler and a sassy little baby, Emilie was a proud recipient of a scholarship through the Active Farmers Program, bringing fitness to the country. Whilst it has been very challenging Emilie is coming up to completion of the course and will soon be a qualified personal trainer, ready and excited to offer support and engage our small rural community in improving connection, health and wellbeing through group fitness activities.

Emilie has big visions for where Active Farmers can help Westonia reach its peak fitness and is very grateful to have use of the facilities and equipment provided around town.

xpressions of interest are welcomed Emilie will communicate through What's App so pop your name and number down on the sheets provided at the shire office or Co op









Merredin Uet



Open Tuesdays and Thursday 8am - 5pm

29 Todd Street Merredin (the old Clinic)

Phone: 08 9041 1734



The Westonia Play Ground Association is holding a cake stall and raffles at the Westonia Christmas Markets and is looking for donations for both the cake stall and the raffles.

We will have a few different categories for raffles and will happily accept any donations that fit into a category. we will have:

- For the Man
- For the Woman
- · For the Child
- For the Gardener
- Christmas

All donations can be dropped in to the Shire Office. Cut off date for these donations will be the 5th of November.

For the cake stall we will accept any cake, slice, cookie, cupcake, scone or baked good you can come up with. We will be in the hall next to the fridge so will be able to accommodate any items that need to be kept cold. These donations can be dropped to the hall the day before the Markets (Friday 7th November). Please make sure these items are clearly labelled (what it is, if it includes nuts/allergins, if it's gluten free)

We appreciate any and all contributions





The Wessy Pool is opening on the 1st of November at 11.00am with a sausage sizzle supplied by the Shire.

Westonia pool has put out expression of interest:

Early morning swimming (Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 6–7am)

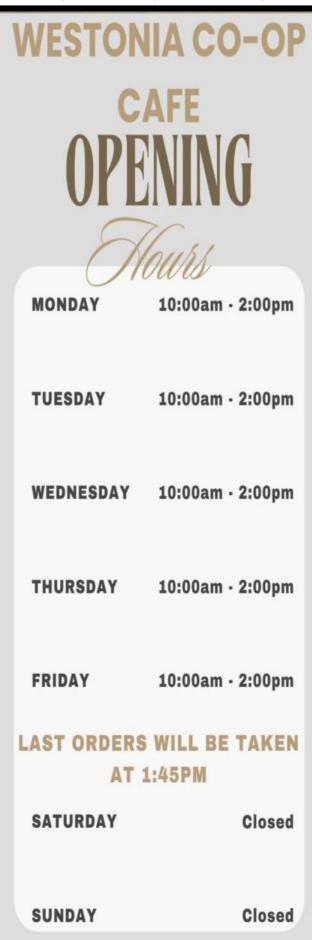
Little Kids' Session on Mondays from 10am– 12pm

Seniors' Session on Thursdays from 10am-12pm

Please let Megan know if you would like to attended pool@westonia.wa.gov.au

Follow Westonia Swimming Pool on Facebook.





JOIN US FOR THE ST MARY'S SCHOOL FETE

SATURDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2025 9.30AM-1PM * FACE PAINTING

*WINE WHEEL *MYSTERY BAGS

*SECOND HAND STALLS

*LOLLY BAGS

*LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

*SLUSHY STALL

*SIDESHOW GAMES *ICE CREAM

*BISCUIT DECORATING,

* SILENT AUCTION *BALL DROP

*TRAIN RIDES

SOUTH AVENUE, MERREDIN CASH ONLY!

*PLAYDOUGH

*PLANTS AND MORE!!

PLEASE JOIN THE ST MARY'S FETE EVENT ON FACEBOOK TO KEEP UP TO DATE WITH EVERYTHING FOR THIS EVENT.



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

One hundred medical students will be coming to the Wheatbelt in March 2026.

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
- Merredin
- Narrogin
- Southern Cross
- Tammin
- Westonia

As a host, we will ask you to provide accommodation for two or three students, 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?

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; and
- better able to provide patient-centred care to rural people.

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 numerous students are now doctors in the Wheatbelt and other parts of rural/remote WA and Australia.

For further information, contact Rural Health West:

T 08 6389 4509

E futureworkforce@ruralhealthwest.com.au

We want to hear from you if you would like to host, even if you need the students to roll out a swag in the living room.















Are you interested in health?

Would like to contribute to health care in your community?

WA Country Health Service invites you to join the Eastern Wheatbelt District Health Advisory Council (DHAC). This includes the Shires of Bruce Rock, Cunderdin, Kellerberrin, Koorda, Merredin, Mount Marshall, Mukinbudin, Narembeen, Nungarin, Quairading, Tammin, Trayning, Westonia, Wyalkatchem and Yilgarn.

Why join?

Eastern Wheatbelt DHAC members meet bi-monthly at the Merredin Health Service, working together with the community, patients and WA Country Health Service teams to ensure that we provide the best care possible.



For more information please contact: Merredin Health Service

Phone: (08) 9081 3222

Email: WBEast.OperationsPA@health.wa.gov.au

District Health Advisory Councils • Engaging with our community





Teletrial Community Reference Group EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

The **Australian Teletrial Program** is an initiative funded by the Commonwealth Government. It assists regional Australians to take part in clinical trials closer to their homes. In Western Australia, the WA Country Health Service (WACHS) is leading this project.

We are looking for people who understand what it is like to live in regional areas and are interested in improving healthcare access. Whether you or someone close to you has missed out on new treatment because of where you live. We believe the best insights come from those who have lived it.

What do community reference members do?

- Advise: tell WACHS about issues in the Teletrial Program.
- Advocate: speak up for the community and help us include everyone, especially those who are usually left out.
- Promote: share the information, let everybody know about the Teletrial Program.
- Collaborate: help improve policies, strategies and best practices in conducting Teletrials in the community.

How to get involed

The Community Reference Group meets online, if you are interested please complete an Expressions of Interest (EOI) form by scanning the QR code. Contact WACHSTrialCentre@health.wa.gov.au for assistance with the form or for further information.



EOI link: https://forms.office.com/r/sNmpg0XP0y



www.wacountry.health.wa.gov.au/About-us/Our-research/Clinical-trials



Hard Word Search Puzzle #6

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Movie Titles

A Few Good Men
All the King's Men
Animal House
Armageddon
Beauty and the Beast
Blame it on Rio
Coal Miner's Daughter
Dances with Wolves
Driving Miss Daisy

Erin Brokovich
Fiddler on the Roof
Forrest Gump
From Russia with Love
Gone with the Wind
Good Will Hunting
Honeymoon in Vegas
Independence Day
Little Miss Sunshine

Meet the Parents
Million Dollar Baby
Moulin Rouge
My Fair Lady
Night at the Museum
On Golden Pond
Poseidon
Pulp Fiction
Raging Bull

Saturday Night Fever Saving Private Ryan Steel Magnolias The Color Purple To Kill a Mockingbird West Side Story

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2025 October

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