

PIPELINE WORKS

The town has started getting a little busier with workers as they start their project of repairing the pipeline.

Since its commissioning in 1903, the 566-kilometre pipeline from Perth to Kalgoorlie has played a vital role in sustaining residential, agricultural, and industrial activities across the region. However, sustained economic growth means the scheme is now operating close to capacity during the peak summer months.

Water Corporation commenced planning to increase the scheme's capacity in 2021, with staged upgrades identified as the most efficient and cost-effective approach to meet initial and longer-term demand.

The project's first stage will increase scheme capacity by up to 7.2 million litres daily from 2027 to meet growth and industrial expansion, as well as enhancing the reliability of the scheme.

Works will include:

- Replacements and upgrades of 44.5 kilometres of ageing pipeline, mostly the original pipe, in the Shires of Merredin, Westonia, and Yilgarn, with new sections installed primarily below ground alongside the existing route
- Valve upgrades to improve network reliability
- Upgrades to the Binduli Reservoir in Kalgoorlie, doubling the water storage capacity

Stage 1 upgrade work is expected to commence in June 2026.

NEW PATH

The Cement Street asphalt footpath has been ripped up and is now being replaced with a brand-new concrete path.

The concrete truck has arrived, and the team is hard at work getting it done. We look forward to seeing the finished result!



WELCOME TO THE TEAM, KATE!

The Shire is pleased to introduce Kate Newton, our new Stadium Chef.

Kate will be preparing and cooking meals for the workers carrying out the pipeline repairs. Over the past few weeks, she has been busy getting everything organised and in place so she can run the kitchen smoothly and efficiently.

We're looking forward to having Kate on board and appreciate all the work she'll be doing to keep the team well fed during the project.

Happy Birthday

1st September: Ray McLaughlin

7th September: Amanda Corsini

8th September: Ross Crews

9th September: Tia Penny

10th September: Jess Fitzgerald

13th September: Arnold White

**15th September: Celia Du Plessis,
Zoe Ashby-Deering**

17th September: Mal Nicoletti

22nd September: Greta Gejas

**24th September: Stacey Geier,
Zac Crees**

26th September: Lydia Nicoletti

27th September: Kane Corsini

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 September Ordinary Meeting of Council scheduled for **Thursday 17th September 2026**, will now be held on **Thursday 24th September 2026** 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



Picnic
AT BALADJIE
Friday, September 25th
10:30am - Meet at Community Hub
Call the Shire to make a booking for the bus
**BRING YOUR OWN FOOD AND
DRINKS & ENJOY GREAT
COMPANY!**




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 SEPTEMBER @ 1PM, AT THE OLD SCHOOL



WESTONIA GOLF CLUB

The 23rd August saw 14 golfers turn up to the popular Sharon's Day. A big thank you to Sharon and family for their sponsorship and continued support of the Golf Club.



The winner for the day was Stacey Geier with Karin Day coming in as the runner up.

Most putts on 10 was Slippery with 3 putts. Slippery also took out the best 7th, not holed on 3. Longest putt on 7 was Karin. Harry took out the longest drive on hole 8, with Steve taking out the best 6, not holed on 17. Nearest to the pin on 15 was Karin.



With most people attending the football grand final on Sunday the 30th. Steve flew the flag for Westonia at the Nokanning Cup we only had two dedicated golfers on the course. Well done to Michael Lloyd and Lani Hale. Handicap coming down Michael.

WESTONIA BOWLING CLUB

Bowls Scroungers is still being played on Saturday afternoons. We are now only just over a month away to commence the 2026 – 2027 pennant season. Practice makes perfect and definitely keeps you in the eye of the selectors for pennant selection. To all bowlers who wish to make a contribution to a successful pennant season please come on down on Saturdays.



The Lockyer Faithfull Opening day is on Sunday 4th October. Just a reminder to all Bowling Club members that Subs are due on the 1st September. \$100.00 for full membership, \$80.00 for pensioners, \$50.00 for Social, non-playing members. Subs can be paid to Heather or Direct Debit into the Westonia Wanderers Account. Bendigo Bank. BSB 633000 A/C 236250809. Please reference your name. Fixture books are now out and can be picked up at the Stadium.

Good luck to our ladies travelling to Kalgoorlie to play in the Kalgoorlie Ladies Carnival next week.



FOR SALE



HEATER \$40

JOCKEY WHEELS
\$20 EACH

TRIGG HITCH \$50

4X PRADO RIMS
\$200

**PLEASE CONTACT BILL PRICE
0427 467 063**

FOR SALE

QUEEN ENSEMBLE \$50

SURPLUS TO REQUIREMENTS



**PLEASE CONTACT THE SHIRE
9046 7063**

On Friday 22nd August nine ladies boarded the Community Bus For. Day out in Nungarin. The weather was perfect, the chatter was happy and everyone was looking forward to a good day out.

There were lots of interesting stall holders - home made crafts, flowers, pot plants, honey, wine, gin, and I must say I was a little surprised at who bought what, but as the saying goes "what happened in Nungarin stays in Nungarin" There was another contingent of ladies who travelled by car.

The array of Raffle Prizes was amazing and everyone was very excited about the prospect of winning.

This time the prize winners were - Diane Angwin, Deb Pascoe, Sandra West, Joan Huxtable, Helen Smith was lucky enough to win three and their friend Carol won two.

We all returned around 4.30 and a few were feeling a little tired. All in all it was a good day out and thank you to the Shire for use of the Community bus.



The Council extends
their sincere
condolences to the
extended family of
Mrs Di Hodgkinson.
We hope that you
may find comfort
and solace amongst
family and friends.

COMMUNITY HUB MEETING

LET'S WORK TOGETHER TO BUILD
A COMMUNITY THAT WORKS FOR EVERYONE



INITIAL MEETING

To start getting projects happening
what do you think?



COMMUNITY MEETING



Community Garden
project



Games room



Mens Shed
project



Workshops



**JOIN YOUR COMMUNITY
HAVE YOUR SAY**

in shaping a community hub
that works for everyone



DATE & TIME

9/9/26

@ 10.30am



COMMUNITY HUB OPEN WEEK *(all areas)*

9-13 NOVEMBER

Join your community and have your say,
in shaping a community hub that works for everyone



TOGETHER WE CAN CREATE A THRIVING COMMUNITY HUB

Your ideas. Your community. Our future.



PUTTS FOR PINK — GOLF —



9 -Hole Ambrose
No golfing experience or
equipment required



**BBQ Lunch - Please bring a
salad/side to share**



**Major Raffles valued over \$500
& a cake stall**



**Wear something pink! Best
dressed prize up for grabs**



**All are welcome to
attend the lunch
for a fun filled
afternoon and
raising funds for
breast cancer
awareness. Please
RSVP**

**All proceeds will be
donated to the Mcgrath
Foundation**

SWING FOR A CAUSE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2026

WESTONIA GOLF COURSE

09:00 AM TEE OFF

12:00PM LUNCH



Phone Number
9046 7063

REGISTRATION DETAILS

Partners & Individual Registration Available
Registration Fee: \$10 / Player





Please fill out this 5 minute survey to help us plan small events in Westonia. Share what you want to learn, or would be interested in!

Survey



WANT TO STAY UPDATED ABOUT OUR community hub events?

Join our Whatsapp groupchat for updates, events and all other information.



Westonia Community Hub
WhatsApp group



DAY FEE	ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP	CHILDREN 13-18 MEMBERSHIP
\$15	\$150	\$75
- SUITABLE FOR OCCASSIONAL OR CASUAL USERS - FLEXIBLE, PAY ONLY WHEN YOU USE - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL	- BEST VALUE FOR FREQUENT USERS - EXCLUSIVE ACCESS TO ALL AREAS - BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL	CHILDREN 0-12 FREE UNDER PARENTS MEMBERSHIP

TO APPLY FOR MEMBERSHIPS OR TO MAKE A BOOKING, CONTACT THE SHIRE OFFICE 9046 7063

PILATES

Join in on our weekly mat pilates classes to help build your strength

— all ages welcome —
— weekly sessions —

THURSDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER | 5:30 PM | REC CENTRE

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN MAT & WATER BOTTLES
LIMITED MATS AVAILABLE



MOVIE NIGHT

Old Miners Hall

**FREE
ENTRY**

**Tuesday 29th September
6:00pm**

THE DRESSMAKER

Popcorn available
BYO Drinks



COME JOIN US FITNESS ON WEDNESDAY

GENERAL FITNESS 9:30AM-10:30AM

SENIORS 10:45AM-11:45AM

GENERAL FITNESS 4:45PM - 5:45PM



CBH Pre-Harvest Meetings

The pre-harvest meetings are an opportunity to get involved in planning for your local sites and hear about any important changes for the coming harvest. We encourage and welcome everyone to come along and provide input.

Date	Time	Location	Sites
23/09/26	11:30am	Mt Hampton Hall	Dulyalbin & Bodallin
23/09/26	3:00pm	Munty Pub	Muntadgin
24/09/26	2:00pm	Bruce Rock District Club	Bruce Rock & Shackleton
02/10/26	10:00am	Southern Cross CRC	Southern Cross
02/10/26	3:00pm	Narembeen Rec Centre	Narembeen, Mt Walker & South Kumminin
02/10/26	3:00pm	Merredin Bowling Club	Merredin, Burracoppin, Warralakin

For more information, contact your local CBH office or visit cbh.com.au/harvest/pre-harvest-meetings



WARRIOR WELLBEING ARTICLE

Drugs and Alcohol – Your Health & Wellbeing is at Stake

BY THE REGIONAL MEN'S HEALTH INITIATIVE
September 2026

We promote the point that choice around our lifestyle is mostly up to us. While genetics, environment and the health system can also impact on our health and wellbeing, in the context of drugs and alcohol the choice is ultimately ours and the consequences of use and misuse are clear and so are the laws.

As a community we need to have an honest conversation on why people use and abuse drugs and alcohol. Some reasons are:

- Risk taking – as boys and men we are hard wired to take risks
- Experimental and boredom
- Peer pressure
- Habit/addiction
- Recreation – to have fun
- To feel good and forget, to cope with difficult times in our life, to self-medicate and mask

The reasons are complex and varied and through our life at various stages we have been challenged and we will continue to be challenged.

Recent research reveals some alarming statistics around drug use:

- 46 % of drug users use for fun
- 54% of drug users used for self-medication

Regarding using drugs for fun, surely there are many other things we can do that don't damage our body and mind (i.e. embrace and explore our passions and interests).

The consequences of drug use are serious from several angles:

- The risk factor is extremely high for many illicit drugs, we may only have three chances with a drug before we are affected either medically and/or by addiction
- Purity of the drug is unknown and varied (often we don't know what's in it?)
- Health effects can be permanent (psychosis)
- Many legal and financial implications for users
- Relationships become fractured (conflict, violence, distrust)

With regard to self-medication, we need to acknowledge some of the *stuff* going on in our lives and some of the pain we may be suffering. Denial of this, exacerbated by drug use, and the shit will hit the fan. We need to talk about and ultimately deal with stuff in our life, not self-medicate.



Alcohol is our biggest societal drug of choice, there is a lot of literature and research suggesting how alcohol is dangerous to our body when misused. This usually focuses on the appropriate daily standard drinks consumption, links to various diseases such as cancer and then societal issues around binge drinking. On an individual level we need to work out if we can drink, and how do I behave when drinking (do I get angry and aggressive, take unnecessary risks). Because alcohol is a mood enhancer, we need to know what is our safe limit? Have regular alcohol-free days and not use it to self-medicate (when distressed) but enjoy it.

The difficulty in life is choice, illicit and excessive use of drugs and alcohol is all our personal responsibility. What then can we do, as a society, about the misuse/abuse of drugs and alcohol? Primary care is standing up and saying no it's not all right (culture). As a collective we can make a difference whether that is in the family, community group and/or workplace you are not alone. As peers we can make a difference whether it be in the school, workplace or footy club by saying no it's not all right. We all have a right to a safe place!

✉ @RMHI_4blokes

🎧 Working with Warriors Podcast

🌐 regionalmenshealth.com.au





Photo COMPETITION

What does studying in the Wheatbelt look like?

 Show us your Wheatbelt!

We want to see what studying in the Wheatbelt looks like through your lens. This could be your study space, daily routine, challenges, achievements, or the places and moments that support your learning.

- 1 Take a photo that captures what studying in the Wheatbelt looks like to you
- 2 Complete the entry form
- 3 Email us your photo

 Winner: \$150
Runner-up: \$100

Entries close: 5 October 2026



Open to all Wheatbelt community members lumenwruc.edu.au/photo-competition

Lumen Wheatbelt Study Hubs provide free, welcoming spaces for students to study, connect and access support.

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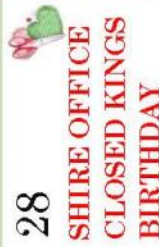
Spots are limited, enrol now to secure your place.
education.wa.edu.au/vacswim



Pre-Kindy Enrolments for 2027 are now open.
For enquires please contact St Mary's School.



2026 September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	01 	02 	03 	04	05
06	07  Westonia Craft Group, 9AM	08 	09 	10  	11	12
13	14  Westonia Craft Group, 9AM	15   	16  Working group meeting @ old school 1pm	17  Council Meeting Robyns Beauty Salon	18	19
20	21  Westonia Craft Group, 9AM	22  	23 	24   	25	26
27	28  SHIRE OFFICE CLOSED KINGS BIRTHDAY	29   	30	01	02	03
04	05	Notes:				