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TEAMWORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK

Pam Smit, Koojan Hills Performance Arabians

It was an extremely quiet first half of 2023 for our show team at Koojan Hills Performance Arabians, however the road to success doesn't come easy. It is often paved with bumps, U-turns, rough surfaces and lots of hard work, and sometimes, just sometimes, the destination is beyond our wildest dreams.

We decided on showing two of our beloved Arabian horses under saddle in the latter half of this year. Our goal was to qualify both horses for the 2023 WAAHA All Arabian Show and in particular, the 'Ultimate Arabian' award held in November; our twelve-year-old Arabian stallion Marbling Aden, and Australian Champion halter Arabian Ja'Dante Ibn Halimas aka JD, newly acquired in 2022, who was making his debut as a saddle horse.



Marbling Aden ridden by Amelia Radford and Ja'Dante Ibn Halimas ridden by Chloe Scardetta. Photo courtesy of Pam Smit.

JD made his saddle debut in Perth in early September and I would be telling fibs if I said it went off without a hitch. This young horse was overwhelmed with the atmosphere in the warmup area prior to entry into the indoor arena at the State Equestrian Centre in Perth, where he settled somewhat and completed his workout for a placing.

So, home we went and re-assessed the work and feed program for this one, with the hope that he would settle enough to work kindly and safely going forward.

His next outing was Narrogin Ag Show and he surprised us all with his calm work ethic and ability to get on with the job, coming home with the Reserve Champion Hack sash. He even coped with the parachutists appearing from the heavens towards the end of the oval.

Both horses were then prepped for the Wagin Woolorama Gymkhanarama. In all the nasty windy conditions, both horses just got on with the job. Bella Rae from Broomehill rode Marbling Aden to Champion Galloway, and Chloe Scardetta rode JD, bringing home the flowers this year for Champion Hack and Supreme Ridden. We were thrilled.

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WAGIN CRC CALENDAR

▪ It's In the Bag	Until 23 rd November	9am-4pm	
▪ Camera Club	Mon 20 th November	7pm	Free
▪ Wagin CRC Meeting	Tue 21 st November	6pm	
▪ iHear	22 nd -23 rd November	By appointment:	1300 061 650
▪ Xmas Shopping Day	Fri 1 st December	10am-5pm	
▪ Xmas Lights Map	Fri 1 st December		
▪ Paint & Sip	Tue 5 th December	6pm-8.30pm	\$50 (must book)
▪ Camera Club	Mon 18 th December	7pm	Free
▪ School Holiday Program	Wed 20 th December	1pm-3pm	Free
▪ Holiday Closure	Monday 25 th December onwards		
▪ Reopening	Monday 8 th January		



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Day*

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Tuesday 5th December
6pm-8.30pm \$50

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painting that's great for beginners, with all
resources provided

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included, BYO permitted

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CAN** 

Bookings Essential

Please book a spot - contact us on FB,
9861 1644 or admin@wagincrc.net.au

*Michelle
Painter*




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PROGRAM!**

20 DEC / 01:00 PM

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DECORATIONS AND CHRISTMAS
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- Nappy Rash Cream

Help make this Christmas brighter for vulnerable women and girls.
Contact us at: 9861 1644



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'Tis the Season to Give

Wagin CRC is gratefully accepting donations for our Food Bank ahead of the Christmas season.

Seasonal shelf staples could include:

- long-life custard/cream
- canned meat
- canned fruits
- xmas & fruit cakes
- cake mix
- gravy
- sweets and more...

46 Tudhoe St | 9861 1644
Monday-Friday | 9am-4pm




WAGIN MARKETS

Last market day of the year

Saturday 25th November
9am-12 noon
Freemasons Hall
Tarbet St behind Goodyear

- Free DVDs
- Summer clothes
- Avocados and fresh veggies
- Fresh eggs
- Collectibles and nic nacs
- Fresh homemade cakes
- Homemade Preserves and much more

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2023 @7pm Sun Dec 10



@ Ram Park

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SHIRE OF WAGIN NEWS

WE WANT YOU – POSITIONS VACANT WITHIN THE SHIRE: MANAGER OF FINANCE & EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

Interested in being part of a small multi skilled team dedicated to working with a progressive Council in providing a high level of services to the community? If so, we would like to hear from you. For further information, refer to the job advertisement and information package for either of these positions by using this QR code.



THIS IS NOT GOODBYE – JUST SEE YOU LATER

So, you have read the above, yes it is true I have resigned from my position as Executive Assistant. I will miss my colleagues and the community connections I have made throughout my time with the Wagin Shire. I wish Council, staff, residents, and the surrounding communities every success. My sincere thanks go to Wagin for every memory and experience. I am just next door in Narrogin – if you see me, be sure to say hello. Best wishes, Kirsty Simkins.

DOG REGISTRATION AND IMPOUND FEES

The shire has been very busy with wandering, unregistered and unmicrochipped dogs of late. Not to mention an influx of cats and kittens.

Dog owners are reminded that dogs three months and over must be registered at all times. Council also requests the dog owners inform Council immediately of any changes of ownership, the death of a dog, or change in address.

All dogs must be microchipped. At the time of registration, proof of microchipping forms must be presented. Current owner and address details must be correct.

Owners must provide means on their property to effectively confine their dog. This does not include tethering.

If your dog is picked up roaming, the following impound fees will occur:

Daily Pound Fee	\$ 25.00
Impound and Release Fee	\$105.80
After Hours Release Fee	\$ 50.00

Please note, the above fees are for registered dogs only. If your dog is not registered or microchipped, the registration and microchipping of the dog will be required prior to the release.

Failure to Register and have your dog microchipped will incur the following infringements:

Unregistered Dog	\$200.00
Unmicrochipped Dog	\$200.00

The following infringements may also occur.

Dog not held or tethered in a public place	\$200.00
Dog not wearing collar with attached registration tag	\$200.00

CAT OWNERSHIP

Cat owners are reminded of the following cat laws:

1. It is an offence **not to register a cat** over 6 months unless exempt.
Infringement of \$200.00
2. It is an offence **not to sterilise a cat** over 6 months, unless exempt.
Infringement of \$200.00
3. It is an offence **not to microchip a cat** over 6 months, unless exempt.
Infringement of \$200.00

Please note the above fees are for registered cats only. If your cat is not registered, microchipped or sterilised, the registration, microchipping and sterilisation of the cat will be required prior to the release.

'BE PART OF THE SOLUTION NOT THE PROBLEM'.

ROADWORKS

Shire works crew have been stabilising and bituminising Dongolocking Road. Thank you to all the drivers for their patience, especially during harvest. The first half of the project has now been completed and the remainder will be completed after harvest.

The Towns crew have been busy cleaning up the parks and gardens and attending to maintenance work.

Upcoming works will include gravel sheeting to Hyde Road, street sweeping of the CBD and shopping areas and construction of a new footpath on Tarbet Street.

WAGIN WEATHER FORECAST

Reproduced with the permission of the Bureau of Meteorology

Thu 16 th	Fri 17 th	Sat 18 th	Sun 19 th	Mon 20 th	Tue 21 st	Wed 22 nd
						
25°/10°	27°/10°	30°/10°	32°/12°	34°/12°	34°/15°	35°/16°
 0%	 0%	 0%	 0%	 0%	 0%	 0%

RED GRANTS BOOST ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION & JOBS

Kelly Brady, Office of Agricultural Region MLC Shelley Payne

Six Wheatbelt projects will share in \$573,500 funding under Round 6 of the Cook Government's Regional Economic Development (RED) Grants program.

The RED Grants program is investing \$50.85 million over nine years, towards locally driven projects to stimulate economic growth and build resilience in the regions.

Successful projects in Round 6 will diversify the agribusiness and tourism offering in the Wheatbelt, increase the availability of industrial land, and support the expansion of childcare and construction services in the Wheatbelt.

A \$125,000 grant has been provided to the Armstrong Farmlands expansion project in

Narrogin, which is set to generate new jobs and diversify the local agri-tourism industry.

The funding will see a further three 'tiny homes' constructed for short-term accommodation, the establishment of a 12-site campground, and enhancement of existing mountain bike and walking trails in the Southern Wheatbelt.

"The RED Grants program is another example of how the Cook Government supports regional WA", commented Agricultural Region MLC Shelley Payne.

"I am so thrilled that Armstrong Farmlands have been granted this funding from Round 6 for their agritourism project, which will help alleviate some of the accommodation issues within the area."



Shelley Payne MLC with Angus Armstrong at the accommodation units on his farm near Narrogin.

Other Round 6 recipients include Wafex Pty Ltd, which has been awarded \$100,000 to establish a fresh and dry flower processing facility on-farm in the Wheatbelt, allowing flowers to be managed more efficiently, without the risk of dehydration or damage, and diversifying our regional exports.

Currently, all production from Wafex's Harris and Mindarra farms is collected by truck and transported in bulk bins to their main processing facility in West Swan. The funding will also see value-adding through sulphuring and drying of Banksias on-farm.

Jurien Bay Panel and Paint will use its \$110,000 grant to expand its workshop and to purchase new equipment to meet growing demand.

Once complete, this project is expected to increase regional capacity and job pathways, along with providing an expanded local service to keep more smash repair activity in the local area.

Moora-based Stegosaurus Pty Ltd will use its \$48,500 funding to establish a new childcare centre in Moora. The Magic Cottage Moora will offer places to an additional 25 local children, significantly increasing the town's existing childcare capacity and generating up to 10 new local jobs and local training opportunities, as well as supporting increased workforce participation opportunity for local residents.

[Other successful RED Grant recipients include the Shire of Wandering, with \$100,000 funding for a Wandering industrial land development, and Atrada Group Pty Ltd, with \$90,000 funding for a Tradesales commercial office construction project.]

“The successful Wheatbelt RED Grant applicants demonstrate the growth and diversification of the Wheatbelt region over the past few years”, said Regional Development Minister Don Punch.

“Spanning childcare, tourism, agribusiness, construction, and land development, the Wheatbelt RED Grants will enhance local services along with employment and training opportunities.

“These Grants demonstrate the Cook Government's commitment to supporting economic development opportunities in the regions.”

BLUE TREE PROJECT

Linda Wirth



In the past few weeks, the gardens at Wagin CWA have been having a small makeover, with the addition of hardy plants, mulching and cover over the apricot tree.

There is a blue round garden bed with a blue tree implanted in its centre as a nod to mental healthcare.

Rainbow chard, garlic chives and marigolds have been planted around in the garden bed.



Affordable and Practical **Farm** Safety

Are you aware there is another very affordable and practical farm safety option on the market? We are visiting a few other farmers in your region and wanted to let you know about the services we offer; in case you haven't heard about us. We are the fastest-growing safety business for many great reasons. Affordability, practicality and a 'friend in the know' to call if an incident occurs are just a few.

We were recently announced State Finalists in the 2023 Telstra Best of Business Awards, beating over 20,000 businesses Australia-wide, so we know we are on the right track. We honestly believe that if safety is not affordable, practical, and quick to implement, it just won't happen. The feedback we are receiving is that our approach is very practical and supportive. We won't ask you to throw away any old equipment, just consider it comes with a separate set of instructions for those that use it.

After a 25-year policing career (but starting off as a farm hand when I first left school) I am committed to keeping people safe in my business called Regional Safety Services. As you can appreciate, I have seen all aspects of farming tragedies, and the new Industrial Manslaughter Legislation is not something to be taken for granted. Even if you do not hire staff, you can still find yourself subject to this legislation if something happens and you do not have the required safety systems or records in place.

Most farmers are doing the right thing to keep their team safe but lack the evidence to prove it. This is where we can help you! Unlike our competitors, we come to you and conduct a two-hour on-site safety appraisal for only **\$880.00**. We will arm you with lots of tips and knowledge, prepare the documentation for you with a clear overview of your position and actions to take. You will not be left guessing what you need to do.

To make life easier we have introduced our own online safety forms to help capture your current effort in this area. We have spent over two years developing our Plant and Machinery Risk Assessment forms, which include Harvester, Seeding, and other farm machines. These forms are only \$99.00 to access them for 12 months. These forms have been recommended by farmers like you and most can be done in 1-2 minutes. They can be done on your mobile device, and we provide QR codes for quick and direct access.

If you undertake a service like ours, it would be virtually impossible for someone to say you were grossly negligent, as you are doing something proactive and demonstrating an open commitment to safety. Too many farmers are saying they will plead ignorant if something happens. In light of the recent WorkSafe review of the agricultural industry, there is a massive target on the back of farmers and as such I urge you to help raise the bar of safety in your industry. The WorkSafe review into the agriculture industry is now complete and I look forward to helping my clients get on the front foot with the changes soon to be implemented.

If you have any further questions, I am available on my mobile or feel free to make contact via email and I can send you more details about what we will do when we attend your farm to conduct an appraisal. We also service many other businesses, not just farms.

Darren Slyns

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Regional Safety Services
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MITCHELL HOUSE EXHIBITION: VESSELS

Glenys Ball

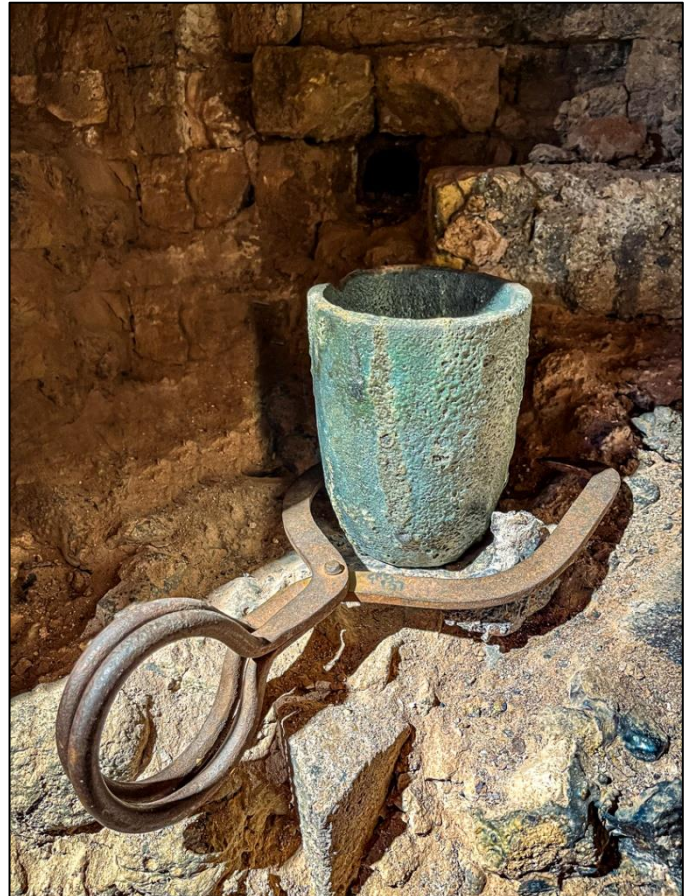
Hi there. The Wagin Camera Club has been invited to participate in an exhibition at the Mitchell House Art Centre in Mount Barker. Twenty photographs have been exhibited with the theme of VESSEL/S.

The exhibition opens this Saturday the 18th of November at 2pm. All are welcome.

Mitchell House is located on the corner of Ormond Road and Albany Highway, Mount Barker. After Saturday, the exhibition will then be open 10am to 4pm on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays until the 17th of December.

Selected photographs (left to right):

1. 'Caught short' by Michelle Patterson
2. 'Crucible and tongs' by Di Davidson
3. 'Cups' by Glenys Ball



Wagin Care & Share

Warwick Street

Ph: 9861 2658

Mon-Fri 9am-11.30am

CHRISTMAS IS COMING!!!

Jessica Hamersley

Yes, it's only five weeks away, and Care and Share will be closing a week before that – on the 15th of December.

Come and buy your Christmas decorations; Christmas gifts of toys, clothing, books, puzzles, photo frames and woodwork items; in fact, almost anything you can think of. There is also lots of glorious tableware, glasses, vases and other things to make your Christmas table amazing.

Don't forget – Care and Share is always looking for volunteers to help display and sell these goods. Come along between 9am and 11.30am, Monday to Friday, to offer your services for a once-off help, or for a regular shift.

The money raised helps our community and others in many ways. Have you heard the Royal Flying Doctor aircraft over our town in recent days? Its regular attendance at our airfield to transport local people to the city for vital medical assistance is assisted by regular donations from Wagin Care and Share. Just this week, we were recognised for hitting the \$40,000 donation milestone. *Congratulations everyone!!*



RICK WILSON

FEDERAL MEMBER FOR O'CONNOR

Working hard for Wagin



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WAGIN DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

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WORKPLACE LEARNING PROGRAM – THANK YOU BREAKFAST

Yesterday morning, WDHS hosted a breakfast to thank our wonderful local businesses who generously allow our high school students to participate in our Workplace Learning Program. Our Workplace Learning Program allows students the opportunity to experience and acquire industry skills, to experience and understand what it means to work as an employee, and to enhance their work ethic and improve their employability and work readiness.



Thank you to all of those who attended and Raylene Eckersley for coordinating.

CHANCE TO DANCE

In Week 3 and 4, our Year 5 and 6 classes participated in the West Australian Ballet's Chance to Dance Regional Program. This program consisted of nine instructional sessions over a two-week period, then a performance to our junior primary classes on Friday the 3rd of November. Tom and Astelle from WA Ballet worked exceptionally hard with our students to build relationships and provide engaging workshops.



While there was some hesitancy from some students about doing ballet initially, our students thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

As the finale to this program, both classes will travel to His Majesty's Theatre on Wednesday the 29th of November to watch the WA Ballet company perform *The Nutcracker* at a matinee performance.

NETBALL CLINIC

Warwick Senior High School's Netball Academy visited our Year 4 to 6 students last week and taught them some great netball skills. Warwick Senior High School is one of six specialist netball schools in WA that offer students an opportunity to participate in the Netball WA and the Department of Education endorsed Specialist Netball Program.

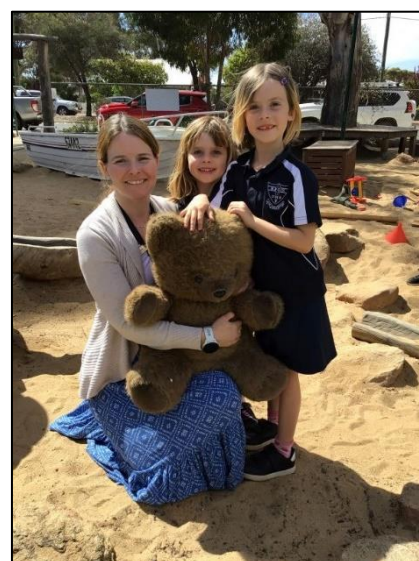


INSPIRATIONS

As part of an English assessment, Year 9 students interviewed a loved one or someone from the community about their life. Students had to write their own questions, ask them, and take notes in preparation for a presentation to the class. They conducted their interviews very well and our special guests were impressed with their skills.

FUN DAY OUT AT TEDDY BEAR PICNIC

Our K-3 Teddy Bear's picnic was held on Friday the 10th of November. There were cool prizes in different 'Teddy' categories and so many amazing teddies. We enjoyed afternoon tea and fun teddy bear games. Thank you to all the family and friends who attended the afternoon. We had so much fun!



INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL 2023			
Overall:			
Wagin: 700	Boddington: 499	Kojonup: 443	
WDHS Results:			
Year 4 Girls	Runner Up	Ila Robinson	16 pts
Year 4 Boys	Champion	Will Robinson	13 pts
	Runner Up	Whareki Kapene	12 pts
Year 5 Girls	Champion	Mariah Garlett	21 pts
	Runner Up	Sophie Scanlon	13 pts
Year 6 Girls	Runner Up	Carissa Williams	25 pts
Year 6 Boys	Runner Up	Flinn Robinson	27 pts
Year 7 Girls	Runner Up	Jazeliyah Dorante	17 pts
Year 8 Girls	Champion	Latika Baxter	37 pts
	Runner Up	Hayley Lloyd	27 pts
Year 8 Boys	Runner Up	Sai Winata	34 pts
Year 9 Girls	Champion	Angel Anthony	42 pts

Year 9 Boys	Runner Up	Nathaniel Burford	21 pts
Year 10 Girls	Champion	Stacey Garlett	47 pts
	Runner Up	Talegan Baxter	29 pts
Year 10 Boys	Champion	Munya Gunzvenzve	40 pts
Record Breakers:			
Long Jump Year 6 Male		4.42	Archie Ward
Discuss Year 7 Female		17.37	Rayne Kapene
Shot Put Year 8 Male		11.28	Sai Winiata

SCHOOL CANTEEN CLOSING MONDAYS

From the 21st of November the School Canteen will no longer be opening on Mondays. The last Monday the Canteen will operate is **Monday the 20th of November 2023**. Our canteen will still be open on Wednesdays and Fridays. See the menu and order online by using this QR code.



DENTAL VAN ARRIVING IN WAGIN TERM 4

The school dental van will be arriving on **Wednesday the 22nd of November 2023**. The dental van will be on site for the remainder of term 4 and will return in term 1 next year also. If you wish for your child to be enrolled in the school dental service, forms are available at the school office. Please fill in both forms and return them to the school. The school dental van is a free service provided by WA health department. More information on the service will be found on the back of the forms your child receives.

If children (PP-Yr11) have a dental concern, they are eligible to come see us for free care at any time. They can call us for an appointment on 0428 984 100.

SAVER PLUS CAN ASSIST PARENTS WITH EDUCATION EXPENSES

Saver Plus is a financial education program for families and individuals on a tight budget to develop life-long savings habits. If you are a parent with a current health care card or pensioner concession card and regular income, you are eligible to apply.



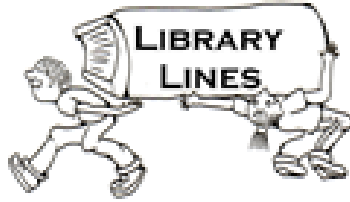
Saver Plus matches every dollar that parents save for education-related expenses, up to \$500. Examples of what the matched amount can be used for include:

- Laptops and tablets
- Books and supplies
- Lessons and activities
- Uniforms and shoes
- Sports fees and gear
- Camps and excursions

To find out more about the program, refer to the Saver Plus website by using the QR code.

CALENDAR	
Tuesday 21 st November	Year 6 High School Transition Day
Thursday 23 rd November	Transport Assistance applications due
Thursday 23 rd November	Uniform Shop 8.45am-10am
Wednesday 29 th November	Year 5-6 His Majesty's Theatre excursion
Thursday 7 th December	Uniform Shop 8.45am-10am
Thursday 7 th December	Presentation Assembly 9am-11am
Thursday 7 th December	Year 10 Graduation Lunch

Wagin Library & Gallery
 Your team: Tina and Monica
 3 Trent St Wagin
 Phone: (08) 9861 1247



Mon 2pm–4pm
 Tue 2pm–5pm
 Wed 10am–12pm 2pm–5pm
 Thu 10am–12pm 2pm–5pm
 Fri 1pm–5pm
 Sat 10am–12pm

Hi to all our Wagin Library & Gallery patrons and friends. We look forward to seeing you all.

The 64th Albany Summer School is from the 8th to 19th of January 2024. Courses will run from Monday to Friday unless stated otherwise. All courses will be held at Great Southern Grammar (school) in Albany. Enrolments commenced on Tuesday the 26th of September 2023. Would you like to do a morning course, a full day course or an afternoon course? For more information pick up a pamphlet at Wagin Library & Gallery.

PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Story Time is for ages 0 to 5 and runs every Wednesday from 10am to 11am then again on Fridays from 1.30pm to 2.30pm. When we finish the story, we sing along to nursery rhymes.

Book Club for children is on every Tuesday from 3.30pm to 4.30pm and is for children aged from Pre-primary to Year 7. You can be reading any book such as one from school or home.

Book Club will be held on Saturday the 9th of December from 2pm to 4pm. Have you read a book about sport? You can be reading any book. New members are always welcome.



Jessica Hamersley

It's happening as you read!!

By the end of this week all of the Wagin Library & Gallery books, shelves, artworks, staff... in fact everything, will be in the Old Courthouse. After a little settling in time, watch out for some interesting happenings to involve the Wagin community in the new space.

Our **next meeting will be on Thursday the 30th of November at 2.30pm.** We would love lots of Wagin Library & Gallery patrons to come along and be involved in the planning for revitalising this new space.

Thanks to all those FOWL&G who have been involved this year in helping to make our little library the best possible. Let's keep the momentum going and increase the number of people, young and old, who get joy from using our library.



The Wagin Library
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2023
Due to Relocation

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Wagin Care & Share

Monday-Friday 9am-11.30am



Christmas Decorations

As of Monday 20th November come in and fill up one of our bags of Christmas decorations for just \$5!



Ladies Clothing

All ladies clothing half price until 15th December!



Holiday Closure

We are closing for the holidays on Friday 15th December and reopening Monday 29th January



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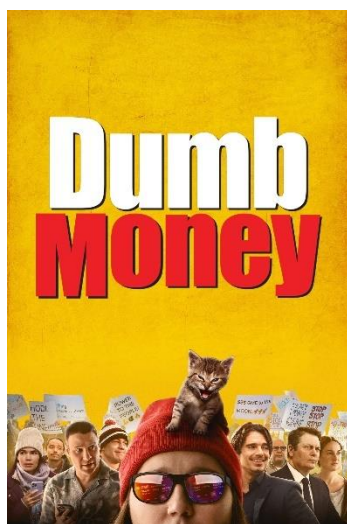
f | 6 Trent St Wagin | Tickets: bit.ly/wagintbct or QR code | Editorial by Zach Rayne

As we reach the end of the year, it's heartening to look back at how many amazing volunteers have run our cinema. We have been able to show twenty-one new films in Wagin this year all thanks to people generously giving their time. Thank you so much.

Helping out at the movies is fun! You can do the job that suits you best, be it selling tickets, running the kiosk and making popcorn, or running the projector (easy for anyone who can use a computer). Everyone helps each other out, and you get to watch the movie too!

You don't need to volunteer for every film, just when it suits you. There are also odd jobs throughout the year, like tending to the garden, or handyman work like changing globes.

We welcome volunteers with open arms – so please get in touch if you would like to have a go. You can contact us on Facebook, email btctwagin@gmail.com or track down Nicole Kirk, Diane Dohle, Kayla Lloyd or Zach Rayne.



DUMB MONEY is the underdog story of everyday people who “flipped the script on Wall Street and got rich by turning GameStop (the American video game store and owner of Australia’s EB Games) into the world’s hottest company”. Based on the real event in 2021 and book *The Antisocial Network* by Ben Mezrich. Director Craig Gillespie (*Cru-ella; I, Tonya*) presents a rousing and humorous take on events. Starring Paul Dano, Pete Davidson and Seth Rogen.

MA15+ | 1h 44m | Biographical/Drama/Comedy

Friday – 17th November @ 6.30pm

Saturday – 18th November @ 2pm & 6.30pm

Monday – 20th November @ 6.30pm



UPROAR stars the breakout *Hunt for the Wilderpeople* (2016) actor Julian Dennison as a 17-year-old student in Dunedin, New Zealand. This is a heartwarming story about standing up for yourself and your whanau (family), and finding your place in the world. Also starring Rhys Darby (*Our Flag Means Death*) and Minnie Driver (*Cinderella*). *Uproar* will be our final film of the year, with our volunteers taking a well-deserved break until we return with the latest flicks in February.

M | 1h 50m | Drama/Comedy

Friday – 1st December @ 6.30pm

Saturday – 2nd December @ 2pm & 6.30pm

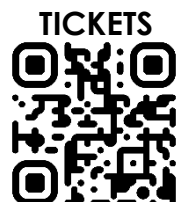
Monday – 4th December @ 6.30pm



TICKETS: Kids \$8 Concession \$11 Adults \$13 (only \$11 on Monday nights)

Cash only Kiosk No BYO please Doors open 30 minutes early

Children under 15 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian



Gen Harvey | Email: wwlandcare@westnet.com.au | Phone: 9861 2222 Mob: 0428 231 506



WAGIN / WOODANILLING LANDCARE ZONE

BE SNAKE SAVVY!!

The calls for snake removal have been coming in early this year so this summer we are likely to have bumper numbers of snakes.

There are two main reasons snakes will intrude into your space: food and water. If you remove the need or access for this, you hugely reduce the likelihood that you will come face to face with one.

There are things you can do to reduce the appeal for snakes to come close to the house/yard.

Provide several low rim easy access water points on the outer boundary of your yard. Snakes do need to drink water, and the really hot days they are likely to come looking for a drink.

Don't forget to top them up with fresh water regularly, as they will smell if you have fresher water closer to the house. Who likes to drink gungy water when there is cool clear stuff nearby?!

There are two main food resources you might have around the house that appeal to snakes: rodents and frogs. If you manage these, you can help reduce the appeal of your yard. (Baby fowl are also a popular meal, so if you have chicks, ducklings etc., you may need to consider how best to manage them to keep them secure.)

We all love frogs in the yard, but you may need to weigh up the snakes vs the frogs this summer with the high numbers we expect. If you have a pond, you might want to let it dry out this year, or alternatively, keep the pond full, but with the water bowls provided on the edge of the property, and relocate any frogs you find in your pond to a nice, sustained water source elsewhere.

Mice are a particular favourite, so removing them will help significantly. Manage grain stores to contain securely, use hanging bird feeders rather than ground mounted ones in the garden. Keep the chook run clean of excess uneaten grain. If you have chicks, they will need secure housing. Set some traps to get an idea of the numbers – big populations may need some ethical baiting/trapping management – contact us to find out more on this if need be.

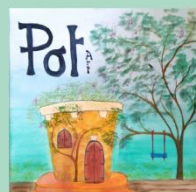
If all this fails, and you still get an unwelcome visitor, contact Gen at the office on weekdays. Alternatively, Swags and Wags of Katanning has a snake removal service at a charge of \$150 for a call out available weekdays and weekends.



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WAGIN DISTRICT CLUB

AGM

FROM 6 PM

THURSDAY
16 NOVEMBER 2023

Wagin Chamber of Commerce Inc.

AGM

Wagin District Club 6pm
 Monday 20th of November
 General meeting to follow
 Enquiries: waginchamber@gmail.com

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GENERAL MEETING
 &
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
 WEDNESDAY 22nd NOVEMBER 2023
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27 Burrowes St Darkan | Manager Karen Prowse

WAX EXHIBITION

Recently at the West Arthur CRC the end of WAX 23 was celebrated with the opening night of the exhibition showcasing designs of 'Wearable Art' – the theme for this year. The exhibition featured work by locals who had participated in the various workshops from April to September 2023. The exhibition is open for the remainder of the month of November. If you come along for a look, you can see the full piece Wool Dress by Alannah Boxall and the Black and White Dress by Kym Gibbs. These were started in the first workshop with artist Jodie Davidson, who introduced us to working with cane for shape. Other pieces on display were inspired by the recycled coffee pod workshop and the botanical dyeing.



DARKAN OPEN GARDENS

Recently the Darkan community had the opportunity to visit three beautiful gardens which were opened for viewing. Thank you Des Gooding, Royden and Denise Gooding, and Mick and Emma Parks for all your hard work.



CHRISTMAS CARD CRAFT

The West Arthur CRC will be holding a class to create your own handmade Christmas cards. Come along on **Monday the 20th of November at 10am** to make four beautiful Christmas cards. Cost is \$10. Please RSVP by the 15th of November to the West Arthur CRC.

COMMUNITY DIRECTORY 2024/25

We are currently preparing our community directory for 2024, so if you need any changes made, would like to add your contact details, or are keen to advertise in it, please give the West Arthur CRC a call or email us.

SENIORS CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Seniors in the West Arthur community are invited to the 2023 Seniors Christmas Lunch to be held at the Darkan and Districts Sports Club on **Wednesday the 22nd of November**. Numbers are required for catering purposes so please contact the West Arthur CRC.

'IT'S IN THE BAG'

The West Arthur CRC is once again accepting donations for this Christmas collection of bags of sanitary and self-care items for women, teenagers and Mums and bubs. Bags to be dropped off to the CRC by **Thursday the 23rd of November** at the latest. Contact the West Arthur CRC with any enquiries.

BOUND FOR WEST AUSTRALIA

Jeffery Stewart

This story relates to my early childhood days from my primary school years. I am guessing that the topics of the various states of Australia are still studied in our school system. I can vividly remember my schoolteacher explaining to our class the various state emblems of Australia. The state flag of Western Australia, with its emblem of the black swan, fascinated me. From recollections, not much was known or discussed about Western Australia. As a young guy, it was on the other side of Australia. Just how far that was, I had no idea. In later years I did find out just how big of an expanse this great land of ours covers. And over the years, the image of the black swan stayed with me.

It was in the year of 1980. I had just started working for a company that manufactured mining equipment for Western Australia. Once again this reignited my interest of the black swan of WA from my early school years. By chance, a chap that also worked for the company used to park his motorcycle near the entrance to the main office foyer when it was a rainy day. On this day it was indeed raining. Being a car and bike guy, I went to have a look at the gentleman's motorcycle. On the foyer table were pamphlets outlining the structure and plant facilities that the company operated throughout Australia.

The pamphlet I picked up stated there was indeed a facility in Perth Western Australia. I made a random enquiry to management shortly thereafter, that maybe a transfer for a short time could be in order. Call it a working holiday if you will. I was informed that the facility on the pamphlet was just an administration outlet to oversee the transfer and ongoing maintenance of the machinery that I myself was building at the Newcastle NSW manufacturing plant. Worth a try, I thought to myself. No big deal. I was making good money putting the company's machinery together, and I really enjoyed the work I was doing to earn a living. Over the weeks, I put the idea of going to Perth WA out of my mind. This was about to change.

One morning I was called to the main office of the factory. I was asked by management, were my intentions of a serious nature to go to WA for a short time? It had come about that the company had taken on a side project to assemble in the vicinity of thirty pump units for irrigation purposes in WA. A bit out of the normal run of products that I was building. I jumped at the chance to finally track down the elusive black swan. In short, two and a half weeks later I was on the road in my 1968 Falcon, towing a box trailer full of my tools and other paraphernalia I felt I might need in the land of the black swan, plus two new pairs of company working uniforms and a brief case full of blueprints I would need to assemble said pumps.

The beauty of travel within Australia is that you do not need a passport to travel around its many states. In short, I did indeed learn just how expansive and vast this land of ours is. It is a funny thing; I'd always had visions of Perth Western Australia being a sleepy small country town near the seaside. Upon arrival, after three days travel, I soon realized that Perth WA was somewhat more than that. I was smitten by the place. In short, I fulfilled my obligation to the company, I assembled the pump units, but decided to stay in Western Australia. I found other work as my stay continued. After 43 years I am still in WA. Wagin is my new home, and this is good enough for me.

In closing, it is my opinion only that, after WA brought the Americas Cup back to Perth, and the subsequent challenge of 1987, the world came to Fremantle. This arrival opened up WA to the rest of the universe. At the end of the day, to me personally I never tire of this great state of WA and the elusive black swan.



POLITICAL CORRECTNESS – IS IT A STRAIN ON OUR WELLBEING?

Political correctness is a doctrine which holds forth the proposition that it is entirely possible to pick up a bit of shit by the clean end. In my opinion, political correctness is a major inhibiting factor when interpreting bureaucracy and applying common sense (often the ingredient missing out of lots of decision making) in our daily life. This ultimately can affect our wellbeing.

Bureaucracy on its own does have its place, however at times it can limit how we do things because of the many layers of rigid rules that can complicate getting the job done on the ground. This occurs in everyday life whether completing tedious processes, filling out pages of paperwork, or dealing with a system that appears to be more focused on processes rather than helping achieve an outcome.

When a disaster strikes (i.e., catastrophic fires, floods and droughts) or personal health and safety issues arise in our life, layers of bureaucracy are not always helpful. They can exacerbate an already tense environment. We have spoken to many blokes who feel both frustrated and restricted in their reactions to these disasters because of the many layers of procedures that had to be adhered to. Common sense was taking second place!

The point about the effects of this political correctness doctrine, is that it enshrines both bureaucracy and common sense and quite often masks/dilutes what should be done and said and can also inhibit robust discussions.

Blokes, by our own nature, are hard wired to be action orientated i.e., we want to solve problems, and we want to do stuff now. Once this is stifled by political correctness, a few things can start to happen:

- Normal stress can become distress.
- Short cuts can be taken (with increased risk).
- Our natural problem-solving process is inhibited.
- Blokes shut down and stop seeking help (we go into our cave and don't come out).
- It creates an 'us versus them' mentality.

So where have we gone wrong and how can we make changes?

- Don't allow political correctness to mask what should be done and said. Sometimes we must be critical and blunt about our processes to keep them relevant and up to date.
- Bureaucracy should facilitate what we do, not dictate how we do it (not create barriers and thus frustrate people who are trying to deal with a challenging situation at the coal face).
- The commonsense rule should be applied to everything we do. I repeat, apply it to everything we do.
- People/communities have the innate ability to band together and deal with stressful situations. This should be fostered thus empowering individuals and communities, rather than disempowering through micro-management and removing them from vital decisions regarding their own lives and local community.
- Language is always important. Appropriate language that can be understood needs to be used. A robust discussion is vital to air all points of view and to prevent mistakes being repeated.

Remember that at the end of the day we are responsible for our own wellbeing. Hopefully these suggestions encourage communities to claim back some responsibility and ownership. This would bring about positive change not only in blokes lives but for the whole of the community.



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With Senior Regional Officer for the South West, Annetta Bellingeri

QUAD BIKES ARE NOT CHILDREN'S TOYS

With the warmer weather and people spending more time outdoors – a reminder that quad bikes and kids are a dangerous, and potentially deadly, mix.

Since 2020, nine West Australians have been killed on quad bikes – two of them this year, including a girl aged under 10. Nationally, quad bikes are a leading cause of serious injury and death on Australian farming properties with 71 people killed, including 11 children, since 2017.

Royal Perth Hospital's Trauma Register shows the majority of quad bike accidents between 2013 and 2022 happened off-road or on farms. 60 per cent of 80 people admitted to Royal Perth Hospital with major trauma injuries from quad bike accidents weren't wearing any safety devices.

Accidents are common with quad bikes tipping and easily rolling over on rough ground, at high speed or carrying heavy or uneven loads, often resulting in devastating outcomes.

Quad bike safety is improving with new rules introduced in late 2021, covering operator protection devices, and a tag that allows you to compare stability and safety of models.

But quad bikes are not children's toys. Perth Children's Hospital has seen 14 children, aged 15 years and younger, injured in quad bike accidents between January and August this year.

The safest option is for children not to ride quads, even as passengers, as children lack the size and physical or cognitive ability to safely operate quad bikes built for adults.

The Product Safety Australia website [QR code] has a range of great ways to increase safety on quad bikes for older riders and passengers, based around **Prepare Safe, Wear Safe, Ride Safe**.

Among the recommendations, **Prepare Safe** advises to make sure the quad is the right vehicle for the activity you want to do. **Wear Safe** is all about wearing a helmet and protective clothing, and **Ride Safe** includes advice on not carrying passengers on bikes designed for only one rider.

The figures speak for themselves. Keep kids off quad bikes these holidays, to keep them safe.





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YOUR RIGHTS ON CANCELLED FLIGHTS

Ask any traveller about their top travel peeves and cancelled or delayed flights are likely to feature highly on the list, given their potential to throw holiday plans and itineraries into turmoil.

Flight cancellations and delays are among the most complained about issues to Consumer Protection – in the 2022/23 financial year, we received 530 complaints about flights being cancelled and 47 complaints about them being delayed.

When your own travel plans are disrupted, it's always best to contact the airline or your travel agent in the first instance to request a resolution. If that fails, consumers may come to us for help with negotiating a fair outcome under Australian Consumer Law through our conciliation service.

In one recent case, our conciliation service was able to successfully organise a \$21,222 refund for a family who had little option but to buy business class tickets to return home to Perth after their initial flights were cancelled by the airline. Another recent success story involved a \$2,000 refund from an airline that had stopped responding to the consumer's communications after cancelling their flights.

When it comes to your own travel disruptions, your right to a remedy will depend on which party made the cancellation and why.

If the airline cancels, they may offer a refund or another remedy, such as rescheduling your flights without penalty, or – if none are available in a reasonable time – reimbursing you the cost of booking replacement flights with another airline.

Passengers may not be entitled to a refund if they miss their flight or change their mind and an airline's obligations may not apply if reasons are outside their control, like bad weather.

Cancelled flights have been in the spotlight recently, after the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) launched legal action alleging Qantas Airways had engaged in false, misleading or deceptive conduct by advertising tickets for more than 8,000 flights it had already cancelled but not removed from sale.

The ACCC's Federal Court case concerns Qantas flights sold between the 1st of May 2022 and 31st of July 2022, and the national consumer affairs regulator is hoping affected consumers will share their experience via an online survey at consultation.accc.gov.au.

If you are struggling to reach a suitable outcome with an airline over a cancelled or delayed flight, lodge a complaint on our website at consumerprotection.wa.gov.au or contact 1300 30 40 54 or consumer@dmirs.wa.gov.au.

SPORTS IN WAGIN

WAGIN BOWLING CLUB

Mens Captain Craig Svendsen 0427 612 546 | **Ladies Captain** Jenny Ewen 0428 611 197



'Winners and grinners'. Photo by Kylie Ballantyne.



'Contemplating'. Photo by Kylie Ballantyne.

WAGIN DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB

UNDER 13S NARROWLY MISS VICTORY AGAINST PINGELLY

Dwight Kellow

Wagin under 13s travelled to Pingelly on Sunday and were unlucky to lose by only 13 runs.

Pingelly batted first, in overcast conditions, and managed a score of 4/117 from their 30 overs. All of Wagin's bowlers bowled well, with Darby Ball 4 overs 1/13, Archie Ward 2 overs 1/9, Dallas Stallan-Viser 4 overs 1/4 and Rohan Kellow 3 overs 1/3 – being Wagin's wicket takers.

Wagin started the chase a bit shaky, as Pingelly had their top bowlers steaming in. They found themselves at 3/11 and in trouble. Darby Ball was the rock at the other end and retired after his 20 balls with 11 runs to his name. He found good Support from Dylan Kellow who was looking good until he had to retire as well.

Rohan Kellow also looked untroubled in his 20 balls and he also retired. Wagin then lost 4 quick wickets and Darby and Dylan were back in with the score 8/80 and Wagin needing 37 to win.

Darby was unlucky to be dismissed with the score on 84. Wagin needed 33 to win for the last wicket.

Dylan and Rohan managed to get the score to 104, before Rohan was dismissed for 20 runs leaving the team just short.

Dylan Kellow ended unbeaten on 31.

It was a great team effort and Wagin should be very proud of their performance, narrowly losing to one of the top teams again.

Thanks to everyone that turned up and Wade Longmuir for coaching.

Wagin's next game is at home on Sunday the 26th of November vs Kukerin/Dumblebung.

PIESSEVILLE DANCE CLUB

Dancing Nights:	Saturday 18th November	Popanyinning	7.30pm-11pm
	Saturday 2nd December	Piesseville	7.30pm-11pm
	Saturday 9th December	Highbury	7.30pm-11pm
	Saturday 16th December	Popanyinning	7.30pm-11pm
New Year's Eve Dance:	Sunday 31st December	Piesseville	7.30pm-12pm

For more information contact Bernie on 9861 1512 or Anne on 9881 2545 or 0429 812 545.

EQUESTRIAN

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Pam Smit, Koojan Hills Performance Arabians

We decided to leave JD at home for the next two outings and concentrate on getting him as right as we could for the WAAHA All Arabian Show in Perth in early November. Aden picked up the slack and attended both the Kojonup and Katanning Shows, bringing home the Champion Ridden Horse over 14.2hh on both occasions.

Both horses had reached their optimum condition and were ready for the big event in Perth, however, getting there was easier said than done. Albany Highway was closed to traffic at

North Bannister and we added another 160kms onto the trip with a diversion through Brookton. We eventually arrived at the very beautiful and serene Perth Polo Fields in Guildford, set up camp and settled in for the night.

Two eastern states judges presided over the halter and ridden program. Aden won his Senior Halter class and was awarded the Reserve Champion Senior Stallion sash. JD won his



Marbling Aden and Ja'Dante Ibn Halimas with owner, rider and trainer Chloe Scardetta. Photo courtesy of Pam Smit.

Senior Halter Gelding class and was sashed Champion Senior Gelding. Both horses had qualified in their halter classes for the 'Ultimate Arabian' award.

The afternoon program was dedicated to the ridden events and both horses were foot perfect in their workouts throughout. Family friend of many years, Amelia Radford, rode Aden beautifully in all his classes, winning the Champion Ridden Stallion. JD won his Ridden Gelding class and went on to claim the Champion Ridden Gelding Sash. Both were now qualified to contest for the 'Ultimate Arabian Award'. It was so very rewarding to watch on as these two amazing and talented horses completed their workouts. Aden was awarded 2nd runner up and JD was announced the 2023 Ultimate Arabian. There were tears of joy and relief from both Chloe and myself.

But wait, there's more! We packed up and left for our trip home knowing that we would have to take the long route, as the Albany Highway was still closed due to bushfires. Not long into the trip, "BANG", a tyre blew on the float. Stopping on the side of the highway with Ryan and Chloe changing it; all was going well until Cuballing when, "BANG", another tyre on the opposite side of the float blew. I'm sure we didn't run over a black cat. Both horses weren't fazed and waited patiently as Ryan attended to the second flat. Lucky we always travel with two spares. Lesson right there, people!

Another year has come and gone, horses are turned out for a well-earned break and we look forward with anticipation to the future, and the possibility of another trip to Sydney down the track. Of course, all of this is made possible with the help and support of family, friends and the professionals in the equine industry and especially our sponsors, Pimbury Equine AU, Kojonup BMC Embroidery, Seed and Feed Perth, Buggez Bugeyes, Anitone, and RJ & CA Scardetta Carpentry and Construction. To them all we say, "Thank you".

WAGIN GUN CLUB

Saturday 23rd December 9.30am Christmas Shoot – President's Choice



MARTIAL ARTS

LOCAL TKD COMPETITION WINNER

Ann O'Brien

Recently, Riley Alessi represented the Narrogin Martial Art Centre competing in taekwondo at the ATI Martial Arts studio in Malaga. He put in a great effort.

Riley, in the under 14s division, won Gold for the Points Sparring and Silver in the Continuous Sparring. Well done!

Olympics 2028 here he comes!

WAGIN PLAYGROUPO & TOY LIBRARY

Friday 17th November 9am

Story Time & Nursery Rhymes

Friday 24th November 9am

Water Play Morning

Friday 8th December 9.30-11.30am Christmas Pool Party – Wagin Swimming Pool

Friday 15th December

Christmas Party

DARKAN PLAYGROUND

Wagin Playgroup

We had such a fun morning at the Darkan Playground. The children had a ball exploring, climbing and being outside in the delightful weather.

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK

Wagin Playgroup

Come down and join us this Friday for Story Time with the lovely Tina from Wagin library. Tina has been volunteering her time once a term to share the joy of reading with the youngest community members. We love having her!

Can you believe that we only have five sessions left this term? It's been a fantastic year. Be sure to lock in the **15th of December for our Christmas party**. More info to follow.

END OF YEAR POOL PARTY

Wagin Playgroup

We invite all our wonderful Wagin Playgroup families to join us for a morning of fun at the **Wagin Swimming Pool on Friday the 8th of December**.

Come down to the Wagin pool from 9.30am for a swim, morning tea picnic and gift from Santa's helper. Please bring along a small plate of morning tea to share.

Entrance to the pool will be covered by Wagin Playgroup. Please RSVP for numbers.



WAGIN TROTGING CLUB

Race Dates: Friday 17th November Sponsored by Alexander Galt's Hardware

Friday 1st December Sponsored by Wagin Mechanical Repairs

TROTGING IN WAGIN

Wagin Trotting Club

It's that time again folks, Harness Racing will be at the Wagin Trotting Club this Friday night the 17th of November. Thank you to our sponsor Alexander Galt Makit Hardware.



The Bar and Restaurant open at 5pm, the first race will be at 6.20pm, and the last race will be at 9.50pm.

Please be reminded there is a Priority Service for trainers, drivers and stablehands at the Bar and Restaurant. Staff in these areas are aware to jump you ahead in the queue. Look out for Priority Service signs. See you at the races!

WAGIN CHURCH SERVICES

ANGLICAN COMMUNITY	THE WAGIN BAPTIST CHURCH	ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH	WAGIN UNITING CHURCH	WAGIN VINEYARD CHURCH
<p>Sunday 19th November 10am Holy Communion Service</p> <p>Sunday 26th November 11am Community Worship</p>	<p>Sunday Services at 10.30am</p>	<p>Mass First Sunday of each month 8am After, Saturdays at 6pm</p> <p>Reconciliation every third weekend before Mass from 5.30pm</p>	<p>Sunday 19th Nov Darkan 9am Wendy Pederick Holy Communion Wagin 10.15am Robyn Willey Mission</p> <p>Sunday 26th Nov Waratah 9.15am Liz Pederick Wagin 10.15am Arthur Pederick Holy Communion</p>	<p>Vineyard Meal and Worship Friday 17th November 6.30pm 140 Lalla Rhook Road Wagin</p> <p>A heart of gratitude brings life. For enquiries call Wendy or Ian: 0417 145 628 0428 622 049</p>

HISTORICAL VILLAGE ROSTER

	AM	PM
THU 16	MIKE	MIKE
FRI 17	MICHAEL	MICHAEL
SAT 18	MIKE	MIKE
SUN 19	MICHAEL	MICHAEL
MON 20	MICHAEL	MICHAEL
TUE 21	ANNE	MAURIE
WED 22	JOYCE	CHRISTINE
THU 23	MIKE	MIKE
FRI 24	MICHAEL	MICHAEL
SAT 25	MIKE	MIKE
SUN 26	MICHAEL	MICHAEL
MON 27	MICHAEL	MICHAEL
TUE 28	ANNE	MAURIE
WED 29	JOYCE	CHRISTINE

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NOVEMBER 2023

WAGIN COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>DECEMBER EVENTS:</p> <p>1 – Xmas Shopping Day @ CRC 1 – Trots @ Oval 1-4 – Uproar @ Theatre 5 – Paint & Sip @ CRC 7 – Yr 10 Grad. Lunch @ School 7 – Presentations @ School 8 – Pool Party @ Playgroup</p>	<p>10 – Carols @ Ram Park 12 – End of Year Concert @ School 13 – Last Day of Kindy 14 – Last Day of Term 4 15 – Xmas Party @ Playgroup 15 – Christmas Street Carnival 20 – School Holiday Event @ CRC 23 – Xmas Shoot @ Gun Club</p>	<p>25 – Christmas Day Public Holiday 26 – Boxing Day Public Holiday 31 – New Year Dance @ Plesseville</p>	<p>Lung Cancer Awareness Month Prohibited Burning Begins Asteel Wagin 1000 @ GSKC Arts & Craft Group @ Community Centre 10am Story Time @ Library 10am Netball AGM @ Palace 6pm Scoliosis Webinar 7pm</p>	<p>The Wagin Wool Press Chair Exercises @ Catholic Hall 9.30am Communititea Hub @ Wesley Hall 10am-1pm</p>	<p>Playgroup Toy Library @ Eric Farrow 9am Co-op AGM @ CRC 9.30am Story Time @ Library 1.30pm Opening Party @ Pool 3-6pm The Creator @ Theatre 6pm Dance Lessons @ Plesseville 7.30pm</p>	<p>Joe Pintaudi Cup @ Gun Club 9.30am Cricket @ Oval 12pm The Creator @ Theatre 2pm & 6.30pm Dance @ Plesseville 7.30pm</p>
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
<p>Catholic Church 8am Anglican Church 10am Uniting Church 10.15am Baptist Church 10.30am</p>	<p>Stay Active @ Rec Centre 9am Soccer @ Rec Centre 6pm The Creator @ Theatre 6.30pm</p>	<p>Melbourne Cup Lunch @ Club Pot Art & Craft @ Community Centre 10am Swimming Lessons @ Pool 10am AQUA @ Pool 12pm Book Club for Children 3.30pm P&C Special Meeting @ School library 5.30pm</p>	<p>Arts & Craft Group @ Community Centre 10am Story Time @ Library 10am Get Online Week @ CRC 11am</p>	<p>New Contract Laws Begins Uniform Shop @ School 8.45am-10am Chair Exercises 9.30am Communititea Hub @ Wesley Hall 10am-1pm Swimming Lessons @ Pool 10am AQUA @ Pool 12pm</p>	<p>Seniors AQUA @ Pool 8am Playgroup @ Darkan Skatepark 9.30am Story Time @ Library 1.30pm</p>	<p>Remembrance Day Junior Tennis Tournament 8am Swimming Lessons @ Pool 9am Book Club @ Library 2pm Catholic Church 6pm</p>
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
<p>Sunday Funday & AGM @ GSKC 8am Anglican Church 10am Uniting Church @ Waratah 9.15am & Church 10.15am Baptist Church 10.30am</p>	<p>World Kindness Day Stay Active @ Rec Centre 9am Soccer @ Rec Centre 6pm Training @ SES 6.30pm</p>	<p>World Diabetes Day AGM @ Landcare 9am Kindy Transition Day @ School 9am Swimming Lessons @ Pool 10am AQUA @ Pool 12pm Book Club for Children @ Library 3.30pm Special Meeting @ Ag Society 7pm</p>	<p>Dental Van Arrives @ School Arts & Craft Group @ Community Centre 10am Story Time @ Library 10am Meeting @ Youth Centre 6.30pm</p>	<p>International Day for Tolerance The Wagin Wool Press Chair Exercises 9.30am Communititea Hub @ Wesley Hall 10am-1pm Swimming Lessons @ Pool 10am AQUA @ Pool 12pm AGM @ District Club 6pm</p>	<p>Trots @ Oval Seniors AQUA @ Pool 8am Playgroup: Story Time Toy Library @ Eric Farrow 9am Dumb Money @ Theatre 6.30pm Vineyard Church 6.30pm Dance Lessons 7.30pm</p>	<p>Swimming Lessons @ Pool 9am Dumb Money @ Theatre 2pm & 6.30pm Catholic Church 6pm</p>
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<p>Anglican Church 10am Uniting Church 10.15am Baptist Church 10.30am</p>	<p>Stay Active @ Rec Centre 9am Chamber of Commerce AGM @ District Club 6pm Soccer @ Rec Centre 6pm Dumb Money @ Theatre 6.30pm Camera Club @ CRC 7pm</p>	<p>Year 6 High School Transition Day @ School Pot Art & Craft @ Community Centre 10am Swimming Lessons @ Pool 10am AQUA @ Pool 12pm Book Club for Children 3.30pm Meeting @ CRC 6pm</p>	<p>School Transport Assistance Applications Close Uniform Shop @ School 8.45am-10am Chair Exercises 9.30am Communititea Hub 10am-1pm Swimming Lessons @ Pool 10am AQUA @ Pool 12pm</p>	<p>School Transport Assistance Applications Close Uniform Shop @ School 8.45am-10am Chair Exercises 9.30am Communititea Hub 10am-1pm Swimming Lessons @ Pool 10am AQUA @ Pool 12pm</p>	<p>Yr 9 VR Incursion @ School Seniors AQUA @ Pool 8am Playgroup: Water Play Toy Library @ Eric Farrow 9am Story Time @ Library 1.30pm</p>	<p>Markets @ Masonic Hall 9am-12pm Swimming Lessons @ Pool 9am Catholic Church 6pm</p>
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<p>Cricket @ Oval Uniting Church @ Waratah 9.15am & Church 10.15am Baptist Church 10.30am Anglican Church 11am</p>	<p>Stay Active @ Rec Centre 9am Soccer @ Rec Centre 6pm Training @ SES 6.30pm</p>	<p>Swimming Lessons @ Pool 10am AQUA @ Pool 12pm Book Club for Children @ Library 3.30pm Council Meeting @ Shire 7pm</p>	<p>Fair Trading Consultations Close Yr 5-6 Theatre Excursion @ School Arts & Craft Group @ Community Centre 10am Story Time @ Library 10am</p>	<p>The Wagin Wool Press Chair Exercises 9.30am Communititea Hub 10am-1pm Swimming Lessons @ Pool 10am AQUA @ Pool 12pm Friends of Library Meeting @ Cresswells 2.30pm</p>		