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Crosswords

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Christmas & NEW YEAR CLOSURES

SHIRE OF YILGARN & COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9 Dec 2024 OPEN	10 Dec 2024 OPEN <small>CRC closed one hour between 10am & 11am</small>	11 Dec 2024 OPEN	12 Dec 2024 OPEN	13 Dec 2024 OPEN <small>Shire closed from 12pm, CRC closed from 12.30pm</small>
16 Dec 2024 OPEN	17 Dec 2024 OPEN	18 Dec 2024 OPEN	19 Dec 2024 OPEN	20 Dec 2024 OPEN
23 Dec 2024 SHIRE OPEN ONLY	24 Dec 2024 CLOSED	25 Dec 2024 CLOSED	26 Dec 2024 CLOSED	27 Dec 2024 CLOSED
30 Dec 2024 CLOSED	31 Dec 2024 CLOSED	1 Jan 2025 CLOSED	2 Jan 2025 OPEN	3 Jan 2025 OPEN

YILGARN HISTORY MUSEUM

The Yilgarn History Museum will be closed all day Friday 13th December, and will close for the year from Friday 20th December at 4.30pm, and will reopen on Monday 6th January 2025 at 9.30am.

SOUTHERN CROSS AQUATIC CENTRE

The Southern Cross Aquatic Centre will be closed Christmas Day and Boxing Day.

SOUTHERN CROSS LANDFILL SITE

The Southern Cross Landfill Site will be closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Years Day.



Motor Vehicle Licensing

All matters pertaining to Motor Vehicle Registrations and Drivers Licences will be unable to be transacted during the above closure period and therefore residents are encouraged to have all their licensing requirements attended to prior to 3.00pm Friday, 20 December 2024. You can also perform some licensing enquiries and payments through DoTDirect www.transport.wa.gov.au/dotdirect/dotdirect.asp or phone 13 11 56.

TRANSWA

During the Christmas/New Year closure period you will be unable to book/print train tickets at the Shire of Yilgarn office. Please visit <https://bookings.transwa.wa.gov.au/dates> to book online, or call 1300 662 205. Unregistered concession holders will need to ensure all tickets are booked and printed before the Shire Office closes as you are unable to purchase online or over the phone.

Standpipes

Prepaid funds will need to be added to Standpipe cards before Friday 20th December to ensure you can continue to access the standpipes over Christmas/New Year. Any funds paid via bank transfer during the Christmas period will be applied after Thursday 2nd January 2025. There will be no disruption of service for post-paid.

Library Books

Users of the Shire of Yilgarn Library are requested to exchange their books before 12.30pm, Friday 20 December 2024 so that they have adequate supplies over the Christmas/New Year Holiday period.

Services Australia (Centrelink/Medicare/Child Support)

Users of the Services Australia Access Point are advised that the Access Point will be closed for the same days/hours as the CRC, and will reopen at 8.15am, Thursday 2nd January when the CRC reopens for the year.

Containers for Change

Green bags and tags will be available at the CRC up until 12.30pm, Friday 20th December 2024 (or until they run out). There will be no bags available until the CRC reopens in the New Year.

Councillors and staff wish all residents a very Merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

Nic Warren
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER





Southern Cross Aquatic Centre

Christmas Closure

Pool will close 4pm on 24/12/2024
and reopen 1pm 27/12/2024.

www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au



Harvest & Vehicle Movement Ban

A Harvest & Vehicle Movement Ban will be in effect for:

Christmas Day (Wednesday, 25 December 2024)

Boxing Day (Thursday, 26 December 2024)

New Year's Day (Wednesday, 1 January 2025)

The ban will begin from 12.00am and be in effect to 11.59pm on each day listed.

Upon the implementation of a Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban by the Shire of Yilgarn, the following applies:

- 1.1 The use or operation of any engine, vehicle, plant, equipment or machinery is prohibited within a paddock or lot, if the paddock or lot contains crop or pasture. This includes driving on roads/tracks that pass through such paddocks or lots;
- 1.2 The use or operation of any engine, vehicle, plant, equipment or machinery within 5 metres of a paddock or lot referred to in item 1.1 of this policy is prohibited;
- 1.3 Off-Road activity is prohibited.

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Shire of Yilgarn Emergency information hotline

Call (08) 9487 8777

for information relating to bushfire issues including vehicle movement & harvest bans, road closures, flood or other local emergency matters.

Southern Cross Landfill Times

The Tip Shop will also be open during the below hours. EFTPOS available for fee payment at Shire admin office.

Monday	1:00pm to 4:00pm
Tuesday	1:00pm to 4:00pm
Wednesday and Thursday	Closed
Friday	1:00pm to 4:00pm
Saturday	10:00am to 4:00pm
Sunday	10:00am to 4:00pm

Crosswords Advertising Rates 2024/25 (as of 1 July 2024)

Business Advertisements

(Business premises outside of the Shire of Yilgarn)

	Black		Colour	
	No Typesetting	With Typesetting	No Typesetting	With Typesetting
Full Page (A4)	\$35.00	\$55.00	\$160.00	\$180.00
1/2 Page (A5)	\$20.00	\$30.00	\$90.00	\$100.00
1/4 Page	\$15.00	\$25.00	\$50.00	\$60.00

Local Business and Non-Profit Organisations Advertisements

(Business premises within the Shire of Yilgarn)

Full Page (A4)	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$130.00	\$160.00
1/2 Page (A5)	\$15.00	\$18.00	\$70.00	\$90.00
1/4 Page	\$10.00	\$15.00	\$35.00	\$40.00

Lineage (Employment, Real Estate, Garage Sales maximum 6 lines)	\$8.00
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Advert size specifications for Crosswords (W x H)

1/4 page vertical	90mm x 120mm
1/4 page horizontal	180mm x 60mm
1/2 page vertical	90mm x 270mm
1/2 page horizontal	180mm x 120mm
A4 Full page	180mm x 270mm

A5 adverts which are not horizontal will be displayed in print on their side to ensure no modification to advertisements.



DON'T FORGET!
Crosswords' submissions
close every 2nd Tuesday at 12.00 noon

2025 Publishing Dates

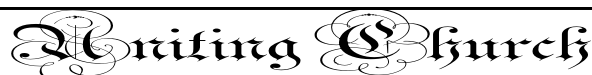
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26/08/2025	28/08/2025
9/09/2025	11/09/2025
23/09/2025	25/09/2025
7/10/2025	9/10/2025
21/10/2025	23/10/2025
4/11/2025	6/11/2025
18/11/2025	20/11/2025
2/12/2025	4/12/2025
16/12/2025	18/12/2025

Church Notices / Updates



48 Altair Street, Southern Cross
 SX Presbytery: 9049 1049 (Sun to Mon)
 Bruce Rock Presbytery: 9061 1094 (Tues to Sat)
 Email: yilgarnwestoniacatholic@gmail.com
 Facebook: Yilgarn/Westonia Catholic Community
 YouTube: Yilgarn Westonia Catholic
CBH Grain Donations (SX): 40564452
Mass Times
 Saturday 6:00pm @ Bruce Rock Parish(**live-stream**)
 Sunday 5:30pm @ OLM church

Christmas Vigil Mass on Tues 24 Dec at 4:00pm



Services for the Uniting Church are held on the first Sunday of each month.

Contact:
 Cheryl Auld 9049 8026
 Diane Della Bosca 9049 1149



Antares Street, Southern Cross
 Enquiries: Leonie Gethin
 Ph.: 0429 498 035

2024 Anglican Services Christ Church Southern Cross
 All services are held at 11.00am on Saturdays
 Everyone is invited

Saturday 21st December 2024
 ("Christmas" service)

SX SPEEDWAY

MEETS 1ST TUESDAY EVERY SECOND
 MONTH AT SENIORS CENTRE,
 6PM—ALL WELCOME
 COME AND SEE WHAT IS HAPPENING
 WITH THE SPEEDWAY AND ANY NEW
 IDEAS ARE WELCOME



SX HARDWARE & NEWS



Christmas Lights COMPETITION

WINNERS

THE POWELL FAMILY
GERALD & SHIRLEY COLLINS

HONOURABLE MENTIONS

KEVIN D & ETHEL G
THE BOSO FAMILY
JOSH N & SARAH T
PETER & NICOLE CARLSON*
GLEN & KATHY BRIGG*
MARY-LOU BEACH
JOHN & LAURITA SYMES
JOSH H & GEORGINA D
JESSE N & BROOKE K
THE CRAFTER FAMILY
THE HOULGRAVE FAMILY
LEONIE GETHIN

*REMOVED THEMSELVES FROM JUDGING

Shire of Yilgarn

Local Government Act 1995

NOTICE OF PROPOSAL TO MAKE A LOCAL LAW

Pursuant to Section 3.5 of the Local Government Act, the Council of the Shire of Yilgarn resolved at its Ordinary Council Meeting on 21 November 2024 that it proposes to make the following local laws:

A) Public Places, Local Government Property and Trading Local Law 2025

PURPOSE: To regulate the care, control and management of all property of the local government.

EFFECT: To control the use of local government property. Some activities are permitted only under a permit or under a determination and some activities are restricted or prohibited. Offences are created for inappropriate behaviour in or on local government property.

B) Removal of Refuse, Rubbish and Disused Materials Local Law 2025

PURPOSE: To make provisions about the removal of Refuse, Rubbish and Disused Materials.

EFFECT: To allow the local government to manage untidy and unsightly properties more efficiently.

C) Bush Fire Brigade Local Law 2025

PURPOSE: To make provisions about the organisation, establishment, maintenance and equipment of bush fire brigades.

EFFECT: To align existing Local Laws with changes in the law and operational practice.

A copy of the proposed local laws may be inspected at or obtained from the Shire's administration office at 23 Antares Street, Southern Cross, between 8:30am and 4:30pm, Monday to Friday, and at the Southern Cross Library located at the Community Resource Centre during normal opening times. Copies will also be available at www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au

Written submissions about the proposed local laws may be made to the Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Yilgarn, PO Box 86, Southern Cross, WA, 6426 or ceo@yilgarn.wa.gov.au by 4:00 pm Thursday 23 January 2025.

Nic Warren
Chief Executive Officer
Shire of Yilgarn

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST GENERAL HAND ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE

The Shire of Yilgarn currently has an opportunity for a reliable person to join our team. The primary responsibilities of the position are the construction and maintenance of Shire roads.

The applicant must be:

- Self-motivated
- Have a strong work ethic
- Work well in a team
- HR manual drivers' licence
- Physically able to undertake manual work including bending, lifting and handling various types of tools and equipment
- Physically fit

What we offer:

- up to 19% superannuation contribution
- heavily subsidized housing/housing allowance
- a Rostered Day off every 19 days
- consistent overtime available, current average work day of 9.5 hours (including overtime)
- adverse working conditions allowance
- uniform allowance
- relocation expenses in accordance with Shire Policy

Clothing and protective equipment provided.

Interested candidates are requested to obtain an application pack from:

- administration office at 23 Antares Street, Southern Cross, or
- telephone Payroll/HR 08 9049 1001, or
- payroll@yilgarn.wa.gov.au , or
- website www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au.

Applications should be marked "Confidential Application – General Hand Road Construction and Maintenance".

Nic Warren

Chief Executive Officer

Shire of Yilgarn PO Box 86
SOUTHERN CROSS WA 6426

PLEASE NOTE: Canvassing of Councillors will disqualify. The successful applicant is required to obtain relevant police checks, and to provide evidence of all claimed qualifications prior to commencing employment. This position is subject to a Pre-Employment Medical and a National Police Clearance.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST CASUAL CLEANER

The Shire of Yilgarn currently has an opportunity for a reliable person to join our team on a casual basis. The primary responsibilities of the position are the cleaning of Shire owned premises.

The applicant must be:

- Responsible
- Have a strong work ethic
- Have good personal presentation
- Attention to detail
- Capable of working alone
- Physically able to undertake manual work including lifting, carrying and kneeling
- Excellent communication skills
- Self-motivated

What we offer:

- Flexible working hours
- Casual loading of 25%
- Option to progress to permanent employment for the right employee
- Full training

Cleaning equipment and products provided.

Interested candidates are requested to obtain an application pack from:

- administration office at 23 Antares Street, Southern Cross, or
- telephone Payroll/HR 08 9049 1001, or
- payroll@yilgarn.wa.gov.au , or
- website www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au.

Applications should be marked "Confidential Application – Casual Cleaner".

Nic Warren

Chief Executive Officer

Shire of Yilgarn

PO Box 86

SOUTHERN CROSS WA 6426

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EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST PLANT OPERATOR ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE

The Shire of Yilgarn currently has an opportunity for a reliable person to join our team. The primary responsibilities of the position are the construction and maintenance of Shire roads.

The applicant must be:

- Self-motivated
- Have a strong work ethic
- Work well in a team
- WA "HR" manual drivers' licence
- Physically able to undertake manual work including bending, lifting and handling various types of tools and equipment
- Physically fit

What we offer:

- up to 19% superannuation contribution
- heavily subsidized housing/housing allowance
- a Rostered Day off every 19 days
- consistent overtime available, current average work day of 9.5 hours (including overtime)
- adverse working conditions allowance
- uniform allowance
- relocation expenses in accordance with Shire Policy

Clothing and protective equipment provided.

Interested candidates are requested to obtain an application pack from:

- administration office at 23 Antares Street, Southern Cross, or
- telephone Payroll/HR 08 9049 1001, or
- payroll@yilgarn.wa.gov.au , or
- website www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au.

Applications should be marked "Confidential Application – Plant Operator Road Construction and Maintenance".

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Chief Executive Officer

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SOUTHERN CROSS WA 6426

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Australia Day 2025

Sunday, 26th January 2025

Rotary Park

Join us at Rotary Park for a cooked breakfast from 8am to 9.30am

Shire of Yilgarn Active Citizenship Australia Day Awards 9.30am

Pool Open from 10am with inflatable from 11am

Thong tossing competition with prizes at the pool.



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

The Shire of Yilgarn is seeking expressions of interest from individuals and organisations seeking industrial land in Southern Cross.

There are a number of industrial zoned lots located in the industrial area of Southern Cross, of which are currently held by the Crown.

Should sufficient interest be identified, the Shire of Yilgarn will approach the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage to indicate the interest and request the Department consider developing and releasing the land.

Anyone seeking to express an interest, please forward the following details to ceo@yilgarn.wa.gov.au

- Name
- Business Name
- Contact Number
- Email Address
- Purpose for land (ie, business type)
- Area of land required
- Expected workforce
- Any additional information





Shire of Yilgarn

2025 Council Meeting Schedule

In accordance with Section 12 of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996, it is hereby notified for public information that the following dates and times have been set for the Shire of Yilgarn's 2025 Ordinary meetings of Council:-

Monthly Ordinary Council meetings to commence at 5:00pm on the following dates: -

January 2025	No Meeting Scheduled	
Thursday, 20th	February 2025	Council Chambers Southern Cross
Thursday, 20th	March 2025	Council Chambers Southern Cross
Thursday, 17th	April 2025	Council Chambers Southern Cross
Thursday, 15th	May 2025	Council Chambers Southern Cross
Thursday, 19th	June 2025	Council Chambers Southern Cross
Thursday, 17th	July 2025	Council Chambers Southern Cross
Thursday, 21st	August 2025	Council Chambers Southern Cross
Thursday, 18th	September 2025	Mt. Hampton Hall
Thursday, 16th	October 2025	Council Chambers Southern Cross
Thursday, 20th	November 2025	Council Chambers Southern Cross
Thursday, 18th	December 2025	Council Chambers Southern Cross

Prior to the commencement of the Council Meeting, a Councillor Briefing Session will be conducted at 3.00pm.

The above meetings are open to the public and commence at 5.00pm. A 15 minute Public Question Time is allocated at the commencement of each meeting where residents are welcome to ask questions, with or without notice, or raise an issue considered relevant to the operations of Council. In some cases prior notification of a proposed question is considered prudent, particularly if the matter requires some research. Residents are also welcome to attend the whole meeting however, they are not permitted to speak (unless directed by the Shire President) or take part in debate on any agenda item.

Other meetings such as the Annual Meeting of Electors and Special Meetings of Council called for a specific issue are advertised separately.

Nic Warren
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



Request for Community Feedback

The Shire of Yilgarn Tourism Committee are seeking community feedback on the design of a mural on the Foodworks building facing Achernar St.

The design would need to represent the Yilgarn and be something that evokes the pride that we have in our amazing community.

To have your say in what should be incorporated into this mural please complete this very quick survey: via this link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/6KRRH89>

or by scanning the QR code above by Wed 8th January 2025.





Shire of Yilgarn



Strategic Community Plan 2024 - 2034

**Now available to read at the Shire
of Yilgarn Administration Office,
Southern Cross Public Library, or
online at the Shire's website.**



Strategic Community Plan
2024-2034

Shire of Yilgarn | Strategic Community Plan

www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au



Our Shire website has a new look!

www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au

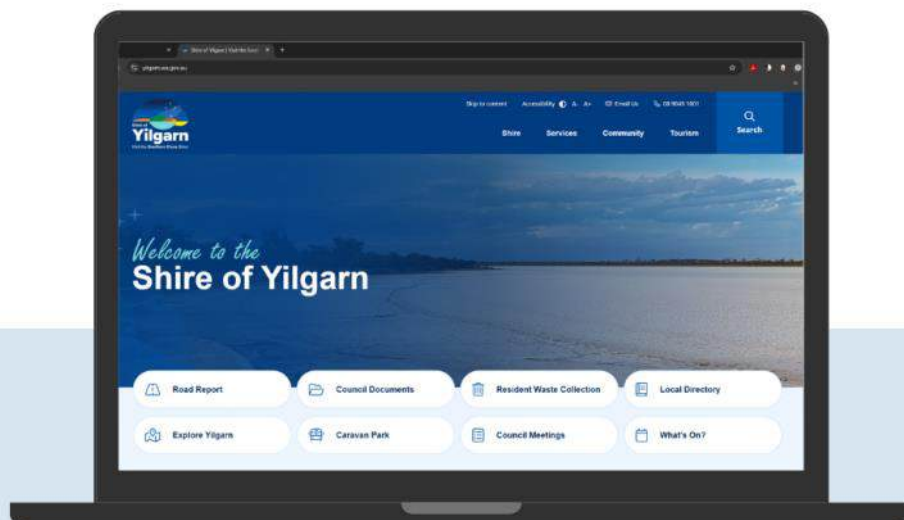




PHOTO COURTESY RICHARD RILEY

Can you host a couple of medical students for three nights?

Wheatbelt Medical Student Immersion Program
TUESDAY 11 TO FRIDAY 14 MARCH 2025

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 2025.

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 4567

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.



Community News

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

WE WANT TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO WISH EVERYONE IN THE YILGARN TO HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A SAFE, PROSPEROUS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR FOR 2025.

CHEERS FROM THE CUFFE FAMILY



HAPPY 60th BIRTHDAY

DEAR ANDREW & UNCLE ANDREW

WE WISH YOU AN AWESOME, WONDERFUL AND VERY HAPPY 60th BIRTHDAY FOR TUESDAY 17th DECEMBER, HERE'S TO MANY MORE BIRTHDAYS TO COME!!

ALL OUR LOVE FROM URSULA, COLIN AND KAYLA.

The Yilgarn Community Support Group would like to ask our community to think about donating to our not for profit group via Containers for Change.

Our Scheme ID is:

C10321638

All donations received support our most vulnerable community members who need it the most.

CRICKET TRAININGS

Cricket training will be held every Thursday night, 5pm onwards

THOMSON

Yilgarn Bowling Club

Mens—December 2024

Sat 21	Pairs Championships	Southern Cross
Sun 22	Pairs Championships	Southern Cross
Sun 29	Club Day	Southern Cross

January 2025

3-5	Inter League Round Robin	Manning
Sun 4	Club Day	Southern
Sun 12	Club day	Southern
Sun 19	Fours Championships	Southern
Sat 25	Yilgarn Pairs	Yilgarn
Sun 26	Yilgarn 4's	Yilgarn
Sun 25	SEBL Australia Day Open	Narembreen
Sun 26	SEBL Australia Day Open	Narembreen

Ladies—December 2024

Tue 24	No Bowls
Tues 31	No Bowls

January 2025

Tue 7	Social Bowls	Southern Cross
Sat 11	Bruce Rock Carnival	Bruce Rock
Tue 14	Social Bowls	Southern Cross
Sat 18	Champ of Champ 4's	Merredin
Tue 21	Social Bowls	Southern Cross
Tue 28	Social Bowls	Southern Cross
25-26	Men's Carnival	Southern Cross

Moorine Rock Tennis Club

Sat 21/12/24	MRTC CHRISTMAS PARTY OPEN INVITATION TO ALL COMMUNITY MEMBERS FUN CLOCK TOURNAMENT SPONSORED BY MOORINE ROCK AG SUPPLIES, 3PM START. BBQ TEA & POOLED SALADS
Sat 08/02/25	SOCIAL TENNIS 3PM START PIZZA TEA

NOTICE

**Dr Nwoko will be on leave Monday 6th January
and Friday 25th January 2025.**

**No Locum was able to be found. Please ensure you're up to date with your scripts
and/or referrals prior to this date.**

The GP Will be open Tuesday and Thursday mornings for admin purposes.

**As always, if you are experiencing an emergency please
call 000 immediately.**

If urgent medical attention is required, please call the Southern Cross Hospital on 9081 2222,
or attend the hospital for triage by a nurse and a doctor will be contacted if required.

2025 JANUARY

SOUTHERN CROSS
GENERAL PRACTICE

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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27 AUSTRALIA DAY CLOSED	28 *OPEN*	29 CLOSED	30 *OPEN*	31 NURSE CLINIC	01 CLOSED	02 CLOSED



Red plate. One mate.

From December 1, red P-platers
can only have one passenger.



Learn more



Penalties and exemptions apply.

Find Cancer Early this holiday season

The best New Years resolution you can give yourself, is looking after yourself. The holiday season gets pretty hectic, with a lot of focus on other people, so it's easy to forget about ourselves.

Cancer Council WA is urging those over 40 years of age in the Wheatbelt region to be aware of any new symptoms and get them checked this holiday season, with evidence¹ showing a delay in treatment of four weeks can result in poorer survival.

Cancer Council WA surveyed almost 1250 adults aged 40 years and over who lived in regional WA about the Find Cancer Early campaign and found 15 per cent of participants who had experienced a symptom in the last six months delayed visiting a doctor because of time issues or competing priorities.²

Taking time during the holiday season to see your doctor about possible cancer symptoms may save your life. If you know something isn't right, we encourage you to see your doctor, clinic nurse, or Aboriginal health worker early. Getting our symptoms checked out and treated early means we can get back to the people we love and the things we love doing.

Having a symptom doesn't mean you have cancer. In most cases, these symptoms will not be due to cancer, but it's important that you discuss them with your doctor just in case.

For more information visit findcancerearly.com.au or call the Cancer Council Information and Support Line on 13 11 20.

Have you had any of these...

... for more than 4 weeks?

- ☐ Problems peeing
- ☐ Runny poo
- ☐ Unexplained weight loss
- ☐ An unusual pain, lump or swelling anywhere in your body
- ☐ Becoming more short of breath
- ☐ A persistent cough
- ☐ A new or changed spot on your skin

... once or more?

- ☐ Blood in your poo
- ☐ Coughing up blood
- ☐ Blood in your pee



If you have and you are over 40...

Tell your doctor

The earlier cancer is found, the greater the chance of successful treatment.



For more information visit findcancerearly.com.au or call 13 11 20

19/2019

¹ Hanna TP, King WD, Thibodeau S, Jalink M, Paulin GA, Harvey-Jones E, O'Sullivan DE, Booth CM, Sullivan R, Aggarwal A. Mortality due to cancer treatment delay: systematic review and meta-analysis. *BMJ*. 2020 Nov 4;371:m4087. doi: 10.1136/bmj.m4087. PMID: 33148535; PMCID: PMC7610021.

² Maitland C, Koh I. Find Cancer Early Campaign 2023-24 Final Evaluation Results. Prepared for: Cancer Council Western Australia, Centre for Behavioural Research in Cancer, Cancer Council Victoria: Melbourne, Australia, October 2024.

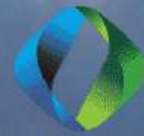
All the staff at Southern Cross Tyre & Auto Services & 3SIXT Automotive Services would like to wish everyone a happy & safe holiday season!

Christmas Trading Hours

Friday	20/12/24	Normal Trading (7am-5pm)
Saturday	21/12/24	CLOSED
Monday	23/12/24	CLOSED
Tuesday	24/12/24	CLOSED
Wednesday	25/12/24	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Thursday	26/12/24	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
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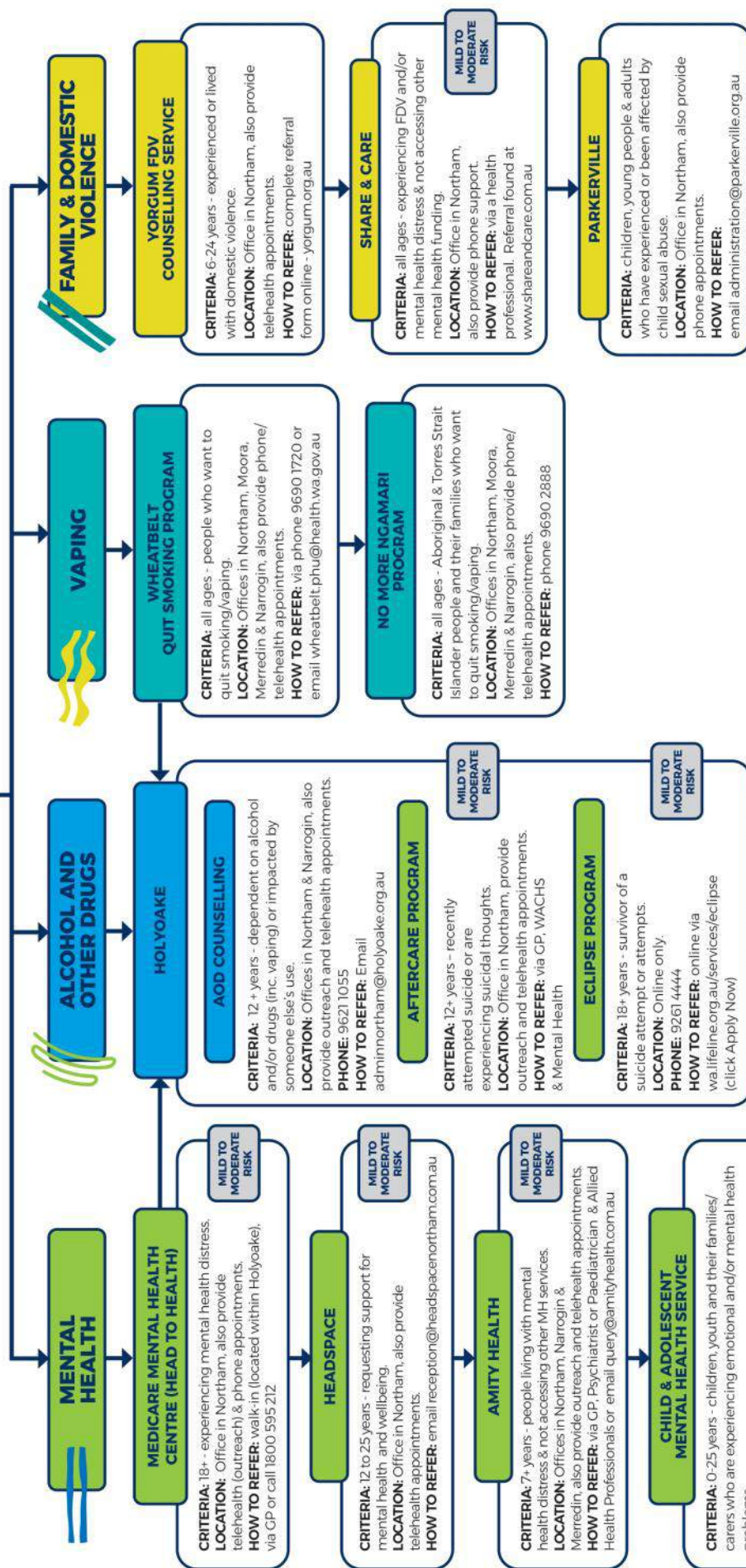
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Fri 20 Dec	CRC closes for Christmas/New Year at 12.30pm
Mon 23 Dec	Shire closes for Christmas/New Year at 4.30pm
Wed 25 Dec	Christmas Day
Thu 26 Dec	Boxing Day
Wed 1 Jan	New Year's Day
Thu 2 Jan	Shire & CRC reopen for 2025
Sun 26 Jan	Australia Day 2025

Recycling Days 2024

Dec 27

Recycling Days 2025

Jan 10

Jan 24

Feb 14

Feb 28



Looking to get involved in a group or club? There are many local groups you can join!

- ✓ Art Group
- ✓ Country Women's Association
- ✓ P & C / P & F Organisations
- ✓ Patchworking
- ✓ Progress Associations
- ✓ Scrapbooking
- ✓ Senior Citizen's Centre activities
- ✓ Southern Cross Gardening Club
- ✓ Southern Cross Hospital Auxiliary

- ✓ Southern Cross St John Ambulance
- ✓ Southern Cross Vol. Fire & Rescue
- ✓ Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade
- ✓ Yilgarn Agricultural Society
- ✓ Yilgarn Community Support Group
- ✓ Yilgarn History Museum
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- ✓ Basketball
- ✓ Darts
- ✓ Football
- ✓ Golf
- ✓ Lawn Bowls
- ✓ Motorcycle Club
- ✓ Netball
- ✓ Shooting
- ✓ Tennis