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# Crosswords

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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.**



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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.

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

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(Business premises within the Shire of Yilgarn)

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**Crosswords' submissions**  
**close every 2nd Tuesday at 12.00 noon**

## 2025 Publishing Dates

Deadline 12 noon	Publishing Date
28/01/2025	30/01/2025
11/02/2025	13/02/2025
25/02/2025	27/02/2025
11/03/2025	13/03/2025
25/03/2025	27/03/2025
8/04/2025	10/04/2025
22/04/2025	24/04/2025
6/05/2025	8/05/2025
20/05/2025	22/05/2025
3/06/2025	5/06/2025
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12/08/2025	14/08/2025
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](mailto: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



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

2025 Anglican Services Christ Church Southern Cross

All services are held at 11.00am on Saturdays

Everyone is invited

15<sup>th</sup> February, 12<sup>th</sup> April "Palm Sunday"

14<sup>th</sup> June (Annual Meeting follows the service)

16<sup>th</sup> August, 18<sup>th</sup> October

20<sup>th</sup> December "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



## 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](http://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](mailto:ceo@yilgarn.wa.gov.au) by 4:00 pm Thursday 23 January 2025.

Nic Warren  
Chief Executive Officer  
Shire of Yilgarn

## **ANNUAL ELECTORS MEETING 2023/2024 FINANCIAL YEAR**

Pursuant to section 5.29(1)(a) of the Local Government Act 1995, notice is hereby given that the Annual Meeting of Electors of the Shire of Yilgarn will be held on Monday, 10 February 2025 in the Council Chambers, Antares Street, Southern Cross commencing at 6.00pm.

The Order of Business will be as follows: -

1. Attendance and Apologies
2. Confirmation of Previous Minutes of Annual Electors meeting held on Thursday, 15 February 2024.
3. Adoption of the Annual Report and Financial Statements for the 2023/2024 Financial Year.
4. Adoption of the 2023/2024 Auditor's Report.
5. Adoption of the Shire President's Report.
6. Adoption of the CEO's Report,
7. General Business or Other Business at the Discretion of the Shire President or as approved by the Electors present.
8. Closure

A copy of the Annual Report is available on the Shire of Yilgarn's website [www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au](http://www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au). Electors wishing to ask questions that require research are asked to submit same in writing by Monday, 3 February 2025.

*Nic Warren*  
Chief Executive Officer

## 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](mailto:payroll@yilgarn.wa.gov.au) , or
- website [www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au](http://www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au).

Applications should be marked "Confidential Application – Plant Operator 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 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](http://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.

## TRAINEE MACHINERY OPERATOR

The Shire of Yilgarn is seeking applications for the position of Trainee Machinery Operator. The successful applicant must be self-motivated and work well in a team environment, primary responsibilities of the position are maintaining Councils Road network within the Shire.

The applicant must be:

- Self-motivated
- Have a strong work ethic
- Work well in a team
- WA "C" 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](mailto:payroll@yilgarn.wa.gov.au) , or
- website [www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au](http://www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au).

Applications should be marked "Confidential Application – Trainee Machinery Operator".

Written applications, addressed to the CEO and marked confidential, will be received up to **4:00pm** on **10 February 2025**. Refer to the application pack for further information on how to apply.

Nic Warren  
Chief Executive Officer  
Shire of Yilgarn  
PO Box 86  
SOUTHERN CROSS WA 6426

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# 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](mailto: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





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# 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](mailto: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

## Thank you

Many thanks to Shelly, Steph, Lisa and staff at Southern Cross Hospital for your caring, gentleness and professionalism. It's great to have people like you around.

Thanks again,  
Albert Williams

*The Yilgarn Cricket Club would like to thank Mr Bruce Harvey for his generous donation to our club. We also appreciate your kind words in the letter we received.*

*We hope to see you at our reunion on the 8<sup>th</sup> of February 2025.*

## Crosswords for

**FREE?!**

If you wish to receive the Crosswords for free via email, send an email to [crc@yilgarn.wa.gov.au](mailto:crc@yilgarn.wa.gov.au) to register.



**CRICKET TRAININGS**

**YILGARN CRICKET CLUB**

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

**THOMSON**

## Yilgarn Bowling Club

### Mens—January 2025

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—January 2025

Sat 18	Champ of Champ 4's	Merredin Civic
Tue 21	Social Bowls	Southern Cross
Tue 28	Social Bowls	Southern Cross
25-26	Men's Carnival	Southern Cross

## Moorine Rock Tennis Club

Sat 08/02	SOCIAL TENNIS 3PM START PIZZA TEA
Sat 15/02	MENS & LADIES DOUBLES ROUND ROBIN NICHOLSON & LAPSLEY SHIELDS 3PM START. STEAK & SALAD TEA ENTRIES TO ASH/WILL BY 013/02/25 SPONSORED BY SUMMIT
Sat 22/02	SOCIAL TENNIS 3PM START BBQ TEA & POOLED SALADS
Sat 01/03	OPEN INVITATION DAY HANDICAPPED MIXED DOUBLES SPONSORED BY CSBP 3PM START ENTRIES TO ASH/WILL BY 27/02/25 TEA-BEEF & GRAVY ROLLS

## AGM Notices

Yilgarn Motoring Enthusiasts AGM  
Sunday 23rd February 2025 at 9am  
at the YME clubrooms.





## AGM

Any interested persons are encouraged to attend the AGM to show your support to the club going into the 2025 season.

**Tuesday the 4th of February - 6:00pm**  
**The Club Hotel, Southern Cross**

All positions deemed vacant:

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Social Coordinator
- CDNA Senior Competition Coach/es
- CDNA Junior Competition Coach/es
- Net Set Go Coordinator/s
- AUDO
- Senior Umpire



## EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

### **CDNA Senior Competition**

2025 Season starting in April.

Applicants will be required to play home and away games (Burracoppin, Bruce Rock, Corrigin, Narembeen, Kulin/Kondinin, Nukarni & Hyden). Players will be required to attend training 1 night a week (TBA).

If you are interested please comment below or contact:

Tash Beaton 0408 447 035

### **CDNA Junior Competition**

2025 Season starting Saturday in April until September. Boys & Girls of all skill levels from Year 3 to Year 8 are welcomed. Association uniforms will be provided.

Applicants will be required to play home and away games (Burracoppin, Bruce Rock, Corrigin, Narembeen, Kulin/Kondinin, Nukarni & Hyden). Players will be required to attend training 1 night a week (TBA).

If you are interested in your child playing please comment below or contact:

Sarah Della Bosca 0476 304 521





# AGM

Thursday,  
6th of February  
2025

7:00pm

The Club Hotel

Seeking expressions of interest  
for the following positions:

- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Colts Coach
- EDFL Delegate
- Assistant Canteen Manager
- Bar Manager
- Time Keepers/Gate Keepers
- Committee Members

*It is strongly recommended that all interested in the 2025 season attend the AGM. We need your nominations and support for our club to progress.*

Please send through apologies to Holly:  
0488 688 333  
or [southerncrossfc@icloud.com](mailto:southerncrossfc@icloud.com)

## SNAKE BITE KITS

The warmer weather is well on its way and unfortunately with that comes our reptilian friends. Living in a rural area we are all too familiar with snakes!

Whether you like to go out bush, camping, or even have a backyard that is a little overgrown it is important to be prepared for the worst.

Yilgarn Community Support Group have Snake Bite Kits available for sale at \$20.00 each. If you are interested in purchasing a kit or want more information please contact Lisa Boso by phone: 0499 167 321 or email at: [ycsg.inc@gmail.com](mailto:ycsg.inc@gmail.com) or check out our Facebook Page [www.facebook.com/YCSG.inc](https://www.facebook.com/YCSG.inc)





## Round Seven Vs Corrigin T20 at Home

About bloody time, another win for the Yilgarn. 🏏

YCC host Corrigin, after a two game layoff due to byes, we have a game. A Sunday game due to Harvest, a nice shower the evening before and the oval is looking magnificent. The new red flags around the boundary do look very smart. A big thank you to the people who helped with setting up ❤️, without you, we are screwed.

With Skip running late, yours truly won the toss and elected to bat. I must say, I look forward to cricket, but watching 3 wickets fall in the first three overs was very daunting. Especially because you're umpiring and need to get the pads on. From Andrew Steel providing catching practice to cover, Brodie Roberts swinging to let BP know he was finished and wanted a Powerade and of course big Morne trying to send one into orbit. Consolidation was required.

James and Walshy spent some quality time together in the middle, establishing a very productive 70 run partnership. James Steel, stood up to be counted. Finding the boundary several times and even a couple of 6's, in a wonderful innings of 40. This set up a platform for the tail to launch from. The Captain, in disbelief on his arrival with the score at 3/13, had calmed by the time he strolled to the crease.

Nick fell to a delivery shortly after trapping him in front, LBW. A.Crafter stepping out to the crease, confident after the last time he and Max spent time in the middle. This was just a ruse, mistakes were made and Crafty was run out. Not happy about this, he threw his bat in poor form. Tobes, not perturbed by anything, ever, wandered out in true casual style. Well that's it, these two blokes, Fatty and Toby carried their bats through to the end, both were outstanding, playing the ball on its merits.

The 'Garn posted a respectable 116 to chase down.

Corrigin started confidently amid some very tight bowling from Brodie Roberts. Andrew Steel striking the first blow for the home side, quickly followed with another in his next over. Needing at least 6 an over from the start, Corrigin were held well from some tight bowling and outstanding fielding. Tahlor and Jack taking ownership of their little patch of grass was very heartening to behold.

Wickets continued to fall from the visitors due to disciplined bowling and continued pressure in the field.

Cricket is a funny game sometimes. If you turn your back for a second, it can get away from you. The Yilgarn, "Good country for hardly people", we galvanised and the Bombers did not relent for one moment. Blood was in the water and we could taste it. We were not going to let this one slip.

To their credit, Corrigin batted out the overs showing determination, but we took the chocolates today. An enormous thank you to the crowd. It's awesome to have people on the sidelines watching cricket.

A little bit of useless trivia, our main man Nick Walsh is on a hat trick with his first ball next game, taking 2 wickets in the last 2 balls off the game. No pressure brother lol 😊

Written by A.Crafter

Yilgarn 6-116 🟡🟢

Run scorers

James Steel 40

Max Collins 25\*

Nick Walsh 10

Toby Hilder 8\*

Corrigin 🟡🟣

Nick Walsh 3-18 off 4 overs

Andrew Steel 2-20 off 4 overs

Brodie Roberts 1-10 off 4 overs

Toby Hilder 1-8 off 4 overs





## Round Eight Vs Bruce Rock T20 at Home

Harvest winding up for some and rain threatening for Sunday, Saturday was the choice, as scheduled. The sun was out in force along with the supporters to

Losing the toss for the first time in a while, Bruce Rock chose to have a bat. Brodie was thrown the ball to start proceedings, staying true to form with 1 run coming from it. Andrew Steel coming in from the other end pitching it up keeping the dots rolling but unfortunately this style can be a double-edged sword costing runs. The young Mr Roberts struck second ball of his second over finding the edge and going through to Steely, who had the gloves on, taking it cleanly. The Sedgwick boys then went about accumulating some runs taking both opening bowlers for several boundaries, this is not saying that the bowling was sloppy, the batsmen just took advantage of the occasional bad ball. Steelo's last over, straying a bit short, up got dispatched to the boundary first ball. Staying on task pitched it up and trapped AJ absolutely plumb and then took the top of off stump of the new batsman.

Walshy coming on at the first change is SOP for the Yilgarn, the loosener went to the rope but then tightened up. The Skipper looked lost, looking for someone who wasn't there, then he did the unthinkable, "Crafter, you're up!" Clearly shocked I did not bowl well at all, going for 10 runs in the first over. After seeing this unfold, Nick did his best to stem the flow with a tight line only conceding 3 runs. I got so lucky in the second with poor bowling getting hit to fielders, including a half pitcher which should have landed on the basketball courts, but was well caught by Brodes at mid-off. Jayden Furnell was brought on from the pavilion end, replacing Nick, but did not have the success he had previously experienced in Hyden, copping some stick. Don't let that over get you down mate, we love you and want you to be the best you can. Getting a second over was quite a surprise but the Skipper had faith and the over only went for 2. Kayne Pasini, he hadn't rolled the arm for years, and it showed, with 14 runs coming from it, Lane might just have to watch himself come footy season as the Viking may look for some payback. Having the opportunity to bowl my overs out, I finally got one on target and knocked the batsman's castle over, finishing the spell with 2/18 off 4. We welcomed Walshy back into the attack with immediate results as James took a sharp catch of an edge. The next over saw Shane Collins take the cherry for the 18th over with Bruce Rock at 6/102. After a couple of sighters, we saw something we hope to see more of, Caught M.Collins, Bowled S.Collins. Intent on bowling the visitors out, Nick claimed the skippers scalp on the first delivery, ending a chanceless knock of 49 off 38, that had to hurt! Shane then made a case to get the ball a bit sooner taking the top of off and also claiming the 10th wicket with the last delivery, caught by yours truly, finishing with 3 wickets. Bruce Rock setting a competitive total of 112, we were confident to say the least.

Our fielding was most likely the best it had been all year with the boys getting around each other and playing as a team in the outfield. Special mention to Mitch Thompson who copped a few his way but did not hesitate to throw his body in the line of fire. A change to the batting order saw Nick put the pads on to join Andrew in the middle to open the batting. Andrew was a flirty animal out there with plays and misses and even a dropped catch, while Nick was rock solid in defence with sights set on seeing the lively AJ out. At the end of the 3rd over, the score was 0/8 and Steelo was starting to get his feet to move resulting in the first boundary struck in the 4th over. Nick copped a knock on the index finger early in the piece, same one as last week, causing some discomfort and hindering his scoring ability. With the score at 0/33 at the end of the 8th over, the openers had a platform to launch from. Looking to open up and play some shots, Nick found the boundary in the first ball of the 9th over. Progress was held up in the 10th when Adam Sedgwick was brought back into the attack after he figured out which way the wind was blowing, he is pretty lively. A change in the bowling attack and Steelo looking to accelerate, something was going to happen and happen it did. Andrew made clean contact but hit it straight to the fielder who took a well-judged catch ending Andrews knock of 26 off 34.

This brought Fatty to the crease with the score at 1/39. Looking to lift the scoring rate the Skipper wasted no time in pushing the ball around for a couple of 2's. With 9 coming off the following over, the lads grew in confidence aiming to capitalise on the conditions to put the pressure back on the fielding side. Nick was drawn into a false shot resulting in an easy catch the very first ball of the 12th over making 11 from 32. Brodie strutted out to the crease with willow in hand and his no-nonsense attitude. After getting of the mark the Skipper had some wayward deliveries which had the Captain in 2 minds which unfortunately ended his innings short making 4 off 10 after mis timing a shot in the air. 2 wickets in the one over? This did not look promising. After Brodie ticked up 3 runs from the first delivery, Steely found himself facing some wayward deliveries but able to get off the mark late in the over. After 14 overs the score was still a reasonably healthy 3/63.

In true form, Brodes bludgeoned the kookaburra to the rope in the 16th over helping to step up the run rate, steadying the ship. James followed suit and started finding the middle of the bat sending the round red thing on a journey to the boundary before getting trapped LBW on the last delivery of the over. This had the 'Garn 4/81 at the end of the 17th over. Kayne made his way out to the crease to join his premiership team mate to encouragement and advice from the crowd. Sensing the urgency, Brodie went the high road over mid-off, I honestly don't know how 3 vans avoided damage after a cricket ball earned



### Round Eight continued...

some frequent flyer points making 14 runs pushing the score to 4/95 in the 18th over. The bowling tightened up with both batsmen unable to get them away and then, a twist of bad luck. Once again, we fell victim to a finger grazing the ball before colliding into the stumps at the non-strikers end leaving Brodes short of the crease. He is also welcomed with open arms to the Willow Throwers Club as well, which is pretty exclusive. Needing 13 runs off the last over, A.Crafter had the crowd behind him cheering and hoping for the best. Could this old bloke make contact with the ball and help get the win or.....Spoilers, we didn't win. Another game agonisingly slipping through our fingers, it is truly heartbreaking. Another big thanks to the young guns who have been training their hearts out, while the big boys have been unable to make it due to harvest and work commitments. You young blokes truly are the future of the club and we are doing our best to balance our work and personal commitments. Another big thanks to the behind-the-scenes legends and especially our sponsors, Thompson Drilling. Next week sees us hitting the road for a drive down south to take on Kulin/Kondinin

Bruce Rock 10-112 ●●  
Best bowling  
Shane Collins 3-7 off 2 overs  
Nick Walsh 2-15 off 4 overs  
Andrew Crafter 2-18 off 4 overs  
Yilgarn 5-106 ●●  
Run scores  
Brodie Roberts 30  
Andrew Steel 26  
Nick Walsh 11



### Round Nine Vs Kulin/Kondinin T20 in Kulin/Kondinin

Weather - Bloody hot

Arrival – Early

Everything felt the same, we win the toss, elect to bat. The Steel boys opening, with Andrew getting a couple of lives early, still the runs were elusive. Andrew was the first to fall with a loose shot, holing out in the field. He was quickly followed by the Skipper LBW, given out by yours truly, and yes, conversations have been had. Steely was caught at mid off for a 4 ball duck as well. Holy shit, the day was looking bad. Josh and Brodie commenced the consolidation. Brodie looking to score with every chance he gets and Josh coming back into the side after the harvest hiatus. This is was going to go one of two ways. The former was to go on a scoring rampage for 9 runs off 11 balls, well, rampage is a strong word. Both Josh and Brodie played their shots until Brodes was beaten by a Jaffa taking the top of off stump, which is akin to the Ryan Harris delivery in 2014. Josh hung on from the other end to watch Tuna find the middle with a couple of massive 6's. One finding the gravel of the car park in an incredible display of power hitting. Morne was caught from a false shot after top scoring with 15 off 14. This brought the author to the crease with 9 overs to be bowled. As I'm walking out Josh mentions that we should see the over out from Tulley and get the runs from Westy. Judging the tone, no back step was needed. With the back pad being struck with the first ball and with the extra life, I had a swing, they dropped it. A bit of good fortune for the day. Josh had a swing and lost his leg stump after facing 2 and a half overs of dots. Let's face it, he did well to last that long. This brought Mitch Thompson to the crease and saw the first ball duck down the leg side for a bye. Getting on strike for the spinner the next over, he poked one up in the air for an easy catch bringing Toby out to the middle. Unfortunately Toby fell in the same over resulting in a poultry score of 47 to defend.

I won't bore you with the details of how they made the runs, because they made them quickly, losing only the one wicket from a Brodie delivery popping up to Andrew at cover.

This was the worst performance we have dished up as a team for more than 12 months. I don't know what happened, we didn't get outplayed, we just didn't show up and lost the game.

We do have one more chance to redeem ourselves before the Chrissy break taking on Hyden at home. We look forward to putting on a better display and coming away with a win. "Carn the 'Garn!"

Yilgarn All out for 47 ●●  
Run scorers  
Morne Du Randt 15  
Josh Della Bosca 9  
Brodie Roberts 9  
Kulin/kondini 1-48 ●●  
Best bowling  
Brodie Roberts 1-31



## Round Ten Vs Hyden T20 at Home

A typical great day for cricket in the Yilgarn, with a bit of moisture in the air. For the second week in a row the toss was won by the Yilgarn and chose to bat. Gerry and J Steel out to open, Hyden bowling enough extras to keep the run rate at 4 an over till Gerry was caught and James was run out in a mix-up with the skipper. Wickets kept falling at regular intervals with Brodie holing out and the skipper falling to a sharp caught and bowled. The top four all out in single figures (Gerry 3, James, 7, Max 5 and Brodie 7) 4 for 34 in 6.2 overs a collapse needs to be averted!

Up stands big Tuna and Josh Della and put on a 40 run stand at a good clip including a big SIX by Josh. Once Tuna was caught for 16 off 13 the run rate was at a respectable 7.4 per over. Andrew Steel (we were missing another Andrew) was sent out and was a great foil to Josh until Josh misjudged one and was caught for a well made 34 off 21. Out walked Shane with a job to do, see out the overs and score some runs along the way and this was exactly what happened he and Andrew put on a valuable 21 for the seventh wicket. Andrew fell bowled trying to accelerate the scoring for a well made 24 off 28, blink and you'll miss the next batsman Nick caught trying to hit a long hop for a blob!. In the final analysis Yilgarn finished with a decent 8/128 of the full allotment with Shane steadfast on 9 and Toby solid on 1. Will it be enough? Keep reading to find out!

Hyden came out to bat chasing 129 for victory, the new ball was given to Brodie and Josh to start us off and it wasn't looking to good after the first two overs with Hyden 25 without loss we needed a wicket. Third ball of his second over Brodie got the opener that was scoring at a strike rate of 240, bottom edge trying an expansive pull shot.

Time to tighten the screws! Brodie picked up a second nicely caught by Shane at deep point, good bowling by the openers and Hyden were 2/33 off 6. Josh got reward for good line and length bowling with Hyden's number 4 J Nicholl out for 6 to have them teetering at 3/48 after 8. Josh (a miserly 16 off his overs) and Brodie bowled out. A very good spell of partnership bowling between Walshy and Tuna saw 18 come off 5 overs to make it 63 off 42 balls needed, 9 an over.... the pressure on both teams!

Crucially Yilgarn couldn't dismiss the set batsman, so smart batting by Hyden and at times wayward bowling saw what could have been another close game finish quickly with Hyden winning by 7 wickets with 8 balls to spare.

Credit needs to be given to the two Hyden batsman. Taking what could have gone either way at 3/46, soaking up the pressure never letting the target get too far out of hand and capitalising when they needed to.

A big gap to the next game on the 1<sup>st</sup> of February 2025 a 45/45 game in Narembeen. If you remember back to the nail bitter game in round 4, Narembeen won a last ball thriller and the Yilgarn is looking to reverse that result! For the sake of this writer's health a Yilgarn win well before the last ball please!

Yilgarn 8 for 128 after 20 overs

Run scorers

Josh Della Bosca 34

Andrew Steel 24

Morne Du Randt 16

Shane Collins 9\*

Toby Hilder 1\*

Best bowling

Brodie Roberts 2-32 off 4

Josh Della Bosca 1-16 off 4

Nick Walsh 0-14 off 4





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# Rain Rodenburg: Embracing Opportunities and Supporting Students in Merredin

Rain Rodenburg, Lumen's Study Hubs Coordinator in Merredin, brings a unique perspective to her role, shaped by her background in education and cultural exchange. Born and raised in the Netherlands, Rain explains, "We don't have school buses. We all cycle to school. We don't have school uniforms. Our high school days are longer, starting at 8.15am and they vary in length depending on how many periods you have in a day. We can have 8 periods in a day, finishing at 4pm. In Winter, you'd cycle to school in the dark and cycle home again in the dark!"

Rain's journey to Australia began in 2008 when she did an exchange semester at the University of New South Wales in Sydney. "I just fell in love with Australia, the climate, the lifestyle, the laid-back attitude," she recalls. After returning home to complete her Master's in Communication at the University of Amsterdam, Rain decided to go on another Australian adventure, this time exploring the West Coast and having a go at station life, mustering cattle, goats and sheep. Eventually Rain settled in Merredin and decided to pursue a Graduate Diploma in Education at Edith Cowan University.

Rain faced a significant challenge with the IELTS (International English Language Testing System) test required for students with a non-English education background. "It was extremely challenging. I was just half a point short in the writing section. It really knocked my confidence." Determined to succeed, Rain engaged in focused IELTS preparation and passed on her third attempt. "Once I understood the writing structure they were looking for, it was fine. The experience made me more resilient and improved my writing skills."

Rain is passionate about supporting students who face similar challenges. "I love being able to support students through their studies, especially knowing how hard it can be to balance everything," she says. "If Lumen had been around when I was studying, I could've stayed in Merredin and it would've saved me so much time, money, and stress."

Rain's advice to students considering further education is simple: "Give it a go. If there's something you're passionate about, don't hesitate to pursue it. It may be challenging, but there's support here at Lumen, and we're happy to help you on your education journey."



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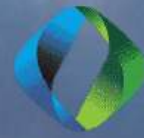
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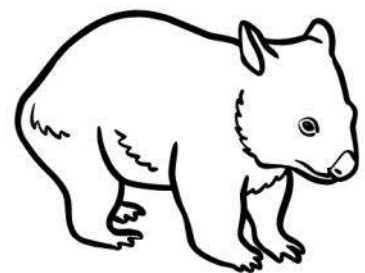
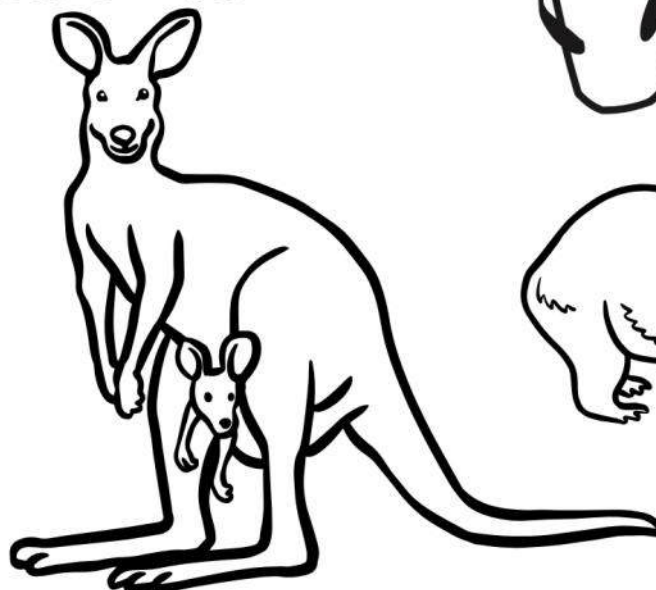
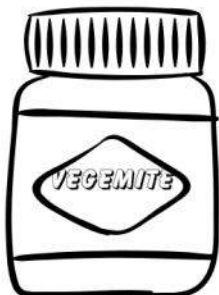
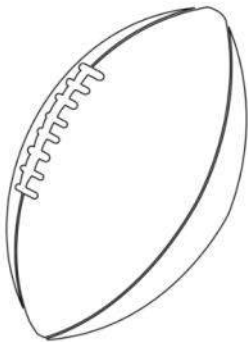
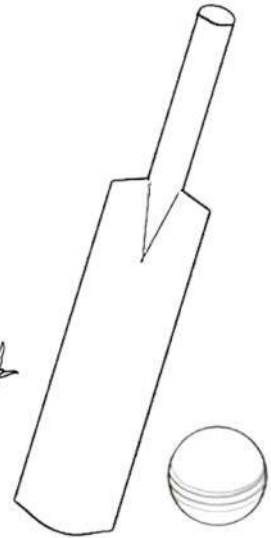
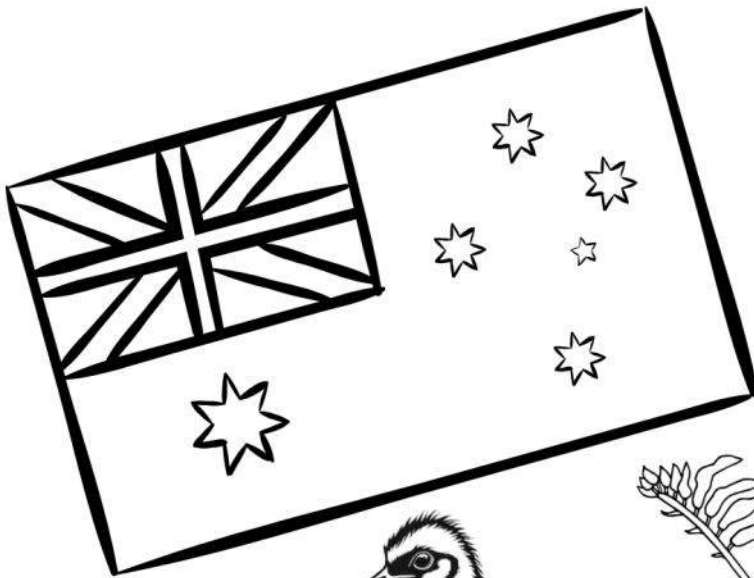
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COMMUNITY SUPPORT  
SERVICES INC.



## FAMILY COUNSELLOR

*...helping rural people meet the  
challenges of change*

### Shires Serviced:

- ♦ Kellerberrin
- ♦ Merredin
- ♦ Mount Marshall
- ♦ Mukinbudin
- ♦ Nungarin
- ♦ Trayning
- ♦ Westonia
- ♦ Yilgarn



*Supported by the  
Shire of Yilgarn*

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### WHEATBELT AGCARE...

*"providing free, independent and  
confidential family counselling for the Wheatbelt."*

MOORINE ROCK  
BUILDERS



### Quality Work at Reasonable Prices

- 15 Year's Experience
- Repairs
- Renovations
- Maintenance
- Additions and Alterations
- Call for an estimate

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**being active, having a  
sense of belonging and  
having a purpose in life all  
contribute to happiness  
and good mental health**

# Calendar of Events

Sun 26 Jan	Australia Day 2025
Mon 27 Jan	Australia Day Observed Public Holiday
Thu 20 Feb	Shire of Yilgarn Council Meeting @ Council Chambers 5.00pm
Mon 3 Mar	Labour Day Public Holiday
Thu 20 Mar	Shire of Yilgarn Council Meeting @ Council Chambers 5.00pm
Thu 17 Apr	Shire of Yilgarn Council Meeting @ Council Chambers 5.00pm
Fri 18 April	Good Friday
Sun 20 Apr	Easter Sunday
Mon 21 Apr	Easter Monday
Fri 25 April	ANZAC Day 2025

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

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Art Group</li> <li>✓ Country Women's Association</li> <li>✓ P &amp; C / P &amp; F Organisations</li> <li>✓ Patchworking</li> <li>✓ Progress Associations</li> <li>✓ Scrapbooking</li> <li>✓ Senior Citizen's Centre activities</li> <li>✓ Southern Cross Gardening Club</li> <li>✓ Southern Cross Hospital Auxiliary</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Southern Cross St John Ambulance</li> <li>✓ Southern Cross Vol. Fire &amp; Rescue</li> <li>✓ Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade</li> <li>✓ Yilgarn Agricultural Society</li> <li>✓ Yilgarn Community Support Group</li> <li>✓ Yilgarn History Museum</li> <li>✓ Yilgarn Men's Shed</li> <li>✓ Yilgarn Motoring Enthusiasts</li> </ul> | <p><i>Sporting groups including:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Basketball</li> <li>✓ Darts</li> <li>✓ Football</li> <li>✓ Golf</li> <li>✓ Lawn Bowls</li> <li>✓ Motorcycle Club</li> <li>✓ Netball</li> <li>✓ Shooting</li> <li>✓ Tennis</li> </ul> |
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## Recycling Days 2025

Jan 24

Feb 14

Feb 28

