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Crosswords

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Community Funding Program 2026 / 2027

The Community Funding Program is currently open.

Objectives of the funding project are:

- To provide a source of funding for non-profit community organisations operating within the district.
- To assist community organisations in maximising their future development.
- To provide an impartial means by which community organisations can access Council funds.

Applications for the following categories are invited:

A

**Essential equipment
/capital items
(up to \$2,000)**

Types of essential equipment:

- Ground maintenance equipment
- Sporting equipment
- Office equipment
- Minor plant equipment
- Minor building works

B

**Community / Sporting Event
related expenses
(up to \$2,000)**

Funding is available for event related expenses to help cover for, but not limited to, guest speakers, facilitators and other event hire costs. Written quotes must be provided at the time of application.

C

**Training & Travel Assistance for
local officials/office bearers
(up to \$500)**

Funding is available to officials and/or office bearers of community organisations who are required to attend regional / state association organised seminars / courses / meetings as part of their duties. Knowledge gained at these activities must then be used to assist the local community organisation in its continued development.

Eligibility

To be eligible the applicant must be based in the Shire of Yilgarn and meet the following criteria:

- Funding is available for activities which will provide benefits directly to the people of the Shire of Yilgarn.
- Only non-profit community organisations operating within the Shire of Yilgarn are eligible to apply.
- Organisations that have failed to acquit funding from the last round by 30 June 2026 will not be eligible for this round of the funding program.

For further information, general conditions and to obtain the "Guidelines and Application form" please visit www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au or contact Monica Fairless, CRC Coordinator, by email crc@yilgarn.wa.gov.au or by calling 08 9049 1688.

**Applications must be received no
later than Friday 30 October 2026
by 12.00 pm.**

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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.

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

Crosswords Advertising Rates 2026/27 (as of 1 July 2026)

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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1/2 page vertical	90mm x 270mm
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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

2026 Publishing Dates

Deadline 12 noon	Publishing Date
20/10/2026	22/10/2026
3/11/2026	5/11/2026
17/11/2026	19/11/2026
1/12/2026	3/12/2026
15/12/2026	17/12/2026

2027 Publishing Dates

Deadline 12 noon	Publishing Date
12/01/2027	14/01/2027
26/01/2027	28/01/2027
9/02/2027	11/02/2027
23/02/2027	25/02/2027
9/03/2027	11/03/2027
23/03/2027	25/03/2027
6/04/2027	8/04/2027
20/04/2027	22/04/2027
4/05/2027	6/05/2027
18/05/2027	20/05/2027
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10/08/2027	12/08/2027
24/08/2027	26/08/2027
07/09/2027	09/09/2027
21/09/2027	23/09/2027
05/10/2027	07/10/2027
19/10/2027	21/10/2027
02/11/2027	04/11/2027

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

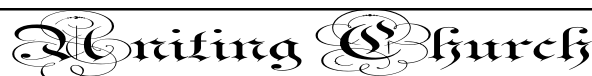
CBH Grain Donations (SX): 40564452

Mass Times

Saturday 6:00pm @ Bruce Rock Parish (**live-stream**)
 Sunday 5:30pm @ OLM church

Community Mass
 Sunday, 25th October 2026 @ 11am

Welcome to Father Paul!



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

2026 Anglican Services Christ Church Southern Cross
 Everyone is invited
 Saturdays 11pm

November 14th
 December 19th—Christmas Service

* Dates subject to change. Dates displayed on the
 Church Notice Board

Meet our NEW
 Priest Bishop Benjamin Yugusial



Shire of Yilgarn Australia Day Awards 2027

Nominate an inspiring local community member or group for one of three awards, fostering community pride and spirit:

- Shire of Yilgarn Australia Day Active Citizenship Award
- Shire of Yilgarn Australia Day Active Citizenship Award for a person under 25 years
- Shire of Yilgarn Australia Day Active Citizenship Award for a Community group or event

Nominate a local business in the new 2027 Local Business Award category:

- Shire of Yilgarn Australia Day Local Business Award

Nomination forms are available from the Shire of Yilgarn, CRC or online at www.yilgarn.wa.gov.au

Please note nominations close:
COB Monday, 2nd November 2026



Public Notice

Koolyanobbing standpipe

Water Corporation has recently informed the Shire that it will no longer guarantee the potability (suitability for drinking) of water supplied from the Koolyanobbing standpipe.

While Water Corporation has advised that the existing water treatment infrastructure will remain in place at this time, the infrastructure will no longer be maintained to the same standard that has historically been provided.

As a result, the Shire of Yilgarn will shortly install signage at the Koolyanobbing standpipe advising that untreated water should not be consumed by people or animals.

For further information about your water supply, as well as ways to treat and test your water, please visit: <https://www.watercorporation.com.au/Help-and-advice/Non-standard-water-service/Water-conditions/Treat-before-use-water-supply>

For more information about water testing and treatment, you can call the Department of Health directly on 9222 6409.



CRC CLOSURE

TUESDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2026

The CRC will be closed all day Tuesday, 13th October 2026.

There will be no access to any CRC services on this day, and Play Learn Rhyme will not be held this week.

We will reopen on Wednesday as normal.
We apologise for the inconvenience.



What's been happening

at the  Southern Cross
Community
Resource
Centre



School Holiday Program

Wednesday 30 September - Craft Day! We decorated a lot of things!

What's been happening

at the  Southern Cross
Community
Resource
Centre



School Holiday Program

Friday 2 October - Chalk Fun Day ... and some weeding with Mary-Lou!

What's been happening at the



School Holiday Program
Monday 5 October - Lego Day



SOCIAL TENNIS

16TH OCTOBER - 11TH DECEMBER 2026
FRIDAY EVENINGS - 5:30PM ONWARDS
SOUTHERN CROSS COURTS
BYO DRINKS, MEAT & A SALAD TO SHARE

FANCY A HIT? COME ALONG FOR A FUN, RELAXED
GAME OF SOCIAL TENNIS.
ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME!

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT TASH 0408 447 035



Please note: Social Tennis will not be held on the 30th October or the 27th November due to other events.

HALLOWEEN DANCE PARTY

FEATURING



**BASS
BANANA**



FRIDAY
30TH OCTOBER



YILGARN
RECREATION CENTRE



5 AND UNDER
4:00PM - 5:30PM



6 & OVER
6:00PM - 8:00PM



SNACKS AND SWEETS
PROVIDED



PRIZES AVAILABLE
ON THE NIGHT



FREE



ALL CHILDREN MUST BE
ACCOMPANIED BY A
PARENT/GUARDIAN

*Come along
in your best
spooky
costume*



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Primary Industries and
Regional Development



Southern Cross
Community
Resource
Centre



KIDS' CHRISTMAS ART CONTEST

WHAT COULD YOU ENTER?

- ✓ Drawings and paintings
- ✓ Colouring in, paint by numbers or diamond art
- ✓ Sculptures
- ✓ Art from recycled materials

Entries must have a "Christmas" theme.

Open to children aged 4 - 17 years old.
Sections include 4 - 8 years, 9 - 12 years, 13 - 17 years.

Entries close Friday 20 November 2026 at 12.00 pm.

Winners to be announced at the Christmas in the Park on Friday, 27 November 2026.

Assorted prizes to be won!

SUBMIT ENTRIES TO:

Southern Cross CRC
Canopus St, Southern Cross

Stalls



*Live
Music*

CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK

FRIDAY, 27 NOVEMBER 2026, 5PM - 8.30PM

The Yilgarn Community Christmas Tree

**BYO PICNIC CHAIRS,
NIBBLES & DRINKS**

GIFTS PROVIDED TO CHILDREN UP TO YEAR 6

\$15 PER CHILD

INCLUDES PRESENT, JUICE BOX & LOLLY BAG

PLEASE RSVP BY **23 OCTOBER** WITH **NAMES AND AGES** OF
CHILDREN TO **CWA.SXBRANCH@OUTLOOK.COM**

CWA PAYMENT DETAILS

BSB: 036 128 ACC: 280026



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Stalls



Live Music

CHRISTMAS IN THE PARK

FRIDAY, 27 NOVEMBER 2026, 5PM - 8.30PM

Register now to hold a stall!

EMAIL CRC@YILGARN.WA.GOV.AU
OR CALL 9049 1688



CWA Community Christmas Tree



Lighting of the Christmas Tree



Facepainting by Sheree



Visit the Southern Cross Skies



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Regional Development



LEGO CLUB IS BACK!

MONDAY AFTERNOONS
FROM 3.15 PM AT THE
CRC UNTIL THE END OF
TERM 4!

*children under the age of 10 need a parent or
guardian present to attend



Department of
Primary Industries and
Regional Development



JOIN US FOR THE

YILGARN LADIES DAY



3 COURSE LUNCH, GUEST SPEAKERS &
COCKTAIL BAR

 OCT 24 2026



TOWN HALL
Southern Cross

DRESS CODE: BRIGHT & BOUJEE

Visit the link below or use the QR code to
purchase your ticket

<https://events.humanitix.com/yilgarn-ladies-day/tickets>



Community News

Take a bow SX

As you know I volunteer at the Anglican Op Shop. We have many travelers pop in and I would like to share some of their comments about our town. They are impressed to see how tidy and clean our main street is.

They are amazed with the upkeep of the town gardens and grassed areas. I receive many comments about our stunning rose gardens. So well done to all the Shire gardeners!

They comment on the friendliness of all the businesses and folks passing them on the street. A "Hi" goes a long way and is passed on.

They love the bench seats outside shops giving a chance to stop and have a chat.

So SX, take a bow and give yourselves a pat on the back! You deserve it!

Also, to all the folks who popped into the Op Shop to wish me a "Happy Birthday" in September, I had the most wonderful day! This is why I love living here. The caring folks and the beauty of our town.

Cheers, Mary-Lou



YILGARN HISTORY MUSEUM

Find us on
Facebook

www.facebook.com/yilgarnhistorymuseumsoutherncross

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Are you interested in volunteering for a few hours per week? Are you interested in local history?

The Yilgarn History Museum would like interested people wanting to volunteer 2—3 hours a week to keep our Museum open every day of the week!

Thursday and Friday afternoons currently require a regular volunteer.

If you'd like to discuss what is required to volunteer at our Museum, please see Monica at the CRC, email crc@yilgarn.wa.gov.au or call 9049 1688.

SHIRE EMERGENCY INFORMATION SENT STRAIGHT TO YOUR PHONE

**DO YOU WANT TO
REGISTER FOR
WHISPIR SMS?**



TEXT THE WORD JOIN TO 0428 160 716.
**YOU WILL BE ADDED TO THE SMS LIST TO RECEIVE HARVEST & VEHICLE MOVEMENT
BAN AND ROAD CLOSURE INFORMATION FOR THE SHIRE OF YILGARN.**

*YOU WILL RECEIVE A SMS WITH A LINK TO COMPLETE YOUR REGISTRATION (BY PROVIDING YOUR NAME AND EMAIL DETAILS).
THIS IS NOT ESSENTIAL (YOUR REGISTRATION WILL STILL BE REGISTERED) BUT MAKES IT EASIER FOR US TO UPDATE DETAILS IF NEEDED.

Moorine Rock Tennis Club

Sat 10/10/26	Busy Bee 3pm start
Thu 15/10/26	Junior Tennis Coaching 3.30 - 4.30pm
Sat 17/10/26	Social Tennis 3pm start BBQ tea & pooled salads
Thu 22/10/26	Junior Tennis Coaching 3.30 - 4.30pm
Sat 24/10/26	Open Invitation Day Sponsored by Summit 3pm start Steak & salad tea

Yilgarn Bowling Club

October 2026

Mens

Sun 4	Club Open Day	Southern Cross
Sat 10	Pennants Narembreen v Yilgarn	Narembreen
Sun 11	Club Day	Southern Cross
Sat 17	Pennants Yilgarn v Bruce Rock	Southern Cross
Sun 18	Club Day	Southern Cross
Sat 24	Pennants Yilgarn v Merredin Club	Southern Cross
Sun 25	Club Day	Southern Cross
Sun 25	Dyson Jones Fours	Corrigin
Sat 31	Pennants Civic v Yilgarn Civic	

Ladies

Sun 4	Club Day	Southern Cross
Tue 6	Ladies Open Day	Southern Cross
Tue 13	Social Bowls	Southern Cross
Sun 18	Bruce Rock Open Day	Bruce Rock
Tue 20	Social Bowls	Southern Cross
Sat 24	Tammin Open Day	Tammin
Tue 27	Social Bowls	Southern Cross

AGM Notices



SXFC
AGM
WEDNESDAY @ 7PM
21ST OCTOBER 2026
CONTACT CLUB SECRETARY FOR FURTHER DETAILS
BRODIE ROBERTS 0439 978 670
HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL THERE!

The Yilgarn Community Support Group will be holding their AGM on Wednesday October 21 2026 at the Southern Cross Community Resource Centre (CRC) starting at 5:30pm.

All positions will be declared vacant.
Everyone is welcome to attend.

We'd love to see some new faces join our wonderful little group.

Employment

WE ARE HIRING!!!!

SOUTHERN CROSS AUTO SERVICES

Roles Include

- *Customer Service
- *Parts Interpreter
- *Answering Phones
- *Work as an individual and team member
- *Willing to learn

Ages 16-25 preferred

Must be keen and reliable

Phone or call in and see Bryan

0457001264

OUR LADY OF MONTSERRAT PARISH & ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL
INVITES YOU TO OUR

Community Mass

Sunday 25 October 2026

Following Mass join us for light refreshments at St Joseph's School.
Tours of the school are available and children are more than welcome
as the Playground will be open.

11.00am

Community Mass @ Our
Lady of Montserrat Church
48 Altair Street,
Southern Cross

12.30pm

Light lunch @ St Joseph's
School.
51 Altair Street,
Southern Cross

If you are able to bring a Plate of food to share it would be much appreciated.

Everyone
is
Welcome



YILGARN MIXED BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION **Ford AUSSIE HOOPS**

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!

ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME

AGES 5 - 8

TUESDAYS

BEGINNING TUESDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2026

3:15PM

REGISTER ONLINE AT:

<https://www.playhq.com/basketball-wa/register/93cd1e>

YILGARN MIXED BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION **JUNIOR BASKETBALL**

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!

ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME

FUN, FITNESS AND NEW FRIENDS!

LEARN, DEVELOP AND BE PART OF TEAM YMBA!

TUESDAYS

STARTING TUESDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2026

YILGARN RECREATION CENTRE

GREAT FOR ALL SKILL LEVELS! COME AND PLAY!

AGES 9 - 10

REGISTER ONLINE AT:

<https://www.playhq.com/basketball-wa/register/93cd1e>

AGES 11 - 15

REGISTER ONLINE AT:

<https://www.playhq.com/basketball-wa/register/7fb01a>

YILGARN MIXED BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION **SENIOR BASKETBALL TRAINING**

ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME

✓ GET FIT

✓ IMPROVE YOUR GAME

✓ COUNTRY WEEK PREPARATION

SENIORS 16+

TUESDAYS

STARTING TUESDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2026

7:00PM START

REGISTER ONLINE AT:

<https://www.playhq.com/basketball-wa/register/db2cba>

YILGARN MIXED BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION **SOCIAL MIXED BASKETBALL**

FUN. FRIENDS. FITNESS. COMPETITION.

AGES 16+

ALL SKILL LEVELS WELCOME!

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN!

THURSDAY 15TH OCTOBER | 7PM

DAY TO BE CONFIRMED AFTER THE AGM

GREAT PEOPLE GREAT VIBES

COMPETITIVE BUT SOCIAL

GET ACTIVE HAVE FUN

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL CLUB

REGISTER ONLINE AT:

<https://www.playhq.com/basketball-wa/register/db2cba>



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Hello Sunday Morning



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The Story of Bullant McIntyre (continued)

Miss Newport did not take kindly to criticism:

....The remarks of yours re high handed action and bouncing petticoat should afford considerable amusement were it not for the inaccuracies which need correction. 6,000 shares were allotted to WA out of a total of 100,000. A copy of the articles of association was forwarded to Mr Stirling immediately. With regard to the supposed insult to Mr Hogg having his books audited; as a paid employee of the company I am bound to get outside verification of accounts that have been made out by any man who forwarded his own receipts for items of expenditure. As to fluctuation, what else could be expected when the WA director wires his friends to buy shares due 8-ounce stone, but the results of battery crushing shows only 7dwt of gold? The inability to explain the discrepancy is not the way to obtain the best results.'

The WA director and attorney, H J Stirling, was now compelled to have a say:

....Confirming that £1,500 passed through my hands with £500 to purchase the property and the balance put at the disposal of George Hogg to develop the mine. Melbourne board instructed that all gold won was also to be placed into this account. Reports were despatched regularly to the Melbourne office by Mr Hogg. As to the telegram to Melbourne stating 8-ounce stone, Mr Hogg was in Claremont at the time but as the Foreman in charge of the mine authenticated it, the news was wired to the Melbourne Legal Manager and the stock exchange in Adelaide. As the mine was floated by Newport and Co with 100,000 shares there should be a substantial credit balance in Melbourne.'

The foreman, Captain Abbot, was also drawn into the row:

....I am the foreman referred to who reported 8 ounce stone. The ore I reported on has not yet been sent to the battery, and can be seen on the lease. Therefore this ore could not have played any part in the shuffle since.'

McIntyre has the final say for the time being:

....Strange to say the all-important question is regarding the company's financial position in Melbourne. So far those who have replied to our criticism on the financial aspect have been either infernally ambiguous or deliberately evasive. 30,000 shares were floated at 2 shillings each, with another 10,000 shares at 3 shillings. Therefore total receipts should be £4,500. So far only £1,500 has been disposed of. What about the remaining £4,000 pounds?

McIntyre was proven right and the Melbourne administrators of Marvel Loch mine are suspected of fraud. The Legal Manager is placed under arrest:

....Miss Francis Newport is before the court charged with taking £2,002 of company funds. Evidence shows that several large sums had been paid to the credit of Miss Newport's private account. Mr S J Wilson is now Legal Manager of the Marvel Loch Company in place of Miss Newport.'

....It is said since the arrest of Miss Newport that a banking account was never opened in the name of the company. Directors now believe that monies shown on the balance sheet were not to the credit of the company, as investigations reveal that only nine shillings and two pence is in the company's account. A full investigation of affairs of the company is being made. In order to relieve the financial pressure, directors will make a call of three pence on all contributing shares. It would appear that the late lady manager or someone else has made a clean sweep of the funds.'

....An audit made of the books discloses that some scrip has been duplicated and bogus stock is in circulation. It is not known how this has been done but the Stock Exchange in Melbourne rule that scrip issued under the seal of the company, complete with the signature of a director, validates the scrip to the people whose hands it has passed.'

....In connection with share anomalies, Miss Newport states that 1,000 shares were transferred to a Mr May, but before she had the opportunity to cancel the issue or fill in the scrip book, she was ordered to hand over all books. Had the directors been content to set aside their self-importance for twenty minutes the whole matter would have been put right. She requested an interview but instead received a warrant granting her permission to spend a night in the watch-house with a few drunken women.'

....The arrest of Miss Newport did not come as a surprise to Southern Cross holders of Marvel Loch scrip, for it has been obvious for many months that things have been rotten. When Mr Hogg was in charge of the mine he could not get money from the Melbourne office to carry out development work. He was finally sacked for declining to take out only the best ore. The new manager Mr Vale has been handicapped in the same way. Even though there is a credit balance in Melbourne no money is available and men have had to wait three months for wages. It appears Miss Newport's resignation (?) will be a means of improving the shares in the Marvel Loch mine. Now that the directors have started to clean out the stables it is hoped they will effect a thorough clean up. It will be interesting to see how the auditors and directors fare over what looks like a shameful neglect on their part. As about 30% of the shares are held in Southern Cross it is time the local holders got representation on the directorate.'

The Story of Bullant McIntyre will be continued in the next edition of Crosswords.

Make a stand against domestic violence this 16 Days in WA

Does it feel like every time you turn on or read the news, there's another story about a woman who has been killed by her partner or former partner?

Tragically, a woman is killed every eight days in Australia (on average) due to family and domestic violence.

Additionally in WA, one in three women and one in 14 men have experienced physical, emotional or economic abuse by a cohabiting partner. And one third of all sexual assault incidents are family and domestic violence related.

If you've had enough of these headlines and you want our community to be a place where everyone is safe, you're invited to join Share & Care to make a stand against the violence.

Share & Care will hold its annual March Against Family and Domestic Violence as part of 16 Days in WA (25 November – 10 December).

"Let's walk together in solidarity of the many who have been impacted, and in memory of lives lost, to family and domestic violence," Share & Care CEO Sarah MENCHELYI said.

"We all have a responsibility to stop family and domestic violence and that's why it's so important to try to reach everyone in our communities during 16 Days in WA."

There are two marches to choose from, so please save the date that best suits you:

- Northam's third annual march is on Tuesday, 1 December. Join us at 9:45am at The Village Green, 176 Fitzgerald Street in Northam, with the march finishing back at The Village Green.
- Narrogin's second annual march is on Tuesday, 8 December. Join us at 9:45am at The Narrogin Regional Leisure Centre, 50 Clayton Street in Narrogin, with the march finishing in Mackie Park.

Both marches will finish with a moment of silence, followed by light refreshments. Orange is the colour of the day and march participants are invited to wear something orange to show your support.

Ms MENCHELYI said the marches continued to grow year-on-year and this year Share & Care hoped to make the events bigger and more impactful in the organisation's work to keep our families and communities safe.

"Every person who marches, and particularly when you share your participation with your family, friends and colleagues, helps amplify the message of 16 Days in WA," Ms MENCHELYI said.

"If you're wondering how you can make a difference, something we can all do is call out disrespectful behaviour and harmful views when you hear it and role model respectful behaviour.

"We can also support young people to create safer relationships and reduce the risk of gender-based violence in adulthood by educating them about healthy relationships, gender equity and consent."

16 Days in WA is a State Government initiative held since 2017. The campaign starts each year on 25 November, which is the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women and runs through to Human Rights Day on 10 December.

Community members who need further information, counselling and support in relation to family and domestic violence can call **1800 RESPECT** – a free, confidential national hotline available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

Share & Care provides accommodation, support and referral for women and children escaping family and domestic violence in the Wheatbelt region. Women can self refer to the refuge 24 hours a day, 7 days a week on the Share & Care free call crisis lines:

Northam: **1800 353 122**

Narrogin: **1800 007 570.**



Photo from Northam march in 2025.



UPDATED AUGUST 2026

Wheatbelt Health and Aged Care Services

For people over 65 years or
Aboriginal people over 50 years

Government Subsidised & Free



District
Leadership
Groups

Wheatbelt

A Wheatbelt DLC
Ageing Well and In
Place Priority Area
Working Group
(PAWG) Initiative

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

My Aged Care is the Government's starting point for accessing aged care services. To receive any government-subsidised supports - including in-home help, community programs, respite or residential care - registering with **My Aged Care** and completing an assessment is compulsory. Once registered older people, families and carers can be linked with suitable services and providers that meet their needs.

To register:

Ph: 1800 200 422 (Mon-Fri 8am-8pm) or visit

W: www.myagedcare.gov.au

Note receipt of the below services are based on **assessment and eligibility**.

It is recommended to use the online 'Should I apply' tool. MyAgedCare.gov.au/Should-I-Apply

Government Subsidised RESIDENTIAL AND RESPITE

RESIDENTIAL & OVERNIGHT RESPITE

Multi-Purpose Service (MPS): Delivers residential aged care, hospital and community health services under one combined facility in small rural towns, allowing older residents to receive ongoing care locally. **Towns included:** Beverley, Bruce Rock, Corrigin, Dalwallinu, Moora, Dumbleyung, Goomalling, Kellerberin, Kondinin, York, Kununoppin, Lake Grace, Merredin, Narembeen, Quairading, Southern Cross, Wongan Hills, Wyalkatchem.

Residential Aged Care Homes:

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Social connection and respite opportunities for older people.

**Killara Adult Day & Respite
Centre (Northam)**
Ph: (08) 9622 5765

**Silver Chain Group Social
Support Centre (Narrogin)**
Ph: 08 9890 0900

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SUPPORT AT HOME PROGRAM / COMMONWEALTH HOME SUPPORT PROGRAM (CHSP)

Government-funded services to help older people remain living at home. Potential supports that can be provided include:

- Home modifications and equipment
- Home maintenance and repairs
- Domestic assistance
- Meals and nutrition
- Transport and social support
- Nursing and allied health therapy
- Personal care
- Restorative care management
- Therapeutic services

SHORT TERM PATHWAYS

Additional short-term supports available through Support at Home:

- Restorative Care
- End of Life Pathway
- Assistive Technology & Home modifications

CARER SUPPORT

Carer Gateway

Support for family members and friends who provide care to an older person.

- Counselling, coaching, support groups & respite
- Ph: 1800 422 737

FREE SUPPORTS & SERVICES

ADVOCACY & SUPPORT

AMITY HEALTH - CARE FINDER PROGRAM

For people who are isolated, have limited access to family support or someone they trust. A dedicated care finder can:

- Help navigate My Aged Care, including understanding and completing forms
- Attend assessments and help with other challenges.

Ph: 08 9842 2797
Referral form available on the website.
W: www.amityhealth.com.au

MOORDITJ KOORT - ELDER CARE SUPPORT PROGRAM

Support for Aboriginal people aged 50+ to access aged care services.

- My Aged Care
- Intake & assessments
- Advocacy

Ph: (08) 6174 7000

ADVOCARE

Advocacy and support for older people, including elder abuse concerns.

Elder Abuse Helpline
Ph: 1300 724 679
Advocacy Line
Ph: 1800 655 566
W: www.advocare.org.au

LEGAL AID

**Wheatbelt Community
Legal Centre**
Location: Office in Northam. Outreach to Narrogin & Moora.
Ph: 9622 5200

**South West
Community Legal
Centre**
Location: Outreach to Narrogin only.
Ph: 9791 3206

**Seniors Rights and
Advocacy Service
(Legal Aid WA)**
Ph: 1300 650 579

**Aboriginal Legal
Service of WA**
Ph: 1800 019 900

WELLBEING SUPPORT

MEDICARE MENTAL HEALTH CENTRE

Free support for people experiencing mental health distress.

Location: Northam. Also provide phone appointments.

How to refer: walk-in (located within Holyoake), via GP or
Ph: 1800 595 212

HOLYOAKE

Support for people dependent on alcohol and/or drugs or impacted by use.

Location: Northam & Narrogin. Also provide outreach & phone appointments.

How to refer:
Ph: 9621 1055 or visit
W: www.holyoake.org.au

SENIORS MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE

Support for older adults experiencing mental health or dementia-related concerns.

Location: Clinics based in Northam, Narrogin, Merredin & Gingin. Also provide outreach & phone appointments.

How to refer:
Ph: 9621 0999
E: Wheatbelt.MentalHealthService@health.wa.gov.au

AMITY HEALTH - MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELLING

Free counselling for older adults.

How to refer: Self, health professional or GP referrals accepted. Referral form available on website.
Ph: 9842 2797
W: www.amityhealth.com.au

CONNECTIONS COUNT

Free counselling in residential aged care homes in: Brookton, Kellerberin, Narrogin, Northam, Wagin & York.

How to refer: Via GP or through Residential Aged Care Facilities. Access referral form on website (above).

SPECIALISED HEALTH SERVICES

GERIATRICIAN

Specialist assessment and support for complex ageing-related health concerns.

- Frailty, falls and mobility
- Memory and cognition
- Comprehensive health assessment

GP referral required.

Locations:

**Northam Health
Service**

Location: 50 Robinson St, Northam
Ph: 9690 1300

**Narrogin Health
Service**

Location: Williams Rd, Narrogin
Ph: 9881 0333

**Merredin Health
Service**

Location: 37 Kitchener Road, Merredin
Ph: 9081 3222

Outreach available to other Wheatbelt towns via telehealth.

DEMENTIA SUPPORT

Dementia Australia
Information & education
Ph: 1800 100 500

Alzheimer's WA
Support groups & respite
Ph: 1300 66 77 88

Dementia Support Aus
Support for changed behaviours
Ph: 1800 699 799

Forward with Dementia
Information for people living with dementia & carers.
W: forwardwithdementia.au

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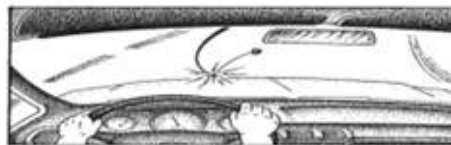


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Barto is now accepting applications for 2027 major sponsorships, please get in contact with us to discuss opportunities.

Recruitment

The following positions are currently available at Barto Gold. Please feel free to get in contact if you are interested in any position, applications can be made on Seek.com. We also welcome expressions of interest from skilled individuals in other work areas.

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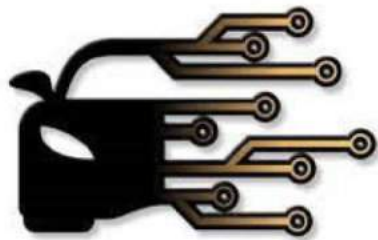


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Thu 15 Oct	Shire of Yilgarn Council Meeting @ Council Chambers, 5.00pm
Fri 16 Oct	Social Tennis begins - Southern Cross Tennis Courts, 5.30pm
Wed 21 Oct	AGM: Yilgarn Community Support Group @ CRC, 5.30pm
Wed 21 Oct	AGM: Southern Cross Football Club @ Complex, 7pm
Sat 24 Oct	Yilgarn Ladies Day
Sun 25 Oct	Community Mass @ Our Lady of Montserrat Church, 11am
Mon 26 Oct	Pat & Chat Mobile Vet in town
Mon 26 Oct	No Lego Club this afternoon at the CRC
Fri 30 Oct	Halloween Disco @ Complex Lounge - see poster for times
Fri 27 Nov	Christmas in the Park— Yilgarn Community Christmas Tree, Stalls, Live Music, Facepainting, Santa @ Rotary Park from 5.00pm

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

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| ✓ Senior's Games (Jan—Mar) | ✓ Yilgarn Community Support | ✓ Motorcycle Club |
| ✓ Southern Cross Gardening Club | Group | ✓ Netball |
| ✓ Southern Cross Hospital | ✓ Yilgarn History Museum | ✓ Shooting |
| | ✓ Yilgarn Men's Shed | ✓ Tennis |
| | ✓ Yilgarn Motoring Enthusiasts | |

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Oct 9

Oct 23

Nov 13

Nov 27

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