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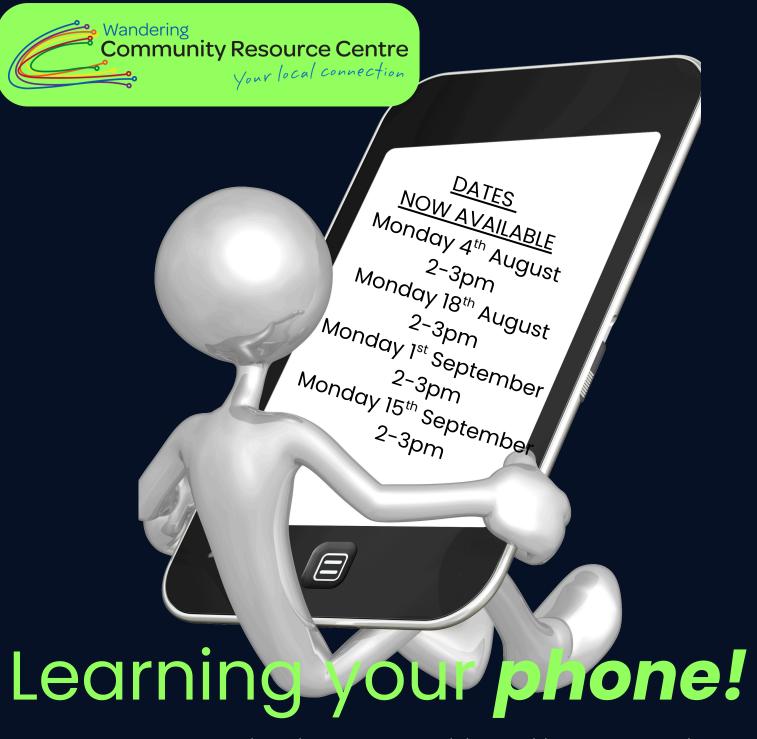
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To be held at the Wandering Primary School Library

MONDAY 8 SEPTEMBER TUESDAY 9 SEPTEMBER

8.30 am - 3.30 pm

We look forward to you joining us as we launch into this stellar reading celebration soon!

Every purchase made during the Fair earns learning & literacy resources for your local school!

Reading is Out of This World!

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UP COMING WORKSHOPS 26TH AUGUST - TUESDAY 10:30AM

"Future Proofing our Gardens"

23RD SEPTEMBER – TUESDAY 10:30AM "Growing Successfully in Pots & Hanging Baskets"

28th OCTOBER - TUESDAY 10:30AM Wicking Beds/Pots

As part of the Wandering Community Gardens Grant upgrade, we are pleased to welcome back John Draper to run a series of workshops.

Cost: \$5:00 p/p for each workshop

Location: Wandering CRC

To register please contact the Wandering CRC 9884 1561

crc@wandering.wa.gov.au

Looking forward to your support for this wonderful opportunity!

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VENUE: WANDERING CARAVAN PARK
6pm



\$25 INC DINNER & DRINKS **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**PLEASE CONTACT: WANDERING CRC

9884 1561 OR

CRC@WANDERING.WA.GOV.AU







COMMUNITY ROADSIDE BREAKFASTS

The Wandering Community Resource Centre, Wandering Lions Club and Shire of Wandering are proud to bring you these Community Roadside Breakfasts.

We'll bring the BBQ & food. Let's gather together over breakfast, discuss community opportunities and issues and check on each other.



EVERYONE WELCOME TO ATTEND!

TUES 23rd SEPT

7AM - 8.30AM Wandering Fuel Station

WED 24th SEPT

7AM - 8.30AM
Corner of Reid &
Moramockining Roads,
Blackboy Springs

THURS 25th SEPT

7AM - 8.30AM Codjatotine roadside parking bay Old School Site

Enquiries - CRC - 9884 1561 - crc@wandering.wa.gov.au













ABOUT STICK READER

The Wandering CRC now has the Shearwell EID Stick Reader for you to hire. It comes complete with rechargeable batteries, connection cord, car USB charging station & operating guide - everything you'll need to your animal IDs.

One person with this Stick Reader can quickly and accurately identify the electronic IDs of your livestock.

It has easy, single-button operation and a large display. And when you're done, just transfer the data wirelessly over to your office computer or even to your mobile. Access for this is also available at the Wandering CRC.

RATES INFO

\$20.00 per day per stick Loan Agreement must be completed before device is loaned out. T & C Apply

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INFORMATION

The **NLIS** is a permanent, whole-of-life identification system for cattle, sheep, goats, pigs and buffalo that enables animals to be tracked from property of birth to slaughter or export. NLIS identification and tracking requirements differ according to the species. For more information email eIDTeam@dpird.wa.gov.au or call 1300 NLIS (1300 926 547)









NRM is the management of natural resources such as land, water, soils, plants and animals. It brings together land use planning, water management, biodiversity conservation and sustainability of industries such as agriculture, mining, tourism, fisheries and forestry.



Holistic Management Training Program - Enquire Now!

Join the Institute of Regenerative Leadership in a 6-month program to help you make informed environmental, social, and financial decisions. This course provides knowledge, practical skills, and a strong support network to help you succeed.

You will:

- Learn to manage effectively for positive outcomes.
- Connect with like-minded land managers who understand your challenges.
- Make small but powerful changes that drive big improvements.
- Extend your growing season for greater profitability and resilience.

What's included:

Two in-person 2-day workshops (planned for September 2025 & March 2026 - dates TBC) at key points in the growing cycling, including one field walk on-farm.

Support between sessions (via video calls, WhatsApp) to help implement what you learn. This blended format ensures participants receive both structured learning and practical, real-world application with consistent support along the way.

Where: This will be within the Hotham-Williams Catchment, Exact location TBC (dependent on registrations).

Cost: \$395 exc GST.

This course is heavy subsidised

by PHCC and the Shire of Boddington, Wandering, Williams and Cuballing. It would usually cost thousands of dollars.

Please contact PHCC's Sustainable Agriculture Facilitator Georgina Warden via georgina.warden@peel-harvey.org.au or 6369 8800 for more information and how to register.

We require at least 10 participants eager to plan and develop an exciting future to proceed.

For more information on the Institute of Regenerative Leadership visit www.regenerativeleadership.com.au/

This program is supported by the Australian Government through funding from the Natural Heritage Trust under the Climate-Smart Agriculture Program and the Shires of Boddington, Cuballing, Wandering

On the Ground – Future Ready Farming

Future Ready Farming Kicks Off with Four Demonstration Sites.

We've wrapped up the first season of our Future Ready Farming project, an initiative focused on supporting landholders to transition to climate smart agriculture. This year, we established four demonstration sites in Marradong, Quindanning, Mundijong, and West Coolup, showcasing regenerative practices including cover cropping, multi-species and perennial pastures, biologically orientated fertility, and mob grazing.

Despite a late season break, the timing aligned well with contractor availability, and the final site was seeded on 29th May, just as rain began, ideal conditions for germination. We worked closely with Agroecologist Mark Tupman (Productive Ecology) to develop two specially developed pasture mixes, prepare a compost slurry mix enriched with Mycorrhizal fungi, seaweed granules, and a trace element solution, tailored to the specific conditions at each site.

Soil sampling transects have been established, baseline soil tests have been completed, and we will return annually over the next three years to conduct indicator tests, plant tissue tests and track soil health improvements. We're now working closely with each landholder on follow-up treatments based on initial observations and test results.

All of this is being documented

by video which we will be sharing very soon! Keep an eye out on our socials and You-Tube channel.

We plan to support more landholders with this work over the next 3 years, stayed tuned for updates.





Seeding bar in action and a sunflower seedling

This project is supported by the Australian Government through funding from the Natural Heritage Trust under the Climate-Smart Agriculture Program.

Landcare matters

Hotham-Williams sub-catchment update



Why did the fish climb the ladder?

These photos are of the fish ladder constructed in 2013 at the Boddington weir, when there were only very few examples of structures like this in south west WA. Fish ladders or 'fish ways' are designed and installed when there are physical barriers to migration in our rivers (such as weirs). For example, our little native fish the western minnow migrates upstream to spawn, and although it can jump small barriers, it is far too small to do that when it comes across large obstacles. Fish ladders provide the perfect gradient for these and other migratory fish species to continue upstream uninterrupted.

On the whole, our rivers are degraded due to various impacts and need our help, which can be in the form of



Taken when it was first installed, looking upstream

interventions such as these sorts of instream structures, bank stabilisation, and protecting and enhancing riverine vegetation. Sometimes this can also be in the form of high impact activities like sediment removal. which the Shire of Boddington is currently carrying out above the weir on the Hotham River. Semi-permanent and permanent pools are going to become more and more important refuge areas for aquatic species as our climate becomes hotter and drier, and a suite of interventions to enhance them is sometimes required, in addition to adding vegetation and shade. These always need to be carefully planned and approved by relevant authorities. More information about the Shire of Boddington 'Lions Weir Project' can be found on their website www.boddington.wa.gov.au

PHCC is still working hard on the Hotham-Williams River Action Plan which involves a staged process of positive interventions at strategic sites on the rivers. Check out previous Landcare Matters since October 2021 for project activity highlights here: www.peel-harvey.org.au/newsletters/

What's happening...

100 editions later: a look back at where we began



Edition 1, July 2016

Have your say:

The Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) is inviting public comment on both Alcoa's Pinjarra Alumina Refinery proposal and Mining on the Darling Range proposal.

You have until Thursday 21 August 2025 to have your say. www.peel-harvey.org. au/alcoa-per/

Save the date...

Williams River Festival

Saturday 6 September 2025

Signs of Breeding White-tailed Black Cockatoos – We need your help!

Finding suitable breeding hollows is huge investment for Black Cockatoos, spending up to 8 months searching, As we emerge from winter they become most active in their search for hollows. While Carnaby Black Cockatoos tend to prefer the Swan Coastal Plain for breeding, we know they are breeding in areas around Dryandra, Boddington, Crossman and Wandering. For both White-tailed Black Cockatoos (Baudin's and Carnaby's) in the

broader Hotham-Williams area, we have much to learn about their abundance, distribution and breeding locations. Please keep your eyes peeled for breeding behaviour and never underestimate the value of old, dead stag trees for black cockatoo breeding. At this time of year, if you see a pair of White-tailed Black Cockatoos hanging around a large tree hollow on your property or nearby Reserve, and persistently coming back to the hollow with nesting

material, please let our team know at <u>admin@peel-harvey.org.</u> <u>au</u>. This information helps us to work with local landholders to protect critical breeding habitat in the Hotham-Williams area.



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WANDERING TENNIS CLUB



Notice of 2025 AGM

Date Thursday 4th September 2025

Venue Wandering Community Centre

Time 6.00pm start

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies
- **2.** Confirmation of previous minutes
- **3.** Business arising from minutes
- **4.** President's report
- **5.** Secretary's report
- **6.** Treasurer's report
- 7. Committee nominations/elections
- **8.** General business

Agenda Items to be received by: Thursday 28th August, 2025 in writing to:

The Secretary Wandering Tennis Club 324 Fourteen Mile brook Rd WANDERING WA 6308

jacjoe1@bigpond.com 0428301895



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REGIONAL TRAINING CALENDAR JUNE TO NOVEMBER 2025

proposed dates TBC

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LOCATION	JULY	AUG	SEPT	oct
MERREDIN	8-11		24-27	
BEVERLEY	13-16		29-30	1-2
NARROGIN	22-25		10-13	
KATANNING	27-30		15-18	1
WONGAN HILLS		6-9		7-10
CORRIGIN		11-14		12-15
JERRAMUNGUP		26-27		
PINGRUP		28-29		
LAKE GRACE		30-31	1-4	

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	11-14		12-15	
	26-27			
	28-29			
	30-31	1-4		

Please note the above dates are estimated and for a range of training dates yet to be confirmed. Dates will be offered and confirmed once student numbers have been met in each location.

To register your interest in any of the above truck driver training offered by Busselton Advanced Driver Training, please contact the Wandering CRC - 9884 1561 or crc@wandering.wa.gov.au

Nandering Fair

Stall Holder Registrations Open NOW

https://form.jotform.com/240898267449878

Sat 18.10.2025 9:00am - 3:00pm

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find us on instagram wandering_fair

Running in conjunction with the Wandering Camp Out Weekend



Wandering Playgroup

A PLACE OF FUN AND ENJOYMENT



9:00 AM - 11:00 AM AT THE CWA ROOM

CONTACT STARR CORNISH FOR MORE INFORMATION 0447778657

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The Travel Card helps eligible country pensioners with the cost of fuel and taxi travel from participating providers.

To be eligible you must be receiving any of the following – a Centrelink Age Pension, Carer Payment, Disability Support Pension, or a Department of Veterans' Affairs Service Pension, Social Security Age Pension or Income Support Supplement and be living in an eligible regional location.

You can apply for a Regional Pensioner Travel Card at participating Australia Post outlets.





For more information visitwww.wa.gov.au/travelcard or call 1300 666 609.

Wandering Lions

The July meeting of the Wandering Lions saw the new office bearers take up their positions to begin the new financial year.

Being a small part of a international service organisation with a strong local focus and adhering to the international protocols means the administration of our Wandering club needs careful and thoughtful management. The Wandering Lions however are now preparing for the coming year with a number of events to be supported in the next few months.

Lion's have two new members as Daniel and David Cornish have joined the our ranks. They are a welcome addition to the Lion's club and bring with them experience and energy. Daniel and David were sponsored by Rachel Williams and Raelene Warburton respectively and were inducted these last few months. The induction of our two new members was conducted by the Wandering Lions president

Gillian Hansen.



August 31st sees the return of the Millfarm Scramble. The Ferguson family host the annual event encouraging the VMX community to take part in a day of racing veteran bikes. Plenty of noise and a few spills as the seasoned bikers test their skills in the mud and or the dust.

Lions will be there to feed the competitors and those who choose to spectate and enjoy the event.



July Article Rural Aid

In my travels through our beautiful region, I'm privileged to talk to people from all walks of life and I always ask, "how are you going"?

Often people tell me they are concerned about another because they've noticed that the person 'just doesn't seem to be themselves'. My advice is to ask that person, saying exactly that, 'Are You Ok you just don't seem to be yourself lately'. Even when that person replies 'yes thanks I'm fine'; that person knows someone cares about them.

Something familiar to most, is where a family member has been telling a loved one, they are very worried. Suggesting they speak to someone or to seek help, the loved one seem to dig their heals in saying I'll be fine. Then along comes someone else not related nor a close friend but known to that very person. They suggest to the same person that they should speak to someone because they have noticed a difference. We roll our eyes as we hear our loved one say 'Oh OK' and do it. Although a rolling of the eyes moment it is also a time of relief. This situation shows we should not assume that a person's family or other would have already said something. They probably have. But where you personally feel someone is not themselves, ask Are You OK.

Where people who are experiencing feelings that are stronger than usual, don't feel like themselves, they may also feel they are on their own and that no one knows or understands what they are going through. Yes as individuals we all have our individual ways we respond, and no one ever really knows exactly how we feel. But this doesn't mean others have not, or are currently not, experiencing similar feelings. By acknowledging we are not feeling ourselves to others usually opens up others in similar situations to also open up and respond. This then becomes a shared experience and our ability to cope is heightened.

Recently I was told of a situation where someone was struggling with stress. Their partner was doing their best to help but also felt frustration and stress from deep concern, as nothing they were doing appeared to be getting through. A business associate came to the farm, this person asked, 'how are you going?' and when the reply he received was 'I'm not doing to well, feeling very down lately' .There are two great things the business associate did after he said 'Yes I've noticed that you are not yourself lately, I've been a bit worried about you'. After listening to the person giving that person time to talk and release their supressed feelings, the business associate then went on to tell the person their own very personal experiences when they were in a similar situation. Very personal, honest, from the heart. They opened up and chose to be vulnerable. The result was extremely powerful and helpful. The businessperson not only helped the person feeling down but also that person's partner was helped. The realisation of, 'we are not on our own', resulted in a lessening of the anxiety for both people. So much so that they were able to begin to move forward again.

Remember you are not alone. Be true to yourself, understand it takes strength to say' I'm not doing too well'. Similarly, it takes strength as someone who has noticed something about a person you know to ask, 'Are You OK'. Our mind might be giving us reasons why we shouldn't say something, but our hearts will tell us what we need to do.

Water is Life – Locals for Environmental Action & Protection – Community update

Email us leap4locals@outlook.com or join us on facebook 'Locals for Environmental Action & Protection' (LEAP).

As a farming community, many of us feel as if we are constantly looking up at blue skies and praying for rain. With both the State & Federal governments approving South32's mining expansion, groundwater usage for the mine will increase from 500 million litres a year to 900 million litres a year. Add to this an extra 1,740 million litres extra over the first 3 years for construction!! That is a LOT of water – where is it going to come from!?!

Would you believe that NO study has been done on the expansion area regarding extraction of this water, as at time of assessment by the EPA, the locations for the bores were not known? So, the EPA recommended the approval of a huge mining expansion and massive increases in water use with no idea if the water is even available! And with no idea of the impacts this usage will have on surrounding farm and forest areas.

Add to this the drying trend across the southwest, with rainfall decreasing significantly over the last 30 years, and dry years becoming more frequent. Our understanding is that rainfall is required across the whole region to refill the ancient fractured rock aquifer, although it seems there has been very limited studies of this system.

Of course, with all these changes and interruptions to water regimes, it makes sense that the Hotham River will be impacted. The average flow has dropped 26% from prior to 2000, with salinity levels rising by 50%. At the current rate, salinity levels could rise by a further 50% over the next 30 years.

A recent report from the Auditor General's office 'Regulation of Water licences' found the regulatory body, Department of Water & Environmental Regulation, has not adequately planned monitoring activities around increasing demand for water along with a drying climate. The report also found DWER's on ground inspection programs were not planned and don't adequately reflect the risks to the state's water resources or the distribution of licences.

This is the third report from the Auditor General's office that has found issues with the planning and monitoring of water in our state. The 2003 and 2009 reports found that DWER's efforts were not systematic or sufficient to ensure water was not being taken unlawfully.

So, how do we ensure we don't lose our precious water?? So we need to step up for our patch! The more issues that gets reported, the more likely that someone in their Perth office might have get off their butt and actually do something.

Environment WAtch environmentwatch.wa.gov.au 1300 784 782

To help protect our environment, report issues including:

Land-clearing (esp at night)

Changes to ground/surface water i.e. water levels, water flow, sediment

Dust

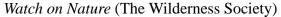
Noise/vibration

Animal deaths, including roadkill

Topsoil piles – not compost piles!



Fantastic app for recording plants, animals, fungi etc. You'll need a photo, video or sound-recording of reasonable quality. For each record you mark location, date, recorder and what you think it is.



Mapping clearing since 2017 – if you log on you can choose dates from 2017 to now and you'll see polygons for areas that have been cleared. If you see clearing on the ground you can either tell someone or mark it out yourself.





Wandering CWA

We are hoping that everyone has been enjoying the recent rains and has been making the most of the lovely crisp mornings too. We are also hoping that you and your families are managing to stay well in amongst the current flu season and cooler weather.....however, if you have any specific needs or know of anyone that does, that the Wandering CWA are able to help with, please don't hesitate to get in contact with one of our members and have a chat.



Any community member who would like to join with the Wednesday CWA sewing group at 10 am to sew Comfort Quilts Against Cancer is very welcome! And if sewing is not your thing, you can come and crochet scarves and beanies that are donated along with the quilts. Wool provided.



We hope you have the date for this year's Wandering Fair marked on your calendar!

Saturday 18 October



Come and visit the Wandering CWA for your Devonshire Tea!

Next meeting of the Wandering CWA



Wednesday 20 August 2025
11am meeting with morning tea to follow
Everyone welcome!

A strong woman knows she has strength enough for the journey, but a woman of strength knows it is in the journey where she will become strong.



WANDERING CWA UPDATE



An update on the Quilts Against Cancer quilts the CWA ladies and wonderful helpers are putting together for this

wonderful organisation.

The donation wadding has been used up on several of the completed quilts. Some only needed cosy backings. We are very grateful for the fabric donations, the extra help we have had from several local ladies. Not only have they helped with sewing the quilts, but have been crocheting or knitting warm beanies and scarves that also go into the care package.

If you would like to join us on a Wednesday from 10am at the CWA Rooms, please feel welcome to come along.

Not all our helpers are sewers but have been helpful with cutting out the material and putting colours and patterns together. Even making the cup of tea or coffee as needed. Every little bit helps.

If you would like to knit or crochet scarves beanies, let us know as we have some wool and that can be provided for these projects too.

We will be delivering the completed quilts, beanies and scarves to Northam soon but the project will be ongoing.









For any more information call: Jacquie 0407 241 004 Linda 0448 331 954

COMMUNITY GRANTS PROGRAM BRIGHTER FUTURES TOGETHER



The Worsley Alumina Community Grants Program provides funding for local organisations, projects and programs that provide a benefit to people in Southwest communities, creating positive impacts.

Grants of up to \$5000 are available to eligible applicants that support community projects within the Shires of Boddington, Collie, Harvey, Murray, Wandering, Waroona and Williams, or in Greater Bunbury and surrounds.

Applications are open from 1 - 31 August, 2025.

To apply visit www.south32.net/worsleycommunitygrants

For further information email: worsleycommunity@south32.net









Local Government Elections - Owner Occupier Roll

In Western Australia, the "Owner/Occupier roll" allows individuals who own or occupy property within a local government district, but reside elsewhere, to enrol and vote in local elections. This means if you live outside the Shire of Wandering but own or rent property within it, you can apply to be added to the owner/occupier roll to vote in Wandering's local government election this October.

Expiry of Applications

If you have previously been added to the Shire's Owner/Occupier roll as an owner, you will remain on the roll until you or the corporation no longer own the property.

If you have been added to the Shire's Owner/ Occupier roll as an occupier, your application will expire six (6) months after the holding of the second ordinary election after your claim was accepted, and you must re-apply to be added to the roll.

Checking if you are on the Owner/ Occupier Roll

If you are already on our owner / occupier roll, you will receive an email to confirm whether you wish to stay on it. To check if you are on the Shire's Owner/ Occupier electoral roll, please contact Lisa on (08) 6828 1806 or via email lisa.boddy@wandering.wa.gov.au

Opening Hours Shire Office

(including Australia Post agency) 9am to 4.30pm weekdays

of Transport agency)
9am to 4pm Monday to
Thursday

both closed on public holidays

Transfer Station

Sundays 8am to 4pm Mondays 8am to 3pm

Waste Collection



Every Tuesday

Recycling Collection



Tuesdays 12/8/2025 26/8/2025

Ranger 24 hours / 7 days 0459 678 154

Shire of Wandering | 22 Watts Street, Wandering WA 6308 | (08) 6828 1800

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2025 Local Government Elections

Local government elections in Western Australia will take place on Saturday 18 October 2025. The Shire of Wandering has nominated to undertake a postal election.



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What if you could help guide the future of the Shire of Wandering and make big decisions that shape our community?



Want to help grow Wandering into something amazing?

Now's your chance to be part of something meaningful and make a real impact!



Not sure what being a Councillor actually involves?

No worries! Whether you're curious about the time, the skills, or just wondering if it's for you — we've got answers.



Let's chat!

Come have a relaxed, no-pressure conversation with your Shire CEO. It's confidential, it's casual, and it might just spark something exciting!

Key dates:

Enrolment – Check, update or enrol to vote by 5pm 22 August 2025 by going to this website: https://www.elections.wa.gov.au/enrol

Nominations Open – 28 August 2025 / Close of nominations - 4pm 4 September 2025

Local Government Candidates

Who can be a candidate?

Under the Local Government Act 1995, to be eligible to nominate as a candidate for a local government election, the candidate must be:

- an elector of the district (residential or owner/occupier) and
- over 18 years of age.
- Not disqualified by anything below.

A person cannot nominate to be a candidate nor remain a councillor if they:

- are a member of State or Federal Parliament
- are a member of the council of another local government
- are an insolvent under administration
- are in prison serving a sentence for a crime
- have been convicted of a serious local government offence within the last five years (unless the court waived the disqualification)
- have been convicted on indictment of an offence for which the indictable penalty was, or included:
- imprisonment for life, or
- imprisonment for more than five years
- are subject to a court order disqualifying them from being a member of a council because they have misapplied local government funds or property
- are a nominee of a body corporate
- propose standing for two positions on council (unless standing for mayor or president as well as councillor)
- are currently disqualified by the State Administrative Tribunal from holding office as a member of a council.





2025 Local Government Elections

Before nominating, all candidates must complete an online induction via the Department of Local Government, Sport & Cultural Industries - https://www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/local-government/local-governments/council-elections/induction-for-prospective-candidates

How to nominate?

To nominate as a candidate for a local government election, the candidate must submit an application consisting of: a **completed nomination form**. For elections being run by the WAEC, it is recommended that candidates use <u>Nomination Builder</u> to complete their nomination form and construct their candidate profile.

a candidate profile which must:

be in English

be no more than 1000 characters (including spaces)

not contain false, defamatory or misleading information

fit on an A4 page

include the candidate's full name and contact information

a photograph, no larger than passport-sized and taken in the last six months (optional).

a deposit of \$100

Candidates may also provide a written statement in English, of up to 2,000 characters (including spaces) with their nomination paper (optional).

All nomination applications must be signed by the candidate in front of a witness.

The nomination application must be submitted to the Returning Officer during the nomination period.

As the Returning Officer may ask candidates to amend their nomination, it is recommended that candidates ensure they have allowed sufficient time to finalise any required changes before the close of nominations.

Additional information for candidates can be found on the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries website.

https://www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/local-government/local-governments/council-elections/nominating-to-be-a-council-member

Shire Rates

Shire rates for the 2025/26 financial year will be issued after Council approves the Annual Budget at the Ordinary Council Meeting on Thursday 21 August.





Council Meeting Dates 2025

- 20 February 2025
- 20 March 2025
- 17 April 2025
- 15 May 2025
- 19 June 2025
- 17 July 2025
- 21 August 2025
- 18 September 2025
- 16 October 2025
- 20 November 2025
- 11 December 2025

Meetings commence at 3.30pm, public are welcome to attend.

Shire Chambers, 22 Watts Street Wandering. Please arrive at reception by 3.15pm and submit questions at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Council Meeting Notes

At the Council Meeting held on the 17th July 2025 the following was discussed:

- Development Application Biodiverse Environmental Planting Project using Carbon Sequestration
- Australia Day Awards Community Group or Community Event of the Year
- Financial Report 30 June 2025
- Accounts for Payment 30 June 2025
- Amendment No. 7 to Town Planning Scheme No. 3 Short-Term Rental Accommodation

Agendas and Minutes can be found on the Shire website.



Have any Issues for Council ??

Please put any requests or issues in writing addressed to the Shire so they can be actioned.

If we do not know about issues affecting the community, we cannot action them.



Shire of Wandering Elected Members

Elected Members Contact Details

Cr Sheryl Little (President) 0414 586 893

Cr Alan Price (Deputy President) 0428 996 457

Cr Lou Cowan 0490 808 044

Cr Gillian Hansen 0488 911 902

Cr Dennis Jennings 0403 126 763

Cr Ian Turton 0428 876 033

Cr Max Watts 0428 841 069







Reporting local issues is just a snap!

The Shire of Wandering encourages residents to download Snap Send Solve – a free smartphone app you can use to report issues.

Using the app, you can tag the location and upload photos of the issue and send a report directly to the Shire. You can use it report a wide range of issues, including potholes, illegal dumping and more.

How Snap Send Solve Works

To report an issue using the app, simply:

- 1. Tap 'snap' to start a report.
- 2. Select the issue you want to report.
- 3. Upload or take a photo and add details to help us identify the issue.
- 4. Send the report.

Snap Send Solve is free to download from the Apple or Google play store. Please note we still take works requests via email, though our website, telephone or in person.

Burning Permits no Longer Required

Burn With Care - to 30 September 2025

Due to unseasonal weather conditions these dates may be extended or shortened. You must check with the Shire of Wandering 6828 1800 for details or call the Harvest Ban Line on 6828 1802.



If you see a fire, please do not call the Shire — please call 000 so DFES can coordinate fire crews.



17-19TH OCTOBER MARKET STATES OF THE STATES

Grassdale Farm, Wandering, WA

FRIDAY ARVO SESH 12-4pm AG SHOW
CAMPING UNDER THE STARS
MOWER RACING COLOUR RUN
HELICOPTER FLIGHTS DISPLAYS
KIDS ENTERTAINMENT DEMOS
FOOD VANS WANDERING FAIR
CWA DEVONSHIRE TEA BAR

WITH SPECIAL MC PETER ROWSTHORN

EVENINGS IN THE PADDOCK

WALTER WHIP AND THE FLAMES
FRIDAY NIGHT VIP AREA
SATURDAY NIGHT FIREWORKS

FRIDAY NIGHT STAGE LINE-UP:

ANNIE JOHNSON EN QUE BROTHERS IN ARMS Dire Straits Tribute
MURPHY BROTHERS WHAT YOU NEED INXS Tribute

SATURDAY NIGHT STAGE LINE-UP:

JAMES WILSON & NATHAN GAUNT DUO | MOTEL CALIFORNIANS RENEGADE | FILTHY HABITS

TICKETS: on sale 16th March TRYBOOKING.COM/CYZMU

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

E: EOWCOW@OUTLOOK.COM M: 0429 961 697
FACEBOOK: WANDERINGCAMPOUTWEEKEND W: WCOW.COM.AU

Camp Out Weekend

SATURDAY 18TH OCT

PART OF THE WANDERING CAMP OUT WEEKEND 911 SALLY JANE



DEMOS TRUCK DISPLAY

WANDERING VELLOW TRAIL COLOUR RUN LOG CHOPPING MOWER RAGING

Grassdale Farm, Wandering, WA



PARK AND RIDE Shuttle Bus running to the Fair at town oval

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND STALL ENQUIRIES: E: AGSHOW.WCOW@OUTLOOK.COM IVI: 0429 194 12 WANDERINGCAMPOUTWFFKEND









Sport Integrity Australia, in collaboration with the WA Government and SportWest invites you to attend the

Safeguarding 101 for sporting clubs

Tuesday 12 August 2025 | 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Department of Creative Industries, Tourism and Sport | 246 Vincent Street, Leederville or online via Microsoft Teams

Is this session for you?

Anyone looking to learn more about safeguarding in sporting clubs.

This session will provide you with the opportunity to increase your understanding about how to create and maintain a child safe environment in your club. You will also learn who and how to report concerns about a child or young person.

RSVP is essential as spaces are limited.

To register visit: <u>Safeguarding 101 for sporting clubs (humanitix.com)</u>
If you have any questions please email: <u>sectorcapability@cits.wa.gov.au</u>







VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for the 2025 event!

Register online: https://form.jotform.com/242968391269876

FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT OUR VOLUNTEER CO-ORDINATORS

Lyn: volunteers1wcow@outlook.com - PH: 0427 883 595

Kerry: volunteers2wcow@outlook.om - PH: 0428 841 706

Facebook: @wanderingcampoutweekend



Outback Brides will be presenting a Heritage Bridal Collection on the Wandering Camp Out Weekend 16 - 19 October 2025.

We welcome and invite Wandering Brides to showcase their gowns as part of the Bridal Trail to be displayed in the Community Hall.

Ladies!, dust off your beautiful bridal gowns to be displayed on a mannequin together with your wedding photos and your story over the Camp Out Weekend.

A wedding is a treasured celebration of community, so it would be wonderful to have your local story and we are sure your family would enjoy the display with pride.

If you would like to be part of the collection 'Wandering Brides', please contact Sarah Kaye on 0422 847 711.

PERIOD ACCESSIBILITY

WHAT IS PERIOD POVERTY?

Period poverty is defined "as a lack of access to menstrual products, hygiene facilities, waste management, and education"

HOW YOU CAN HELP

We are accepting donations at the Wandering CRC.
We will then package these products into Period Care Packs.
These will be available for collection from the CRC.



CARE PACKS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE WANDERING CRC







Rosie https://rosie.org.au/health-wellbeing/puberty-your-body

Rosie offers an online space with resources to learn about

periods, puberty and self-care down there.

Get The Facts https://www.getthefacts.health.wa.gov.au/our-bodies

A government website where young people can find

information about periods.

Jean Hailes for https://www.jeanhailes.org.au/

Women's Health Provides information about the menstrual cycle.

Health Direct https://www.healthdirect.gov.au/menstruation

Health Direct 1800 022 222

Helpline A registered nurse is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

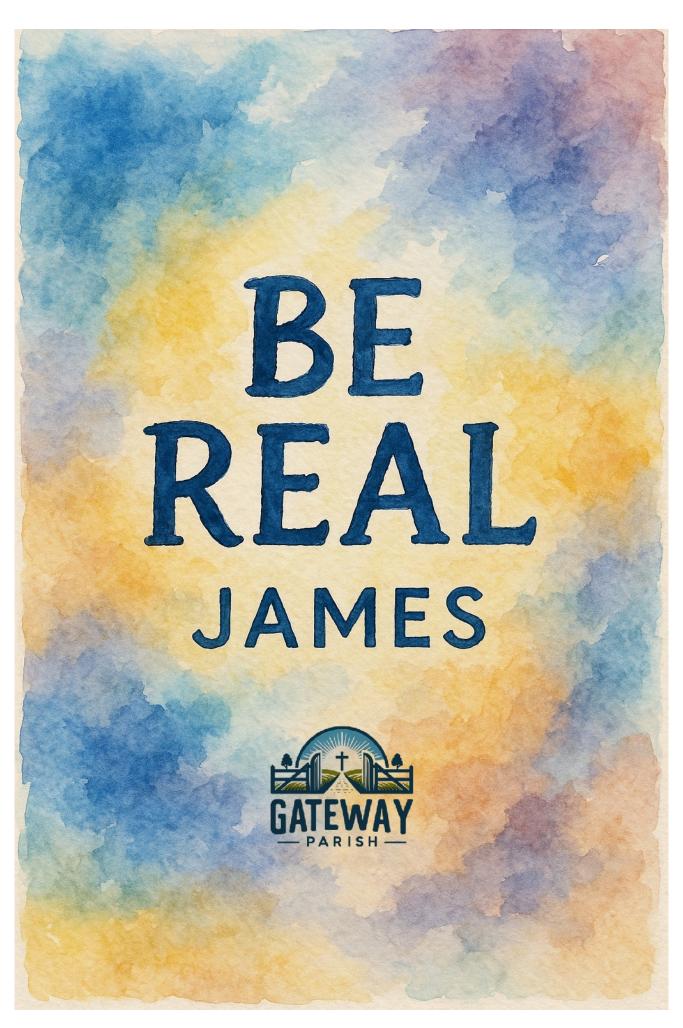




"The tongue is a small part of the body...
but it makes great boasts... it is a fire."

"Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says."

"Now listen,
you rich
people, weep
and wail
because of
the misery
that is coming
on you."



"What is your life?
You are a mist that appears for a little while and then vanishes."

For Sundays in August - October we're taking a deep dive into probably the most pithy, practical book in the second half of the Bible. It's about **being real Christians**, having integrity in that. Why not check it out?

Come along to St Martin's Sunday **24 August** at **2pm**See **www.gatewayparish.org** to listen online
Weekly services **in Williams at 10:30am**

WARRIOR WELLBEING ARTICLE

Understanding Cholesterol

BY THE REGIONAL MEN'S HEALTH INITIATIVE August 2025

Cholesterol is a fatty substance found naturally in the cells and bloodstream of our body. It is mainly produced by the liver, but a small amount also comes from certain foods we eat. Cholesterol has developed a bit of a sinister reputation over the years, but the truth is that it plays an important role in our overall health and is involved in a number of vital functions including the growth and activity of cells. The body needs cholesterol, however according to a lot of medical research, an excess of it floating around our blood can have potential negative implications for our health. It is vital for us older blokes to develop an understanding of cholesterol and especially its relationship to cardiovascular disease.

Finding out the level of cholesterol in our blood is as easy as your Doctor organising a simple blood test. Among other things the blood test will identify the two types of proteins that are responsible for transporting this fatty substance in the body:

- LDL (low density lipoprotein) takes cholesterol away from the liver into the blood stream and out to the cells of our body.
- HDL (high density lipoprotein) plays the role of returning cholesterol to our liver where it is broken down.

cholesterol

HDL (GOOD) LDL (BAD)

LOW NORMAL HIGH

LDL makes up the bulk of cholesterol in our body and has been labelled as bad cholesterol mainly due to its involvement in the formation of plaque in our blood vessels. It is believed that when the lining of our blood vessels gets

damaged in places due to things like high blood pressure, smoking or diabetes, LDL can start to enter the walls of the blood vessels and eventually build up to restrict or even block blood flow to parts of our heart and brain causing a heart attack or stroke.

There are a lot of factors that influence the levels of cholesterol in a person's blood such as our genes, age and ethnicity which we don't have a great deal of control over, and our diet and lifestyle which we do have control over. This is especially important to consider if we are already at risk of developing heart and circulatory disease due to factors such as smoking, being overweight and having high blood pressure.

Your GP may discuss medication as an option to address high cholesterol levels but will most definitely suggest exercise and changes to your diet and lifestyle. Exercise is a no brainer when it comes to keeping your pump and pipes healthy and reducing your risk for all sorts of health issues. Dietary wise, it will involve being mindful of foods that contain high cholesterol such as meat, milk, cheese, eggs and butter.

There is a lot of evidence to limit our intake of saturated and trans fats which are found in foods such as fatty meat, dairy products and most take away food. Both these fats can raise the levels of LDL and trans fats are even thought to lower the levels of HDL. We still need to eat fat as part of a balanced diet, but this should generally be unsaturated fat found in foods such as fish, avocado and olive oil.

Remember, get your GP to check your cholesterol on your next visit and discuss any associated risks that are relevant to you.

@RMHI_4blokes

Working with Warriors Podcast
pregionalmenshealth.com.au



PICKING UP THE PIECES KEEP AUSTRALIA BEAUTIFUL WEEK 2025

Each player takes 10 'Bin It' tokens of the same colour.

Take turns to roll the dice and cover one piece of corresponding litter with the 'Bin It' token.

If all of that item have been covered, the next player takes a turn.

The winner is the first person to place all of their counter over the litter.





Wandering Golf Club Ladies Open Day 13th June 2025



Sewell CupWinner - K. Anderson
32 Points
Win

Cornish Rosebowl
Winner - Kymberley O'Brien
33 Points



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Approximately 200kg \$75

Contact Lucy Jones - 0419 938 834 Pick up Wandering

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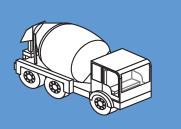
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Contact Tom 0492 415 148



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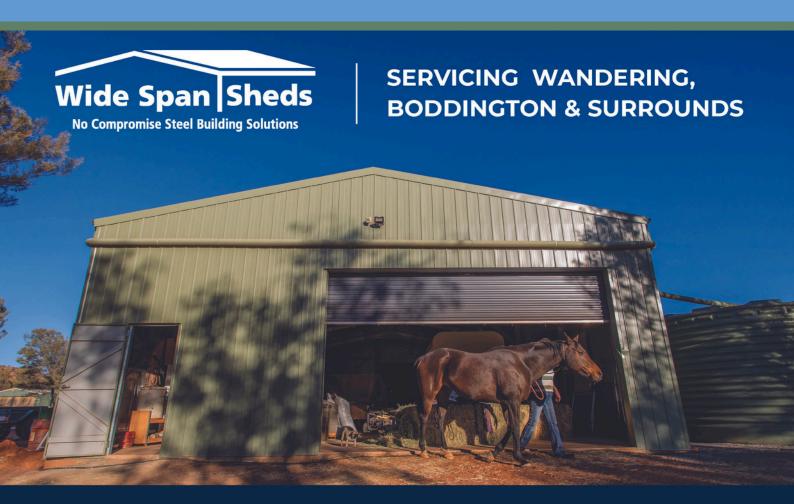
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COMMUNITY GROUPS

WANDERING CRAFT GROUP

The Wandering Crafters meet at the CRC weekly on Thursdays from 9am. New members welcome. Come learn, come for a chat, or just come for a cuppa.

ST MARTIN'S CHURCH WANDERING

Public worship every fourth Sunday of the month, from 2pm at the church.

Enquiries to Revd Dale Appleby, 0405 451 228,

dale@gatewayparish.org

Latest info online at www.gatewayparish.org.

New people welcome and expected! Always up for a chat.

WANDERING LIONS CLUB

Meet second Thursday of the month. 7pm at the Wandering Fire Shed

President - Gillian Hansen - 0488 911 902 Secretary - Lou Cowan - 0490 808 044

WANDERING CWA

Check this month's Wandering CWA page in this edition of the Echo for the next meeting date – we meet at the Wandering CWA Rooms on Watts Street.

President - Jacquie Cornish - 0407 241 004 Secretary - Neta Parker - 0449 537 553

PUMPHREYS CWA

Meet the second Tuesday of the month at 9am at Pumphreys Bridge Hall.

President - Raelene Warburton 0428 877 038 Secretary - Shirley Wasley 0427 988 702

WANDERING VIRTUAL VILLAGE

Virtual Village activity every Monday at the Wandering CRC at 10am. Contact Lee Muller - 0429 390 626

WANDERING PLAYGROUP

Meet Thursday's during school term at 9am at the CWA Rooms. Contact Starr Corinish - 0447 778 657

WANDERING CAMP OUT WEEKEND

Wandering Camp Out Weekend Inc. Committee usually meet on the first Wednesday of each month - subject to changes - at the Wandering CRC. Committee ONLY - 6pm. Other representatives and community members welcome at 7pm. No meeting December and January

Contact:

Event Manager - Alana Rosenthal - 0429961697 President - Jane Baxter - 0428831004

Discover St Martin's

Your Church in Wandering



Every fourth-Sunday at 2pm and in Williams every Sunday 10:30am

Q: How can I get support?

Answer: Whether you need spiritual guidance or just a listening ear, we're here. We offer prayer, home visits, and support for those going through tough times. Reach out to us through someone at church, the website (QR code below), on 9885 1174 or by email to office@gatewayparish.org

Q: What's unique about Sundays at St Martin's?

Answer: Worship is a blend of traditional Anglican and contemporary elements, aiming to make it meaningful and accessible to all. We focus on Jesus Christ. It's all on the screen, with no prayer-book page-flipping! Our services include a mix of hymns, modern songs, and a relevant, inspiring message from the Bible. We celebrate Holy Communion most Sundays. You can participate as much or little as you like! There's always time for fellowship over a cuppa afterwards, and kids have activities available.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

AUGUST

2PM | MONDAY 4TH & 18TH ANDROID PHONE WORKSHOP

9AM | TUESDAY 12TH
PUMPHREYS CWA MEETING

7PM | THURSDAY 14TH WANDERING LIONS CLUB MEETING

11AM | WEDNESDAY 20TH WANDERING CWA MEETING

3.30PM | THURSDAY 21ST COUNCIL MEETING

2PM | SUNDAY 24TH
ST MARTINS CHURCH SERVICE

10.30AM | TUESDAY 26TH HARVEST ME WORKSHOP

6PM | THURSDAY 28TH PRE-HARVEST SUNDOWNER

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

MONDAY - VIRTUAL VILLAGE - 10AM - AT THE CRC
WEDNESDAY - STAY ON YOUR FEET EXERCISE - 10AM - COMMUNITY CENTRE
THURSDAY - CRAFT GROUP - 9AM - AT THE CRC

