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KEY DATES & UP COMING EVENTS

OCTOBER

- 2nd - Busy Bee
@ Kondinin Community Garden
- 10th - 15th Art Show
@ Kondinin Town Hall
- 23rd Saturn Spectacular
@ Kondinin Country Club
- 24th Saturn Spectacular
@ Hyden Sports Pavilion

NOVEMBER

- 30th Twilight Markets
@ Kondinin Town Hall
- 19th Council Meeting
@ Hyden CRC Building

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

PRACTICAL DRIVING ASSESSMENT

Wednesday 15th October 2025

At the Kondinin Shire Office

Bookings are essential and limited.
You must give more than 2 business days' notice of cancellation to avoid a cancellation fee. Please phone the Kondinin or Hyden Office to book an appointment.

COUNCIL MEETING

22nd October
Hyden CRC Building

19TH November
Hyden CRC Building

WASTE TRANSFER STATION

KONDININ OPENING TIMES

Tuesday: 2pm – 5pm
Thursday: 2pm – 5pm
Saturday: 8am – 12pm
Sunday: 2pm – 5pm

HYDEN OPENING TIMES

Sunday & Monday: 8am - 12pm
Wednesday & Friday: - 8am - 11am
Saturday: 2pm - 5pm

SHIRE OF KONDININ



Kondinin . Karlgarin . Hyden

October 2025 Change Date of Ordinary Council Meeting

The Shire of Kondinin advises that the Ordinary Meeting of Council scheduled for Wednesday 15 October 2025 has been **re-scheduled** to **Wednesday 22 October 2025** at the **Hyden CRC**. This change is to align with the Local Government Election of 18 October 2025.

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KONDININ AND HYDEN ASTRO ADVENTURE

SATURN SPECTACULAR

Saturn is at its spectacular best and so are the stars in Kondinin and Hyden. Over two dark sky nights, let your imagination run wild and discover the wonders of the Universe.

KONDININ

6.30pm-8.30pm, Thursday 23rd October 2025
Kondinin Country Club, cnr Healey and Gordon Streets, Kondinin

HYDEN

6.30pm-8.30pm, Friday 24th October 2025
Hyden Sports Pavillion, 38 Marshall Street, Hyden



FIRE BREAK NOTICE

FIRE BREAKS

You are required on or before 31 October each year, to plough, scarify, cultivate, spray or otherwise clear and maintain free of all inflammable material until 30 April the next year, firebreaks on the land owned or occupied by you pursuant to the powers contained in section 33 of the Bush Fires Act 1954.

RURAL LAND

Firebreaks not less than 3 metres wide as follows:

- i) Immediately inside all external boundaries of the land or rural holding and if any portion of the land or rural holding adjoins a public road or railway line a firebreak must also be constructed along that boundary.
- ii) Immediately surrounding all buildings, haystacks and fuel ramps situated on the land. Please contact the Shire for the requirements of setting fire to prepared bush.

TOWNSITE LAND

All townsite lots 2.012ha (5 acres) or less shall be clear of all inflammable materials and grass must be mown to a height of no greater than 15cm.

All town site lots or a combination of lots that comprise of one holding and greater than 2.012 ha (5 acres) require fire breaks of 1.25m wide on all boundaries and immediately surrounding all buildings.

If permission is not granted by Council or a duly authorised officer you shall comply with this Notice.

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Nuisance Cat Traps

Name:

Address:

Postcode:

Mobile:

Trap No:

Date of Loan:

- Conditions
- Cat traps are loaned to residents \$5.00 fee charge.
 - The traps are loaned for a maximum of two weeks.
 - Any extension to the loan time is subject to approval from the Senior Ranger.
 - Traps are to be returned in a clean and operating condition.
 - Traps are to be used for the capture of cats only.
 - Traps are not to be set until the afternoon/evening prior to ranger visit which will be advised by Shire.
 - In the event that a cat is captured, do not attempt to release, notify Shire Office for collection.
 - Only one trap is to be on loan to a household at any time.
 - Traps are not to be modified in any way at all.
 - Traps are not to be loaned to a second party.

Declaration

I/We have read, understood and agree to abide by the Conditions of Hire. Payment in full must be provided.

Signature:

Date:

Office Use Only

Date Trap Returned:

Good Condition:

Yes


No

If not in good condition, what is damaged?

Receipt Number:

Date:

SHIRE OF KONDININ



Nuisance Cats and Traps

To ensure your cat does not become a nuisance to your neighbors or harms wildlife, the following tips are suggested for responsible cat owners:

- The cat remains on your property.
- The cat wears a collar with name, contact number and registration tag.

If you are experiencing a nuisance cat, traps are available for hire from the Shire Office, during office hours, for a deposit amount of \$5.00 for a period of no more than 14 days.

To hire a trap please contact the Shire Office.

- Rangers will collect a cat from a resident in a Shire trap only.
- The cat is to remain in the trap until collection.
- We encourage a towel or blanket to be placed over the trap to keep the animal calm until the Ranger is in attendance.

All impounded cats are checked for registration tags and scanned for microchipping details.

- If the cat is identifiable with a microchip or registration tag, the owner is contacted by Ranger Services and arrangements are made to claim the cat from the Shire, fees and charges will apply.
- If the cat is not identifiable via a microchip or registration tag the cat may be rehomed after a period of 3 days.
- Any cat deemed to be feral, will be disposed of as per the Cat Act 2011.

Should you have any further enquiries please contact Ranger Services via the Shire Office.



COMMUNITY GARDEN BUSY BEE



02
October

9.30am-11am

Kondinin
Community
Garden



Morning tea and refreshments provided.

Please bring your gardening equipment, hats, sunscreen and a water bottle.

Bring along the whole family during the school holidays to enjoy a morning gardening with friends!

KONDININ ARTISTS GROUP IN CONJUNCTION
WITH THE SHIRE OF KONDININ PRESENTS THE

KONDININ ART EXHIBITION

OPENING NIGHT FRIDAY 10TH OCT 7:30-9:30PM

\$10 ENTRY

PRIZE POOL \$11,700

KONDININ TOWN HALL



EXHIBITION OPEN DAILY
SAT 11TH - WED 15TH OCT - 10AM-3PM

GOLD COIN ENTRY

ARTIST REGISTRATIONS CLOSE 26TH SEPT 2025

FOR MORE INFORMATION DOWNLOAD THE ENTRY FORM AT
WWW.KONDININ.WA.GOV.AU



Kondinin TWILIGHT MARKETS 2025



30th November 2025



5.30pm - 8.30pm



Kondinin Town Hall

Interested in being a stallholder or food vendor?
Call the Shire of Kondinin on (08) 9889 1006 or email
projects@kondinin.wa.gov.au



KING ROCKS WIND FARM

COMMUNITY UPDATE



CONSTRUCTION IS UNDERWAY ON THE KING ROCKS WIND FARM ACCOMMODATION FACILITY.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR PATIENCE DURING
CONSTRUCTION OF THE ACCOMMODATION FACILITY.

WHILE THE ACCOMMODATION IS BEING BUILT OVER THE
COMING MONTHS, THERE WILL BE INCREASED NOISE
AND TRUCK MOVEMENTS. TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT WILL
BE IN PLACE, WHERE REQUIRED.

FOR MORE DETAILS ABOUT CONSTRUCTION IMPACTS,
VISIT OUR WEBSITE BY SCANNING THE QR CODE BELOW.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

COMMUNITY@SYNERGY.NET.AU | 0482 993 106
ENGAGE.SYNERGYRENEWABLES.NET.AU/KING-ROCKS-WIND-FARM



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SHIRE OF KONDININ REQUEST FOR QUOTATION BUILDING MAINTENANCE CONTRACT FOR SHIRE FACILITIES

The Shire of Kondinin invites submissions for the supply of maintenance services in Kondinin, Karlgarin and Hyden plus surrounds.

Documents are available by contacting the Shire on **08 9889 1006** or emailing tenders@kondinin.wa.gov.au

Submissions are to be addressed to the Chief Executive Officer and clearly marked **RFQ 1/2025-2026 Building Maintenance Services**, and be either emailed to tenders@kondinin.wa.gov.au or be posted or hand delivered to **11 Gordon Street, Kondinin, WA, 6367**.

Submissions close at 4pm on Wednesday 8th October 2025 at 4.00PM and will be opened at 4.30PM

Canvassing of Councillors and Shire Staff may result in disqualification of submissions.

Bruce Wright
Chief Executive Officer
Shire of Kondinin

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I Will Be a Voice, Not an Echo



Dear Resident of the Shire of Kondinin

I have nominated for the position of Shire Councillor in the Shire of Kondinin at the upcoming local government elections.

I have lived in Kondinin for the past 30 years, having grown up on a farming property in Corrigin. Over the course of my career, I have spent most of my time working in the Wheatbelt, apart from two years spent in the Goldfields.

I am married to Richard, and together we operate a building and concrete business. We are the proud parents of three children: Brittany (28), Declan (26), and Zali (21). Brittany and Zali have returned to the Shire. All three children attended Kondinin Primary School before pursuing their high school and university education in Perth.

My professional background includes a long and rewarding career in education, followed by local government, and my current role as the Coordinator of the Kondinin Community Resource Centre, a position I have held since 2016. In

addition to my professional commitments, I have been actively involved in the Kondinin community through various leadership roles. I currently serve as the Chairperson of the Kondinin School Board and as the President of the Kondinin Lions Club. I am also a volunteer at the Kondinin Community Garden and was the founder of the Kondinin Kreative Town Team. In 2023 I became a Justice of the Peace.

As a long-term resident of the Shire, I have developed strong relationships within the community and am trusted by many. My work at the Community Resource Centre has equipped me with the skills necessary to engage with a wide range of community groups and stakeholders. As a candidate for Shire Councillor, it is my responsibility to represent the diverse interests of the entire community. The Shire of Kondinin encompasses three distinct communities, each with its own set of values, priorities, and concerns. It is vital for a Councillor to listen to and understand these varying perspectives, and I am committed to ensuring that all voices are heard and considered in decision-making processes. One of the key challenges facing our Shire is the shortage

of housing, which hampers our ability to attract new families and businesses to the region. In addition, the provision of high-quality medical and aged care services is critical to the sustainability of our communities. I am committed to advocating for the improvement of these services, as well as ensuring that our older residents have the necessary facilities to remain in our Shire.

I also recognise the invaluable role played by our local volunteers, particularly in the emergency services sector. The upgrades to the Kondinin St John Ambulance Building, the Kondinin Volunteer Fire & Emergency Service shed, and the planned Hyden St John Ambulance facility are essential projects, and I will continue to support these initiatives. Volunteers are the lifeblood of our communities, and the Shire must provide the necessary resources and support to help them succeed. Furthermore, I believe that supporting local schools,

childcare services, and sporting organisations is essential for fostering a vibrant, thriving community. By ensuring that these services are well-resourced, we can attract young families and provide the opportunities they need to build long-term connections with the region. I am

committed to working diligently on behalf of all the residents of the Shire of Kondinin. While I recognise that the role of a Shire Councillor is challenging, I am confident that my experience, dedication, and passion for this community will enable me to contribute effectively and meaningfully. I would be privileged to receive your support in this year's election.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Toni Smeed

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Written and authorised by Toni Smeed, 34 Repacholi Parade, Kondinin.

COMMUNITY GRANT FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Are you a community group or local club that is looking for project or event support and assistance? The Shire has compiled a list of possible grant funding sources that you may be eligible to apply

HEALTHWAY – HEALTHY COMMUNITIES PROGRAM



This program aims to fund a range of health promotion activities and campaigns to promote and encourage healthy lifestyles for all Western Australians.

The objectives of the program are to:

- Fund activities related to the promotion of good health in general and aligned with our strategic priorities and population groups.
- Support projects that aim to increase individual knowledge and skills, change behaviour, and create community and organisational policies and environments to improve health.

How much can I apply for? There are three funding categories available: 1. Up to \$5,000 funding, 2. Over \$5,000 funding & 3. Aboriginal health project funding.

How to apply? Contact healthway@healthway.wa.gov.au or call 13 37 77

Applications close: This program is open on an ongoing basis.

LOTTERYWEST – GRASSROOTS COMMUNITY-LED GRANTS

This program aims to help build stronger and healthier communities by supporting local activities and regional community initiatives. It seeks to support big or small ideas that will contribute towards making the community better and healthier.

There are five priority areas for funding:

- Inclusive thriving community
- Connected cultural experiences
- Protected sustainable ecosystems
- Smart innovative society
- Active healthy people

Eligible Activities:

Eligible ideas must contribute towards building a better and healthier WA and align to one of the Community Investment Framework priority areas:

- Inclusive thriving community: Supporting the diversity of Western Australians to actively engage in community life.
- Connected cultural experiences: Bringing people together through the arts, heritage and cultural activities.
- Protected sustainable ecosystems: Supporting the community to sustain and enhance the unique species and environments.
- Smart innovative society: Optimising the community's talent and capability.
- Active healthy people: Assisting the community to be more active and support initiatives which promote healthy lives.

How much can I apply for? Minimum grants of \$3,000 are available.

How to apply? Email hello@lotterywest.wa.gov.au or call 13 37 77

Applications close: This program is open on an ongoing basis.

AFL COMMUNITY GRANTS



This program aims to make connections with people and organisations to learn where the greatest need is and turn those needs into opportunities.

AFL makes this possible through grants which target three areas:

- STEM education: Programs that provide children and adults access to a quality education through STEM (science, technology, engineering and math).
- Youth development: Programs that support healthy, productive and engaged children.
- LEAP (life enrichment and advancement program): Programs that support adults pursuing employment and self-sufficiency.

How much can I apply for? There are no set minimum and maximum funding limits.

How to apply? For further assistance email community@AFLglobal.com or call 1300 232 476

Applications close: This program is open on an ongoing basis.

Please note that this list is not exhaustive and will continue to be updated.

If you require any assistance in applying for these grants or know of other similar grants that are currently available, please do not hesitate to contact the Shire's Community Development Officers

Phone: 9889 1006
Email: kncdo@kondinin.wa.gov.au

Phone: 9880 5160
Email: hycdo@kondinin.wa.gov.au

CEO COMMENTS

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My name is Bruce Wright and I have now commenced with the Shire after working in local governments in Port Hedland and Derby, Western Australia and the Isaac Regional Council in Central Queensland. My wife and I were both amazed at the beauty of the region and although I am told that quickly changes post-harvest, it was very welcoming.

I extend our thanks to the warm welcome that we have received and I look forward to working with the Shire team and the community.

During the next few weeks I will be arranging some catch up sessions at Kondinin and Hyden to listen and learn from you. There will be no agenda, rather, an informal session to hear concerns and of course, aspirations. Please watch our Facebook page for details.

It has been a busy entry to the Shire and the following is an overview of what has and what is occurring.

Ordinary Council Meeting – October – Change of Date.

The October Ordinary Meeting of Council has been re-scheduled from Wednesday 15 October 2025 to Wednesday 22 October 2025 at the Hyden CRC. This change is to ensure that the OCM is aligned with the elections.

Community Development Officer

We are very pleased to announce that we have made an offer of employment to a successful candidate to work in the community development space. We are looking at an early October start date, with more details to follow

Elections

We have received six (6) candidate nominations as Elected Members on your Council. By now, ballot papers should be in your postal boxes.

Please remember to follow the instructions contained within the ballot papers to ensure your vote is valid. Posted ballot papers must arrive at the WAEC before 18 October 2025.If you do not believe that you will meet this timeline, ballot boxes are available at Shire offices in Kondinin and the Hyden Library.

Council Meetings

At the August Ordinary Meeting of Council, the following items were discussed:

- Council endorsed support documentation for the Proposed King Rocks Wind Farm that included plans for: construction, traffic management, bushfire management and stormwater management.
- Council endorsed the operational management plan, emergency management plan and the noise impact assessment for the workforce accommodation facility on Hyden-Mt Walker Road.
- Council voted against the closure of Public Road to incorporate into the freehold of another lot.
- Council endorsed the closure of a public road on a section of King Rocks Road North, Hyden.

- Council endorsed and adopted the 2025-2026 Shire of Kondinin budget.
- In a Confidential Session, the Council endorsed the award of Swimming Pool Management Services for Hyden Aquatic Centre.

At the September Ordinary Meeting of Council, the following items were discussed:

- Council endorsed a proposed development (industry rural) on Munday Loop, Hyden.
- Council endorsed the review and reporting by the CEO of the 2025 Review of Bushfire Prine Areas.
- Council endorsed the monthly financial reports.
- Council approved discretionary donations to two community groups.

Copies of the Minutes are available from the Shire Office and website.

Public Notices / Surveys, Newsletter, Social Media, Etc


Just a reminder, to keep up with Shire information, please check our newsletter, public notice and social media. This information can be accessed from the Shires website.


Please contact the Administration Office if you wish to subscribe to The Echo

If you have any concerns or queries on the matters raised or other Shire issues, please contact the CEO through the Shire Administration Office.

Bruce Wright
CEO

Chicken and Leak Pie

 **Total Time:** 2hours & 25minutes

 **Serves:** 5



Ingredients

- Pie filling:
- 80 g streaky bacon
 - 2 leeks
 - 2 celery stems
 - 2 garlic cloves
 - 80 ml chardonnay
 - 35 g flour
 - 1 tbsp dijon mustard
 - 2 thyme sprigs
 - 2 bay leaves
 - 250 ml chicken stock
 - 250 ml thickened / heavy cream
 - 0.5 tsp cooking salt
 - 0.25 tsp black pepper

- Pie
- 2 x 20cm / 8" frozen butter puff pastry sheets
 - 1 egg

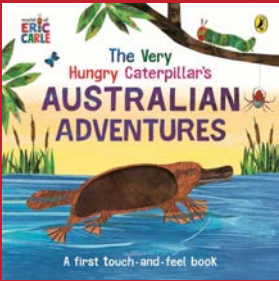
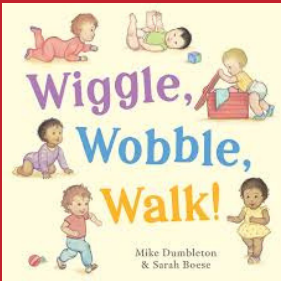
Method

- Filling:**
1. Chicken – Melt half the butter in a large pan over high heat. Add the chicken, salt and pepper. Cook until the surface changes from pink to white (inside still raw), then remove into a bowl using a slotted spoon. Leave residual butter and chicken juices in the pan.
 2. Sauté – In the same pan, cook the bacon for 1 minute. Add the leek, celery and garlic. Cook for 5 minutes until the celery is softened. Don't let the leek brown – lower the heat if needed.
 3. Deglaze – Add the wine and simmer rapidly on high heat, stirring, until it is mostly evaporated.
 4. Roux – Lower the heat to medium. Add the remaining butter. Once it melts, sprinkle the flour across the surface (don't dump in one place) and stir for 1 minute.
 5. Creamy sauce – While stirring, slowly pour the stock in. The mixture will thicken into a thick sauce once combined. Then add the mustard, cream, thyme, bay leaves, salt and pepper. Stir to combine, then add the chicken including all the juices accumulated in the bowl.
 6. Simmer - Increase the heat, stir to combine. Once it comes to a simmer, reduce the heat to medium high. Simmer for 5 minutes, stirring regularly, or until the sauce is a thick creamy consistency you want in the finished pie.
 7. Cool - Remove the pan from the stove and cool for 1 hour.

- Assembling and baking:**
1. Preheat the oven to 200°C/375°F (180°C fan-forced). Use a 1.5 litre / 1.5 quart baking pan (Note 9) or 4 to 5 x ~350ml / 12 oz ramekins.
 2. Connect puff pastry sheets (if needed) – Semi-thaw the puff pastry (Note 6). Brush the edge of one sheet with egg white, then overlap 0.5cm / 0.2" with the other sheet to connect them. Use the back of a spoon to "smear" the pastry to hide the seam and firmly connect.
 3. Cut out the pie lid (I use the dish as a cutting guide).
 4. Optional strips for extra puffy edges (Note 8): Cut strips using the residual pastry to line the rim of the dish (if your dish has a thick rim, like mine) and place on the rim of the dish.
 5. Fill the pie dish with the cooled filling and smooth the surface. Brush the pastry strips on the rim with egg white (if not using strips, don't do this step) then cover with the puff pastry lid.
 6. Brush the lid with egg yolk. Cut a small X in the middle.
 7. Bake 45 minutes or until the surface is a deep golden brown. Rest 5 minutes then serve!

Kondinin
Library

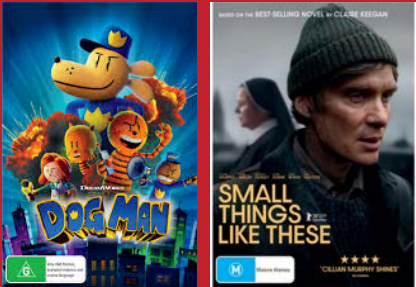
Juniors



Seniors

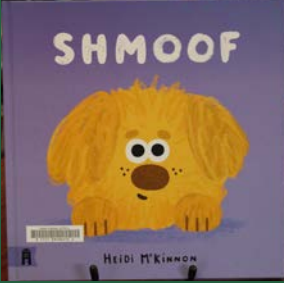


DVD



Hyden
Library

Juniors



Seniors



DVD



SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER KONDININ MEDICAL CENTRE NEWS

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
29 th September Closed (Public Holiday)	30 th September Hyden	1 st October Kondinin	2 nd October Hyden	3 rd October Closed	4 th October Closed	5 th October Closed
6 th October Kondinin	7 th October Hyden	8 th October Kondinin	9 th October Hyden	10 th October Closed	11 th October Closed	12 th October Closed
13 th October Closed	14 th October Closed	15 th October Closed	16 th October Closed	17 th October Closed	18 th October Closed	19 th October Closed
20 th October Kondinin	21 st October Hyden	22 nd October Kondinin	23 rd October Hyden	24 th October Closed	25 th October Closed	26 th October Closed

To make an appointment please contact:
Kondinin: 9889 1753
Hyden: 0429 082 746



Online booking can be made via the 'HotDoc' app

