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The Echo

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Community Citizenship Award Nominations Are Closing Soon!

Do you know someone who makes a real difference in our community?

Now is the perfect time to recognise the amazing people who contribute to making our towns stronger, safer and more connected. From our dedicated emergency service personnel and volunteers to local champions, role models and community-minded individuals, let's celebrate those who make life better for everyone.

Online nominations close 31 October 2026

Take a few minutes to show your appreciation and nominate someone deserving today.

Nominate online here:
https://www.citizenshipawards.com.au/nominate/

Kondinin Office Hours

Office Hours: 8.30am-4.30pm | **Licensing Hours: 8.30am-3.00pm**
Email: cso@kondinin.wa.gov.au | Phone: 9889 1006

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KEY DATES & UP COMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

HY Progress Sundowner & AGM from 5.30pm Thur 5th November @ HY CRC

KN CRC AGM Tue 10th November 5.15pm @ KN CRC

HY CRC AGM Tue 17th November 1.30pm @ HY CRC

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

PRACTICAL DRIVING ASSESSMENT

Wednesday 11th November 2026

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 to book an appointment.

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Ordinary Council Meeting
November 18th 2026
@Hyden CRC

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

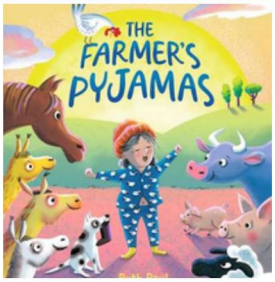
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Read All About It: Library Shelves Out New Stories

Kondinin Library

Juniors



A humorous picture book about a hardworking farmer whose favourite pyjamas go missing, leading to increasingly chaotic days on the farm as she and her animals try to solve the mystery.

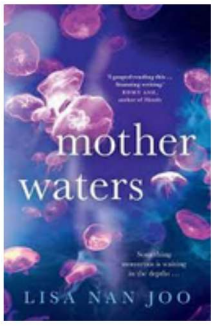


A heart-warming book about a young girl who discovers an old wooden frame that helps her and those around her see the beauty, joy and wonder in everyday life, even during difficult times.

Adults



A warm and humorous contemporary novel about two lifelong best friends who move back in together after simultaneous breakups and must confront old habits, personal growth, and the true meaning of friendship.



A haunting literary thriller about a marine biologist who joins a deep-sea expedition to uncover the truth about her father's death, only to encounter mysteries lurking in the ocean's depths and within herself.

DVD



A fun family racing adventure in which young dreamer Edda seizes an unexpected chance to compete in the prestigious **Grand Prix of Europe, risking everything to save her family's amusement park and prove that determination can overcome any obstacle.

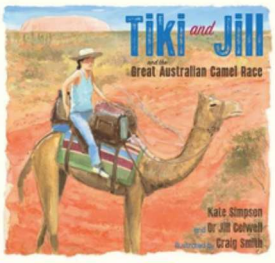
Audio Book



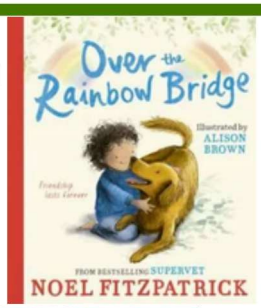
A historical novel inspired by the life of Frances Wolfreston, a 17th-century book collector who risked everything to protect her beliefs, support her community, and help preserve part of Shakespeare's literary legacy.

Hyden Library

Juniors

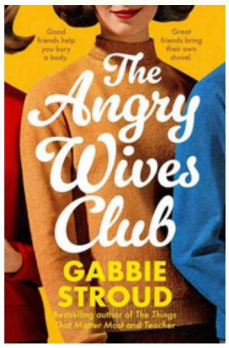


Tells the true story of Jill and her mischievous camel Tiki as they overcome challenges, build an unlikely friendship, and compete in the 3,000 km Great Australian Camel Race across Australia.

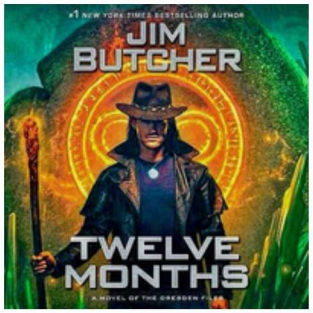


A gentle picture book about a boy named Sam learning to cope with the loss of his beloved dog, discovering that love, memories and friendship last forever even after saying goodbye.

Adults



A witty and empowering novel about three women who bond over their frustrations with life and relationships, finding friendship, courage and a chance to reclaim their power in a small coastal town.



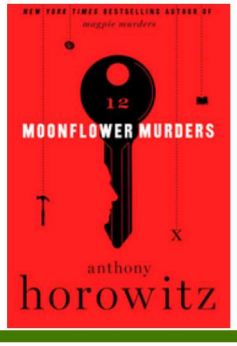
Follows wizard Harry Dresden as he struggles with grief, rebuilds his life after the devastating Battle of Chicago, and faces dangerous supernatural and political challenges over the course of a year.

DVD



An Australian musical comedy about an awkward farm girl and her rebellious city cousin who navigate friendship, self-acceptance and first love while preparing for a country town debutante ball.

Audio Book



A cleverly layered mystery in which editor-turned-detective Susan Ryeland investigates a woman's disappearance by unraveling clues hidden within a crime novel connected to an old murder case.

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From the Chambers.....



Ordinary Council Meeting October 21st 2026

The Council:

- Approved the transition of the Hyden workforce accommodation camp from the King Rocks Wind Farm project to the Kondinin Wind and Solar Farm, with stricter traffic management requirements and review of commuter routes.
- Approved the purchase of approximately 2,236m² of land from Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage for future residential development in Kondinin, allocating up to $30,000 for acquisition costs. The land could potentially accommodate four future dwellings.
- Resolved that Livingston Medical Services will remain at the existing Hyden Medical Centre. Plans to relocate the doctor to the Trading Post were abandoned following community consultation.
- Council accepted the State Government's extended retail trading hours package for Christmas 2026 and selected public holidays in 2027.
- Approved closure of Shire administration offices from 21 December 2026 to 1 January 2027, reopening 4 January 2027.
- A new Shire of Kondinin Bush Fire Advisory Committee was established to strengthen bushfire planning and coordination across the district.
- Opposed State Government proposals to remove the "Dadour Poll" provisions, advocating to retain community voting rights on any future local government amalgamations.
- New policies were adopted covering:
  - Recording devices and smart glasses in Shire facilities.
  - Councillor professional development.
  - Responsible use of Artificial Intelligence.
- The Strategic Community Plan quarterly report identified housing shortages, governance compliance, asset renewal funding, and the Wave Rock Discovery Centre project as key areas requiring ongoing attention.
- Council endorsed reciprocal Bush Fire Control Officer appointments with the Shire of Corrigin to improve cross-boundary emergency response.

Full minutes available on our website www.kondinin.wa.gov.au

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Celebrating 20 Years of the Kondinin Art Show and Shire Acquisition Prize



The Kondinin Art Group and Shire Acquisition Prize 20-Year Celebration exhibition has been a tremendous success, with a wonderful turnout for the opening night and strong attendance throughout the exhibition period.

Congratulations to Mim Wells, this year's winner of the Shire of Kondinin Acquisition Prize, for her beautiful artwork "Singing Honey Eater". The piece now proudly hangs in the Shire office foyer, where staff and visitors will enjoy it over the next year.

It was particularly special to welcome several previous Acquisition Prize winners and many founding members of the Kondinin Art Group to the celebrations. Guest judge Robert McCaffrey, artist, former community member, art teacher and founding member of the Kondinin Art Group, added to the significance of the occasion. More than 20 years ago, Robert was instrumental in establishing the art and cultural group that helped create opportunities for local artists to develop their skills, showcase their talents and foster a greater appreciation of arts and culture throughout the community. His contribution has played an important role in supporting and celebrating local creative talent over the past two decades, making it especially fitting to have him involved in this milestone celebration.



The exhibition was further enhanced by a beautiful display of handmade lanterns created by Kondinin Primary School students. Displayed along the verandah, the lanterns added colour, creativity and a welcoming atmosphere to the event. The Shire extends its sincere thanks to the students and staff for their wonderful contribution, which helped make the 20-year celebration even more memorable.

The exhibition also featured past Acquisition Prize-winning artworks displayed together, providing a unique opportunity to reflect on the remarkable collection the Shire has built over the years. The diversity of styles and artistic approaches highlighted the distinct influence each year's judge has brought to the selection process and showcased the rich artistic talent that continues to thrive within our community.



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Kondinin Through the Lense

Photography competition and Exhibition

Kondinin Through the Lens, proudly brought to the community by the Kondinin CRC, ran alongside the Kondinin Art Show and showcased the incredible talent of our local photographers. From adults to young aspiring photographers, the exhibition featured a fantastic collection of images that highlighted creativity, skill, and a unique perspective on our community.
Congratulations to all entrants and especially to this year's winners. Thank you to everyone who participated and helped make Kondinin Through the Lens such a successful and inspiring display of local talent.



Congratulations!

Kondinin Shire Through the Lens Winners

Category	First	Second	Highly Commended
Sky - Sunrise/Sunset/Clouds	Tammy Wilkins	Helen Crane	Helen Crane
Nature & Landscapes	Jade Wilkins	Helen Crane	Silke Lucas
Fauna	Helen Crane	Toni Smeed	Helen Crane
Flora	Helen Crane	Linda Cox	
Macro	Toni Smeed	Zack Garlick	
Old	Tammy Wilkins	Helen Crane	
People	Hannah Repacholi	Helen Crane	Toni Smeed
Special Category - Vintage Machinery/Vehicles	Helen Crane	Amanda Kemp	Zali Smeed
Children's Category	Belle Repacholi	Alba Repacholi	Synthia- Rose Day, Leo Repacholi, Albe Hale, Belle Reacholi

Thank you to the Shire of Kondinin and Kondinin Community Recreation Centre for your donations that has been used for prize money

🔥 Fire Information & Firebreak Reminder 🔥

As we head into the bushfire season, property owners and occupiers are reminded to ensure firebreaks are in place by 31 October and maintained until 30 April. Firebreak requirements apply to both rural and townsite properties.

Burning Periods

Restricted Burning Period: 19 September – 31 October (permit required) and 15 February – 31 March (permit required)

Prohibited Burning Period: 1 November – 14 February (no burning permitted)

No campfires are allowed during the Prohibited Burning Period.

Harvest & Vehicle Movement Bans and Total Fire Bans may be declared during periods of high fire danger. Stay informed through SMS notifications, the Harvest Ban Hotline, ABC Regional Radio, Emergency WA and DFES.

To join the Shire's Fire & Harvest Ban SMS service, email your name and mobile number to cso@kondinin.wa.gov.au.

🚨 In an emergency, call 000

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Works Update

Wet weather has hampered the shaping of drains and pavement Shoulders on the 4.7km section of the Hyden- Norseman Road at Forrestania.

- The last 4.7km section of the Hyden- Norseman Rd. to the crossroads with Marvel Lock- Forrestania Rds. is ready for Wet Mixing and Bitumen Sealing as soon as the Ambient Temperature reaches a consistent 25degrees.

- Contractors will resume the shoulder widening of the East Hyden Bin Rd. on Monday 26th October. The work was held up due to the wet conditions, with a bigger crew they should have the final 15kms completed in two weeks, hoping not to disrupt the Harvest Transporters. The work will be bitumen sealed following a week of drying.

- Gravel Sheeting of 4.7kms of the Allen Rocks Rd. will be completed by Friday 23rd October. This has greatly improved this section of road leading onto the Brookton Highway.

- Two Maintenance Graders have been busy with pothole repairs and grading, getting ready for Harvest.

- Following the good rains our town crews have been busy cleaning up weeds and doing their best to make the towns presentable for the Locals and Tourists.



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Our Roads, Our Safety, Our Responsibility

Harvest is one of the busiest times of the year in the Shire of Kondinin. As grain moves to receival sites, our roads become busier with road trains, trucks, tractors, headers, road crews, residents and visitors all sharing the network.

A successful harvest depends on everyone doing their part to keep our roads safe.
Share the Road with Farm Machinery

Harvest brings more agricultural machinery onto our roads.

- Be prepared to encounter tractors, headers and other wide or slow-moving vehicles.
- Only overtake when it is safe to do so.
- Give large machinery plenty of room to turn and manoeuvre.
- Be alert for machinery entering or leaving paddocks.

When You See Roadworks, Slow Down

Our Works Team will continue maintaining roads during harvest, with as minimal disruption as possible.

- Slow down near graders and road crews.
- High speeds create dust and reduce visibility for workers and other road users.
- Follow all roadwork signs and traffic management directions.

Drive to the Conditions

Conditions can change quickly, particularly on gravel roads.

- Reduce speed in dusty areas and on gravel roads.
- Drive to the conditions, not just the speed limit.
- Sensible speeds improve safety and help reduce road damage.

Report Road Hazards

Please report potholes, washouts, damaged signs, stock on roads or other hazards to the Shire of Kondinin so crews can respond quickly.

Have a Safe Harvest

Our roads are shared by farmers, contractors, freight operators, residents and visitors. Some travellers may be unfamiliar with harvest traffic and gravel road conditions, so a little patience goes a long way.
Whether you're driving a road train, truck, header, tractor, ute, caravan or family vehicle, we all have a role to play.

Slow down, be patient, share the road and help ensure everyone gets home safely this harvest season.

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Help Reduce Mosquito Numbers in Our Community

The Shire of Kondinin will continue mosquito fogging throughout the season; however, everyone can do their bit to help reduce the risk of mosquito-borne disease and illness.

While fogging provides short-term relief from adult mosquitoes, the most effective way to reduce mosquito numbers is to eliminate breeding sites around your home. Mosquitoes breed in standing water, so residents are encouraged to regularly check their properties and remove potential breeding areas, including:

- ✅ Buckets, tubs and containers holding water
- ✅ Old tyres
- ✅ Bird baths and pet bowls
- ✅ Blocked gutters and drains
- ✅ Any other areas where water can collect

To assist residents, Coopex Residual Insecticide and Pro Link Mozzie Blocks are available from the Shire of Kondinin offices in Kondinin and Hyden. Together, we can help reduce mosquito numbers and protect the health of our community.



2026/2027 Rate Notices - Update

As advised, the Shire is correcting errors in the 2026/27 rates Council imposed on 27 May 2026.

The Shire's lawyers have contacted the Department of Local Government, Industry Regulation and Safety. They are preparing an application to the State Administrative Tribunal to set the incorrect rates aside. Council will then adopt the correct rates.

The Department is currently considering the matter. We will provide a further update once the application has been lodged.

Ratepayers do not need to take any action at this stage. Questions can be directed to the Shire on 98891006

Bruce Wright
Chief Executive officer
Shire of Kondinin

Upcoming Grant Funding Opportunities

Move Your Body Grants
Provides groups and organisations with the opportunity to deliver falls prevention programs targeting older adults within their community.
https://www.injurymatters.org.au/programs/stay-on-your-feet/move-improve-remove-grants/

CBH Grassroots Community Grants - https://www.cbh.com.au/community/grass-roots-community-grants

CSBP Fertilisers Community Grants- https://csbpfertilisers.com/community/grants-guide

Kids Access All Areas Vouchers Program -
Gives WA children the chance to experience the joy of arts and culture — connecting families with local performances and supporting the creatives who make them possible.
https://www.cits.wa.gov.au/funding/creative-industries-funding/kids-access-all-areas

WA Residential Battery Scheme - Offers one-off rebates and no interest loans to help households purchase residential batteries.
https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/energy-policy-wa/wa-residential-battery-scheme



Community Chest Fund Applications Open 1 November

The Shire of Kondinin is pleased to announce that applications for the Community Chest Fund will open on 1 November. The program provides up to $500 per financial year in financial or in-kind support for small community projects, events and initiatives that deliver a benefit to the broader community.

The Community Chest Fund has been established to provide a fair, transparent and consistent approach to the distribution of community funding across the district. It is designed to reduce the need for ad hoc funding requests throughout the year and ensure all community groups have equitable access to available funding opportunities.

Community organisations seeking financial assistance are encouraged to plan ahead and submit applications through the Shire's formal funding programs. Smaller requests should be directed through the Community Chest Fund, while larger projects and initiatives will continue to be supported through the Community Grants Program.

Eligible applicants include local not-for-profit organisations, community groups and schools whose projects provide a broader community benefit. Application forms, funding guidelines and further information will be available on the Shire website from 1 November 2026. Community groups are encouraged to review the guidelines and consider upcoming projects and activities that may be suitable for funding support.



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Pool Season

KONDININ AQUATIC CENTRE OPENING

Tuesday 3rd November 2026

Subject to Change

MONDAY	CLOSED
TUESDAY	11AM - 6PM
WEDNESDAY	6AM - 8AM & 11AM - 6PM
THURSDAY	11AM - 6PM
FRIDAY	6AM - 8AM & 11AM - 6PM
SATURDAY	11AM - 6PM
SUNDAY	11AM - 6PM

ENTRY

Adults	$3.00
Children (5 - 16 yrs)	$2.00
Children (4 yrs & under)	FREE
Concession (aged & disability)	$1.00
Spectators	$0.50
VAC Swimming Lessons	$0.50

PASSES

Adult Season Pass	$110.00
Child Season Pass	$75.00
Family Season Pass (2 adults & 2 children)	$250.00
Adult Book of 20 Passes	$50.00
Child Book of 20 Passes	$30.00

CHILDREN UNDER 10 MUST BE SUPERVISED BY AN ADULT

HYDEN POOL SEASON OPENS

SUNDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2026

MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGES

Hyden Opening Hours

Monday: Closed
Tuesday: 10.30am - 6.00pm
Wednesday: 10.30am - 6.00pm
Thursday: 10.30am - 6.00pm
Friday: 10.30am - 6.00pm
Saturday: 10.30am - 6.00pm
Sunday: 10.30am - 6.00pm

Tickets

Adults: $3.00
Children 5-16yrs: $2.00
Children 4yrs under: Free
Concession (aged/disability): $1.00
Spectators: $0.50

Child Season Pass: $75.00
Adults Season Pass: $110.00
Family Season Pass: $250.00 (2 adults 2 children)
Card Of 20 Passes Child: $30.00
Card Of 20 Passes Adult: $50.00

Season Passes and cards of 20 only available at the Hyden Shire Office

Department of Local Government, Industry Regulation and Safety

Building and Energy Western Australia



Propped open pool gates and faulty latches are a leading cause of drowning deaths in young children.

It only takes seconds for a child to drown, so regularly check that the latch is working and **never prop the pool gate open**.

Owners and occupiers are responsible for keeping the pool gate closed and maintained.

Remember...

- **Don't prop the gate open.** Keeping it closed will help prevent young children from drowning – a gate that is propped open will not.
- **Keep the pool gate maintained** and make sure it is self-closing and self-latching.
- **ALWAYS supervise** young children around swimming and spa pools.

Use of Photography and Recording Devices

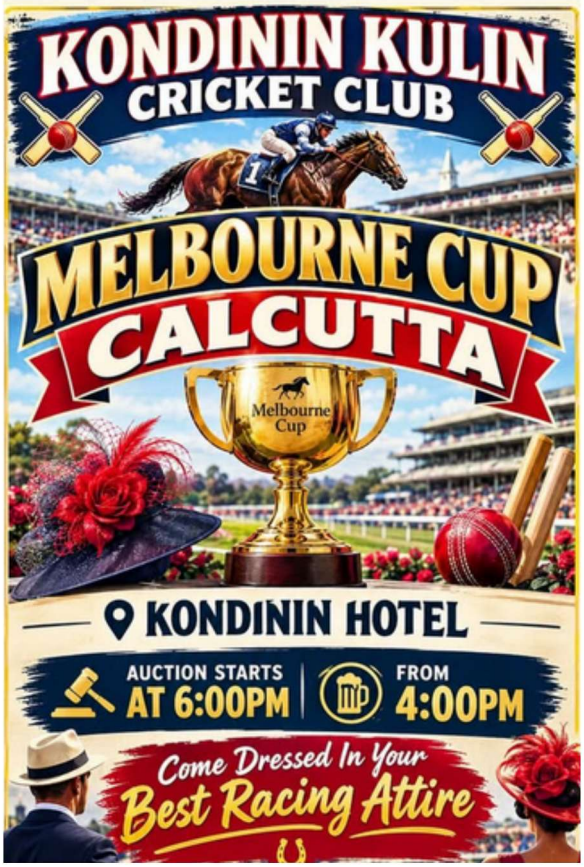
1. Parents, carers and guardians may photograph or film their own children, and patrons may photograph or film their own group, in the outdoor areas of the pool.
2. Photographing, filming, audio recording or livestreaming other people without their consent is not permitted. For a child, consent must come from a parent or guardian.
3. Smart glasses and other eyewear with a camera or microphone must not be worn or used anywhere in this facility, whether or not they are switched on.
4. Mobile phones, cameras and other recording devices must not be used in change rooms, toilets, showers or any area signposted as a no-device area.
5. Pool staff may direct any person to stop using a device, remove it, or take it out of the facility. A person who does not follow a direction may be refused entry or directed to leave.
6. Exemptions may be approved for medical, accessibility or assistive technology needs, or for authorised operational purposes. Exemptions may not apply in change rooms, toilets or showers.
7. During school activities, the school's own rules on devices also apply.

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Coming up in Kondinin









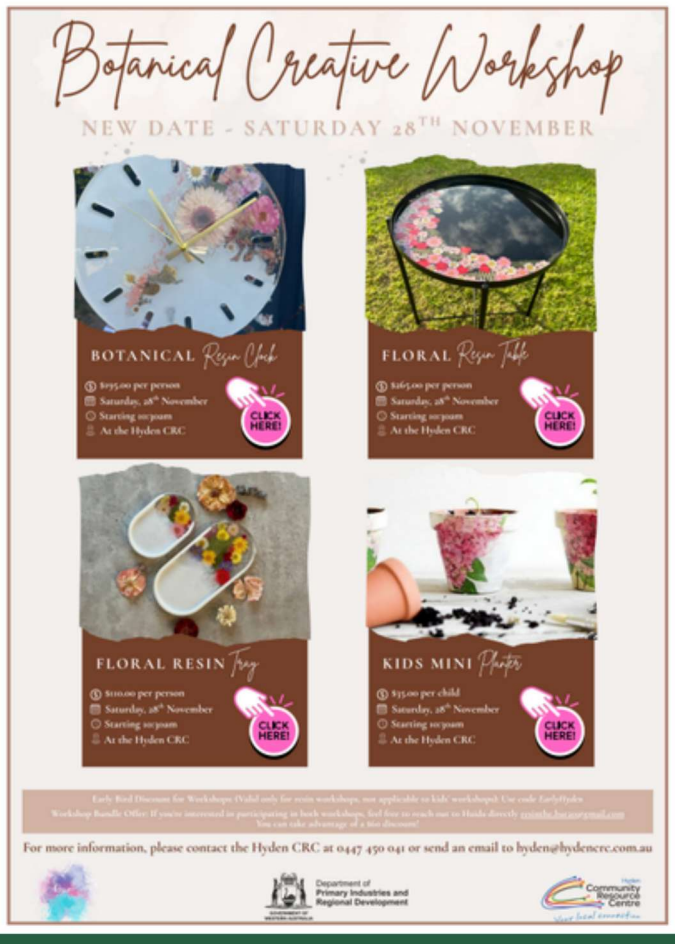
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Kondinin Community Garden

Busy Bee

📅 Saturday 7 November

🕗 8:00am to 10:00am

☕ Refreshments provided

It's time for a tidy-up and summer planting at the Kondinin Community Garden. Join us for a couple of hours of gardening, weeding, pruning and planting as we prepare the garden for the warmer months ahead.

Please bring:

- Hat
- Water bottle
- Gardening gloves

Many hands make light work! 🌱🌻

KONDININ COMMUNITY GARDEN WATERING ROSTER

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to water the Community Garden. Your help is much appreciated!

We Need More volunteers to help fill gaps in the roster (the red stars★) if you can help please get in touch.

If you are unable to do your rostered watering please call the Shire office or email cdo@kondinin.wa.gov.au

AREA 1 (SOUTHERN SECTION OF GARDEN)

The planter box at the men's toilets, the pots on the deck, the mulberry tree, the plants behind the stand up sleepers near the fire pit, the bush tucker garden, the rosemary path, any other pots in this vicinity of the garden not connected to reticulation and under the old kiosk.

AREA 2 (NORTHERN SECTION OF GARDEN)

The handbags on the fence, plants around the nature play area in the pots, beds and path, the plants behind the stand-up sleepers and along the fence between the garden and nature play area, the succulents in the bath tubs, the planter box in the ladies toilet, the pot plants under the kiosk and the planter boxes under the kiosk.

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
WEEK 1 (RECYCLE BIN WEEK)	AREA 2 Janna Lockyer	AREA 1 Tammy Garlick	AREA 2 ★	AREA 1 ★	AREA 2 Hannah Repacholi	AREA 1 ★	AREA 2 Tory Young
WEEK 2 (NON-RECYCLE BIN WEEK)	AREA 1 Carla Repacholi	AREA 2 Jess Smith	AREA 1 Toni Smeed	AREA 2 Hannah Repacholi	AREA 1 Vanessa Pascoe	AREA 2 ★	AREA 1 Tory Young

Local news from…

KONDININ POLICE STATION

10 Stubbs Street, Kondinin WA 6367

Road Safety Reminder | Kondinin Police

With the warmer weather arriving across the region, we are already seeing an increase in traffic on our roads as visitors travel throughout the region. Many drivers are unfamiliar with local road conditions, particularly on regional highways and country roads, which can sometimes lead to poor driving decisions, including dangerous overtaking manoeuvres, speeding and other reckless driving behaviours.

Unfortunately, police have attended several traffic crashes across the district in recent weeks, including one fatal crash. These incidents serve as a tragic reminder that road safety is everyone's responsibility.

If you observe dangerous driving behaviour, please report it to police immediately. Timely reports allow officers to respond while the offending vehicle is still in the area and can help prevent serious injury or loss of life. If it is safe to do so, note the vehicle registration, vehicle description, location and direction of travel before contacting police.

Motorists can expect to see an increased police presence on local roads throughout the summer months as police target speeding, dangerous overtaking and other high-risk driving behaviours. Police will be actively enforcing road traffic laws and will have a low tolerance for those who choose to put themselves and others at risk.

As we head into the warmer months and holiday season, we urge all road users to slow down, drive to the conditions, remain patient and look out for one another. Every driver has a role to play in ensuring everyone arrives at their destination safely.

Email: kondinin.police.station@police.wa.gov.au

Phone: 98614820

Kondinin Wind Farm – Community Update

October 2026

Stage 1 is moving into construction

We are pleased to announce that the Kondinin Wind Farm reached financial close on 29 September 2026. The 130MW first stage can now move from development into delivery, with construction planning and mobilisation underway.

PROJECT AT A GLANCE

130 MW	21	Up to 70,000	A$150,000 p.a.	WA Priority Project
Stage 1 Capacity	Vestas V162-6.2 MW turbines	WA homes powered	Community Benefit Fund	Government designation



A major step forward

- The project is supported by a seven-year Power Purchase Agreement with Synergy for 100% of Stage 1 generation.
- Construction will create employment opportunities during key periods, with renewable electricity expected to enter the South West Interconnected System from mid-2028.
- Construction is expected to continue through 2027 and 2028, with project completion anticipated in early 2029.
- Once operational, Stage 1 is expected to generate enough electricity to power up to 70,000Western Australian homes.

Community Benefit Fund to commence with construction

The Kondinin Community Benefit Fund will commence from the start of construction and provide A$150,000 each year, indexed to CPI, for local community projects over the next 25+ years.

The fund has been shaped through the Community Consultative Committee to reflect local priorities and provide a long-term benefit for Kondinin.

Foresight

Working with the community

The project will continue regular engagement throughout construction. This includes updates for landholders, Community Consultative Committee meetings, liaison with the Shire of Kondinin, engagement with Traditional Owners, and information for local businesses and community groups. Construction updates will include practical information on timing, traffic and transport arrangements where relevant.

Early Winds Fund recipients

Ahead of construction, the one-off Early Winds Fund provided a total of $20,000 to the Kondinin Netball Club and Kondinin Tennis Club.
The funding decision was made by the Community Consultative Committee, and we thank CCC members for their time, local knowledge and ongoing support:



Trish Barrett and Jane Ardagh (pictured right); Kondinin Netball Club and Kondinin Tennis Club Presidents celebrating the funding awarded through the Early Winds Fund.

Recipient	Grant	What the funding will support
Kondinin Netball Club	A$15,000	Resurfacing of the netball courts.
Kondinin Tennis Club	A$5,000	Equipment upgrades.

Local procurement and employment opportunities

Local businesses and workersare encouragedtoregister through the ICNWA Gateway portal. The portal will be used to share project information and procurement opportunities as work packages become available. Registering a business profile helps contractors identify relevant local capability.
View the Kondinin Wind Farm project on ICNWA Gateway

"Kondinin is a long-term investment in the region as well as in Western Australia's energy system. The support and engagement we have received from landholders, the Shire and the local community has been important in getting the project to this point."

Daniel Beaver, Portfolio Manager, Australian Renewables Income Fund, Foresight Group

Want to know more?



Community Liaison: Kyla Padfield | 0461 575 165 | KPadfield@foresightgroupau.com
Kyla is available to answer questions and coordinate local meetings. Construction-specific notices and further community updates will be shared as the delivery program progresses.

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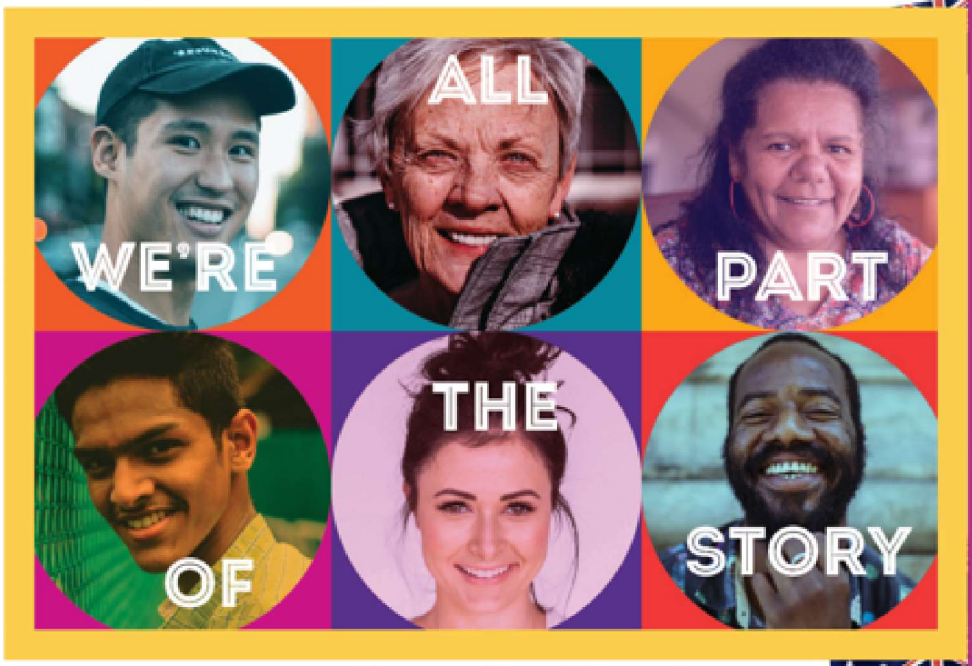
Community Citizen of the Year Awards

Australia Day
Reflect. Respect. Celebrate

The Shire of Kondinin is proud to be taking part in the Australia Day Citizenship Awards, and nominations are now open!

Do you know an individual or community group that goes above and beyond for our community? Now is your chance to recognise their efforts.

Nominate a deserving person or group today and help celebrate the people who make our community stronger.



Nominate now

Forms available at Kondinin and Hyden shire offices or online below

citizenshipawards.com.au

Nominations Close 31st October 2026

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Stall Holder Applications Open

KONDININ

Twilight Markets

Kondinin Memorial Hall & Gardens

Stalls
Live Music
Food

SUNDAY
29th NOVEMBER 2026
4:30 PM - 8:30 PM

Bar
Kids Activities
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SHIRE OF KONDININ

SENIORS WEEK 2026

Everyone welcome

Doug Charles

ELVIS PRESLEY



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2026

STARTING FROM | **10.45AM**

at the Hyden Hotel

Live Show followed by
2 Course Lunch

$15 for seniors 65yrs+
$40 for all others
payment on the day to the Hyden Hotel

To book please contact Amanda 0898891006 or cdo@kondinin.wa.gov.au or call in to the Hyden or Kondinin Shire Offices, RSVP by 31/11/26

Free bus transport will be available from Kondinin.

Please register for the bus when booking.

SHIRE OF KONDININ

GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA
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Hyden Community Resource Centre
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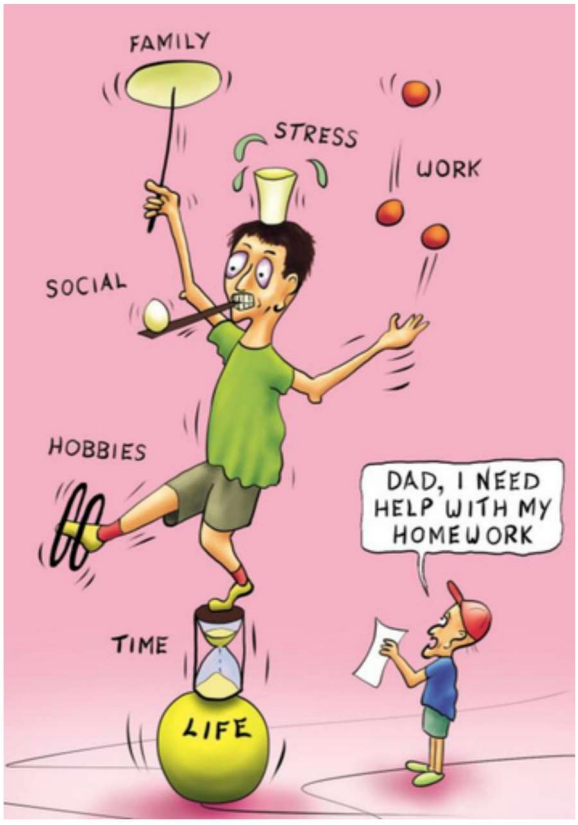
WARRIOR WELLBEING ARTICLE

Your Wellbeing – What's Important to You?

BY THEREGIONALMEN'SHEALTHINITIATIVE

November 2026

Thereare some great awareness campaignsrun throughout the year that aim to raise awareness and put men's health and wellbeing in the spotlight. As important as these campaigns are, it is still up to us as individuals to take time and reflect on our own wellbeing needs and what we need to focus on amongst all our daily activities. We are all busy and the context of our lives differ, so don't forget to put yourself first, it's not being selfish, but an important part of self-preservation!



No matter if we are a farmer, contractor, working in agribusiness, or a community member, we can sometimes forget the little things during these busy times. We all have stress spikes in our lives. Whether we are farmers dealing with seeding and harvest, accountants during tax time, a salesperson during stocktake, or a parent dealing with the never-ending jobs and caring responsibilities.

Most of us just accept that during our stress spikes we need to go hard and work long hours. But it's also important to understand that no one can work 24/7. Even if we think we can, something is going to give. Here are a few simple tips to remember, especially during busy times, around issues that can impact us blokes:

Fatigue is one of the biggest causes of accidents, injuries and deaths, so know your limits. Are we getting enough sleep? We need 7-8 hours. Limit nicotine, caffeine, alcohol and big heavy meals late at night. Give yourself a chance to relax before bed and avoid bright screens / electronic devices.

Fuelling our body – Eat a good source of fibre i.e. whole grains, legumes, and fruits such as apples, berries, citrus fruits and pears. Fibre stays in the stomach longer than other foods which means feeling full for longer. Eating carbs with a low GI (slow release) helps with blood sugar control, which means sustaining our energy levels in a more balanced way.

Balanced diet – A varied and healthy diet of protein and good fats is important - red meat, chicken and fish with some greens. Our snacks can be healthy like apples, avocados, bananas, fruit/nut mix and remember to stay hydrated and drink lots of water.

Road safety - Road conditions in regional WA don't have a good reputation as it is. It's important to remember the transport industry is an important part of country life and truckies are just trying to make a living, so respect needs to go both ways. Extra trucks are going to be in and out of receival points, farm gates and at crossroads during seeding/harvest and the holiday period. Give appropriate space and don't push your overtaking, be patient and don't drive tired.

Managing our relationships - We must remember that it is not your responsibility to make other people, including your spouse, happy. It is up to each person to create that for themselves. We do, however, play a significant role in whether others feel appreciated and respected, which is a good start for any relationship.

Our wellbeing is important and we must take a proactive approach to managing it. It would be great if we could all spend as much time as possible being happy, healthy and well. However life is full of certainty and uncertainty, each morning the sun comes up, and using the analogy of being stuck on an island, we never know what the tide may bring in, so look after yourself first! This will better enable us to then take care of those around us in our family, community group and/or workplace setting.

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