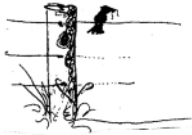


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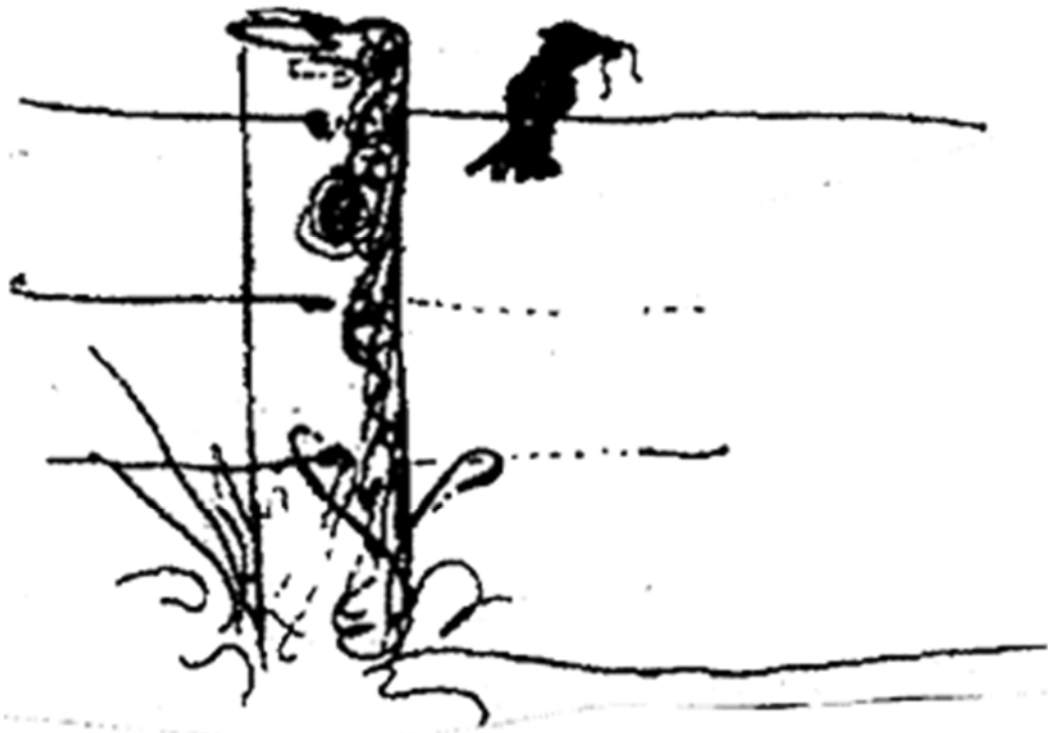
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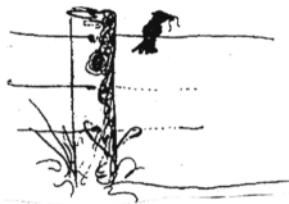
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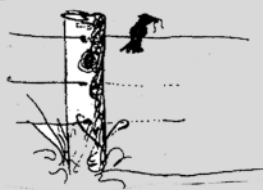
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Over the Fence....



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TIDY TOWNS STATE AWARDS |
Congratulations to Mt Magnet who won the Heritage & Culture category with their Reconciliation Wall, we were also a finalist in this category. We enjoyed a delicious lunch with Sabrina!

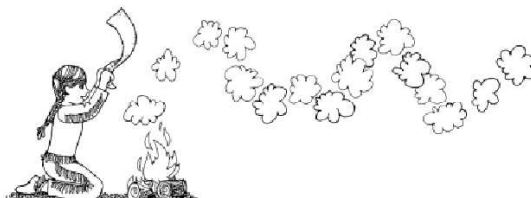
It is a shame that we did not win the Tidy Town Award but we are very fortunate to have been nominated.

The judges said it was very close and we missed out by a whisker. Well done to all who did the hard work for the nomination.





from the CHIEF



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MAINTAINING CONTACT REGISTERS, A REQUIREMENT TO KEEP WA SAFE

From Saturday 5 December particular WA businesses and venues will be required to maintain a mandatory contact register for staff and patrons.

The reintroduction of contact registers is an additional protection measure and will assist with WA Department of Health contact tracing, should it be required.

Businesses or venues required to keep a contact register, include:

- Food and licenced venues (restaurants, cafés, bars, pubs, taverns, nightclubs)
- Gyms, indoor sporting centres and pools
- Places of worship and funeral parlours
- Beauty and personal care services including hairdressers and barbers
- Galleries and museums
- Cinemas, theatres and other entertainment venues
- Auction houses and real estate inspections
- Community facilities, libraries and halls
- Zoos and amusement parks
- Function centres
- Accommodation facilities that already have check-in arrangements in place (i.e. hostels, hotels, large camp grounds)

Designated businesses and venues will be required to collect the date, name, telephone number and arrival time of all patrons, staff, visitors and contractors that attend the premises, other than to collect takeaway.

The contact register records must be kept for 28 days, and not used for any other purpose.

from the CHIEF

To assist businesses and venues, the WA Government has developed the free, SafeWA app, an online contact register system that uses QR Codes for patrons and staff to scan to register their attendance.

SafeWA can be downloaded from Apple App Store or Google Play from today. This will allow businesses and venues, which choose to use the SafeWA app, time to implement it for Saturday, 5 December 2020.

The app is being provided as a free, easy, contactless solution, however the use of Safe WA is not mandatory.

Alternative formats for mandatory contact registers are available, including other electronic tools or a paper-based system, depending on what is suitable for the business, venue or individual.

Businesses must still maintain a written contact register for people who choose not to use the app.

Failing to comply with the new requirements to maintain a contact register could result in fines and penalties of up to \$50,000 for an individual and \$250,000 for a body corporate or 12 months' imprisonment.

Any person aged 16 years and over who attends a business, place or premises, listed above, including patrons, staff, volunteers and contractors will be required to register their contact details.

Records are not required to be collected for people collecting takeaway or children under 16 years.

SafeWA can be downloaded from Apple App Store or Google Play Store from Wednesday, November 25, 2020. This will allow businesses and venues, which choose to use the SafeWA app, time to implement it for Saturday, December 5, 2020. More information can be found at <https://www.wa.gov.au/SafeWA>



from the CHIEF



COVID-19 Contact register

As of 5 December 2020, it will be mandatory for some businesses and venues to record contact details of customers and patrons. Keeping a contact register will help WA Health with contact tracing.

Contact register options



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Download the app



Pen and paper



Paper based contact registers are also available. However, it is your responsibility to keep these details safe and to provide it when needed.

Find out more about contact register requirements

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COVID-19 Contact register

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Cafe

Sat AM 9:15

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Sat PM 2:00

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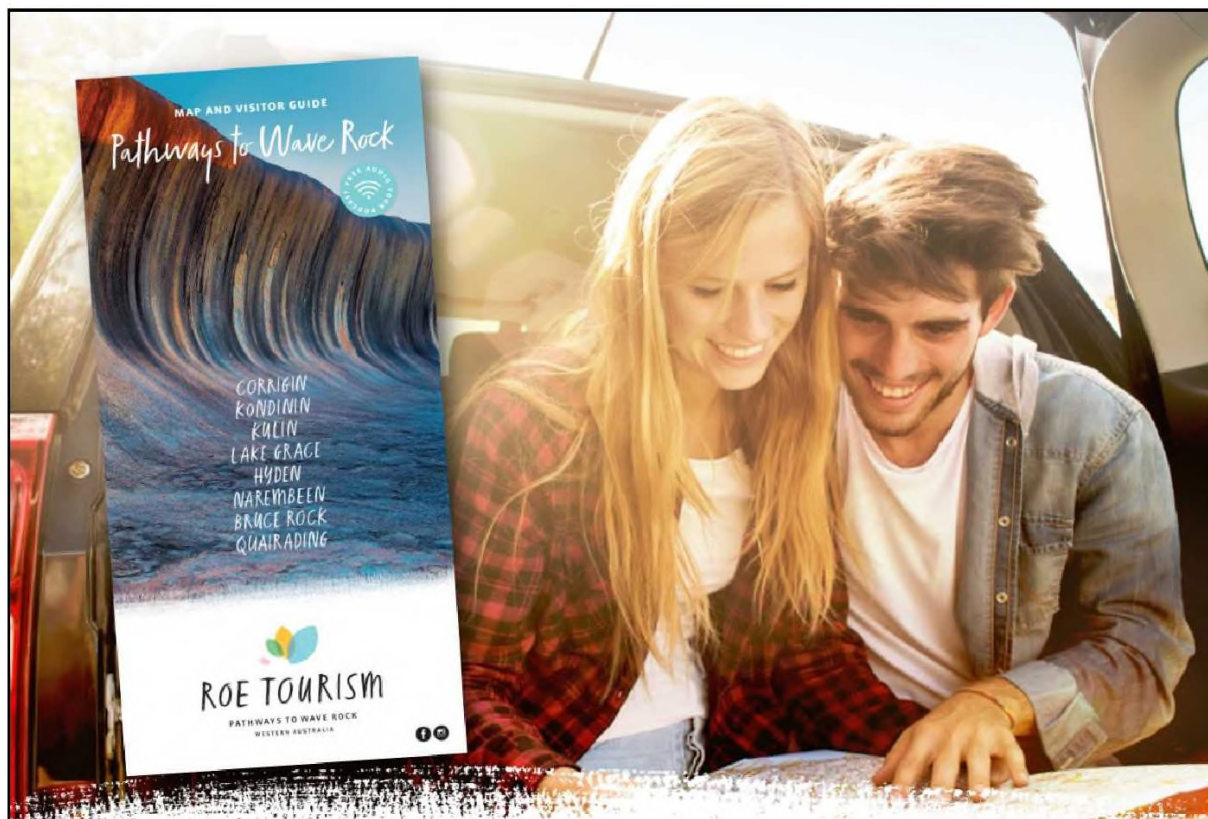
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- Invitation to Roe Tourism Association quarterly meetings
- Roe Tourism Association Agendas and Minutes.
- Associate Membership is tax deductible and all fees are invested into tourism development in the Roe district.

Membership runs from 1 October to 30 September

Visit our website and download the 2020-2021 Associate Membership Form

<https://www.pathwaystowaverock.com.au/visitor-information/about-roe-tourism/membership.aspx>



WHAT OUR MEMBERS SAY

I personally encourage all businesses who support local tourism to get involved and join as an Associate Member, to me being a member provides excellent value. I have been a Roe Tourism Association Associate Member since 2018 and thoroughly enjoy participating in and being informed at the meetings of tourism activities within the seven Shires. It is wonderful to see the collaboration and I appreciate the good corporate governance and transparency practiced by the committee and tourism related news and information circulated to all members.

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YES I would like to become an Associate Member of Roe Tourism Association

Please forward your completed Associate Member Form with payment advice to:
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From the Managers Desk

Hello everybody!

The Christmas decorations have gone up at the CRC and the Christmas carols are playing—oh what a wonderful time of the year.

On Monday we have the last Seniors Movie for the year, 1.00pm here at the CRC. We will then take a break in January and will be back in February. I am currently looking for some funding to upgrade our TV in the meeting room, so who knows, with a bit of luck there might be a new TV there when we return for the movies in February :)

Next Tuesday we have the last Rhyme Time session for the year, a very fun session INCLUDING Christmas songs is guaranteed! So come along at 10.30am and join in for some fun songs, rhymes and a wonderful Christmas Story!

Last week 10 local ladies came together for a business networking opportunity at the Co-op and enjoyed some wine, nibbles and great conversation. Thank you to The Co-op for hosting and thank you to Nat Browning for taking us on a trip through your monthly calendar. We have some impressive ladies in our community and its great to hear some of the personal stories. If you would like to share your story please let us know! We would love to hear it.

Last week we also hosted the last STEM Story Time session for the year. We read,

sang, rhymed and learned lots about the different colours!! Thanks to everyone who has supported the CRC and attended the Story Time sessions throughout 2020! We hope you enjoyed them as much as we did! Hopefully we can continue to offer more of these important library activities throughout 2021.

Did you know that we print Canvases here at the CRC, they are a perfect gift and we can print and frame them for you in all different sizes, but get in quick: The cut off date to get them framed in time for Christmas is the end of next week.

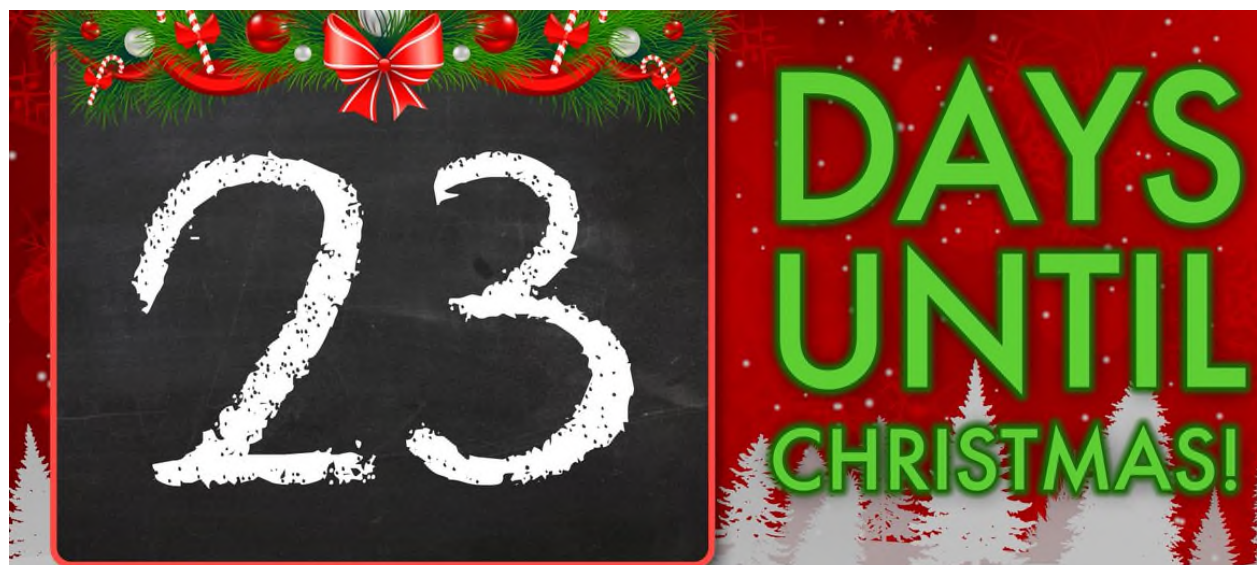
Have a great week!



*Vanessa Wittstock
CRC Coordinator*

Upcoming CRC Events

- Christmas Seniors Movie Day: Monday, 7 Dec 1.00pm
- Christmas Rhyme Time: Tuesday, 8 Dec 10.30am
- BAH Christmas Catch-up: Wednesday, 9 Dec 5.30pm
- Christmas Lights Town Bike Tour: Saturday, 12 Dec 7.00pm
- Christmas Morning Coffee Club: Wednesday, 16 Dec 10.30am
- Christmas Pool Party: Friday, 18 Dec 3.30pm
- Australia Day Event: Tuesday, 26 Jan 7.30am



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Tuesday	24th Nov	41.9		
Wednesday	25th Nov	29.6		
Thursday	26th Nov	37		
Friday	27th Nov	28.2		
Saturday	28th Nov	27.2		
Sunday	29th Nov	32.5		
Monday	30th Nov	21.5		
Tuesday	1st Dec			



NO MINIMUM TEMPERATURES THIS WEEK AGAIN - SORRY

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30.11.2020

by Jessie Davis



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Q: What are you doing on the farm this week?

Harvesting, over the half way mark so on the home run.

Q: Are you trialling anything new on farm this season?

Buff barley, some new chemical groups and rotations.

Q: What is your favourite tool or piece of equipment on farm?

Milwaukee power tools.

I've heard a lady refer to life before

Dyson and life after Dyson in reference to the stick vacuum cleaner when they came out.

Milwaukee is that for me, no more power cords and loading generators etc for a small job. You'd literally have it done by the time you use to get organised and set up previously.

Q: What is your best farm hack?

Farm hack, nothing special but scuffing marks along side tyres when you unhook trailers so in the absence of a reversing camera you can back up get out and hook on without several trips back and forth to the drivers seat.

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A NEW PERSPECTIVE ON LIFE

In the last 6 months through a good friend of mine, I have had the pleasure of meeting a young Iraqi family, currently living in the city while the husband has been studying for his PHD in agriculture, specifically on control of pests and diseases in citrus fruit world wide.

Mr K , as I will call him, has, against all odds (learning English included) achieved his doctorate.

Mr K came here first and once settled, then organised for his wife and two small girls to join him, as it was a 5 year course. Because of their culture Mrs K had to be accompanied by a male when she was out in public, so it was Mr K's brother who drove them through war torn Syria and other mid eastern countries en route to Turkey so as to fly to Australia. A very harrowing journey she has told me.

This family has embraced Australia and have shown a great desire to integrate. It was they who rang my friend to ask whether she was going to an Anzac Service because they wanted to go, not the other way around. On Australia Day they attended an Australia Day picnic with my friend and her family. One of the girls is playing soccer, which is how my friend met this family as her granddaughter was playing. However, this little girl could not become a full member due to lack of finances. As we know, to play sport in the city is very costly, not like our country sports where everything is done voluntary. And a lot of fund raising!!!!!!

I was privy to a lunch hosted by my friend in honour of his achievements. Such proud and grateful faces of this family was a sight to behold. I have also had the chance to taste some of their food, thanks to Mrs K's cooking and it is yummy. I have also visited their home and enjoyed a traditional Iraqi meal, and sitting in the Iraqi way. Although a bit reluctant, I tried some Turkish coffee in a tiny cup, very nice even though I am not a black coffee drinker.

They now have four beautiful children, little Aussies now, two have adjusted to schooling, while learning to speak English. They have nothing but praise for the teachers at their school. The two younger children were born here so of course their English is very good, the youngest, who is two has certainly learnt "No, don't and mine" in very clear English.

Last school holidays my friend brought this family to Narembeen as Mr K wanted to see a working farm in Western Australia. They stopped at the caravan park in one of the cottages and loved it. On arrival at the farm, Mrs K said to my friend that she was astonished that we lived in a "house", expecting to see us in a tent or similar as is the case for farmers in Iraq. Of course Ross was in his element showing them around the farm. We ventured out to Hidden Hollow where the children just ran everywhere. Mr K stood at the top of Mt Walker Rock and just gazed at the vista and said it was awesome. On return to the city, he said to my friend that the visit to the wheatbelt and Narembeen has been the **highlight** of his time in Western Australia. They loved Narembeen and the friendship of the few people they met, ie Roadhouse staff.

Sadly, they have to return to Iraq. Mr K has just returned and all is still up in the air as to when Mrs K and children have to return, due to the cost of flying them back as a result of Covid 19. They are so uncertain of the date they will all be reunited again.

However, Mrs K has addressed the issues facing her while on her own. They have managed to find a rental home close to schools, bus stops and shops. Mrs K is taking English lessons, and getting involved in the community where she lives. The children are still being taught Arabic which is necessary for when they return to Iraq.

Naturally, they will be very sad to leave Western Australia but will return to Iraq with fond memories of our country.

Their culture is so different to ours, some of which I will never understand, but they accept it.

On meeting this family and getting an insight in to what they have endured, as they were under ISIS rule for a time, has made me so grateful for the way we live here in Australia. Our freedom is something to treasure.

Helen Fidge

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With apologies - Lorraine Lethlean - Editor this week

Grain Brokers Australia Weekly Market Report

December 1, 2020

China's voracious appetite for grain yet to be satisfied...

Customs data released last week reveals that China's insatiable demand for grain continued unabated in October. This was led primarily by demand from the country's rapidly rebounding pork sector, which was decimated by African swine fever in late 2018 and through 2019.

China imported a staggering 1.14 million metric tonne (MMT) of corn in the first month of the fourth quarter, the second-highest level on record. This was quite a dramatic increase from next to nothing in October last year and was the third consecutive month above the one million tonne level.

It pushes the country's total corn imports for 2020 to an impressive 7.82MMT, almost double the previous year, and there is still two months to go. That also takes China's corn imports for the year past the official tariff rate quota (TRQ) of 7.2MMT for the first time, which was one of the requirements under the Phase 1 trade deal with the United States.

The global corn market is searching for a price that rations demand, particularly in the second and third quarters of 2021. For the rest of this year and the first quarter of 2021, the US is the place to shop. But the South American drought and resultant corn crop issues are certainly a genuine and growing concern for the corn balance sheet.

And now there is talk in the market that the Chinese demand is more than a short-term supply issue, but rather a longer-term structural change in domestic consumption. Some analysts are forecasting Chinese imports of US corn will hit the top end of market expectations next year and will exceed 50MMT by 2023. Only time will tell on that matter, but while the pig herd is rebuilding and domestic reserves remain tight, the demand is likely to continue.

Imports of soybeans into the Middle Kingdom for October totalled 8.69MMT, up a stunning 41 per cent on the same period last year. Imports from the US were 3.4MMT, almost triple the 1.147MMT a year ago and up from 1.17MMT in September.

Chinese customs also cleared 4.233MMT of Brazilian soybeans in October, an 11.6 per cent increase from 3.793MMT in the corresponding period last year. But that figure was down from 7.25MMT in September as the soybean export season in Brazil winds down and the US starts to dominate fourth-quarter trade.

The world is not rationing global soybean demand on a large scale just yet, in particular from China. And like corn, the ultimate fear is a crop failure in South America, the possibility of which is increasing with every day of scorching weather and no beneficial rainfall.

There was vague talk during the week that some Chinese soybean importers and processors are looking to wash out of US cargoes booked for December and January shipment. It was apparently spurred by the recent Chicago futures rally which collapsed Chinese crush margins. That will be a fascinating discussion, especially in light of the US trade deal commitments and Beijing's desire to 'keep the peace' throughout the Presidential transition.

China imported 630,000 metric tonne of wheat in October, up 126.9 per cent from the year prior. They have now imported 6.69mmt of wheat in 2020 against a TRQ of 9.36MMT. With two months of the calendar year left to report it is possible, but highly unlikely, that they will breach that mark for the first time by year's end.

Beijing sold 708,000 metric tonne of wheat from their strategic reserves in last week's auction, less than 18 per cent of the 4MMT offered. Total sales now stand at 13.5MMT since the program began in June. Prices were slightly higher than the previous week, but the clearance rate has declined from more than 70 per cent in October, suggesting that Chinese consumers are gaining comfort with the domestic grain supply outlook.

October barley imports came in at 5.98MMT, a jump of 13.4 per cent on the October 2019 number. Much of this barley came from France, which is posing challenges for European Union feed manufacturers. And as long as the Chinese tariff remains in place on Australian barley, it is highly likely that the Chinese consumers will continue to turn to France, especially to meet their malting barley requirements.

French barley yields disappointed last harvest and the farmers have reportedly reacted by reducing the planted area in the recent seeding campaign. They evidently didn't read the tea leaves very well, as ongoing Chinese demand could be a game changer for the wheat-barley price relationship in the EU. This would have significant consequences for stockfeed producers, and ultimately, planting decisions by farmers right across Europe in coming years.

The recovery of China's pig herd has been a fundamental driver of the country's feed grain demand this year. According to the agriculture ministry, the nation's pig herd grew by an impressive 26.9 per cent in October. However, the resurgence in pork output is likely to take much longer as the quality of the nation's herd is poor and a higher than usual proportion of offspring go back into the breeding program.

This was certainly borne out in the October customs data with pork imports jumping 80.4 per cent to 330,000 metric tonne, compared to a year earlier. In the January to October period China has imported 3.62MMT of pork products, a 126.2 per cent leap from the same period in 2019. The scramble for protein also pushed beef imports up 12.2 per cent from a year ago to 170,000 metric tonne in October. That took 2020 beef shipments to 1.74MMT.

There seems little doubt that the short-term demand from China for grain production from almost all corners of the globe will continue into the foreseeable future and will dominate grain market dynamics well into 2021. How that plays out in the long-term is the key question, but there appears to be a growing bias toward more, as opposed to less.

Australia's participation in that fundamental change relies heavily on the cooling of tensions and a diplomatic re-engagement from both parties to better recognize the differences and ultimately resolve the growing trade impasse.

Call your local [Grain Brokers Australia](#) representative on 1300 946 544 to discuss your grain marketing needs.

Mt Walker Tennis Club



I'm not sure if it was the dreaded lurgy that's going around town or that some members are close to finishing harvest and were getting a few hours of harvesting in on a Sunday, but we had a very small turn out on the weekend.

A few staunch Mt Walker tennis lovers were out on court and the kids managed a bit of a hit on the spare courts. This weekend we have a bye for the Narembeen Open Day and look forward to seeing our juniors at Hot Shots and members there for a hit the weekend after.

This Saturday we host the Pennants grand final from 12:30pm – we look forward to viewing some top-notch tennis and soaking up the tennis atmosphere afterwards. Come along and support the district's best teams! Mt Walker members are asked to provide afternoon tea or nibbles please.

COMING EVENTS:

Saturday 5 December	Pennants Grand Final at Mt Walker
Sunday 6 December	Narembeen Open Day – Mt Walker Closed
Sunday 13 December	Social from 3pm & Hot Shots – Home Made Pizza & Ding Snag Night
Sunday 20 December	Mixed Doubles Champs & Mt Walker Community Christmas Party

SUBS DUE NOW (Tennis Members)

Full \$120 Social \$60 Junior \$35

Please pay by cheque, cash or EFT to: Mt Walker Sports Club, BSB 306 026, Account No. 5100512
Use surname and initial as narrative

* NEW MEMBERS WELCOME *

Ladies' Captain: Courtney Bormolini 0488 333 492 **Men's Captain:** Pete Cowan 0419 913 980 **Secretary:** Felicity Cowan 0428 191 083

Round 7 Hawks Steal It At The Death

A beautiful Saturday afternoon saw the Hawks take on Hyden on another 20-20 showdown. Gray unfortunately lost the toss and we were sent into bowl in favourable batting conditions. The Hawks started off well and managed to dispatch both openers cheaply, both being caught this time by the fielders. Gray proved pivotal in the attack, snaring 4 wickets and ripping open the Saints middle order. Some late power hitting from Hyden saw them get a small but respectable 123, a total that has proven tricky in the past.

The Hawks started very fast with Gray hitting his first 2 balls for 4 only to be undone on the third after snicking a regulation catch to first slip. Both Sprigg and Fields put together a small partnership of 35 before Fields lost his off stump and started an avalanche of wickets. The Hawks proceeded to lose 6 wickets for 45 runs in the next 12 overs which left 32 runs required in the last 3 overs. In some very strange turn of events Sprigg managed to get the Hawks over the line with 3 balls to spare. Sprigg not known for his power hitting managed a few leg side paddles and flicks off the pads to get some much needed boundaries late in the game to have the Hawks steal the game at the death.

Hyden 7-123 defeated by Narembeen 7-124

(Gray 4-25, Cousins 1-18)

(Sprigg 71 n.o., Fields 18)

Team: Stuart Yandle, Riley Maringoni, Chris Fields, Jordan Sprigg, Danny Gray, Mac Cole, Reece Cousins, Ollie Miller, Jake Newman, Cody Duncan, Glen Sands, Clinton Butler



Only 23 days until CHRISTMAS DAY

NAREMBEEN TENNIS CLUB NEWS

YEEHAH - Narembreen 1 played Hyden in the Semi Finals of the Pennant Competition on Saturday and after a great tussle managed to win by four sets. This means we have a Derby Grandfinal. Well done to both sides. Thanks to Neats (Anita) Parsons and Hannah Kerse for filling in during the qualifying games.



The final will be played at Mount Walker this Saturday commencing at 12.30pm. Could all players please be there by 12.15pm at the latest. Spectators are most welcome.

Narembreen 1

Scott Stirrat, Adam Miolini, Tim Cusack, Dean Williams

Holly Cusack, Indi Nelson, Kel Lyon, Mel Baldwin



Narembreen 2

Mitch Miolini, Derek Hooper, Brian Cusack, Dan Waldorff

Emma Miolini, Britt Duncan, Wendy Hooper, Carissa Wanless and Noela Cole.

GO NAREMBREEN

This Sunday we have our Open Day. The format is Mixed Doubles in the morning and Ladies and Mens Doubles in the afternoon. Names need to be in by Thursday 5pm to Britt Duncan or Robert Miolini. If you don't have a partner let them know and they will try and find you a partner. The catering list is:

Morning Tea

Scones & Date Loaf: Di Miolini

Sandwiches: Morning Tea:

Joan Cusack x 2, Wendy Hooper x 1

Afternoon Tea:

Maxine Miolini x 1, Beccy Wanless x 1 Carissa Wanless x 1

Potato Bake x: Large trays please 30-40cm Half Cooked

Lynda Cornish x 1 Kell Lyon x 1 Maxine Miolini x 1 Indi Nelson x 1 Hannah Kerse x 1

Afternoon Tea: Large Platters Please

Wendy, Kelly Smith, Carissa, Holly Cusack, Emma Miolini, Ash Hunter, Beccy, Noela Cole, Amy Lumsden, Sheree Thomas, Anita Parsons, Kristie Lee, Vanessa Woodstock(Pin Wheels), Gina Cheetham.

Salads: Large Bowls Please

Tenille, Kel Lyon, Holly, Emma, Brit, Amy, Noela, Sheree, Indi, Mel Baldwin, Gina, Georgia Atkins

Coleslaw Dinner: Large bowls please, don't dress until that night so doesn't go soggy.

Hannah x 1, Ness x1, Brian x 1, Lynda x 1

Work Roster – Pop in when you're not playing

8am-11am: Anita, Emma, Carissa, Wendy, Hannah

11am-1.30pm: Holly, Kelly, Mel, Kel Smith, Gina, Indi

1.30pm-4pm: Maxine, Beccy, Tenille, Amy, Lynda

BBQ: Cody, Adam, Mac, Dan

Dinner prep: Kristy, Ness, Noela, Georgia

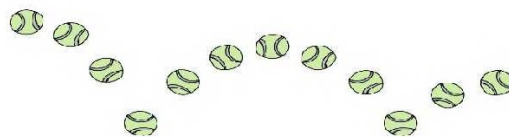
Dinner Supplied by the tennis club

If you are working in the Kitchen you will need your Covid Hygiene Certificate. Once completed could you please email the certificate to the Club. Thanks to everyone who has already completed it.

narembeenclubinc@narembeenclub.org.au

<https://hospitalityhygiene.com/aha-covid-19-hospitality-tourism-hygiene-course/>

Coming Events: Kondinin Teams Event – Sunday 13th December



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As it was the first Sunday of Advent on 29th November, meaning that Christmas is coming, I stumbled across this poem and thought it may be appropriate. It was written by Todd Jenkins.

TWAS THE BEGINNING OF ADVENT

'Twas the beginning of Advent and all through the Church
Our hope was all dying-- we'd given up on the search.
It wasn't so much that Christ wasn't invited,
But after 2,000 plus years we were no longer excited.

Oh, we knew what was coming-- no doubt about that.
And that was the trouble-- it was all "old hat."
November brought the first of an unending series of pains
With carefully orchestrated advertising campaigns.

There were gadgets and dolls and all sorts of toys.
Enough to seduce even the most devout girls and boys.
Unfortunately, it seemed, no one was completely exempt
From this seasonal virus that did all of us tempt.

The priests and prophets and certainly the kings
Were all so consumed with the desire for "things!"
It was rare, if at all, that you'd hear of the reason
For the origin of this whole holy-day season.

A baby, it seems, once had been born
In the mid-east somewhere on that first holy-day morn.
But what does that mean for folks like us,
Who've lost ourselves in the hoopla and fuss?

So many questions, unanswered thus far,
As wise men seeking the home of the star.
Where do we begin-- how do we start
To make for the child a place in our heart?

Perhaps we begin by letting go
Of our limits on hope, and of the stuff that we know.
Let go of the shopping, of the chaos and fuss,
Let go of the searching, let Christmas find us.

We can't make him come with parties and bright trees,
But only by getting down on our knees.
He'll come if we wait amidst our affliction,
Coming in spite of, not by our restriction.

His coming will happen-- of this there's no doubt.
The question is whether we'll be in or out.
"Behold, I stand at the door and knock."
Do you have the courage to peer through the lock?

He'll lead us to challenge the way that things are.
He'll lead us to follow a single bright star.
But that will come later if we're still around.
The question for now: Is the child to be found?

Can we block out commercials, the hype and the malls?
Can we find solitude in our holy halls?
Can we keep alert, keep hope, stay awake?
Can we receive the child for ours and God's sake?

From on high with the carolling host as he sees us,
He yearns to read on our lips the prayer: Come Lord Jesus!
As Advent begins all these questions make plea.
The only true answer: We will see, we will see.



CHURCH NOTICES



ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN

Sunday, December 6th

9.30am

Isaiah Ch 40– V 1-11 Ruth Hall

2 Peter Ch 3– V 8-15 Kerry Fricker

Mark Ch 1-V 1-8

Psalms 85

Church of Christ

Sunday 6th Dec

Worship service with Sunday School during the service

Bible Verse: Luke 2:10

But the angel said to them 'Do not be afraid. I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people'.



Seventh Day Adventist

105 Church Rd, Mt Walker

Leading Elder: Yonnie Willis 60635014

Pr Lomani 0429 770 331

Saturday 10am Bible Study

Sabbath School

11.30am Worship Service

ROMAN CATHOLIC

OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Saturday December 5th

6.00pm

Reader: E Bailey

Contact: R Hickey 0428 132 454

J Cusack 0408 064 727

Cleaning: Busy Bee

BIRTHDAYS



DECEMBER

2nd	Frances Barnett (Cova)	Ray Beard	Kennedy Miller
	James Kennedy		
3rd	Courtney Collins		
4th	Trevor Sprigg	Glenn Addicot	Shaun Hunter
	Kadin Ross	James (Jo) Hickey	
5th	Darren McGhie	Vera Deluis	
6th	Alex Federici		
8th	John Bormolini	Joshua parsons	
9th	Irene Pini	Josh Andrews	Wendy Wilson

ANNIVERSARIES

DECEMBER

2nd	John & Kasse (Clarke) M c Cummiskey
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550ISH HOURS UNTIL CHRISTMAS DAY



COMMUNITY HEALTH INFORMATION



NAREMBEEN MEDICAL CENTRE - PHONE 9064 7145

Dr Lines practices at the Medical Centre

Hours Mon – Thurs 8.00am – 12.30pm 1.30pm – 5.00pm Friday 8.00am – 1.30pm

PLEASE BRING CURRENT PRESCRIPTIONS, MEDICARE, PENSION AND HEALTH CARE CARDS

RURAL WOMEN'S GP SERVICE – Phone 90647145 for appointments. Dr Olga Ward visits approximately 6 weekly

NURSE PRACTITIONER – Laura Black visits fortnightly

HOSPITAL – PHONE 90646222 HEALTH DIRECT 1800 022 222

Accident, emergency and acute medical.

Outpatient dressing/blood pressure checks etc–Preferred times 10.30am -11.30am or 3.30pm – 4.30pm

X-Ray service available – please phone for bookings. Only emergency X-Rays will be attended out of hours

Other services include antenatal and postnatal care, palliative care, respite service, high and low level residential care. Home and Community Care (HACC), Patient Assisted Travel Service (PATS), Videoconference facilities available for consults with some Specialists. Occupation and Speech Therapy, Dietician and Aged Care Assessment (ACAT) available by referral.

WHEATBELT ALCOHOL AND DRUG SERVICE

Phone 90413807 or 90412928

This service provides support for individuals, couples and families affected by alcohol and drugs

WHEATBELT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE UNIT

Call 1800 353 122 (24 hours) Free and Confidential

Men's Domestic Violence Helpline 1800 000 599. Victim Support Service 1800 350 074

NAREMBEEN DENTAL – JOHN COBLEY

Phone 90647397 Emergencies 0419 987 397 Appointments Thursday

CHILD, SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES – PHONE 90647388 or 90646222

Child Health Clinic every Tuesday at the Hospital 9am – 3.00pm

Alternatively, contact Primary health in Merredin 90410444 or Ngala 1800 111546

CENTRAL AGCARE FAMILY COUNSELLING SERVICE Counsellor Anne Hague 0427 133 711

PODIATRIST – PHONE 90646222 Please call the hospital (office hours) for appointments

ST JOHN AMBULANCE – PHONE 000 Do not call the hospital for an ambulance in an emergency.

Skills 7.30pm every 2nd & 4th Monday of month

SPEECH THERAPY – PHONE PRUE 0408 934 284

At Narembreen Medical Centre on Tuesday and Wednesday

CENTRAL WHEATBELT OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY – PHONE COURTNEY 0488 333 492

At Narembreen Medical Centre

COMING EVENTS

December 2020

Wednesday	2nd	Seniors Gym Numbats: Phone Bookings from 8.00am 0422 322 289 BOWLS: Ladies: Round 7 , NB bye	10.30am 8.30am - 5.30pm
Thursday	3rd	Men's Shed Numbats: Phone bookings from 8.00am 0422 322 289 Autumn Club CRICKET: Training	9.00am 8.30am - 5.30pm 10.00am-2.00pm 5.00pm
Friday	4th	Playgroup at Numbats Centre BOWLS: Corrigin Ladies Open Day	9.30am
Saturday	5th	Church Men's Shed TENNIS: Pennants FINAL at Mt Walker CRICKET: Round 8 20/20 Nukarni v Narembeen	9.00am
Sunday	6th	Church BOWLS: Men's: Championship Fours Ladies: Social TENNIS: Narembeen Open Day	
Monday	7th	Circuit Gym (members only) Arts and Crafts and Book Exchange at Community Shed St John Ambulance: Skills	9.30am 10.00am-4.00pm 7.30pm
Tuesday	8th	Senior Citizens Numbats: Phone Bookings from 8.00am 0422 322 289 Badminton at Town Hall	2.00pm 8.30am - 5.30pm 6.30pm
Wednesday	9th	Seniors Gym Numbats: Phone Bookings from 8.00am 0422 322 289 BOWLS: Ladies Round 8 CR B v NB	10.30am 8.30am - 5.30pm

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