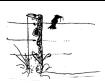
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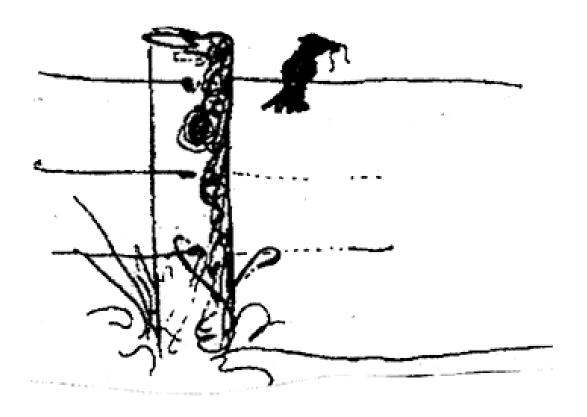
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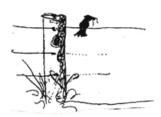
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# Over the Fence....

## Past Narembeen Students Reunion

About 50 people gathered at the Tradewinds Hotel in Fremantle on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> March for a reunion of ex students of the Narembeen Junior High School. It was a great catch up for everybody as some people had not seen each other for over 60 years. Reminiscing about bus drivers, antics got up to on the buses, in the classrooms and after school, created great merriment. Photo albums were dusted off and a lot of guessing was had as to who was actually in the photos. Some students have not changed whereas others have altered a lot. The Hebbermann girls Janis, Maxine, Karen and Patty (daughters of Merle and Maurice) were in full force as were the Bose sisters, Pauline, Ethel (now known as Sue) and Margaret. There are too many to mention but it was good to catch up with Coralie and Kathy Olsen, Tony Hoskins, Brian (Biggin) Commons, Merle Harper and Glenis Cullen. Thanks to Mike Smith for organising this with the help of Peter Romaior and Lorraine Lethlean.

There may be another get together next year and it may be combined with the 100 Year celebration of Local Government. Something we can all look forward to.

There does not seem to be a lot of news to publish in the fencepost this week. It was good to see, feel and hear the rain. Some areas had more than others but it was, in general, very welcome. Th trees do not look as distressed now that they have had a bit of a wash. It won't be long before the weeds pop up their heads and begin to be seen about the place creating more work for everybody.

The triathlon was a great success. A lot of work goes into organizing this event and it is a shame that more "athletes" do not compete. It is a challenge and something to stive for each year in maintaining fitness. Winning is not important, just to participate is the aim. Congratulations to Vanessa and her very small team although it was a last minute decision to go ahead with the weather being unpredictable.

The footballers had a scratch match at Lake Grace and by all accounts the games went well. Not nearly as well as the socialising afterwards though.

Did you manage to see "A Fortunate Life" in the Bruce Rock recreation centre on Sunday? It was an amazing performance, very professional and heartwarming. This small band of performers were outstanding in every way. If the opportunity arises to see them in this or another performance, take it, as it will be worth your while.

Good to see the bowling women did very well at country week this year. Almost got there! Something to aim for next year?

WINTER SPORTS ARE ABOUT TO BEGIN - PLEASE SEND YOUR FIXTURES IN TO THE "FENCEPOST" - YOUR SUPPORTERS NEED TO KNOW WHEN AND WHERE YOU ARE PLAYING



# **BOWLS NEWS**

Oops, to busy at Country Week to do a write-up last week.....

The new surface on B Green is down and looking just as good as the A Green. Thanks again to the volunteers who have assisted with this and tidying the area once it was finished.

Men's Pennants—Narembeen Maroon travelled to Merredin to commence their finals campaign on Saturday against Merredin Blue. Unfortunately they didn't get a win but had the second chance travelling to Bruce Rock to play Corrigin Blue on Sunday morning. Unfortunately they didn't get over the line in this one either. At the time of Reporting no scores were available. Well done to all the men who played and thank you to the spectators who travelled to watch on either of the days, especially with the wet conditions.

The Four Ladies who travelled to Country Week had a great week. Plenty of food, wine and laughs and a little bit of bowls too. In the Fours event the girls won all 5 games in their block at Sorrento and played Bunbury in the Sectional Knockout. Scores were even after 14 ends, an extra end was played and the girls picked up 5 and cemented their spot to play at Manning on Friday. The first game at Manning was against Moora and they had another win 13-8. One game away from playing in the final......up against Wickepin .......Scores were even after the 15th end and unfortunately Wickepin had that 1 bowl closer than ours and they took the win. Narembeen finished equal 3rd for the week and even though they would have liked to have reached the final they didn't do to badly considering they had never one a game at Country Week before. Well done Anita Cowan, Sylvie Yandle, Narelle Vaughan and Kellie Mortimore. Thank you to all those who messaged their support and to Rhonda who came and watched on the day along with some of the other SEBL girls.

This weekend sees the bowling season coming to a close. The Mens and Ladies events will be played commencing at 12.30pm at this stage. Please have your names in to the Captains Julie Hayter and Jeremy Padfield. They will let you know if the starting time will differ nearer the day.

The Club will be catering for the Wind-up and the usual Friday night menu (on a Sunday) will be available. Please let Rhonda Cole or Julie Miller know if you will be attending for numbers please.

On this note we would welcome any of our Sponsors to join us on the night. We appreciate your contribution to our Club and would enjoy your company at the Presentations.

What's to come in the fixtures:

#### Sunday 2/4—CLOSING DAY / AGM / WIND-UP

Men—Ralph Thomas Pairs, Sponsored by the Thomas Family (Carol, Julie, Maxine and Bevan) Ladies—Drawn Pairs, Sponsored by Helen Copeman and Anita Cowan

Tuesday 4/4, 4.00pm —Ladies Meeting and Get together at the Club.

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# Hon Mia DAVIES MLA Member for Central Wheatbelt

# **MEDIA RELEASE**

#### GET INVOLVED IN WA'S YOUTH PARLIAMENT

23 March 2023

Member for Central Wheatbelt Mia Davies MLA has called on young people living in the electorate of Central Wheatbelt to get involved in WA Youth Parliament, a program that empowers young people to have a voice in Parliament and in their community.

Ms Davies said the Youth Parliament program is a unique opportunity for young people to have their voice heard by policy makers, hone their debate skills and create the change they want to see.

"Regardless of who you are and what you are believe in, if you're passionate about local issues and representing your community, "she said.

"Programs such as Youth Parliament empower young people to be involved in our democracy as they progress through their studies and career."

"It is an opportunity to advocate for their local communities, speak on important issues and get a better understanding of the Parliamentary process."

Throughout the week-long program, delegates will sit in the Legislative Assembly Chamber, joined by Members of Parliament who will take on the role of Speaker.

Participants also have the opportunity to meet State Members of Parliament throughout the program to develop their own political networks.

"During Youth Parliament, you will have the opportunity to learn about parliamentary processes, writing legislation, public speaking and leadership," she said.

Applications are now open for the 2023 Youth Parliament, and close on the 26th of March 2023.

To apply, click the link: <a href="https://ymcawa.qualtrics.com/ife/form/SV">https://ymcawa.qualtrics.com/ife/form/SV</a> aVhCDvmGP2WUUce

For media enquiries please contact Mia Davies on 08 9041 1702 (Merredin office) 08 9622 2871 (Northam office) or email mia.davies@mp.wa.gov.au.



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## COUNCIL MEETING BRIEFS - MARCH

 Council has agreed to participate in the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries, Child Safeguarding Implementation Unit's pilot implementation program for the Child Safe Awareness.

The pilot program involves working with several local governments on the adoption and implementation of the policy, with the main purpose of the pilot to determine whether the implementation resources the Department have developed are appropriate and fit-for-purpose and to allow the Department to have a better idea of whether additional resources and support are required.

Council has agreed to adopt the draft Child Safety Awareness Policy with some modifications. The CRC Co-Ordinator will represent Council If the Shire of Narembeen is selected to participate in the pilot program.

 Council has agreed to a request from the Narembeen District High School to write off the pool entry fees of approximately \$1,300 for the interschool swimming carnival to be held in Narembeen in March 2023, which was attended by schools from Bruce Rock, Corrigin and Kulin.



#### NAREMBEEN MINE OPERATIONS

Council has received complaints from the community regarding the trucks operating in an unsafe manner on Mt Arrowsmith and Mt Walker Roads, such as crossing over in front of oncoming vehicles and crossing over to the incorrect side of the road when turning into other roads at intersections.

The Acting CEO has discussed these concerns with the Mine Manager, Hugh Trivett and as all the trucks have cameras fitted, he has given a commitment to deal with these matters when raised. However, to take the appropriate action he requires dates and times when these incidents are occurring. If you are impacted by such incident or see them happening, please note down these details and email Hugh hughtrivett@rameliusresources.com.au.

## LATHAM ROAD STREET LIGHTS

Residents will have noticed workers last week installing the new streetlights and poles in Latham Road and Currall Street and yes there is a light missing. Unfortunately, one has gone missing, so another one will have to be reordered, which will take some time to arrive and be installed on the double outreach pole.

Activation of all the poles should occur in the next week or so.

#### COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND - CLOSING THIS FRIDAY

Round 4 of the Community Benefit Fund is closing this Friday, 31 March 2023.

To apply, please find the application form on the website <a href="https://www.narembeen.wa.gov.au/the-shire/community-grants.aspx">https://www.narembeen.wa.gov.au/the-shire/community-grants.aspx</a> and/or at the CRC and Shire Office.





Application Forms will be available from the Shire of Narembeen, CRC or Website www.narembeen.wa.gov.au. For more information Contact Economic Development Officer 9064 7308



# POLICE NEWS

Narembeen Police Station, 7 Longhurst Street, Narembeen, WA 6369 Phone: (08) 9045 6050

Hello,

Hope everyone is well. I was invited to have a chat with the students of Narembeen DHS recently at their assembly and was later requested if I could supply a short bio for the Fence Post regarding myself and career.

I grew up in the northern suburbs of Perth during the late 1970s and 1980s. It was a great time to grow up in Australia. Life was simple and you could afford almost anything. I used to love the 20 cent bag lollies at my local milk bar and the lunch time \$4.95 Pizza Hut all you can eat deal. Music, TV and Movies were all at their peak. I spent much of my teens at Scarborough Beach getting off the bus, walking through the dunes, having a surf then playing arcade games. I feel very lucky to have been alive at this magic time.

I have an older brother and younger sister who are both lawyers. And another younger sister who is a nurse. My old man ended up joining the RAAF and I spent several years living abroad in Canberra, Malaysia and Melbourne. I probably did become slightly wayward during this time in my teens as I discovered alcohol, parties, punk and concerts. I remember going to an Iggy Pop concert in Melbourne which turned into a riot. It was every man for himself. The term 'RAAF Brat' fitted me very well. I was also lucky enough to go to a couple of GFs in Melbourne at the G. The Hawks beating the Cats in 1989 was an epic experience.

After returning to Perth in early 1990s and having finished Year 12, I wanted some adventure. I too joined the RAAF and mustered in Ground Defence. It helped me grow up a lot. I did a few years in Adelaide, Brisbane and Darwin. My experience in military was great. Every morning before breakfast was a PT session followed by soccer, water polo or a touch rugby game. Every Friday at work after doing PT, we would wash the trucks and clean our guns which was then followed by a noon BBQ with a few amber coloured refreshments. The training ops we did at Shoalwater Bay were memorable. I was also lucky enough in my spare time to do a lot of travelling overseas with some mates. Great times.

When I returned to Perth, I continued working part time in the RAAF at Pearce Air Base and commenced Uni at ECU in Mount Lawley. I wanted to be a Phys Ed teacher. It was also at this time I had dropped off a policing application in the city. I wasn't too confident of getting through as it was in those days a tough job to get into. Believe it or not but it was a sought-after career back then. There were a lot of fitness tests, interviews, physical examination, psychological tests to do. When I was a young bloke on the town in Freo, I had looked at the police back then closely walking the beat. I liked how big they were, the presence and authority they commanded. I knew it was a challenge and something I wanted to do and I was a big Mad Max fan.

I completed Police Academy training at Maylands and 20 odd years later and I am still in the job. I have served in busy metro stations like Rockingham, Mandurah, Armadale, Cockburn. I have enjoyed my time in Regional WA serving at Narrogin, Brookton and Pingelly. My times working in the bush have been my fondest, with lots great memories.

When I first joined the job there was no social media, we had basic green screen computers, we were doing our paperwork on type writers and we had action report books in the vehicles. If we wanted to do a name check on a crook out on the road we had to radio in to get their details. Now we basically do everything on our iPhone. Fairly amazing the technological advances, I have lived through.

It's definitely been an interesting career and I am still passionate about it. No day has been the same. Lots of highs and some lows. So many jobs attended over the years: violent domestics, licensed premises fights, civil disorder, home invasions, bikie shootings, pursuits, suicides, work and vehicle fatalities. Been through a divorce but got a couple of great kids out of it. My kids and I still get away once a year together.

Since arriving in Narembeen in November. I've enjoyed the change and the house I am in is very good. The station has an excellent gym which is great after work. The people here are very accommodating and friendly. The town really ticks over and runs itself well from what I have seen and I really serve here as a last line of defence. I don't intend on disturbing what is already working well and I'm looking forward in working with the community here.

Stay safe.

Kind Regards,

Sgt Dan Back Narembeen Police





# Narembeen CRC Update

Hello everyone!

We hope you had a great week. After a couple massive weeks for all CRC staff with the Ladies Long Lunch and Triathlon over the past two weekends, we are getting back to normal.

On last Saturday, 18 March 2023, the Narembeen Ladies Long Lunch was held at the Narembeen Town Hall. The biennial celebration of regional women offers a fantastic social outing and networking opportunity for all ladies of the community as well as neighboring towns. Organised by the local Community Resource Centre and a small committee, the event brings together women from different demographics, backgrounds, locations and passions and offers a way to celebrate the important role women play in our community. This year over 200 women attended the Ladies Long Lunch - a fantastic result.

The public hall was transformed into a beautiful setting with this years colorful and floral theme embracing everyone's bright clothes. Thanks to the very talented Elli from Flowers by Elli Paige, there were vibrant flower bouquets all throughout the hall adding pops of colour to the room.

Everyone was entertained by three amazing guest speakers, sharing their personal stories about what helped them strengthen resilience:

Dr Ann O'Neill told her captivating story how she recovered from a horrific crime and then used her own experience to help others while improving understanding around the needs of victims of crime. Thank you, Ann, for sharing this incredible

story and showing us how resilience can help us reshape our lives. It is a testimony to your strength and courage and is an inspiration to all listeners.

The second guest speaker was Louise Sawle, who has spent years looking after her family and caring for her ailing in-laws. After years of neglecting her own needs, Louise made the huge decision to go on a 800km hike through France and Spain, all by herself. This walk became such a challenging and life changing experience that inspired Louise to write her first book about her adventure.

Lastly Melissa-Lee Lithgow shared her experience of leaving her own country and starting a new live with her little family in Australia. Leaving the family and friends behind and moving to the other side of the world has been tough and challenging but Melissa has approached the changes with a healthy sense of humor, empathy and love and she is now embracing her new life in Australia.

The Golden Age Girls Cabaret Show concluded the day, and the two female artists from Perth brought their amazing voices to Narembeen and performed a fun and uplifting show leading the ladies into an evening under the stars to end the night.

Thank you to the ladies from Edona Heartland from Kulin who were playing music throughout the day and to DJ Sammy and SAX Lady Laurelli for coming out to Wheatbelt and providing great music throughout the night! It was the perfect summer night and everyone loved dancing the night away under the stars.

An event of this scale is only possible thanks to the generous support of our sponsors: Your contribution is invaluable, and we are very grateful for your generosity and support. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

Another thank you must go to the Ladies Long Lunch Committee; Courtney Bormolini, Ash Hunter, Beccy Wanless and Di Pollard, who have worked tirelessly to make this event happen.

We would also like to thank Guy Bormolini, Ben Hunter, Paul Wanless, Dave & Mitch Pollard and James King who have helped set up for this event. Holly Cusack and Paul Wanless who have done a trip each to Perth to pick up and return the chairs, thank you very much. Thank you further to Colin Ogilvie for doing several trips to Bruce Rock to deliver and collect items, Russ Arnold & Gary Sprigg for helping with the Acoustics, Chris Bray for some last minute electrical work and all the CRC staff and volunteers for their help. And lastly to our wonderful MC Nat Browning who has led us through this day with charm, humor and profes-sionalism. THANK YOU!

Thank you also to Lucy Lines and a group of students: Bowden Cole, Wren Cheetham, Mia Parsons, Jack Cusack and Cheyenne Cummins for waitressing and raising money for the P & C and country week expenses. The kids did a fantastic job serving food and tidying tables and we appre-ciate all your hard work.

What an amazing day this years Ladies Long Lunch was! We hope everyone enjoyed it as much as we did! For us it was a day full of laughter, inspiration and new experiences! Our cup is full from all the

nice moments we experienced and we are looking forward to the next event in 2025 already!

On Saturday, 26 March 2023, the Narembeen CRC hosted the annual Narembeen triathlon. Over 60 children and 30 adults participated. Thankfully the heavy rain held off until the end - talk about timing. A big congratulations to all competitors, it was great to especially see so many little athletes giv-ing it a go!

A big THANK YOU to all volunteers: James King for assisting Shire staff with traffic control, Julie Miller for assisting with registrations, Hannah Bald and Lucy Lines for timing, Mr G for doing a fantastic job as MC and all involved Shire and CRC staff that gave up their Saturday to help with the triathlon. Events like these can not happen without you and we appreciate all you do!

A special Easter Story Time session is happening this Friday, kicking off with an easter egg hunt at the Apex Park.

The fox shoot is happening this Saturday - please enter your teams by this Thursday!! An animal count and luncheon will be provided at the Mount Walker Sports Club on Sunday from lunch time.

We hope you have a great week.

Vanessa King CRC Manager

# **Upcoming CRC Events 2023**

Story Time: Fri, 31 Mar 10.30am

Community Fox Shoot: Sat, 1 Apr

Seniors Movie: Mon, 3 Apr 1.00pm

Solar Eclipse: Sat, 8 Apr 6.30pm

School Holiday Activity: Thur, 13 Apr 10.30am

Morning Coffee Club: Wed, 19 Apr 10.00am

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Youth Week: Fri, 21 Apr 4.00pm

ANZAC Day: Tue, 25 Apr 10.45am

Youth Regional Road Show: Wed, 26 Apr 9.30am



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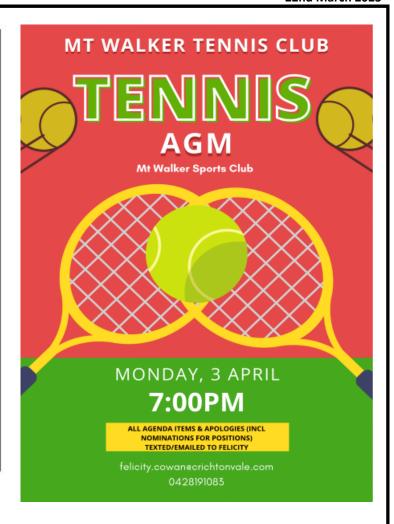
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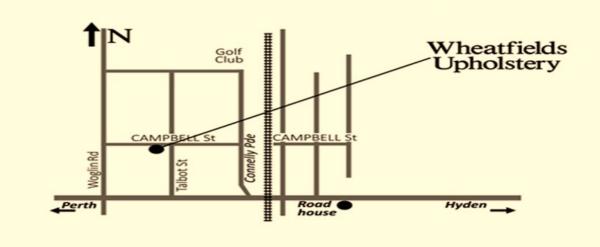
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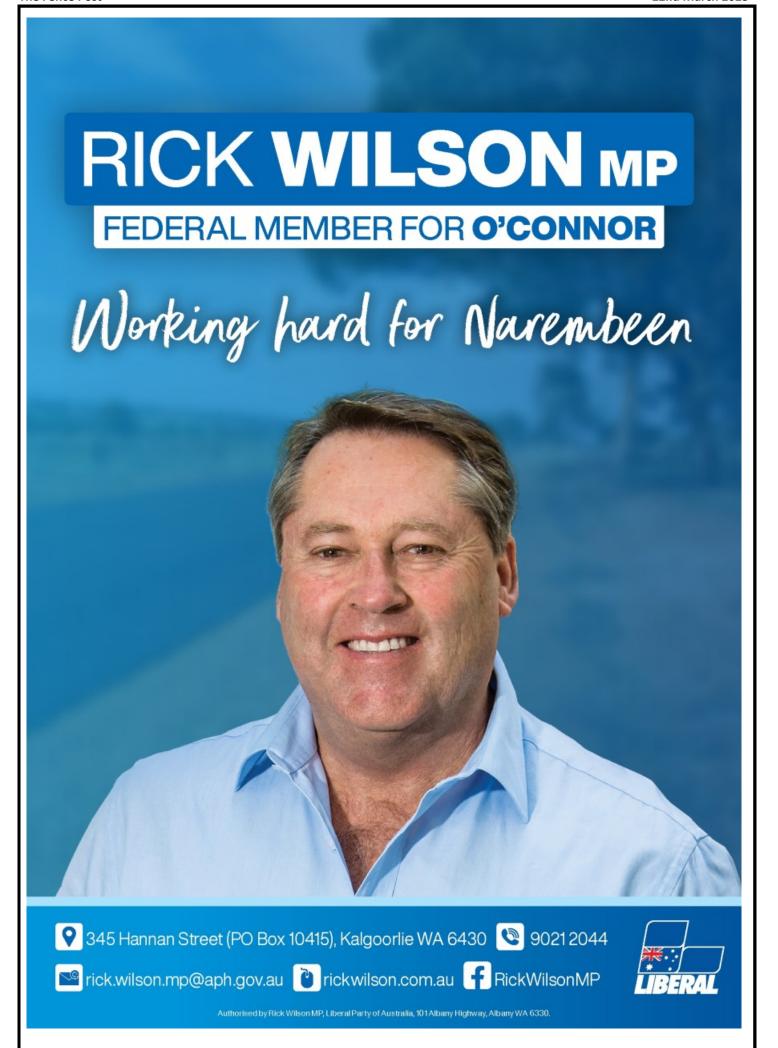
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### Grain Brokers Australia Weekly Market Report March 28, 2023

#### China splurges on US corn...

A sharp fall in export values has sparked China into a buying spree of United States corn, taking advantage of muchimproved import margins and replenishing depleted stockpiles. The flurry of purchases come despite the renewed political tensions that have dogged the relationship between the US and China in recent times.

China is notorious for swooping in and buying up commodities following significant price drops, but a combination of factors have swayed the pendulum in favour of the US this month. A halt to Brazilian supply as new crop soybeans dominate the export pathway, uncertainty about exports from rival supplier Ukraine while the grain corridor was renegotiated, a crop disaster in Argentina and improved navigation conditions along the Mississippi River all reportedly contributed to making US supply an attractive option for Chinese buyers.

The latest flash sale of 204,000 metric tonne, announced by the United States Department of Agriculture last Friday, was the eighth confirmed deal in the past nine business days. A flash sale is where 100,000 metric tonne or more of one commodity is sold in one day to one destination, or 200,000 metric tons or more of one commodity is sold to one destination during any reporting week. There had not been consecutive day flash sales of corn to China since May 2021, and prior to this month, the last corn flash to China was in August last year.

US corn sales to China totalled 2.245 million metric tonne in the week ended March 16, the third biggest weekly total on record. And since then, Chinese buyers have booked another 832,000 metric tonne. Before the splurge, 2022/23 exports of US corn were running almost 40 per cent behind the pace of the same period in 2021/22.

The US corn futures contract for May fell 7.4 per cent in the last five trading sessions of February before a small rally and then another 4.4 per cent fall in the four days to March 9. The contract hit a seven-month low in intraday trade on March 10 before the avalanche of Chinese buying commenced.

Once the Chinese buying began in earnest, US corn futures reflected the increased demand for corn by rallying 5.2 per cent from the early March low. Boosted by another flash sale, more than one-third of that increase occurred in last Friday's trade alone, with the contract closing at a three-week high.

Since the beginning of the US's 2022/23 corn marketing year in September, China's committed purchases of US corn total 7.637MMT, compared to 12.123MMT in the same period in 2021/22. China bought 14.592 million tonnes of US corn in the entire 2021/22 marketing year, approximately two-thirds of their total corn imports.

Nobody knows when the buying will slow down or how much they need to buy, but many pundits expect there is still unsatisfied Chinese corn demand to fill in the current marketing year. While old crop US supply is the main game at the moment, the final tally will depend heavily on Ukraine's export program via the Black Sea grain corridor and safrinha corn production in Brazil.

Ukraine shipped 3.21MMT of corn to China in the five months to the end of February, 37.7 per cent of total corn shipments out of Ukraine via the Black Sea grain corridor. In that period, China was far and away Ukraine's biggest corn client, but the volume was still down 24.5 per cent from 4.25MMT in the previous corresponding period.

Brazil has concluded shipping corn to China until the Safrinha harvest commences in June. A total of 2.257MMT was shipped from November to February, including just one 70,000 metric tonne cargo in February. China was the primary importer of Brazilian corn in January, surpassing traditional destinations such as Japan, Iran and Spain. Brazil shipped almost 984,000 metric tonne to China across the month, the second full month of corn trade between the two countries following Beijing's approval of Brazilian origin shipments in late November.

With a corn crop disaster playing out in Argentina, China is banking on a massive Brazilian safrinha harvest to fill the resultant global supply void. A successful second crop harvest in Brazil will likely see it fill much of China's third-quarter 2023 demand and potentially displace US corn in the fourth quarter. Chinese buyers have reportedly already purchased upwards of 1.5MMT for shipment starting in July and will happily add to that volume as offers surface.

While there have been delays to the planting of this year's safrinha crop in some areas due to a slow soybean harvest, production forecasts still have Brazil setting a new record. Specialist Brazilian agribusiness consultancy Agroconsult has called the crop 125.5MMT, down from its early season estimate of 130.9MMT. They pegged the safrinha crop at 97.2MMT against 101.3MMT in its January update. With the bigger crop comes export opportunity, and Agroconsult expects international sales to reach 51.9MMT this season, up from its earlier forecast of 50MMT. With the USDA pencilling US exports in at 47MMT, Brazil would surpass the US as the world's biggest exporter of corn in 2022/23.

Exactly how much corn China will need to import in 2022/23 is still unknown, but market consensus is currently calling it less than the 22MMT imported in the 2022/22 marketing year. The USDA's March supply and demand update inked imports at 18MMT, unchanged month-on-month. However, Rosa Wang, a Shanghai-based analyst at agricultural data provider JCI China, is forecasting imports slightly higher at 20MMT for the 2022-23 season. Recently released Chinese data put the calendar year 2022 imports at 20.62MMT, a year-on-year decrease of 27.3 per cent.

With the US the cheapest global corn origin at the moment and at least three months before export volume will be available out of Brazil, China is expected to continue buying the market dips. Chinese buyers will no doubt be keeping a close eye on new crop planting progress in the US and praying for an extension to the wet season in Brazil. A major hiccup in either geography will see the current value opportunity evaporate.

Call your local Grain Brokers Australia representative on **1300 946 544** to discuss your grain marketing needs.

# Birthdays



MARCH	29th	Austin Wasley	Joe Della Vedova	
	30th	Shuan Slade	Camille Metcalf	Cally Moses
		Laine Wilkins		
	31st	Jonathon Rogers	Louise Scholler	Mackenzy Aird
APRIL	1st	Peter Cowan	Graeme Andrews	Naree Cowan
		Lynette McCellan		
	2nd	David Rutherford	Tenille Cole (Barrett)	Martin Macanas
	3rd	Helen Wanless	Pat Berry	Keith Brayshaw
		Robert Bailey	Gemma Brayshaw	Hannah Roddan
	4th	Leigh McGill	Glenis Maringoni	Daniel Broomhall



APRIL 30th Steven & Wendy(Hunter) Cooper

# Weather

Date	Minimum	Maximum	Rain
22/3/2023	18.2	33.8	0
23/3/2023	16.8	32.7	0
24/3/2023	17.8	29.6	0
25/3/2023	16.9	22.6	6
26/3/2023	17	20.7	4.8
27/3/2023	14.9	22.8	18.6
28/3/2023	11.8	22.7	0



# **CHURCH NOTICES**



# ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN

**2nd April 2023** 

**PALM SUNDAY** 

Isaiah Chapter 50 Verses 4-9

Kerry Fricker

Philippians Chapter 2 Verses 5-11

**Eleanor Brayshaw** 

Matthew Chapter 26 Verse 14 through to

Chapter 27 Verse 66

Psalm 31

# **Church of Christ**

Thursday 7.30pm

Bible study at W & L Milner Home

Study word – Women

Sunday

10.00am

Worship Service with Sunday school during the service

For as woman came from man, so also man is born of woman. But everything comes from God.

1 Corinthians 11:12

# **Seventh-day Adventist**

105 Church Rd, Mt Walker

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023

# All most welcome

**10:00** am Combined Adult Bible Study Children's Program (at the same time)

11:30am Combined Worship Service

Speaker: Merlene Phillips

"God sees us as He would like us to be....but loves us as we are."

Any queries please contact: Terry Ashmore 0427 907 119

Pastor Ben Townson 0403 053 288

# **ROMAN CATHOLIC**

**OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** 

Mass Service only on the 2nd and 4th week

of each month

Friday March 31<sup>st</sup>

**Stations of the Cross 6pm** 

#### NO MASS AT NAREMBEEN THIS WEEK

Contact: R Hickey 0428 132 454

J Cusack 0408 064 727

Cleaning: R Hickey

Email: brucerockparish@gmail.com

FaceBook: Francis Mary Concepta Sacrament



# COMMUNITY HEALTH INFORMATION



#### NAREMBEEN MEDICAL CENTRE - PHONE 9064 7145

Dr Lines consults Monday to Friday from 8am to 1pm.

Please phone 90647 145 for an appointment or online with Health Engine

#### 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

#### 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 90813222 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.

# CENTRAL WHEATBELT OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY - PHONE COURTNEY 0488 333 492

At Narembeen Medical Centre

# **COMING EVENTS**

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<b>MARCH</b> Wednesday	<b>2023</b> 29			
Thursday	30	Autumn Club	10.00am-2.00pm	
Friday	31	Playgroup at Numbats Centre Storytime at CRC	9.30am 10.30am	
		DARTS - Bruce Rock V Jets - Magpies V MC Sharks - Royals V Wizards		
APRIL				
Saturday	1	Church Men's Shed Fox Shoot BOWLS - Champion of Champion Singles at Yilgarn	9.00am	
Sunday	2	Church BOWLS - Champion of Champion Singles at Yilgarn - Ralph Thomas Pairs - Wind up to follow - Ladies - H Copeman and A Cowan Drawn Pairs - AGM		
Monday	3	Circuit Gym Arts and Crafts and Book Exchange at Community Shed Seniors Movie at CRC	9.30am 10.00am-4.00pm 1.30pm	
Tuesday	4	Senior Citizens BOWLS - LADIES - AGM	2.00pm	
Wednesday	5			

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