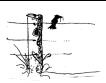
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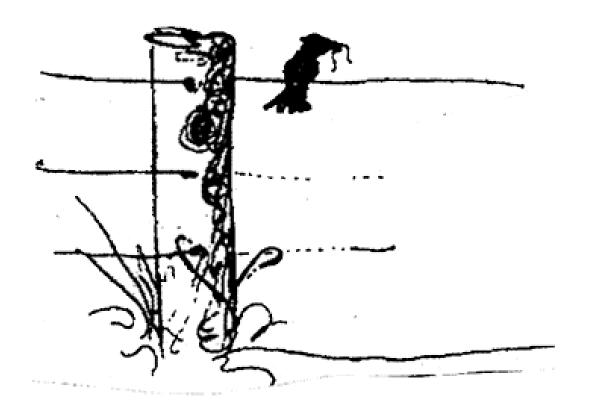
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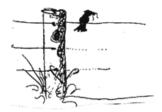
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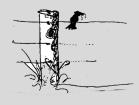
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- Life Member of The Fencepost IRIS BRISTOW -



Over the Fence....



Congratulations to Kristy Lee and Jake Cole on the arrival of their baby boy Huey William Cole. A brother for Marli



The Ogilvie families would sincerely like to thank everyone for attending our Mum's funeral. Thankyou for the lovely cards, phone calls, text messages, prayers and acts of kindness to us during Mum's passing.

Mum loved the Narembeen community and we thank you for the love shown to her through the years. We feel privileged to have been raised in such a great community.

Sincere regards,

Mervyn, Deanne and Heather

LOST/LENT/UNRETURNED

Red checked wool picnic rug -

On the evening of the car accident that happened around the Mt Walker rock a few weeks ago, we lent our picnic rug from our car to keep one of the injured warm. I'm just wondering if anyone who was there from the emergency services might know where it is? I was wondering, if perhaps it's at the ambulance depot and you are wondering what to do with it. If you know it's where abouts would you be so kind and ring me and let me know on 0417907119 - thanks - Rhonda Ashmore



BOCQUET

The caravan park has had a lot of visitors of late and a lot of the people have commented on how clean, tidy and easy to get around it is. This of course is a compliment to our shire staff who keep it that way.

VISITORS

A past Narembeen resident ,Peter Walker (Poo) with his partner Lyn, stayed at the caravan park for a couple of days and he managed to catch up with a couple of his old mates (Chunda) John Currie and Robert Hayter. Peter is the son of Irene and "Old Peter" who farmed the property we know as Avoca Farm.

TELSTRA



SPECIAL INVITATION



The October Ordinary Council Meeting will commence at 4:00pm with the Swearing in Ceremony for new and returning members, as well as the newly elected President and Deputy President. Public welcome to attend.



The Fencepost has always relied on volunteers since its inception. Without these people who are dedicated to informing the town of the news and other items we would not be able to produce a paper each week.

The things that go on behind the scenes are not noticed by the reader but be assured that there are and have been a lot of volunteers in this "Back Room".

Eleanor Brayshaw, Wendy Keane, Patti Latham, Marj Coverley, Maurie Harper, Yvonne Treloar, Rhonda Cole and many others, delivered to the outlets, collected money, put on labels and all those other little jobs that needed to be done to bring the news to you. All volunteers are very much appreciated no matter how little they may feel the contribution is. Some volunteers go above and beyond without any recognition. Please know your efforts are all appreciated very much "Thank you!"









NAREMBEEN HISTORICAL SOCIETY (INC) MEETING

Next Meeting: Monday, October 16, 2023

Commencing at: 2.00 pm

At: The HISTORY CENTRE (Road Board Building)

All Welcome – 'Young and Old'

Historical

On Friday a group of people from the Model A Restorers Club and Veteran Car Club at Collie visited the Narembeen Historical Society Machinery Museum. They were very impressed with the variety of machinery that was on display in the museum and the surrounding area. A visit to the Mens Shed and Gallery was an interest to them also. The men were delighted with the fact that the old garage building had been made good use of for the Mens Shed and also the equipment that it housed. The RSL Museum was opened for the visitors to browse through. The ladies were very interested in the artifacts that were there and enjoyed looking through the "Boans" catalogue and other old magazines on display, commenting that the fashions then (1953) are now coming back into vogue. Their vintage Model A Fords created a lot of interest for the local passers by and there were a couple of classic Falcons and a VW Combie van in the group also.

The motor enthusiasts were passing through on their way to Nungarin for a look at their museums and decided to stop off in Narembeen. Many were impressed with the accommodation at The Morning Sun Motel and will call through again.



from the CHIEF



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STORM WATER HARVEST PROJECT AT THE NAREMBEEN DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL

The Shire of Narembeen and NDHS successfully collaborated to obtain a grant from the Department of Water and Environmental Regulations to install four 2,854m2 water tanks to capture up to 913,280 litres of rainwater from the 2,854m2 school building roof space.

This collection and utilisation of rainwater to irrigate the school oval during the summer months reduces the reliance on the scheme water supply during dry times and helps save costs. The initiative also serves as a valuable teaching tool for students, raising awareness about sustainable practices and the importance of water conservation.

A shout out to all those in the community who assisted with the installation of the tanks and their collective effort to overcome some of the challenges and unforeseen issues right up to the day before school started – giving Deputy Principal Russ a few sleepless nights!

Willway Plumbing, Graig Kennedy. Chris Bray Electrical and the Shire of Narembeen Outside Crew. Congratulations...A job well done!



from the CHIEF

CRAMPHORNE ROAD

Scheduled works on Cramphorne Road has officially commenced, and our goal is to finish the project by Christmas. The project entails the following scope;

- Reconstructing and sealing the road to a width of 9m (SLK 32.29-37.29)
- Applying a second coat seal to specific sections (SLK 11.64-12.20 | 13.33-14.41 | 16.24-17.31)

We kindly request all road users to cooperate by following traffic control measures and being attentive to the road conditions.

Funding for this project comes in part from the Regional Road Group for capital road infrastructure.

NEW LOADER

As part of the 2023/24 plant replacement program, Council purchased a New John Deere 724k front end loader with a 3.5m³ bucket.

PLANT DISPOSAL

Council plans to dispose of the Volvo loader and 2 Mack trucks though Pickles (online) in the upcoming weeks.





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An Application Package outlining duties, responsibilities, and selection criteria is available by visiting www.narembeen.wa.gov.au. Confidential enquiries concerning the position can be made by contacting Ben Forbes, Executive Manager Corporate Services at <a href="mailto:emcs.com/emcs.com

Applications are the be submitted by 4pm Monday 23rd October 2023. Applicants are required to include a current resume and covering letter of application, clearly marked "Private & Confidential – Customer Services officer" and addressed to emcs@narembeen.wa.gov.au.



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Wednesday 6:00am - 7:00am Thursday 6:00am - 7:00am Friday 6:00am - 7:00am

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Open hours are subject to change depending on the weather. Follow the Shire of Narembeen social media or website for any updates.



Michael Lethlean - Pool Manager Ph: **(08) 9064 7390** (during open hours) For other enquiries or information please contact the Shire of Narembeen

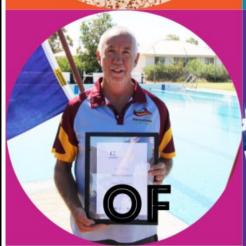
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SENIOR CITIZENS DINNER

The Narembeen Lions Club, together with Go Narembeen and the Shire of Narembeen annually host a Senior Citizens Dinner, this year to be held on Thursday December 7th.

The Dinner is to acknowledge the contributions that our Senior Citizens have made to the Narembeen community in previous years, and in most cases are still involved to enhance Narembeen.

Invitations will be mailed in the first week in November. We aim to get an invitation to all those eligible to attend. If you are a resident within the Shire of Narembeen and have attained the age of 65 we would be delighted to welcome you, and a partner, to the Dinner.

If you are new to Narembeen, recently gone past the 65 milestone, or did not receive an invitation last year, we are keen to hear from you so you can be seated at the Dinner. Please contact Lion Clarrie 0428 616042, Lion Greg 0429 463851 or Lion Ray 0427 161662.. Alternatively email narembeen.wa@lions.org.au Or for those who still favour post, Narembeen Lions Club, PO Box 26, Narembeen 6369.

Organising the Dinner draws on an extensive number of people, all volunteers, to create a very enjoyable evening, complete with entertainment, a delicious meal, and even a few drinks..

A decade ago we used to seat around 100 for the Dinner, but the past few years have seen a few less, with COVID a possible reason. We would be delighted if we could get back to three figures, so put a circle around December 7th for a great night out with your friends.

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Part Time Executive Support Officer

An exciting opportunity has arisen with the Shire of Bruce Rock seeking the services of a suitably skilled person to take on the role of Part Time Executive Support Officer This is a flexible role that can be from 3-4 days per week with negotiated hours per day.

The successful applicant will work in conjunction with the current Executive Services Manager who is Part Time to provide confidential secretarial and administrative support services for the Chief Executive Officer and the Senior Management Team.

Bruce Rock is ideally located just 245km east of Perth in the Wheatbelt region and has excellent services and facilities to make living in this great community very comfortable.

The successful applicant must possess;

- Excellent organisational and time management skills while having the ability to be flexible
- · Good computing skills and experience in Microsoft Office products
- Excellent written and verbal communication and interpersonal skills
- · The ability to exercise discretion and maintain confidentiality; and
- · Strong commitment to work as part of a team in an office environment

The position is offered between level 3.1 (\$27.20 p/h) and 5.4 (\$32.36 p/h) as per the Local Government Officers (Western Australia) Award plus 5% over award allowance, depending on skills and experience. Other incentives include generous superannuation options, uniform allowance, training and professional development and other employee benefits.

To obtain an information package contact Shenae Negri on 08 9061 1377, email shenae.negri@brucerock.wa.gov.au or visit the website www.brucerock.wa.gov.au.

Applications, addressing the selection criteria, including the names of two referees marked "Confidential – Part Time Executive Support Officer", will be received until 4.00pm on Friday 20th October 2023.

Shire of Bruce Rock
Private and Confidential
Part Time Executive Support Position
PO Box 113
BRUCE ROCK WA 6418

Darren Mollenoyux Chief Executive Officer Shire of Bruce Rock Po Box 113, Bruce Rock WA 6418



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Horticulturist x 1

Town Gardener x 1

The Shire of Bruce Rock is seeking suitable applications from enthusiastic and motivated people to join our Gardening Team. Ideally applicants will be a self-motivated and can work with limited supervision to assist in developing and maintaining Council's parks, gardens and streets.

The Bruce Rock Shire is ideally located just 245km east of Perth in the Eastern Wheatbelt region. Bruce Rock has a district hospital, doctor, dentist and chemist. Other facilities include excellent educational and shopping amenities, and its sporting and recreational opportunities are second to none. All of this combines to make living in Bruce Rock, as part of a great community, very comfortable.

The Horticulturist position requires an extensive working knowledge and experience maintaining lawns, planning, developing and maintaining gardens, reticulation and other associated duties.

The Town Gardener position requires good experience in maintaining lawns and gardens.

The position works a 9-day fortnight with wages and conditions in accordance with the Municipal Employees (Western Australia) Award Level 3 (\$24.07 per hour) to Level 4 (\$29.43 per hour) plus 20% over award allowance for the Gardening Position and Level 5 (\$25.44 per hour) to Level 6 (\$31.87 per hour) plus 20% over award allowance for the Horticulturalist Position. The yearly salary package ranges are \$57,074.78 - \$69,784.42 plus industry allowances for the Gardening Position and \$60,323.33 - \$75,570.14 plus industry benefits for the Horticulturalist Position. Other benefits include generous superannuation options, great work/life balance and potentially housing negotiated dependent on the successful applicant.

Written applications are sought outlining work history, responses to selection criteria and two recent work-related referees. If you are not contacted within 2 weeks of the closing date, please assume your application has not been successful.

An application package can be obtained from Shenae Negri on 9061 1377, or requested by email shenae.negri@brucerock.wa.gov.au, or at the Council's website www.brucerock.wa.gov.au.

Additional information is available by calling Shenae Negri on (08) 9061 1377. Applications can be submitted by post (address below), via email to: shenae.negri@brucerock.wa.gov.au, or in person at the Shire Office, 54 Johnson Street, Bruce Rock.

Shire of Bruce Rock Town Gardener Position Horticulturist Position PO Box 113 BRUCE ROCK WA 6418

Applications close at 4.00pm Friday 20th October 2023



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY Trades Assistant - Workshop

The Shire of Bruce Rock is seeking an enthusiastic person to fill the role of Trades Assistant at the Shire's Workshop. Ideally, the applicant will be a self-motivated person, who will work under the supervision of the Workshop Supervisor (or in their absence, the Manager of Works and Services) to assist in maintaining the Shire's fleet of vehicles, plant and equipment.

The position works a 9-day fortnight, with wages and conditions in accordance with the Municipal Employees (Western Australia) Award, Level 4. A higher remuneration level may be considered, dependent on skills and experience. Other benefits include Council's 20% Over Award payment and generous superannuation options.

For enquiries about the position, please contact David Holland, Manager of Works and Services on 0418 745 217.

To apply for the position, please submit a cover letter, a statement addressing the selection criteria contained in the Position Description, and your Curriculum Vitae in person at the Shire administration building, by post or by email to:

In person: Shire of Bruce Rock 54 Johnson Street BRUCE ROCK WA 6418

By post: Shire of Bruce Rock PO Box 113 BRUCE ROCK WA 6418

By email: shenae.negri@brucerock.wa.gov.au

Please mark your application as follows:

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Trades Assistant Position

Applications close at 4.00pm on Friday, 20th October 2023.



BOWLS NEWS

On Sunday the Men played the 100up competition
The winner was Greg Vaughan, runner up was Michael Currie
The Plate winner was Kim Anderson, runner up was Jeremy Padfield

The Ladies played the drawn pairs competition for Eilish Bailey and Di Miolini Trophy The Winners were: Kellie Mortimore and Julie Miller The Runners up were: Julie Hayter and Narelle Vaughan

Welcome to new members Mick and Rebecca McCall

Wednesday 11th - Ladies Pennants Round 1 vs Bruce Rock at home

The team is:

Kellie Mortimore, Helen Copeman, Julie Hayter and Maxine Miolini Sylvia Yandle, Anita Cowan, Julie Miller and Narelle Vaughan. Res-Maree Campbell

Sunday 15th

Men - Pennant Practice - President v Captains Trophy. Starting at 1.30pm Names to be in by 6pm Saturday Ladies - Social

Wednesday 18th - Ladies Pennants Round 2 vs Civic in Merredin **Saturday 21**st - Men's Pennants Round 1 vs Civic at home

There is a roster being made up for Afternoon Tea for the Men's Pennants Please phone Terri Tenardi to put your name on the list.

SUBS - Subs are now due by the 3rd playing date (15th October) SUBS - \$160 Full - \$120 Pensioner - \$60 Social BSB 306-026 Account 4179833

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Thanks to everyone who turned up to the busy bee on Saturday prior to Social tennis, it was great to see the club spruced up so quickly in the lead up to the 2023/2024 tennis season and the EDTA Junior Tennis Camp this weekend. Kondinin have opted to play Sunday pennants this year, so social was played on Saturday. We had a good turn out with 3 courts going along with a court of juniors who are keen to learn the game and practice their skills.

We started early to beat the heat on Sunday, I think the heat still beat more than a few of us especially for the first round, the flies also were particularly friendly, welcoming us into the new season. The saving grace was that Kondinin were also feeling the heat, and although the competition was high, Mt Walker came away with a win to start the season.

With the Association Junior Tennis Camp this weekend we have a pennants bye and look forward to a rest weekend (apart from helping on court with the juniors) to then take on the in form Hyden 1 in Round 3.

Mt Walker 17/136 def Kondinin 15/125

Team: Pete Cowan, Jessie Davis, Adam Miolini, Courtney Bormolini, Guy Bormolini, Shohan Hickey, Trent Davis, Felicity Cowan

Joint Kings of Mt Walker Pete Cowan & Trent Davis (both with an impressive 6 sets each)







MOUNT WALKER TENNIS CLUB

Thursday 12th October 4.30-5.30 pm Delivered by the Tennis West team No Cost Spot are Limited Join Cardio Tennis and hit up drills, activities and challenges that'll get you fit the fun way. All skill levels welcome to come have a swing.

Register: Felicity Cowan - 0428 191 083 or mtwalkertennis@gmail.com



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COMING EVENTS:

Thursday, 12 October

Sunsmart Cardio Tennis 4:30-5:30 followed by dinner

Saturday 14 & Sunday 15 EDTA Junior Tennis Camp at Mt Walker
Sunday 15 October Social from 3pm – BYO BBQ & Salad to share

Saturday 21 October Pennants Rd3 Mt Walker vs Hyden 1

Sunday 22 October DOUBLES CHAMPS – Irish Night BYO BBQ & a Potato Dish to share

SUBS DUE NOW (Tennis Members)

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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: Michael Morrone 0428 346 679 Secretary: Felicity Cowan 0428 191 083



Eastern Districts Tennis Association

SunSmart Junior Zone Camp

When: Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th October 2023

Where: Mount Walker Tennis Club

Saturday Times: registration 10am for a 10.30am coaching start and approx. 4pm finish

Sunday Times: 8am coaching start and approx 12.30pm finish

Times to be confirmed at registration Saturday with parents



Please contact Courtney Bormolini for any further information 0488333492





Narembeen CRC Update

Hello everyone!

We hope you all enjoyed the warmer weather over the last few days!

School holidays have come to an end and we wanted to thank everyone who came and supported the school holiday activities over the past weeks. After a busy craft morning in week 1, we had a movie morning last Thursday. Ten kids enjoyed watching the movie Storks.



Mental Health Week 2023

This week Thursday 12th of October the CRC will be celebrating Mental Health Week with an exercise Class and breakfast at the Narembeen Oval. We are very excited to have Brit from Locally Grown Fitness run the exercise class and hope many of you can make it to support this worthy cause! Mental Health is an important part of everyone's life and moving our bodies has a positive impact on our emotional wellbeing. So get your runners on and join us on Thursday at 7am

for the exercise class followed by a healthy breakfast from 8am at the CRC.

Children's Week 2023

We are so excited to be a recipient of the 2023 'Fuel to Go & Play' Community Grant! SAVE THE DATE and join us Wednesday, 25 October at the Apex Park from 3.00pm. All Children welcome. So why not join us for a fun afternoon of activities.

This event has been made possible thanks to Healthway, Lotterywest, Department of Communities and Meerilinga.



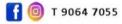
We hope you enjoy the rest of your week!

Georgia Atkins & Nora Kircher

Upcoming CRC Events 2023

- Mental Health Week Event: Thurs, 12 October, 7.00am
- Morning Coffee Club: Wed, 18 October, 10am
- Children's Week Event: Wed, 25 October, 3.00pm
- Story Time: Fri, 27 October, 10:30am
- Seniors Movie: Mon, 6 November, 1pm





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Narembeen Community Resource Centre

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Exercise Class: 7.00am Breakfast: 8.00am

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Grain Brokers Australia Weekly Market Report Written by Peter McMeekin – October 10, 2023

Russia's wheat market dominance set to continue...

With a second consecutive bumper wheat harvest almost complete, a seemingly endless supply of cheap Russian wheat continues to hit the international market, underpinning the nation's position as the world's number one exporter and alleviating global price pressures stemming from Putin's invasion of Ukraine in February last year.

In a speech last week, Russia's Agriculture Minister, Dmitry Patrushev, increased the Russian grain production outlook for the 2023/24 season to 135 million metric tonne, including 90MMT of wheat. This is second only to last season's total grain production of 157.7MMT, which included a record 104.4MMT of wheat.

While the official production projection is lower than that of Black Sea analyst SovEcon, who is currently pegging the crop at 91.6MMT, Russian agricultural consultancy IKAR at 92MMT, and domestic logistics giant Rusagrotrans at 92.9MMT, it is significantly higher than the 85MMT plugged into the USDA's September global supply and demand grid. It will be interesting to see if that forecast is increased in the October update, which is due for release later this week, as the USDA is still lowballing last year's crop at 90MMT.

According to the European Commission's Joint Research Centre Monitoring Agricultural Resources (JRC MARS), a good production outlook remains intact for all Russian crops despite some late-season weather extremes. Its latest Russian bulletin, issued on October 2, pegged the wheat crop at 89.7MMT off 28.4 million hectares for an average yield of 3.15 metric tonne per hectare. This is 13.7 per cent lower than JRC MARS' final 2022/23 production estimate of 103.9MMT off 29.2 million hectares and an average yield of 3.56MT/ha.

Winter wheat only made up 53.1 per cent of the total harvested area at 15.1 million hectares, down 9.3 per cent year-on-year, but with an average yield of 4.22MT/ha, the production forecast of 63.7MMT represents 71 per cent of the projected total wheat output. The harvested spring wheat area is up 6.4 per cent compared to 2022/23 at 13.3 million hectares, but the yield outlook is 18.4 per cent lower at 1.95MT/ha due to an unseasonably hot and dry finish for a final production estimate of 26MMT, 13 per cent lower than last year's harvest.

JRC MARS is pegging the Russian barley crop at 21.9MMT, 4 per cent lower than last season, despite a 6.2 per cent increase in the harvested area to 8.3 million hectares. The average yield is expected to fall by 9.9 per cent from 2.94MT/ha to 2.65MT/ha.

In complete contrast to wheat, spring planting dominates the barley production matrix in Russia, with 91 per cent of the harvested area and 84.6 per cent of the production estimate. Spring barley production is forecast to be 6.5 per cent lower year-on-year at 18.6MMT, off a harvested area of 7.5 million hectares, 5.3 per cent higher than in 2022, and a projected average yield of 2.47MT/ha, 11.2 per cent higher than last year. The winter barley area of 0.7 million hectares is expected to produce 3.4MMT, with an average yield of 4.55MT/ha.

According to JRC MARS, Russia's 2023 corn crop is likely to be 12.1 per cent higher than in 2022 at 17MMT. With the harvested only 3.3 per cent higher at 2.6 million hectares, the yield has done most of the work, 8.6 per cent higher than last year at 6.46MT/ha.

Russian wheat exports hit an all-time monthly record of 5.8MMT in September, according to the Russian Grain Union, and total exports in the first quarter of the 2023/24 marketing year (July to June) are 59 per cent higher than the same period in 2022 at around 15.3MMT. Russia has captured 28 per cent of global wheat exports in the first three months of the marketing year compared to an annualised share of 21 per cent last year.

Total grain exports for the same period totalled 18.2MMT, with Egypt the biggest buyer on 2MMT, 9.1 per cent higher than Q1 2022/23. Turkiye was the second biggest customer with 1.85MMT, down 10.3 per cent year-on-year, and Iran dropped from first to third on the podium with imports of 1.8MMT, down from 2.4MMT a year earlier.

Wheat exports from Russia's Black Sea ports in the week to October 4 reportedly increased by 30 per cent to 1MMT compared to the same period in 2022, with Egypt, Bangladesh and Iran the key destinations. However, October exports are forecast at 4.5MMT, much less than the September record and down from 4.9MMT last year.

The USDA has Russian wheat exports for the 2023/24 marketing year pencilled in at 49MMT in its September supply and demand update, 1MMT higher than in August and 3MMT higher year-on-year. This is in line with SovEcon, who are currently assessing export potential at 48.9MMT, 2MMT higher than its final number for 2022/23.

Russia's official statistical office, Rosstat, reported last week that wheat stocks held on-farm across Russia stood at 28.8MMT, 9 per cent lower than at the same time last year. Following last year's harvest, stocks have been running at post-Soviet era highs but have dipped below record levels amidst an extremely buoyant Black Sea export program and lower production. Despite the decline, on-farm stocks are still 21 per cent higher than the long-term average.

With the supply glut depressing global prices, Moscow is attempting to use its dominant position to establish a floor in the market. Not only would that placate its farmers, who are becoming increasingly distressed by dwindling incomes, as well as cool domestic flour prices by limiting exports, it would also boost the Kremlin's war-strained coffers by generating additional tax revenues.

Officials have been trying to enforce a price floor for wheat exports by refusing to grant export documents to lower-cost shipments, forcing some traders to renegotiate or even cancel deals. Last month, Egypt booked a massive quantity of Russian wheat in a private deal at a price well below the unofficial floor for public tenders. Several days later, Egypt said that the successful traders would be permitted to supply the grain from origins other than Russia.

The application of the floor has been quite inconsistent, with sales under more opaque pricing mechanisms fluctuating at much lower levels. It appears the trick is for traders to sell Russian wheat on an optional origin basis, which implies they haven't violated the unofficial floor price. That way, Russian wheat keeps marching out the door, and the Agriculture Ministry supposedly saves face.

However, the lack of visibility over pricing is creating turmoil in international markets, making it extremely difficult for merchants and global importers to take positions and anticipate market trends. But a huge surplus combined with a weak Ruble/strong Dollar that keeps Russia at the front of the global wheat market and droughts reducing output in other origins, the world's reliance on Russian wheat supply appears set to continue for much of 2023/24. Call your local Grain Brokers Australia representative on **1300 946 544** to discuss your grain marketing needs.

Birthdays



OCTOBER

11th	Graham Hunter	David Fudge	Nathan Fidge
	Narembeen	Ben Gill	Nolleen Brambrick
	Zac Maringoni	Sherrie Heather	
12th	Melody Beagley	Greg Sloss	Beverley Hunter
	Rhett McGill	Erin McKiernan	Lee Bondi
13th	Bruce Jackson	Gloria Markey(Hall)	Carolyn Fagan
14th	Tania Western(Edwards)		
15th	Jodi Hinkley	Anne Ransom	Jasmine Federici
	Ian Mortimore	Janine Sprigg	
16th	Sheree Butler	Peter McKiernan	
17th	Julie Hagley	Michael Mortimore	Carol Brayshaw
	Arli Vanderleer		
18th	Pam Wilson		



Amniversaries

OCTOBER

11th 12th	Larry & Diane Pember Denis & Muriel Rogers	
13th		
14th	Robert & Anna (Morrone)Fricker	
15th	Geoffery(Silver) & Susan(Lethlean) Wilkins	Kyle & Maddie(Main) DellaVedova
16th		
17th		
18th	Sherryl(Lethlean) & Kevyn Bow	

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CHURCH NOTICES



ST PAUL'S ANGLICAN

Sunday 15th October 2023 REV. DAVID RUSSELL VISIT

8.30am

Exodus Chapter 32 - Verses 1-14

Philippians Chapter 4-Verses 4-9

Reader - Ruth Hall

Mathew Chapter 22- Verses 1-14

Psalm 106

Church of Christ

Thursday 12th October 7.30pm

Bible study at D & R Smoker's home Word for the evening: Door

Sunday 15th October 10.00am

Worship Service with Sunday school during the service

Bible verse: Genesis 8:22

As long as the Earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease.

Seventh-day Adventist

105 Church Rd, Mt Walker

All most welcome

10:00 am Sabbath School - Adult Bible Study

Children's Program (at the same time)

11:30am Combined Worship Service

Speaker: Pastor Ben

Finally: Life is a grindstone, and whether it grinds a man down or polishes him up depends on the material he's made of.

Any queries please contact: Terry Ashmore 0427 907 119 Pastor Ben Townson 0403 053 288

ROMAN CATHOLIC

OUR LADY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

NO MASS THIS WEEK

Next week 22nd October 10.00am

Mass Service only on the 2nd and 4th week

of each month

Contact: R Hickey 0428 132 454

J Cusack 0408 064 727

Cleaning: J Cusack

Email: brucerockparish@gmail.com

FaceBook: Francis Mary Concepta Sacrament



COMMUNITY HEALTH INFORMATION



NAREMBEEN MEDICAL CENTRE - PHONE 9064 7145

Dr Lines consults Monday, Tuesday and Friday from 8am to 1pm. Thursday 8am to 12noon 1pm to 4.30pm

NO CONSULTATIONS ON WEDNESDAY

Please note that available appointments fill up very quickly – book early. NO TELEPHONE PRESCRIPTIONS WILL BE ISSUED.

Please phone 90647 145 for an appointment or book through Healthengine.

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

WHAT IS HAPPENING THIS WEEK

OCTOBER 2023

Wednesday 11th BOWLS - Ladies - Pennants - Narembeen V Bruce Rock

Thursday 12th Autumn Club 10.00am-2.00pm

Mental Health Exercise and Breakfast - at Oval 7.00am

Friday 13th Playgroup at Numbats Centre 9.30am

Saturday 14th Church

Men's Shed 9.00am

TENNIS - Mt Walker - Pennants - BYE

- EDTA Junior Camp at Mt Walker

- Narembeen - Pennants - Narembeen V Hyden

Sunday 15th Church

BOWLS - Men- President V Captains 1.30pm

- Ladies - Social

TENNIS - Mt Walker - Social - BYO BBQ and Salad

- Narembeen - Social 2.00pm

Monday 16th Circuit Gym 9.30am

Arts and Crafts and Book Exchange at Community Shed 10.00am-4.00pm

Historical Society Meeting - Road Board Building 2.00pm
Morning Coffee Club - CRC 10.30am

Tuesday 17th Senior Citizens 2.00pm

Wednesday 18th BOWLS - Ladies - Pennants - Civic V Narembeen

TENNIS - Hyden Mens Day

What is the meaning of the word 'varicose'?

Close pr

What is a fibula?

A little lie

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