

THE KULIN UPDATE

8th OCTOBER 2026

6 FIRE INFORMATION
For the latest bushfire information, including details about firebreaks and vehicle identifier stickers, please visit the Kulin website. Please be aware that burning permits are required from 15 September for any burning activities.

22 KULIN BUSH RACES
The weather was perfect, the crowds turned out and community spirit shone brightly. From the action on the track to the fantastic atmosphere around the grounds, catch up on all the news and photos.

29 KULIN ARTS CLUB
A wonderful community event made possible by many helping hands. Thank you to Erin for coordinating the event, the CWA ladies for their generous hospitality, and everyone who attended, volunteered or hosted a stall. Great work by all involved!

KULIN BUSH RACES 2026





Kulin
Community Resource Centre

Mon - Fri 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
38 Johnston Street, Kulin WA 6365
(08) 9880 1204
crccounter@kulin.wa.gov.au
www.kulin.wa.gov.au/crc-home



How to receive the Kulin Update via email?

Call or email us and let us know your name and email address so we can add you to the distribution list

Alternatively, visit

www.kulin.wa.gov.au/#newsletterscroll

How to advertise in the Kulin Update?

Complete the booking form found here -
www.kulin.wa.gov.au/council/news/community-newsletter.aspx and send your advert and completed booking form to crccounter@kulin.wa.gov.au

When are the deadlines?

All articles and booking forms are to be sent NO LATER than Tuesday, 4pm prior to the publication date.

What are the advertising costs?

1/4 page b/w - \$20
1/2 page b/w - \$25
1/2 page colour - \$50
Full page b/w - \$40
Full page colour - \$80
Front/ back - \$100

Members receive 20% off advertising costs, please contact
crccounter@kulin.wa.gov.au for more information.

Accepted document formats:

- PDF
- JPEG



Achieved something?

We would love to share any community news or achievements in the newsletter, send through the information to
crccounter@kulin.wa.gov.au

DEADLINES TO SUBMIT CONTENT FOR THE KULIN UPDATE

6th	October
20th	October
3rd	November
17th	November

DATES AND UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER

12th	Term 4 starts
21st	Council Meeting
23rd	Pat & Chat Vet
31st	Halloween

NOVEMBER

3rd	Melbourne Cup
11th	Remembrance Day
18th	Council Meeting

OCTOBER 2026

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
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Kulin Once Again Shines!

Kulin has once again outdone itself over the past few weeks!

Not only was the Kulin Bush Races another great success, but the lead-up to the races was equally epic. Visitors flocked to our town in droves, staying in Kulin to enjoy the atmosphere, explore our businesses and experience everything our community has to offer before heading to the racetrack.

We were inundated with glowing comments about our town, our businesses and, most importantly, our hospitality. The town was buzzing, and there was nothing better than seeing Kulin absolutely abuzz on Friday. People, music, markets and visitors all making the most of our main street and community facilities created a fantastic atmosphere.

It was a real credit to our town that we were able to welcome so many people and provide each of them with such a memorable experience.

Here at the CRC and Shire, it was a true team effort, both inside and outside the office. The town was presented magnificently, and this was certainly noticed and appreciated by our visitors.

Our amenities and gardens were neat, clean and tidy, and we continue to receive

plenty of positive feedback about the presentation of our town. Behind the scenes, looking after our visitors was also a hectic time, with plenty of people keen to explore the region and discover our natural attractions.

Most importantly, it was a true community-wide effort. Everyone played their part and, in their own way, became an ambassador for Kulin.

Thank you to everyone who helped make the Bush Races weekend such a success. From our businesses and volunteers to our Shire and CRC teams, event organisers and the wider community, it was fantastic to see everyone pulling together and showing visitors exactly what makes Kulin such a special place.

As we look ahead to the warmer months, it is a good time for our community to take note of the current burning periods and make sure we are all prepared for the bush fire season.

We are currently in the Restricted Burning Period, from 19 September to 31 October. During this period, burning permits are required.

This edition includes important bush fire information, including key contacts and firebreak requirements. We encourage all residents and landowners to take the time to read through this information and ensure they are familiar with their responsibilities.

By staying informed and

prepared, we can all play an important part in helping to keep our community safe during the bush fire season.

For the latest information and updates, please visit the Shire of Kulin website at www.kulin.wa.gov.au.

We've got some exciting news for the Kulin Aquatic Centre! We're thrilled to welcome Fanny and Redan back to Kulin, where they'll be managing the centre this season.

You may remember Fanny and Redan from their time working at the Freebairn Recreation Centre before they headed off on their travels. We're delighted to have them back in town and can't wait to see them bringing their energy and enthusiasm to the Aquatic Centre this season!

You'll no doubt spot them around town, so make sure you say hi, introduce yourself and give them a big Kulin welcome!

We're looking forward to a fantastic season at the pool and are excited to have Fanny and Redan back as part of our community.

Keep an eye out for community events and celebrations that are upcoming for the last few months of 2026!

Taryn Scadding

Executive Manager of
Community Services

RECOGNISE SOMEONE WHO MAKES A DIFFERENCE

They're the ones who make Kulin, so special.

COMMUNITY CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS

NOMINATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

Celebrate the locals who go above and beyond – the volunteers, organisers, mentors, carers, innovators and quiet achievers who make our community a stronger, kinder and more connected place.



*Volunteer.
Support.
Inspire.
Lead.
Care.
Create.
Connect.
Make a difference.*

2027

KNOW SOMEONE WHO DESERVES TO BE RECOGNISED?



NOMINATIONS CLOSE

31 OCTOBER 2026

Scan the QR code to nominate today or visit our website.



Shire of Kulin Bush Fire Information 2026/2027

Restricted & Prohibited Burning Times

Restricted

19 September - 31 October

Permit Required

Prohibited

1 November - 15 February

No burning allowed – permits will not be issued

Restricted

16 February - 15 March

Permit Required

Restricted and Prohibited Burning Periods may be extended at the discretion of the Council, and/or Chief Bush Fire Control Officer.

Fire Control Officers 2026/2027

Position	Name	Contact
Chief Bush Fire Control Officer (CBFCO)	Rod Diery	0427 037 705
Deputy CBFCO	Evan Wyatt	0417 914 442
Fire Weather Officer	Alan Leeson	0497 801 204
Deputy Fire Weather Officers	Evan Wyatt (DCBFCO) Judd Hobson	0417 914 442 0427 801 241

All of the above have also been appointed as Authorised Harvest Ban Officers

Bush Fire Brigades and Brigade FCO's

Brigade	Fire Control Officer	Contact
Kulin Town	Rod Diery Craig McInnes Judd Hobson	0427 037 705 0429 801 152 0427 801 241
Kulin North	Donald Bradford David Lewis Brendan Sloggett Lachlan Siviour	0427 801 252 0429 809 041 0427 081 925 0419 449 008
Kulin South	Darren Kirby Clinton Mullan John Bowey Braden Young	0429 831 009 0429 001 651 0429 801 331 0488 973 246
Jilakin / Pingaring	Evan Wyatt Sean Scadding Michael Lane	0417 914 442 0429 080 907 0427 004 701
Holt Rock / Little Italy	Brent Hyde Cameron Mudge	0427 773 314 0429 700 123





VEHICLE IDENTIFIER STICKERS

**Valid Oct 2026 - Sep 2028 now available
at Shire of Kulin.**

**Preparing for the fire season?
Application forms available on the
Shire of Kulin website to keep yourself
up-to-date.**

- Brigade Membership application
- Personal protective equipment request
- Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban SMS Register
- Vehicle Identifier stickers application
- Volunteer update details form

Enquiries to @kulin.wa.gov.au or 9880 1204



SHIRE OF KULIN FIREBREAK ORDER 2026/2027

Issued pursuant to Section 33 of the *Bush Fires Act 1954*

Notice to All Owners and/or Occupiers of Land

You are hereby required on or before **31 October 2026**, and thereafter up to and including **15 March 2027**, to have a 3 metre firebreak clear of all inflammable material on all rural and townsite land owned or occupied by you, as per the following requirements.

General Firebreak Requirements

Rural Land

- Immediately inside all external boundaries of the land.
- In such other positions as are necessary to divide land in excess of 400 hectares into areas not exceeding 400 hectares, each completely surrounded by a firebreak.
- Immediately surrounding any part of land used for crop.
- Parallel to and within 100 metres of the perimeter of all buildings, haystacks and fuel ramps situated on the land.
- Immediately surrounding any drum or drums or other receptacles situated on the land which are normally used for the storage of fuel, whether they contain fuel or not, provided that the firebreak required shall be not less than 5 metres wide.
- Immediately inside land on which bush has been bulldozed, chained or prepared in any similar manner for clearing by burning (whether you intend to burn the bush or not); provided that the firebreak required to comply with this paragraph only shall be not less than 7 metres wide. Where the land is prepared for clearing by burning after **19 September** you shall provide the firebreak immediately.

Townsite Land – Area Less than 1 Hectare

- All hazardous material must be removed from the whole of the land except living trees, shrubs and plants.
- In the remaining area all vegetation is to be maintained to a height of no greater than 100mm.
- It is recommended that at least a 2m wide area immediately within the external boundaries of the lot, be clear of all flammable material except for living trees, plants and shrubs. (Note: any land of one hectare or above – rural provisions apply.)

Important Notes

These requirements are made pursuant to Section 33 of the *Bush Fires Act 1954*. Failure to comply with this notice may render the landowner or occupier liable to a penalty and the Shire may carry out the required works at the owner's expense. These requirements are in addition to, and not a replacement for, the duty of care under the Act to prevent fire on your property.

Harvest and Vehicle Movement Bans – Exemptions for Fire Suppression Activities

During the period of a Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban (HVMB), the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer (CBFCO) may grant an exemption for the movement of plant or equipment (for example, a dozer) that has been called into fire suppression activities in another local government area.

This exemption is subject to the following condition:

- a fire unit must be in attendance whilst that activity is undertaken, attended by a person other than the person moving the plant/equipment.

Firebreak Variation

If it is considered by the owner or occupier of the land that it is impractical to clear firebreaks to comply with this notice due to soil erosion, the spread of salinity or for any other reason, a request for a variation may be made to the Council not later than 1 September of each year.

Such a request must be in writing and include a detailed farm plan showing the proposed location of firebreaks or of the alternative fire protection methods to be used.

Burning of Garden Refuse During Restricted Burning Period (Sec. 24 (f) *Bush Fires Act 1954*)

- (1) A person must not burn garden refuse at a place (other than a rubbish tip) during the limited burning times for that place unless it is burned —
 - (a) in an incinerator in accordance with subsection (2); or
 - (b) on the ground in accordance with subsection (3).Penalty: \$3 000.
- (2) Garden refuse burned in an incinerator is burned in accordance with this subsection if —
 - (a) the incinerator is designed and constructed so as to prevent the escape of sparks or burning material; and
 - (b) either:-
 - (i) the incinerator is situated 2 m or more away from any building or fence; or
 - (ii) if the incinerator is within 2 m of a building or fence, the local government has given written permission for the incinerator to be used; and
 - (c) there is no inflammable material within 2 m of the incinerator while it is in use; and
 - (d) at least one person is present at the site of the fire at all times until it is completely extinguished; and
 - (e) when the fire is no longer required, the person ensures that the fire is completely extinguished by the application of water or earth.
- (3) Garden refuse burned on the ground is burned in accordance with this subsection if —
 - (a) there is no inflammable material (other than that being burned) within 5m of the fire at any time while the fire is burning; and
 - (b) the fire is lit between 6 p.m. and 11 p.m. and is completely extinguished before midnight on the same day; and
 - (c) at least one person is present at the site of the fire at all times until it is completely extinguished; and
 - (d) when the fire is no longer required, the person ensures that the fire is completely extinguished by the application of water or earth.
- (4) A local government must not give permission under subsection (2)(b)(ii) unless it is satisfied that the use of the incinerator is not likely to create a fire hazard.

KULIN RE-USE WATER SUPPLY

STARTING FROM MID OCTOBER 2026

The Shire of Kulin wishes to advise that the town re-use water supply to the oval will recommence mid October 2026. This water will be applied between the hours of 10:00pm and 3:00am so will have no impact on normal oval use.



RESTRICTED BURNING



The Restricted Burning Period is in effect from 19th Sept – 31st Oct.

Key information:

- The Restricted Burning Periods are declared by Authority under Section 17 of the Bush Fires Act 1954.
- During this period, you can only burn one pile of garden waste at a time.
- Grass, paddock, bonfire and bush burning will require a permit from your local Fire Control Officer.



For further information contact the Shire Office

shire@kulin.wa.gov.au

08 9880 1204

BUSHFIRE WARNING SYSTEM



EMERGENCY WARNING

An out of control fire is approaching fast and you need to take immediate action to survive. If you haven't prepared your home it is too late.

You must seek shelter or leave now if it is safe to do so.



WATCH AND ACT

A fire is approaching and there is a possible threat to lives or homes. Put your plan into action. If your plan is to leave, make sure you leave early. If your plan is to stay, check all your equipment is ready.

Only stay and defend if you are mentally and physically prepared.



ADVICE

A fire has started but there is no immediate danger. Stay alert and watch for signs of a fire.

Be aware and keep up to date.

Where can I get information during an emergency?

📍 emergency.wa.gov.au 📞 13 DFES (13 33 37)

📱 @dfeswa 📺 @dfes_wa 📻 Local ABC Radio



Shire of Kulin

Community Update – Grain Out-loading Areas Removed from 2026/2027 Firebreak Order

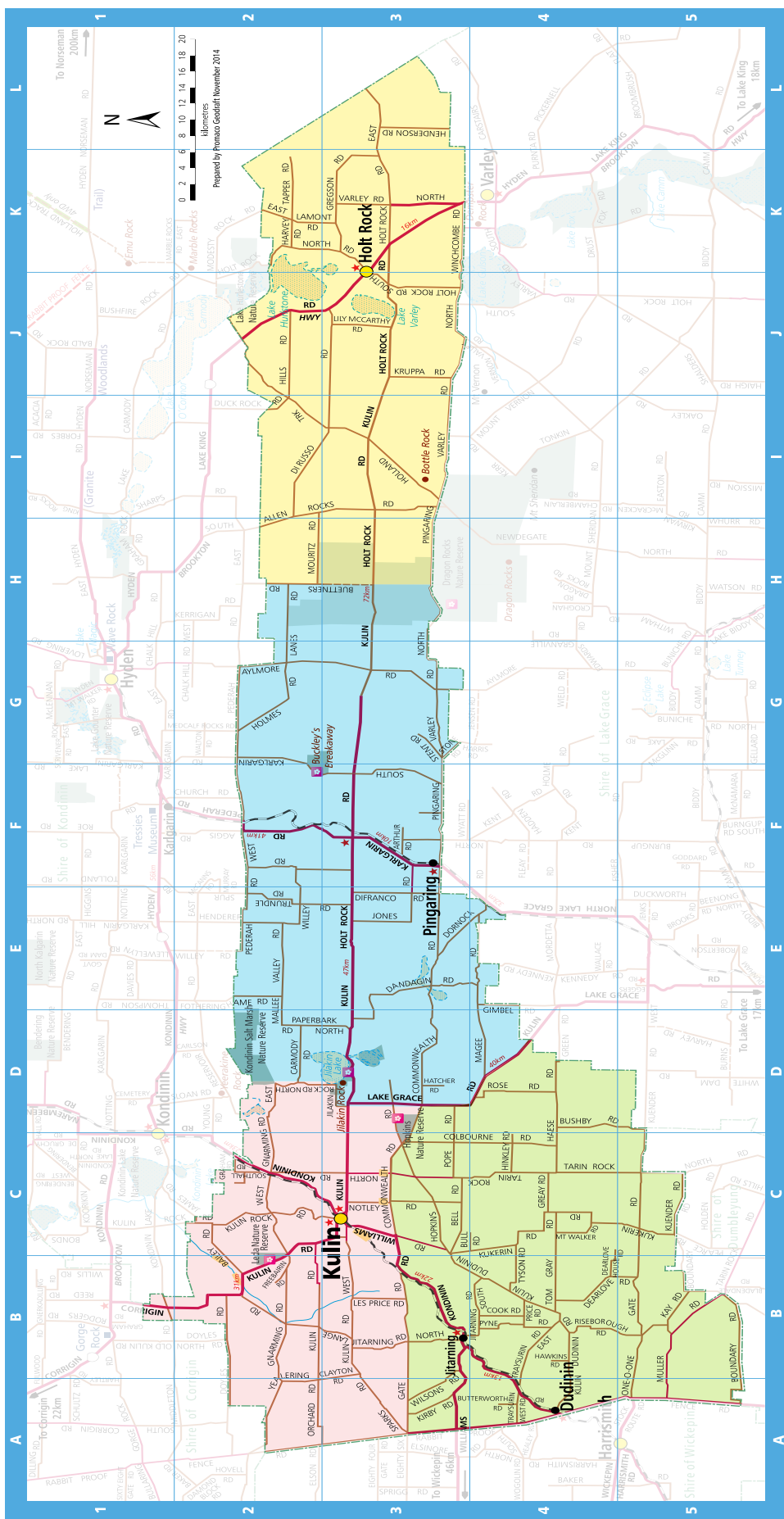
The Shire of Kulin has removed the provisions for Registered Grain Out-loading Areas from the 2026/2027 Firebreak Order. The change was unanimously supported by the Shire's Bush Fire Brigades at its meeting in Pingaring on 10 September 2026 and was subsequently endorsed by Council at its Ordinary Meeting on 23 September 2026.

Registered Grain Out-loading Areas were introduced for the 2025/2026 season to provide an approved arrangement for grain out-loading from registered hardstand areas during a Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban. Although the hardstand itself could be maintained as bare earth and supported by operational controls, the review identified uncertainty about responsibility and potential liability if a fire started in connection with the approved activity while a ban was in place.

Fire Control Officers and Council considered whether it was appropriate for the Shire to continue formally registering these areas while this uncertainty remained. On balance, it was agreed that removing the registration system provides the safest and clearest approach for the 2026/2027 season.

What this means for the 2026/2027 harvest: grain out-loading will not be permitted under a Shire-approved Registered Grain Out-loading Area arrangement while a Harvest and Vehicle Movement Ban is in place.

SHIRE OF KULIN BUSHFIRE BRIGADE BOUNDARIES



ZONE 1

KULIN NORTH & KULIN SOUTH

West of Jilakin Rock North &
Kulin Lake Grace Roads

ZONE 2

JILAKIN / PINGARING

East of Jilakin Rock North &
Kulin Lake Grace Roads
West of Buettner's Road
(Dragon Rocks Reserve)

ZONE 3

HOLT ROCK / LITTLE ITALY

East of Buettner's Road
(Dragon Rocks Reserve)

SHIRE NOTICES



SURPLUS PLANT FOR SALE

INVITATION FOR OFFERS

The Shire of Kulin invites written offers to purchase the following surplus plant. All items are offered as is, where is.

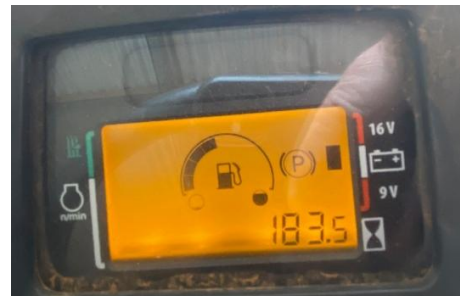
Toro Timecutter Z480

Offers from \$2,500 + GST



John Deere X350

Offers from \$2,500 + GST



Wilson Parkland Mower

Offers from \$1,000 + GST



Enquiries
Submissions:
Closing date

Owen Rees 0407 801 218
tenders@kulin.wa.gov.au
12:00PM Friday, 9th October 2026

KULIN

WEAR KULIN WITH PRIDE

Cultivating Kulin Committee has created a new range of Kulin shirts, designed for locals and visitors alike who want to wear our town name with pride.

Simple. Classy. Versatile.
A range for everyone.



T-SHIRTS
Men's & Women's



POLOS
Men's & Women's



**CLOSED FRONT
HALF BUTTON
LONG SLEEVE SHIRTS**
Men's & Women's



**BUTTON FRONT
LONG SLEEVE SHIRTS**
Men's & Women's



FOR LOCALS
AND VISITORS



SMART ENOUGH
TO DRESS UP,
RELAXED ENOUGH
FOR EVERYDAY WEAR



REASONABLY
PRICED



ORDER YOUR
PREFERRED SIZE
AT THE VISITOR CENTRE
OUR ORDERING SYSTEM
IS QUICK AND PROMPT.

For the paddock, the pub, the road trip or wherever you happen to be, take a little Kulin with you.

AVAILABLE AT THE KULIN VISITOR CENTRE
STOCK AVAILABLE ON SHELF OR ORDER YOUR SIZE TODAY



King Rocks Wind Farm



Thank you

Thank you to the community in the Shire of Kulin for your patience during the transportation of wind turbine components as part of the King Rocks Wind Farm.

The transportation of components for the 17 wind turbines commenced in late May 2026, with the final of the 51 wind turbine blades completing its journey on 20 September.

With all major wind turbine components now on site, turbine installations are progressing, with the first eight wind turbines now erected. The project's substation is also progressing, with electrical and mechanical works continuing and pre-commissioning activities now underway.

The King Rocks Wind Farm will generate up to 105 megawatts of renewable energy for the South-West Interconnected System and is anticipated to be operational from 2027.



For more information

community@synergy.net.au | 0487 993 106
synergyred.net.au/king-rocks-wind-farm



OWNED BY
**THE PEOPLE
OF WA**

UPPER GREAT SOUTHERN PRE-SEASON BUSHFIRE FORUM

*CALLING ALL CHIEFS, DEPUTIES, FIRE CONTROL
OFFICERS, CAPTAINS AND BRIGADE LEADERS*

THIS YEAR THE DFES UPPER GREAT SOUTHERN REGION WILL HOST 2
PRE-SEASON FORUMS FOR CHIEFS, DEPUTIES, FIRE CONTROL
OFFICERS, CAPTAINS AND BRIGADE LEADERS.

FORUM HIGHLIGHTS

- **NETWORKING LUNCH AND PRE-SEASON CATCH UP**
- **BOM SEASONAL WEATHER BRIEFING**
SEASONAL FORECAST - WHAT TO EXPECT
- **A PRACTICAL APPROACH TO ESTABLISHING CONTROL AT AN
INCIDENT**
INCIDENT SIMULATION AND LIVE Q&A
- **THE IMPORTANCE OF INFORMATION FLOW**
HOW EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION CAN IMPACT YOUR INCIDENT

EAST FORUM

KULIN
TENNIS CLUB

13 OCTOBER 2026
12:30PM – 5:00PM



WEST FORUM

WILLIAMS SPORTS
COMPLEX,
WILLIAMS

14 OCTOBER 2026
12:30PM – 5:00PM



**GET FIT
AT YOUR
LEVEL**

Kulin Tennis Club Activation

**Tuesday 13 October
6PM
Kulin Tennis Club**

The balanced session focusing on
blending drills and play with high energy.

**For people who love
working up a sweat.**


**cardio
tennis**
To book, SMS or Email
Taryn:
0429 199 226
kulintennis@gmail.com
cardiotennis.com.au

Megan Henry Tennis & Johnine Barlow Remedial Massage Therapist

PROUDLY PRESENTS

Serve & Sculpt

Women and Girls Wellness Event

MOVEMENT | WELLNESS | CONNECTION

KULIN REC CENTRE | 29th OCT | 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Coffee & Fruit @Acres of Taste | 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Swing into the ultimate fusion of
Cardio Tennis and Strength & Conditioning
Co-delivered by Tennis Coach Megan Henry &
Remedial Massage Therapist Johnine Barlow

Serve and Sculpt will boost your Body & Game
and leave you feeling strong from

Core to Court

- 40 mins of Cardio Tennis
- 40 mins of Restorative Strength & Conditioning
- 10 minute Relaxing Centering Meditation
- Followed by a Coffee & Fruit @ Acres of Taste

Suitable for ALL Women & Girls

Register with your Mum | Daughter | Sister | Friend | Auntie | Niece

Limited Spots | \$65 | Rego's Essential

A moment for your BODY | MIND | SOUL

Glow Up & Show Up in your fav Active Wear

Serve and Sculpt combines the LOVE of
both Tennis and Strength & Conditioning
for the ultimate ON COURT session.
Come for the VOLLEY'S & MOVEMENT
And stay for the Connection & Friendships

| TENNIS | MUSIC | FULL BODY CONDITIONING |
| CONNECTION | COFFEE & FRUIT



KULIN
TENNIS CLUB



JOHN WILSON'S MIXED DOUBLES *Fast 4s Day*



**SATURDAY
24TH OCTOBER**



12PM START



\$25 PER PLAYER

**NAMES IN BY
THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER**

Contact

Taryn Day



0429 199 226



kulintennis@gmail.com

KULIN
TENNIS CLUB



SOCIAL **TENNIS**



WEDNESDAY
5.30pm onwards



A promotional graphic for pickleball at Freebairn Rec Centre. The top half features a close-up photograph of three bright yellow-green pickleballs and a black pickleball paddle resting on a green court surface, with a black net in the background. The bottom half has a dark blue background with white and yellow text and decorative elements. A white banner with the word 'PICKLEBALL' in large, bold, black letters is centered. To the left of the banner is a small white starburst icon, and to the right is a small white 'X' icon. Below the banner, the text 'Thursday 10am' and 'FREE Sessions' are displayed in white. A horizontal line separates this from the text 'Pickleball back on Thursday 15th October (Excluding Thursday 29th October)' and 'Freebairn Recreation Centre, Kulin'. Below this, the text 'Call Gwen' is shown, followed by a white box containing the phone number '0429222050'.

PICKLEBALL

Thursday
10am

FREE
Sessions

Pickleball back on Thursday 15th October
(Excluding Thursday 29th October)

Freebairn Recreation Centre, Kulin

Call Gwen

0429222050

★ HOLT ROCK, WA ★

HOLT ROCK HOEDOWN

★ SATURDAY ★
24 OCTOBER
2026

★ LIVE MUSIC FROM ★

**HAYDEN
McGLINN**

★
**ROGUE
PONY**

Fundraising for



Royal Flying
Doctor Service



FRIDAY NIGHT
Walk Ups



**RAFFLES &
AUCTIONS**
SATURDAY



CAMPING
*from Friday night
to Monday morning*

**GET YOUR
TICKETS!**

★ **TICKETS ON SALE NOW** ★
events.humanitix.com/holt-rock-hoedown-2026

★ WWW.HOLTROCKHOEDOWN.COM ★



KULIN, YOU'VE DONE IT AGAIN!

After months of planning, weeks of Busy Bees and one very big weekend, the 2026 CRISP Wireless Kulin Bush Races is done and dusted!

And what a weekend it was. We couldn't have asked for better weather, we had a fantastic crowd with no major incidents, and the positive feedback that has rolled in since the weekend has been incredible. But before we talk numbers, records or anything else, the biggest thank you has to go to our volunteers.

Quite simply, this event doesn't happen without you. From those who started helping months ago, to the crews who turned up for Busy Bees, filled rosters, worked bars, kitchens, gates, camping, racing, rubbish, kids entertainment and everything in between, thank you.

We know there will be plenty of weary bodies around Kulin this week... although perhaps none quite as weary as the dedicated few who somehow managed to go from closing the Hamburger Hut on Saturday night to helping with Sunday breakfast without the inconvenience of sleep in between!

We're not entirely sure Minnie appreciated the condition some of her breakfast volunteers arrived in, but -

-we certainly love seeing our volunteers enjoy the weekend too. After all the hours everyone puts in to make the Bush Races happen, there has to be a little fun amongst the hard work and judging by the photographic evidence, there certainly was!

A Weekend to Remember

There were a few numbers from the weekend that are worth celebrating and some of them are pretty impressive!

Across the event we sold or allocated 4,239 tickets, with a fantastic 90% attendance rate. Among those were 329 adult and 58 youth volunteer tickets, that's an incredible 387 volunteers who gave their time over the weekend to help make KBR happen.

Our Mini Tin Horse Race had its biggest year yet, with an incredible \$10,400 paid for the horses. One little champion went for a whopping \$2,000, meaning \$5,200 will go to the Royal Flying Doctor Service. Not bad for a few miniature horses and some very competitive bidding!

Our TAB also didn't just break its previous turnover record of \$124,000—it absolutely smashed it, with \$158,000 in turnover across the meeting.



We also noticed what seemed to be a younger crowd this year, and they certainly came ready for a good weekend. Most of our food outlets sold out and there wasn't a great deal left behind the bars by the time it was all over, which we're sure had absolutely nothing to do with the condition of some of our Sunday morning volunteers!

Together, those results put us in a great position for another strong financial year. And as always, that success doesn't stop at the racecourse. The better the Bush Races does, the more we're able to invest back into our event, facilities and wider community.

When Plan A Becomes Plan B...

A special thank you needs to go to the girls who pulled together our Volunteer Wind-Up food on Sunday.

At around midnight Saturday, we received the slightly alarming message that our planned food vendor had completely run out of food and wouldn't be able to cater for us the next day.

Not ideal when you've got a hungry volunteer army expecting lunch!

With very little notice, the girls rallied, found food and somehow managed to put together a feed for everyone on Sunday.

Thank you for stepping in and making it happen. Another perfect example of the KBR attitude of simply finding a way when plans change.

BEHIND THE SCENES OF



Thank You, Kulin

Our thanks also extends well beyond the racecourse.

To our local businesses, thank you for handling the extra pressure that comes with thousands of visitors arriving in town. Just as importantly, thank you for the flexibility you give your staff in the weeks leading into the event. We know many businesses juggle rosters and workloads so their employees can help us prepare, and that support doesn't go unnoticed.

To all of our partners and sponsors, thank you for continuing to back our little event in Kulin. Your financial and in-kind support allows us to keep improving the Bush Races while continuing to give back to the community that supports us.

A particularly big thank you goes to our Naming Partner, CRISP Wireless, as their three-year agreement with the Kulin Bush Races comes to an end. CRISP has been part of an enormous period of growth and change for our event, and we're incredibly grateful for their support over the past three years.

A Personal Thank You

I'd also like to take the opportunity to personally thank everyone who supported me in my role as Event Coordinator this year.

There were plenty of ideas thrown around over the past 12 months—some sensible, some ambitious and probably a few that had people quietly wondering what I'd come up with next!

KULIN BUSH RACES



But never once was an idea dismissed as too big or too hard.

Instead, people rolled up their sleeves, worked out how we could make it happen and backed me all the way.

For that, I am incredibly grateful. It's a pretty special community to work for and an even better team to work alongside.

Before We Forget...

While everything is still fresh in our minds, we're hoping to send a short volunteer survey out in the coming weeks. We'd really appreciate everyone taking a few minutes to complete it. The good, the bad and the "we definitely need to do that differently next year" are all important.

We're also asking our Area Coordinators to jot down a few simple dot points about what worked well in their areas and what could be improved. It doesn't need to be a full report we just want to capture those thoughts now, before October 2027 rolls around and we're all trying to remember what on earth happened!

For now, though, put your feet up, enjoy having your weekends back and give yourselves a very well-earned pat on the back.

Kulin, you did it again.

Thank you.

Simone Lockyer-Luscombe
Event Coordinator

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2026 AGM- Community Bank Kulin

Please join us for dinner at the Hub. All Shareholders welcome.

When Tuesday 20th October 2026

Time 7.00pm Please note a director only meeting will be in session prior to 7pm. Please wait to be invited in.

Where Kulin Community Hub, 75 Johnston Street, Kulin

RSVP By Friday 16th October
kcfstreasurer@outlook.com
Text- 0429801151

A Kulin Bush Christmas 2026

SAVE THE DATE

Tuesday 1 December 2026
11.30 am – 2.00 pm

Phil Room
Freebairn Recreation Centre, Kulin

Kulin Over 55's,
we're preparing a magical Christmas luncheon.
It's time to let your mischievous side out
and embrace the fun of the silly season...
RSVP DETAILS COMING SOON

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Primary Industries and
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A beautiful result for the RFDS

Bush Races weekend was another busy one at the Kulin Memorial Hall, with the Kulin Quilters' annual Display & Sales and the Kulin Handmade Markets bringing plenty to see, browse and enjoy.

This year's beautiful handmade quilt raffle raised **\$680** for the Royal Flying Doctor Service, with the quilt heading home to Perth with lucky winner Toni, who was visiting Kulin for the races.

Second prize, a set of handmade cushions, stayed a little closer to home, won by our very own Mr Harold Proud.

Not content to stop there, the generous ladies of the Kulin Quilters have decided to contribute a further **\$320**, bringing their donation to a wonderful **\$1,000** for the Royal Flying Doctor Service and the vital work it provides to rural and remote communities.

\$680

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Handmade Kulin

The Kulin Handmade Markets once again filled the Memorial Hall with colour, creativity and plenty of wonderful handmade products over Bush Races weekend.

A **big thank you to Erin Bailey** for coordinating the market stalls and to the **Kulin CWA** for providing morning tea and adding another warm touch of country hospitality to the weekend.

Thank you to everyone who displayed, created, baked, volunteered, bought a raffle ticket, browsed the stalls or simply stopped in for a cuppa and a look around. It was another lovely **showcase** of the creativity and community spirit we have right here in Kulin.

Our
community
creates
something
special

Made by hand. Shared with heart. ♥

A festive poster for the 'Decorate your Ride Parade' on Saturday, 12th December 2026. The poster features a large green tractor, a silver SUV, and a blue car decorated with Christmas lights and garlands. The background shows a sunset over a field with trees and a red and white striped tent. The text 'SAVE THE DATE!' is at the top, followed by 'DECORATE your RIDE PARADE'. The date 'SATURDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2026' and 'PARADE BEGINS AT 6PM' are prominently displayed. At the bottom, there are five categories: 'BEST DRESSED VEHICLE', 'BEST DRESSED JUNIOR ENTRY', 'BEST DRESSED BIG MACHINE', 'MOST CREATIVE ENTRY', and 'PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD'. The poster also includes the text 'ENTRY IS FREE Everyone Welcome!', 'START PLANNING your Christmas masterpiece now!', and 'MORE DETAILS & entry information coming soon'.

SAVE THE DATE!

KULIN
CHRISTMAS CARNIVAL

★ **SATURDAY** ★

12 DECEMBER 2026

4:30PM – 9:00PM

FREEBAIRN RECREATION CENTRE & OVAL

★ **KULIN** ★

 CHRISTMAS MARKETS	 MRS SANTA'S CORNER	 SNOW YARD FOAM PARTY	 DECORATE YOUR RIDE PARADE
 FOOD & DRINK	 FACE PAINTING	 LIVE ENTERTAINMENT	 BALLOON TWISTING

★ BRING THE FAMILY AND JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF ★
CHRISTMAS MAGIC, CARNIVAL FUN AND COMMUNITY CELEBRATION.

BACK TO SCHOOL

Find and circle the 'back to school' vocabulary words.

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Kulin Bush Races

Last week we spent some time together exploring our Community event Kulin Bush Races! We worked on some beautiful horse inspired craft with water dye and a trimmed card mane. Many of our families are involved volunteering at KBR and some children attend the event and busy bees. Spending time talking about our community event with the children helps them develop a sense of community and how each of us contribute to our world.



Welcome Kambarang

We have moved into the Noongar season of Kambarang. This means slightly warmer days and less rain. It seems everything around us is in flower which means we have lots of petals in our mud kitchen at daycare. The warmer days have allowed for some great water play including this little water channel dug by the children.



Garden Jobs

The children have been working hard getting their seedlings going in the garden and veggie patch. We have a lovely patch of flowers growing near our gate which includes seeds the children started. In the veggie patch we have a range of spring seedlings which have gone in. we are also keeping a close eye on our native seeds which we planted around 2 months ago, we have a number of species which have germinated. The worms have also been getting fed lots of leafy greens and paper as the weather warms and they become more active.



Thank you to our families and community for supporting us.

ZIPPY BARRA WRAPS: THE FIRST TASTE OF SUMMER



The start of spring is always a bit of a tease.

The odd lovely warm day vanishes into a series of chilly, foggy mornings or sudden downpours. You start feeling tempted to pack away the winter woolies, only to reach for a jumper and warm socks again when the sunshine disappears behind the clouds and the wind whistles up to poke at you with cold fingers.

But look outside. The grass is growing, the flowers are blooming and yes, fitful as it might be, the sun is shining.

And that means I want to encourage it along. Manifest it, if you will.

I am ready for those long evenings when it's delightfully warm, the BBQ comes back into daily rotation, and you feel like throwing open the windows to air out the house and let a warm breeze roll through with music playing. The kind of weather that leaves you feeling awake and ready for a little fun, rather than longing for PJs, a snuggly blanket and a hot cuppa.

And I'm ready for the food that goes with it.

I mentioned the BBQ before and, once summer hits, I'll be honest: I probably cook five dinners a week on it. Because who wants to heat up the house? But also, I love the flavour, the ease and the quickness of cooking that way. Something on the grill, a fresh salad alongside it, dinner done.

None of that, however, means compromising on flavour.

We were out the other day and my daughter ordered fish tacos. We'd been talking about summery, fresh flavours and I'd say she was inspired.

Now, they weren't bad. In fact, they were pretty tasty.

But they weren't quite the bold, zippy, fresh hit we'd been hoping for.

So, I headed home and got to thinking.

And cooking.

Because if I'm going to have a summer-inspired meal, then, my friend, I want it to sing of summer.

It should be fresh and sunny, full of zip and flavour. Light enough that you don't feel weighed down at the end of it, but filling enough that you're actually satisfied. The sort of dinner that begs to be eaten outside and pairs beautifully with something cold to drink at the end of the day.

So, this is my take on the fish taco: Zippy Barra Wraps.

We're talking smoky grilled barramundi, crisp cos, a juicy tangelo, capsicum and chilli salsa, sharp quick-pickled red onion and a creamy jalapeño sauce with chunky pieces of avocado folded through it. There's fresh chilli, pickled chilli, citrus and just enough smoky sea salt to bring the whole lot together.

And you can use whatever your favourite wrap happens to be.

I struck gold with some lovely sourdough wraps from the Mount Barker Bakery when I was down there and wisely decided to freeze several packs for future use. They're my go-to now, but honestly, any good soft wrap will work. Or, if

you're feeling particularly adventurous and energetic, have a crack at making your own flour tortillas. They're actually not terribly difficult—just a little time-consuming.

For me, though, those sourdough wraps were an easy winner.

And my friend, let me tell you, this was one tasty meal.

So, from my table to yours, here's the first taste of summer. Enjoy.

KC Pederick
Community Development Officer

ZIPPY BARRA WRAPS

Serves: 2 generously

Makes: 4 wraps

INGREDIENTS

Quick-Pickled Red Onion

- 1/2 small red onion, very thinly sliced
- 2 tbsp fresh lime or lemon juice
- 1 tbsp apple cider or white wine vinegar
- 1/2 tsp agave syrup
- Good pinch salt

Tangelo, Capsicum & Chilli Salsa

- 1 tangelo Minneola
- 1/2 red capsicum, finely diced
- 1/2 Lebanese cucumber, finely diced
- 1 fresh jalapeño, finely diced
- 1/2–1 bird's-eye chilli, very finely chopped
- Small handful fresh coriander, roughly chopped
- A little finely grated lime or lemon zest
- 1 tbsp fresh lime or lemon juice
- 1 tsp extra-virgin olive oil
- Pinch smoked sea-salt flakes
- Freshly cracked black pepper
- Agave syrup/honey, if needed

Chunky Avocado & Jalapeño Crema

- 3 tbsp Greek yoghurt or sour cream
- 1 1/2 tbsp whole-egg mayonnaise
- 1–2 tbsp pickled jalapeños, finely chopped
- 1 tsp jalapeño pickling liquid
- Zest of 1/2 lime, or a little lemon zest
- 1 tbsp fresh lime or lemon juice
- Small handful coriander, finely chopped
- 1/2 small garlic clove, finely grated
- Pinch ground cumin
- Pinch smoked sea-salt flakes
- Freshly cracked black pepper
- 1/2–1 ripe avocado, cut into chunky pieces

Smoky Grilled Barramundi

- 400–500 g barramundi fillets
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 small garlic clove, finely grated
- 1/2 tsp ground cumin
- 1/2 tsp smoked paprika
- Zest of 1/2 lime or lemon
- Freshly cracked black pepper
- Smoked sea-salt flakes
- Fresh lime or lemon juice, to finish

To Serve

- 4 sourdough or soft flour wraps
- Cos lettuce, finely shredded
- Fresh coriander
- Fresh jalapeño, very thinly sliced, if you want extra heat
- Lime or lemon wedges
- Smoked sea-salt flakes

METHOD

1. Quick-Pickle the Red Onion.

Mix everything together, give the onion a gentle scrunch with your fingers and set aside for 20–30 minutes, stirring occasionally.

2. Make the Tangelo Salsa.

Cut the skin and white pith from the tangelo and remove the segments from between the

membranes. Roughly dice the flesh.

Combine the tangelo with the capsicum, cucumber, jalapeño, bird's-eye chilli and coriander. Add a little citrus zest, the juice, olive oil, smoked salt and black pepper. Toss gently and leave for about 10 minutes.

Now taste it. If your citrus has given the salsa a slightly bitter or overly sharp edge, add about 1/4 teaspoon of agave syrup/honey. Toss and taste again. You're not trying to make the salsa sweet—the agave is simply there to round everything out if it needs it.

3. Make the Chunky Avocado and Jalapeño Crema.

Mix everything except the avocado together.

Give it a taste. You want this sauce quite punchy—tangy, salty, citrusy and with a good jalapeño kick. Remember, once it meets the wrap, lettuce and fish, all those flavours will soften a bit.

When you're happy with it, gently fold through the avocado. Don't mash it. We're not making guacamole here; we want lovely buttery chunks of avocado scattered through the creamy sauce.

Pop it in the fridge while you cook the fish.

4. Grill the Barramundi.

Pat the barramundi dry.

Mix the olive oil, garlic, cumin, smoked paprika, citrus zest and black pepper together and rub lightly over the fish. Season with smoked sea-salt flakes and leave for about 10–15 minutes.

Get your BBQ grill or heavy frying pan properly hot.

Cook the barramundi until beautifully golden on the outside and just cooked and succulent inside—roughly 3–4 minutes on the first side and another 2–3 minutes after turning, depending on the thickness of your fillets.

As soon as it comes off the heat, give it a generous squeeze of fresh lime or lemon juice.

Rest for a couple of minutes, then break the fish gently into large, juicy flakes. Taste and add another little sprinkle of smoked sea salt if it needs it.

5. Bring It All Together.

Warm your wraps on the BBQ or in a dry frying pan until they're soft with a few lovely, toasted patches.

Just before serving, toss the shredded cos with the tiniest squeeze of citrus and a pinch of smoked salt.

Spread each warm wrap generously with the chunky avocado and jalapeño crema. Add the crisp cos and plenty of hot, flaky barramundi.

Spoon over the cold tangelo, capsicum and chilli salsa, followed by a tangle of pickled red onion.

Finish with fresh coriander, a few wafer-thin slices of jalapeño if you like things hot, another squeeze of citrus and a final scattering of those gorgeous smoked sea-salt flakes.

Fold it up, grab something cold to drink and, preferably, take the whole lot outside.

NOTES

You will probably have some leftover salsa and crema after this depending on how high you pile your wrap, cover and fridge them and make some more tomorrow. This is also good with grilled chicken as a different take or make more of the fish and take it from dinner for two to a party.

Summer might not quite be here yet, but dinner doesn't need to know that.

COMMUNITY NOTICE



UPDATED AUGUST 2026

Wheatbelt Health and Aged Care Services For people over 65 years or Aboriginal people over 50 years Government Subsidised & Free



Wheatbelt

A Wheatbelt DLG
Ageing Well and In
Place Priority Area
Working Group
(PAWC) Initiative

REGISTRATION REQUIRED

My Aged Care is the Government's starting point for accessing aged care services. To receive any government-subsidised supports - including in-home help, community programs, respite or residential care - registering with **My Aged Care** and completing an assessment is compulsory. Once registered older people, families and carers can be linked with suitable services and providers that meet their needs.

To register:

Ph: 1800 200 422 (Mon-Fri 8am-8pm) or visit

W: www.myagedcare.gov.au

Note receipt of the below services are based on **assessment and eligibility**.

It is recommended to use the online 'Should I apply' tool. MyAgedCare.gov.au/Should-I-Apply

Government Subsidised RESIDENTIAL AND RESPITE

RESIDENTIAL & OVERNIGHT RESPITE

Multi-Purpose Service (MPS): Delivers residential aged care, hospital and community health services under one combined facility in small rural towns, allowing older residents to receive ongoing care locally. **Towns included:** Beverley, Bruce Rock, Corrigin, Dalwallinu, Moora, Dumbleyung, Goomalling, Kellerberrin, Kondinin, York, Kununoppin, Lake Grace, Merredin, Narembeen, Quairading, Southern Cross, Wongan Hills, Wyalkatchem.

Residential Aged Care Homes:

Brookton
Kalkarni Residency
Kellerberrin
Dryandra Residential & Community Care Inc
Narrogin
Karinya Residential Care Residency by Dillons
Northam
Juniper Bethavon
Juniper The Residency
Wagin
Juniper Waratah Lodge
York
Baptist Balladong Gardens

DAY RESPITE

Social connection and respite opportunities for older people.

Killara Adult Day & Respite Centre (Northam)
Ph: (08) 9622 5765

Silver Chain Group Social Support Centre (Narrogin)
Ph: 08 9890 0900

Government Subsidised COMMUNITY AGED CARE

SUPPORT AT HOME PROGRAM / COMMONWEALTH HOME SUPPORT PROGRAM (CHSP)

Government-funded services to help older people remain living at home. Potential supports that can be provided include:

- Home modifications and equipment
- Home maintenance and repairs
- Domestic assistance
- Meals and nutrition
- Transport and social support
- Nursing and allied health therapy
- Personal care
- Restorative care management
- Therapeutic services

SHORT TERM PATHWAYS

Additional short-term supports available through Support at Home:

- Restorative Care
- End of Life Pathway
- Assistive Technology & Home modifications

CARER SUPPORT

Carer Gateway

Support for family members and friends who provide care to an older person.

- Counselling, coaching, support groups & respite
- Ph: 1800 422 737

FREE SUPPORTS & SERVICES

ADVOCACY & SUPPORT

AMITY HEALTH - CARE FINDER PROGRAM

For people who are isolated, have limited access to family support or someone they trust. A dedicated care finder can:

- Help navigate My Aged Care, including understanding and completing forms
- Attend assessments and help with other challenges.

Ph: 08 9842 2797

Referral form available on the website.

W: www.amityhealth.com.au

MOORDITJ KOORT - ELDER CARE SUPPORT PROGRAM

Support for Aboriginal people aged 50+ to access aged care services.

- My Aged Care
- Intake & assessments
- Advocacy

Ph: (08) 6174 7000

ADVOCARE

Advocacy and support for older people, including elder abuse concerns.

Elder Abuse Helpline
Ph: 1300 724 679

Advocacy Line
Ph: 1800 655 566

W: www.advocare.org.au

LEGAL AID

Wheatbelt Community Legal Centre

Location: Office in Northam. Outreach to Narrogin & Moora.
Ph: 9622 5200

South West Community Legal Centre

Location: Outreach to Narrogin only.
Ph: 9791 3206

Seniors Rights and Advocacy Service (Legal Aid WA)
Ph: 1300 650 579

Aboriginal Legal Service of WA
Ph: 1800 019 900

WELLBEING SUPPORT

MEDICARE MENTAL HEALTH CENTRE

Free support for people experiencing mental health distress.

Location: Northam. Also provide phone appointments.
How to refer: walk-in (located within Holyoake), via GP or
Ph: 1800 595 212

HOLYOAKE

Support for people dependent on alcohol and/or drugs or impacted by use.

Location: Northam & Narrogin. Also provide outreach & phone appointments.
How to refer:
Ph: 9621 1055 or visit
W: www.holyoake.org.au

SENIORS MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE

Support for older adults experiencing mental health or dementia-related concerns.

Location: Clinics based in Northam, Narrogin, Merredin & Gingin. Also provide outreach & phone appointments.

How to refer:
Ph: 9621 0999
E: Wheatbelt.MentalHealthService@health.wa.gov.au

AMITY HEALTH - MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELLING

Free counselling for older adults.

How to refer: Self, health professional or GP referrals accepted. Referral form available on website.
Ph: 9842 2797
W: www.amityhealth.com.au

CONNECTIONS COUNT

Free counselling in residential aged care homes in: Brookton, Kellerberrin, Narrogin, Northam, Wagin & York.

How to refer: Via GP or through Residential Aged Care Facilities. Access referral form on website (above).

SPECIALISED HEALTH SERVICES

GERIATRICIAN

Specialist assessment and support for complex ageing-related health concerns.

- Frailty, falls and mobility
- Memory and cognition
- Comprehensive health assessment

GP referral required.

Locations:

Northam Health Service

Location: 50 Robinson St, Northam
Ph: 9690 1300

Narrogin Health Service

Location: Williams Rd, Narrogin
Ph: 9881 0333

Merredin Health Service

Location: 37 Kitchener Road, Merredin
Ph: 9081 3222

Outreach available to other Wheatbelt towns via telehealth.

DEMENTIA SUPPORT

Dementia Australia Information & education

Ph: 1800 100 500

Alzheimer's WA Support groups & respite

Ph: 1300 66 77 88

Dementia Support Aus Support for changed behaviours

Ph: 1800 699 799

Forward with Dementia Information for people living with dementia & carers.

W: forwardwithdementia.au

CRISIS LINES (24/7)

Lifeline 13 11 14

Beyond Blue
1300 224 636

1800 RESPECT
1800 737 732

SUPPORT TO NAVIGATE

To Snip or Not to Snip?

October 1, 2026

Warrior Wellbeing Articles

When we as blokes, arrive at the decision with our partners that the pitter-patter of tiny feet, 2am feeds and toxic nappies are not on the agenda anymore, then some form of permanent contraception is one possible pathway. There are options for the ladies in our lives, but those options can involve major surgery and unwanted side effects. The male version in terms of permanent surgical sterilization is the vasectomy and by comparison it's minor surgery with little to no side effects.

The first question is, what exactly is a vasectomy? Quite simply it is the cutting and sealing of the tubes (vas deferens) that carries sperm from the testes to the penis. It is usually done under local anaesthetic via a very small incision on each side of the scrotum, and despite 'The Snip' being the slang term, it doesn't usually involve scissors.

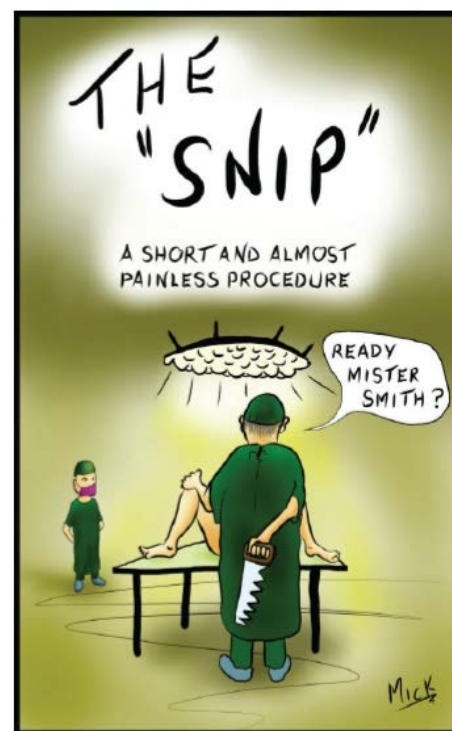
The most important question in many bloke's minds is, does it hurt? and we're well within our rights to ask this. We've already spent a lifetime keeping our crown jewels out of harm's way and on the odd occasion that we haven't, well, it hasn't ended well. The short answer is no. Some bruising and slight discomfort over the first couple of days is

normal but not debilitating. A warning to my three-year-old daughter not to jump off the end of the lounge into my lap four hours after surgery would have been useful in hindsight and I definitely wouldn't suggest riding your bike home after the op!

An important point to keep in mind, is the fact that the sperm already in your reproductive system will remain viable little swimmers for up to 3 months or until the pipes are clear. It's not uncommon for couples to fall pregnant in the months immediately following a vasectomy, an irony not immediately all that humorous to those affected.

A lot of guys worry that it will affect their experience of sex however this typically isn't the case, as outwardly there is no visible difference to ejaculate nor usually any change to sensation. The vasectomy in no way interferes with erectile function nor with orgasm which no doubt is a relief to those considering the procedure.

A vasectomy should be considered permanent even though there is a procedure known as a vasectomy reversal. A successful reversal is by no means guaranteed, with success anywhere between 40-90 % but falling away rapidly with age, time between surgeries, and other complications. For this reason, you need to be absolutely certain; besides, repeat operations on our 'agates' don't figure very highly on anyone's 'to do' list.



To decide whether a vasectomy is right for you, the ball is in your court so to speak. You need to be sure that you and your partner have completed your family and that you want to take responsibility for family planning. On the flip side, a vasectomy is not something to be rushed into if you are relatively young; recently separated, divorced or having relationship problems.

So, all in all it's a decision you and your partner need to make together, it is a major decision.

The Regional Men's Health Initiative

P: (08) 6314 1436

E: menshealth@4blokes.com.au





Location
Freebairn Rec Centre,
Kulin



Date
Wednesday 14th Oct
2026



Time
2.30pm – 4.30pm

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To discuss please contact Brendan Whyte on 0429145521

Or apply in writing to kkfcblues@hotmail.com

Applications close 1st November 2026.



Christmas Wreath Making Workshop



Location: Kondinin CRC

Price: \$100.00 includes nibbles.
BYO Drinks

Friday 27th November 5.30pm - 7.30pm

Please contact the CRC to secure your booking
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Getting the most from your bank in your farm business Q&A.

GROWER GROUP ALLIANCE
Tanya Kilminster
Utilizing GGA within your farm business.

FRIDAY 23 OCTOBER
11.30am - 2.30pm

NAREMBEEN RECREATION CENTRE
Curral Street, Naremben WA 6369

TICKETS
Members \$50
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PLEASE REGISTER BY EMAILING
naremben@womeninfarming.org.au

A delicious long lunch provided, with plenty of time to connect.

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KONDININ ARTISTS GROUP in conjunction with
THE SHIRE OF KONDININ
presents the

20th Kondinin Art Exhibition

Acquisition works from 2006- 2025 will be on display. Meet the acquisition artists.



OPENING NIGHT:

Fri 9th Oct 2026

7.30pm - 9.30pm

Kondinin Town Hall

\$10 entry

Exhibition open daily
Sat 10th - Wed 14th Oct
10am - 3pm
Gold coin entry





Dr Andrea Roberts BVMS, PO Box 543 MERREDIN WA 6415 Ph:0428212945 ABN99774533081

Pat And Chat Mobile Vet Kulin Clinic Dates 2026

Friday 23rd Oct

Friday 20th Nov

Friday 18th Dec

Please ring or text Andrea on 0428212945
for an appointment

IMPORTANT NOTICE

An optometrist is visiting Kulin for 1 day only on Friday 16th October.

Experiencing Vision Problems?

Headaches? Sore Eyes? Double Vision?

Is Your Vision At The Safe Driving Level?

Get your eyes tested for sight threatening conditions like glaucoma and macula degeneration with an optometrist funded by the Health Department.

Eye tests are billed to Medicare for eligible card holders. Scan The QR code Below To Claim Your Appointment with Kulin's Visiting Optometrist or text your name, number and email address (if possible) to 0413047354



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Graham Shipway Mobile Optometrist B App Sc (Optom) QUT

KONDININ Ladies Day

THURSDAY
15TH OCTOBER 2026

9:30AM START

\$35P/P
INC LIGHT LUNCH & MORNING TEA

Please register your teams to
CLUB CAPTAIN DEB WRIGHT

✉ debw1667@gmail.com
☎ 0438 251 927

DEC PRESENTS THE 2026

FREE CAMPING BAHR'S RD
WITH TOILETS & SHOWERS

Dumbleyung Bluebird Festival

SATURDAY 10 OCTOBER 2026

DAWSON STREET

1PM- 7PM

20+ MARKET STALLS & SHOWBAGS

FASHION PARADE

30+ CAR DISPLAY

FREE RIDES & FACE PAINTING

FREE JAMIE THE CLOWN

FREE FARM ANIMAL & REPTILE PETTING

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LIVE MUSIC
MANDY'S MUSIC

FOOD VANS
YABBY NOODLES
MALAY FUSION
SOUL VAN
LAMB ROLLS
HOT DONUTS
SLUSHIES
AFTERNOON TEA
ICECREAM VAN

DINNER & BAND
FROM 7PM - LATE

DISTRICT CLUB
TALK IS CHEAP

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SHIRE CONTACTS

FRC - 9880 1000
CRC - 9880 1204
Caravan Park - 0439 469 850
Pool - 9880 1222
Depot - 9880 1218
KCCC - 9880 1636
Kulin Water Depot - 9880 1356
Harvest Ban Info - 9880 1511

MEDICAL CENTRE

Kulin Medical - 9880 1315
St Luke's Family Practice
Dr available Thurs & Fri
Kondinin Hospital- 9894 1222
Kulin Nurse Station - 9880 1056
Tues, Wed & Fri
8.30am - 12.30pm

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

Emergency Centre - 9880 1079
SES - 13 25 00
Western Power- 13 13 53
Power Faults - 13 13 51
Water Authority- 13 13 75

POLICE CONTACTS

Emergency - 000
Non-emergency - 13 14 44
Kulin Station - 9861 5800
Crime Stoppers - 1800 333 000

CRISIS CARE CONTACTS

Rural Link - 1800 552 002
Beyond Blue - 1300 224 636
Lifeline - 13 11 14
Lifeline - text - 0477 131 114
MensLine - 1300 789 978
Kids Helpline - 1800 551 800
Holyoake - 1800 447 172
Holyoake Narrogin - 9881 1999
1800RESPECT - 1800 737 732

KULIN TRANSFER STATION & TIP SHOP

The station is open
Sunday | Monday | Thursday
10am - 3pm

LOCAL CHURCHES

Uniting Church

1st & 3rd Sunday of each
month, 11am

Catholic Church

Fr Truc Nguyen
0426 018 782
1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 8am

Anglican Church

By Request
K Wilson - 0429 801 228
Bunbury Office - 9721 2100

KULIN MOTOR MUSEUM

Wednesday 10am - 2pm
Saturday 10am - 2pm
C King - 9880 1058
B Colbourne - 0429 804 615
J Munro - 0427 386 849

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT - KULIN

Bendigo Bank Kulin -
9880 1422
Driving assessor has one
assessment day a month.

MAIN ROADS FAULTS

- 13 81 38

POISON INFORMATION

- 13 11 26

JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

MT Lucchesi - 9880 4050
JM McInnes - 9880 1360
BW Sloggett - 0427081925

CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE

All Good Refund Depot
comes to Kulin on the last
Wednesday of every month.
They pick up returns from
Kulin CCC (behind the
Memorial Hall) at midday.
Contact the Shire for more
info. To donate your cans to
KCCC C10351204
Arts Centre C10333381
Kulin Museum C10322274
Kulin Lions Club C10293508

DEFIBRILLATOR LOCATIONS

Kulin

Kulin District High School
Kulin Caravan Park
Public Toilets (Johnston St)
Freebairn Recreation Centre
Kulin Foodworks
Butler's Garage & Museum

Pingaring

Public Toilets
Pingaring Ag Solutions
Pingaring Golf Club

Dudinin

Dudinin Tennis Club

KULIN LIONS CLUB

Kulin Lions Club collect old
batteries and scrap metal.
Please feel free to drop off any
of these items at Hayden's
shed.

H McInnes - 0429 801 215
T Barndon - 0428 939 189
R Doust - 0499 802 054